

# Frank Partridge VC Public School

*Educating your child for a bright future*



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Week 2 Term 4

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Welcome to Week 2 of Term 4. It has been great to see all the kids back on deck and ready for the run home to the end of the year.

I know I mentioned it last week, but please be super aware of social media and the impact it can have on our children. Snapchat, Instagram and group chats seem to be at the forefront of many of our student's social life and these platforms are full of dangers, both socially and emotionally.

This website may be of some assistance.

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/online-safety-guide>

The DoE has a suspension and expulsion policy. This policy is available from our school upon request or online. At times I have to suspend students from our school. By the time I take this course of action I have absolutely exhausted all other supports. Unless it is something that requires mandatory suspension, we will already have discussed how we are trying to engage your child, what is working, what is not and looked at the variety of factors in their life that are impacting on their learning and the learning of those around them. If you ever have any questions in regards to this policy please do not hesitate to contact me. Our school community is incredibly supportive in regards to this policy. Parents, carers and families are always extremely supportive and understanding, whether it be their child being suspended or a child not being suspended. I do not take this support for granted and am extremely appreciative of our community and the respect they have for our school and what we are trying to do for each and every individual student in our care. Thank you! Our whole school community is integral to everything we do here and your support is amazing.

Our Stage 2 netballers had a wonderful time in Kempsey on Thursday. Mrs Bekis and Cass took four teams over with the support of Mrs Smith and Mr Lambert. The kids had a great time regardless of the scores and certainly made their school very proud.

It's scary, but Year 6 Farewell meetings have commenced. If you couldn't make the first Monday meeting and would like to be involved, please do not hesitate to contact the office and leave your name and number. Mr Freebairn will get in touch with you.

Our parent's 'Tell Them From Me' survey is a great way for you to let us know what we are doing well and what you think we could do better. They are available online and we have sent out a link to all email addresses that we have on record. We have also put a link on our Facebook page. If you would like to do the survey online then please drop into the office or make a call and give them your email address.

## Diary

### Fri 25th Oct

Stage 2 Endurance  
Walking Challenge

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Support Class  
Swimming

### Mon 28th Oct

Kickstart 9.30am

### Thurs 31st Oct

Combined Stage  
Freaky &  
Fantabulous Feast

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Yr 6 Zombie  
Transition Day

### Mon 11th Nov

Remembrance Day  
Ceremony  
10.45am  
Families Invited

### Wed 13th Nov

Stage 2 Brisbane  
Excursion

### Wed 20th Nov

Dog Safety Visit  
K-2

### Mon 25th Nov

Year 5 Leadership  
Speeches

Alternatively, we have computer stations and support people set up in the library and Miss Morro's room each afternoon and morning. Your opinion counts! So please pop in or get online and let us know what you think. All surveys are anonymous.

All of our students K-6 will be involved in a fire safety talk with our local Fire Brigade on Wednesday and Thursday. These firefighters do an incredible job keeping us safe, but what many don't realise is that they also do an incredible job getting our kids educated about fire safety and how to keep safe.

This Friday will see our kids from 36B, 36G and SCD off on their first Swimability session in Macksville. The kids are keen as mustard and Miss Gretchen has been busy organising transport and instructors. With Christmas holidays just around the corner, the additional swimming skills are sure to come in handy!

Don't forget our Kickstart Kindi transition program has begun. It runs on Mondays and Tuesdays from 9:30 – 1:30 and is a great way for your child to get a little taste of what lies ahead in 2020. Tell your friends and family to come along each Monday and Tuesday morning.

Have a great week!

Todd.

### **Kickstart Kinder Orientation Program 2020**

Our Kickstart transition program has officially begun! This incredible program provides an in depth opportunity for pre-schoolers and their families to meet staff and other students, encouraging friendships before their first day of Kindy. Session dates and times are as follows:

**Mon 21/10/19 and Tues 22/10/19 9.30am-1.30pm**

**Mon 28/10/19 and Tues 29/10/19 9.30am-1.30pm**

**Mon 4/11/19 and Tues 5/11/19 9.30am-1.30pm**

**Mon 11/11/19 and Tues 12/11/19 9.30am-1.30pm**

**Mon 18/11/19 and Tues 19/11/19 9.30am-1.30pm**

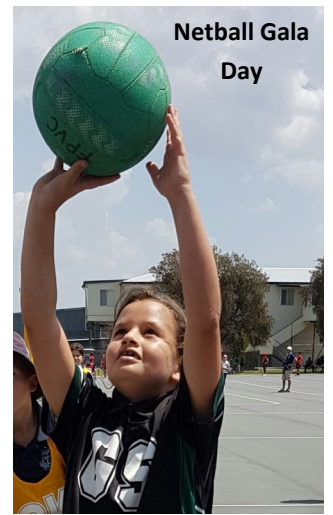
**Mon 25/11/19 and Tues 26/11/19 9.30am-1.30pm**

**Mon 2/12/19 and Tues 3/12/19 9.30am-1.30pm**

On the final day, A Teddy Bear Picnic with Kindy, Kickstarters and Year 5 Mentors will be held along with a parent information session for a chat and a cuppa.









WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MONDAY
VEGGIE CHOW MEIN  \$5 SMALL \$6 LARGE	NASI GORENG (INDONESIAN FRIED RICE)  \$5 SMALL \$6 LARGE  INDONESIAN TASTING PLATE \$5	BEEF RENDANG \$5.50 SMALL \$6.50 LARGE  INDONESIAN TASTING PLATE \$5	HONEY SOY CHICKEN WINGS & FRIED RICE  \$5 SMALL \$6 LARGE

GET YOUR PASSPORTS READY.....WE'RE OFF TO INDONESIA!

### Class Merit Awards

Assembly Lead by McKenzie, Ashton & Riley  
Welcome to Country by Zara & Samantha

<b>KD</b> Taylan Jemiah	<b>2/1E</b> Rhys Zan Mace	<b>2/1W</b> Kayley Siobhan	<b>KS</b> Jamaul Jordyn
<b>2/1M</b> Lamaari Remi	<b>3-6B</b> Cohen	<b>Library</b> Zane S Katalina	<b>4/3S</b> Calvin Charlette Cameron
<b>4/3B</b> Tiana Ashton	<b>4/3N</b> Mirabel	<b>SCD</b> Lachlan	<b>6/5F</b> Duke Katelyn Braiden
<b>6/5P</b> Shania Blake	<b>6/5H</b> Bella Zoltan	<b>3-6G</b> Patrick Ashton	

Red Cross wants everyone in our school community to be prepared for any emergency, large or small. It has been an early start to the summer disaster season, but there are simple ways your family can be prepared.

- 1 [Three simple tools to help your family get prepared:](#)
- 2 [Create an emergency plan. Download the 'Get Prepared' app](#)
- 3 [Prepare your emergency survival kit](#)

You can't always prevent an emergency, but by being prepared families can reduce their stress and cope better afterwards.