



# IT'S THURSDAY



Best wishes to  
our Class of 2008 Year 7s  
Thank you for your wonderful  
contributions  
to FLSS

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 7 Graduation Evening	Wednesday December 3 <sup>rd</sup>	7.00pm School Hall
Year 5 Southbank/City trip	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	5C, 5D and 5E 5A and 5B
2009 Prep Enrolment Interviews	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> & Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	All interviews by school-arranged appointment times
Active School Travel Meeting	Friday December 5 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am School Resource Centre All parents very welcome
P&C Meeting	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	7.00pm Staffroom
Whole School Assembly	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15am
Semester 2 Reports Distributed	Wednesday December 10 <sup>th</sup>	Years 1-7
Class Break-up Activities Day	Thursday December 11 <sup>th</sup>	All Year Levels
School Christmas Vacation	December 13 <sup>th</sup> 2008 to January 26 <sup>th</sup> 2009	School returns on <b>TUESDAY JANUARY 27<sup>th</sup> in 2009</b>

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

#### 2009 Class Allocations

Next week on Wednesday December 10, most students continuing at FLSS in 2009 will meet their 2009 class teacher and classmates. The class grouping and staff allocation arrangements have taken over three months to develop after feedback has been received from current class teachers, specialist and support staff and parents. We hope the groupings next Wednesday will remain unaltered for the duration of 2009 however final staffing and resource allocations to schools are not made until the 8<sup>th</sup> day of school in Term 1 next year. It's possible that we may have to restructure prior to Feb 5 2009, to accommodate an additional class if we receive a significant increase in new enrolments over the Christmas vacation period.

#### Active School Travel Meeting

Thank you to all families who returned their Active School Travel Surveys last week. Early next week we'll announce the lucky class that will win the \$50 tuckshop voucher.

If you can spare 30minutes this **Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 8.30am**, we're holding a school community meeting with members of the Brisbane City Council Active School Travel team in the School Resource Centre to discuss our plans for this exciting program in 2009. Everybody is very welcome. It's a great opportunity for you to contribute to making our roads and suburb safe for all school pedestrians and motorists.

#### Late School Arrivals

Being on time for school very day is important for all students. In 2009 our school will be introducing strategies to minimise the practice of students arriving at school after 8.55am and missing valuable learning time. Late students in 2009 will be required to be signed in at the main office by an accompanying parent/adult and will be issued a late slip that they will take to class. Without a late slip, students won't be able to enter class. I urge all families to use the summer vacation to plan your morning arrangements for the 2009 school year to ensure that your children are getting to class on time.

#### End of Year Arrangements

All classes will hold their end of year break-up parties on Thursday Dec 11. On this day, students may wear free dress (no donation required). Parents, if you aren't aware already, please ask your children what their class break-up party arrangements are for the day. If you're unsure, please contact our office staff and we'll follow up your enquiry. A special request: please do not allow your children to bring live animals or expensive toys to school next week.

### Holiday Wishes

As this is our final newsletter for 2008, may I take this opportunity to thank every member of our school: students, staff, parents, and community members for your contributions. Forest Lake State School is a wonderful educational environment that continues to thrive through a shared vision, teamwork and fellowship of everybody who comes onto our campus. If you are returning in 2009, I look forward to working with you again. May your Christmas break be enjoyable, safe and peaceful. With regards  
John Faragher (Principal)

## YEAR 3B HAIKU POEMS

Last month, as part of our unit on Global Communities, Year 3B entered a competition run by Education Queensland's Learning Place site to write Haiku poems. Haikus are a special Japanese poem. Unfortunately, we didn't win. However, we think our entries are great. See if you agree.

### Melina D 3B

Pretty pink flowers  
There is a fragrant pink tree.  
Beautiful flowers.

### Holly P 3B

Yellow and orange  
Falling onto the footpath  
Flying in the wind.

### Daniel C 3B

Drip drop rain falling  
Cool rain falling from the sky.  
Wetting everything.

### Gagan S 3B

Enormous Fuji  
Snow sits on the mountain top.  
Magnificent sight.

### Marchel V 3B

Rain is fresh and cold.  
It is falling from the sky.  
Rain is refreshing.

### Keanue A 3B

The beautiful bird  
Gliding through the summer air.  
Feeling so happy.

### Aaron H 3B

Snow is very soft.  
Snow is very icy cold.  
Snow is beautiful.

### Kavisha H

Falling from white skies  
Snow fights with snowballs is fun.  
Very cold and wet.

### Ben P 3B

Autumn leaves falling.  
Gliding from above the ground.  
Feeling really great.

### Zoey C 3B

So beautiful snow.  
Falling down from the white sky.  
Being very cold.

### Shane P 3B

Snowfalls can be fun.  
Snowflakes falling from the sky.  
Snow makes me happy.

### Hayden S 3B

Enormous Fuji  
Looking tall and tremendous  
Feeling great and grand.

### Janay H 3B

Little butterfly  
Resting on a fragrant flower  
Sitting peacefully.

### Harsh P 3B

Enormous Fuji  
Snow is falling on Fuji.  
Feeling very strong.

### Clair G 3B

Splitter, splatter, splash!  
Rain is absolutely wet.  
Feeling very fresh.

### Madileen S 3B

Rain is refreshing  
Flowers bloom when it is raining  
Rain makes flowers wet.

### Hayden E 3B

Little butterfly  
Flicking over huge flowers  
Feeling generous.

### Nathan G 3B

Leaves are very green.  
They can be nice in Autumn.  
They fall very fast.

### Hannah H 3B

Snow is very cold.  
It falls from the dark, grey sky.  
Snow is glorious.

### Shakeel S 3B

Enormous Fuji  
Mount Fuji a volcano  
Feeling hot and strong.

### Matthew F 3B

Wonderful oak tree  
Providing a lot of shade  
Feeling generous.

### Aron G 3B

Special to Japan  
Is the splendid Mount Fuji  
Really powerful.

## SPORTS RESULTS

Overall winners in the softball competition were:

Softball Girls – Inala West

Softball Boys – Grand Avenue

## STUDENT AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who recently received an award on assembly:

**SEU Student Leader Awards: Hayley Turner-Davis, Peter Salesa and Amber Bellamy.**

**SEU:** Treybian Burton, Katerina McGrath and Thomas Kemp.  
**Prep:** Cooper Thistleton, Georgia Dale, Aimee Wallis, David Mai, Odin Cross, Lawson Grey, Ryan Misa, Nicholas Vaasili, Chaille Dauth, Andy Dang, Leticia Revelo, Vincent Tran, Lillianne Tran, Caitlin Donohoe, Elliott Donaldson, Bailey Muriwai, Lucas Manton, Aysha Ito, Ella-Mae Dickinson, KC Oaariki, Sanvi Metha, Rashmi Kahawatta, Rebecca Mortimer, Jake Fennelly, Emma Goldie, Laila Hannant, Alister Blackburn, Tobie Watts and Oliver Bajaj.

**Year 1:** Lara Skinner, Chante Pamatatau, Paige Heffell, Lachlan Randle, Daniel Morrow, Taleasha MacDonald, Abigail Foster, Tayla Muriwai, Dylan Budd, Sarah Mareales, Daniella Swart, Tyler Small, Jordon Quirk, Geoga Cuic, Bianca King, Isaac Kazich, Shirya Sumon and Mai Nghiem..

**Year 3:** Nicholas Greenaway, Tia Foley, Alan Duong, Melina Dewey, Clair Graham, Gagan Singh, Zoey Cooke, Janay Herewini, Coen Clarkson, Brooke Hunt, Elizabeth Prochon, Thomas Gordon, Annika Eckermann, Ashton Bossy, Ryan Nguyen, Raquel Estrada, Britney Mathison, Shehan Aturugiriya, Jackson Rawiri, Daniel Enkelmann, Chelsea Grimshaw, Samuel Zandbergen, Cindy Truong, Bronte Shepherd, Nathan Gordon, Matthew Fennelly, Harsh Patel, Madileen Silva, Dean Ofahengaue, Abtin Vantandoust, Jasmine Kainuku, Joe Vang, Ava Cross, Liam Wolter, Jaxson Simmons, Caleb Rowe, Caleb Tom, Aaron Midkiff and Tahni Hobb.

**Year 6:** Cassidy Scatchard, Nash Symonds, Jessika Stacey, Jarrod Hessel, Vinh Nguyen, Jodie Church, Callum McDiarmid, Casey Waller, Jack Totman-Rutledge, Brandon Motu, Holly McMullen, Mitchell Bentley, Taylor Batkin, Lindsay King, Jayden Fletcher, Juhee Lee, Ezra Bryett, Sam Luckett, Jarryd Wenlock, Alex Herbert, Taliah Revelo, Cieran Ferguson, Chris Chiou, Phung Le, Erin Arthurs, Jake Minett, Kristen Williams, Alex Manson, Sharni Singh, Luke Jamieson and Kurt Enkera.

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

“Community Chat” continues to meet outside the school hall on Wednesdays 9-10am. Feel free to join us and make a friend, and extend your network of contacts.

With Christmas coming, I am producing a 20 minute show using a couple of the classes for an end of year **RE Concert**. It will be held in the school hall between 9:30 and 11 am on 11th December three times, allowing for each of the lower, middle and upper school children to enjoy.

**Pure and Holy “White Light Night” Dance/Party**, was a successful night. Thank you to those that came.

**Operation Christmas Child** sent 26 boxes to the Samaritan's purse along with some very full bags of extra items. This is a great effort for just 8 classes, especially at such short notice. Thank you to Pastor Alan for initiating this and for the two mums that really got behind the vision and brought in many additional items to help pack and complete the boxes.

Libby and Claire have done a fabulous job of encouraging the children who attend **Club 67** to know that they are loved and accepted.. I take this opportunity to thank them on behalf of

**Club 67** for diligently preparing an exciting programme and encouraging us in our faith.

Have a safe and happy Christmas break with your families. See you next year.

Chaplain Lyz

## UNIFORM SHOP HOURS FOR 2008/2009

Mondays and Fridays 8.45am to 10.45am  
 Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December 9am to 11am

### Last week of school

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>** 8.45am to 10.45am

### January 2009

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 9.00am to 1.00pm  
 Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 9.00am to 1.00pm  
 Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January 9.00am to 1.00pm

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> and Friday 30<sup>th</sup>  
 January 2009 - 8.45am to 10.45am

## CANS FOR TALLARA

**Bring your empty drink cans to school and your class could win a pizza party.** By collecting cans you are also helping to look after *Tallara*, our rainforest. Vouchers for ice blocks are also given out each week for individual collectors. Please label the bags with your name, class and the number of cans in the bag. The following students contributed to our recent collection: Erin Delta-James, Lachlan Crompton, Dakota Pene, Tammy Bui, Tamika Vince, Dan Le, Witika Palmer, Devin Mandy, Drew Oaariki, Britney Mathison, Bobbie Dowlie, Brayden Dearly, Kaytlyn Ronan, Amber Palmer, Rhyce Oaariki, Renee Ryan, Chloe Kelsall and Ja'd Webster.

**Thank you from SEU 2B**

## THURSDAY'S THOUGHT

Never look down on anybody unless you're helping them up.  
 Rev. Jesse Jackson

## TUCKSHOP NEWS

**The last day of tuckshop for 2008 will be Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December.** However, please be aware that I will be reducing the level of stock held in the tuckshop. Please ensure that your child has enough money to change their order should their first choice be out of stock (particularly from next Thursday).

**A huge thank you to all of my helpers this year.**

Your support has been appreciated. Please come and see me for details of our night out on 5<sup>th</sup> December.

Ruth Ross

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### **CONN 27B TRUMPET FOR SALE - \$400**

Used by student for 1 year only.  
 Please contact Krystin 0413 598 793

### **FOREST LAKE STATE HIGH SCHOOL**

#### **UNIFORM SHOP**

#### **OPENING HOURS - 2008**

Monday 8am to 10am and 2pm to 3pm

Tuesday - closed

Wednesday - 9.30am to 11.30 am

Thursday - 8am to 10am and 2pm to 3pm

Friday - 8am to 10am

#### **JANUARY 2009**

Monday 19th to Friday 23rd - 9am to 12pm each day

Tuesday 27th to Friday 30th - 8am to 11am each day

#### **FEBRUARY 2009**

Each school day from 8am to 10am

We accept cash, EFTPOS and Credit cards.

You can contact the uniform shop during opening hours only  
 on 3714 2341

Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Keryn Heslin, <b>HELP NEEDED</b>
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Uo Brown, <b>HELP NEEDED</b>
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Sylvia Pitcher, Penni Devenish, Deb Donderwicz
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Tracey Blackburn, <b>HELP NEEDED</b>
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Lucy Estrada, <b>HELP NEEDED</b>
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Keryn Heslin, <b>HELP NEEDED</b>
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Tuckshop Closed
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Tuckshop Closed

## UNIFORM SHOP

**The uniform shop will be open an extra day on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December from 9am to 11am**

A reminder that chair bags have increased in price from \$7 to \$9.

Also please be aware that on the book list for next year for all year levels from Prep to year 7 is the new home folder.

**These are only available from the uniform shop, at a cost of \$8.50.**

We also have roll-on sunscreen available - \$6.50.

If you cannot get into the shop phone me after 9.30am Monday and Fridays on 3714-1256, order with your credit card and I will deliver it to your child's classroom.

EFTPOS and Credit Card and Lay-by facilities available.

As always I am looking for volunteers for the busy times.

Mondays and Fridays up until school finishes will become very busy. Mostly I will only need help for about an hour, so if you can lend a hand that would be most appreciated.

Also the first week back at school is very busy. A big thanks to Natasha and Sally who come in and help when they can and to Tracy for helping me unpack all those 22x cartons of stock.

All uniforms are in stock.

**Included in this fortnight's newsletter:**