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Forbes High School Amazing Students











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Principal's Message

Dear Parents, Carers, Students and the wider School Community,

It is hard to believe how quickly the school year is passing. We have had so many brilliant experiences at our school in recent weeks and many more planned for the rest of the term. This week alone we have had the opportunity to meet our Year 7 parents, we have taken our school photographs and Year 12 students have had the opportunity to experience university life.

A group of our Aboriginal students had a once in a lifetime opportunity to meet with the Governor, Margaret Beazley who visited Forbes last week. Our Forbes High School Girri Girri students were invited to the Dreaming Centre by Aileen Allen, a highly respected elder in Forbes, who took a lot out of the day researching the role of the governor of NSW. The Girri Girri students Matty Duke, Ebonnie Hopley, Kye McDaniel, Bella Bond and Lilli Johnson were led by Forbes High School vice-captain Matilda Langham.



I thoroughly love being a part of Forbes High School and the opportunities that our students have to engage in such a broad range of educational experiences. Over the past two weeks our students have represented us with pride at the Forbes Public and Forbes North swimming carnivals. Working shoulder to shoulder with our partner primary schools is a key focus of mine and being able to receive excellent feedback of our students' leadership skills highlights the strength of our student body.



I had the privilege of attending the induction of the Parliament at Forbes North Public School. It was wonderful to see the leaders of the future be inducted into their portfolio areas and take on specific leadership roles throughout the school. I look forward to seeing their leadership journey continue when they attend Forbes High School.

26th Feb is our swimming carnival and we are looking forward to a fun filled day of healthy competition and school pride. This is my first carnival at Forbes High and I anticipate it will be an excellent day with house passion and spirit. Please encourage your child to attend this day, they are a part of our regular school routine and allow our students to learn different skills and knowledge.



Principal's Message

Respect is a key value at Forbes High School and at times activities on social media challenge this. Our police liaison officer has started working with our students by providing cyber safety talks. These talks are essential in supporting our students be informed about the issues that can occur when being online and on social media. We encourage you to have open conversations with your child and ongoing support is available as well. We are planning future parent discussion opportunities and we will keep you informed when these will occur. Additionally, we ask that you support us by supporting our rules that phones are off and away throughout the school day.



Attendance matters! This is vital to ensuring the education of your child and learning is not able to occur if they are not in class. Small absences, including being late or leaving early, add up and overtime it has a significant impact on a child's learning. If you need any assistance in having your child arrive at school on time, please contact the school for support and advice.

Warm Regards, Mrs Kathleen Maksymczuk Rel. Principal

Weekly Highlight – Year 7 Parent Greet and Meet

Forbes High School hosted a Year 7 Meet and Greet last Tuesday evening between 4:30 – 5:30pm. This allowed our Year 7 parents to get to know and develop relationships with our Year 7 teachers. The afternoon was a relaxed atmosphere and afternoon tea was supplied and our Skills Hospitality Training Café served hot beverages.



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Deputy Principal's Message

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

It is hard to believe that we are already in Week 5 of Term 1.

Students in all year levels will be well into their learning in all subjects by now and some may even be preparing for assignments or assessments. It is important that students are ready to complete all formal and informal tasks so that they meet their course requirements. Some ways for students to keep on top of learning and assessment requirements are:

Attendance – being present and in class every day is the best way for students to achieve their best at school. Arriving on time and staying until the end of everyday will ensure that students are gaining the background knowledge needed to successfully complete classwork and assessment activities.

Classtime – utilising classtime to complete work and get support from the teacher when unsure is a guaranteed way to ensure students are set up for success.

Diary – using a diary to keep track of homework and assessment tasks can help students to stay on track and not feel overwhelmed with what they are required to do. Prue Salter is a study skills guru and she has a great video on You Tube explaining how to use а school diary. Follow the link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Kp7NYavJrc or just type Prue Salter how to use a diary into a search engine.

Teachers – remember that teachers are the first place students should go with questions about classwork or assignments. It is a great idea for students to keep their teacher informed of how they are going, whether that be about classwork, assignments, attendance or other factors which may be impacting their performance, so that teachers can support students before an issue becomes too large.

Homework centre – remember that Forbes High School offers a homework centre on Monday afternoons in the library. Students can attend, use library resources and access teachers for support in completing classwork and assignments.

So, with these points in mind and by encompassing the school expectation of *do your best* all students should be well-placed to achieve their best in classwork and assessment tasks throughout the year.

Regards, Mrs Lee-Anne Jones



Forbes High School Homework Centre in the Library every Monday starting at 3pm, Work Smarter, save the time!





What's Happening

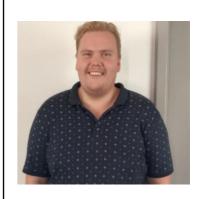
Weeks of Term 1 2021		
Week 5		
22 Feb	School Photo Day (Catch Up)	
23 Feb		
24 Feb	International Disability Day	
25 Feb		
26 Feb	AECG Meeting	
	School Swimming Carnival	
Week 6		
1 Mar 2 Mar	Cyber Safety Police Talk Yr8 Opens Netball	
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3 Mar	Combined Uni Deedahawa	
4 Mar 5 Mar	Combined Uni Roadshow Yr 9 Batyr Workshop	
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8 Mar	Aurora Camp	
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9 Mar	Merino Day	
10 Mar	Aurora Camp	
11 Mar	Aurora Camp	
12 Mar	Western Swimming Aurora Camp	
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15 Mar	Cyber Safety Police Talk Yr9	
16 Mar	Yr 12 Work Placement	
17 Mar	Yr 12 Work Placement	
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18 Mar	Yr 12 Work Placement Yr 12 Work Placement	
19 Mar	U14 & 16 Rugby League	
Week 9		
22 Mar	Yr 12 Work Placement	
22 Mar	Open's Girls Volleyball	
23 Mar	Yr 12 Work Placement	
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25 Mar	Wear it Red for Ronald	
	McDonalds House	
26 Mar	Yr 12 Work Placement	
Week	U15 Girls Netball	
10		
29 Mar	Cyber Safety Police Talk Yr10	
30 Mar		
31 Mar	Marth Marth Oals - Day	
1 Apr	Youth Week Colour Run Touch Football Bathurst	
2 Apr	Good Friday	

Introducing New Staff Members



Miss Smith is our new Drama and English Teacher. She has recently moved to the area from South West Sydney and is quite excited to become a part of the local community. She loves the theatre, books, and anything creative which is why she teaches English and Drama. She is looking forward to expanding the subject of Drama through supporting students who wish to be creative and enhance their performance skills. In English and especially Drama, her students are always encouraged to uphold our school expectations; to be respectful, responsible, do their best and be honest.

Mr French is our new science teacher. He has just moved to the area after finishing his Bachelor of Science education at the University of Wollongong. He has come to Forbes High School as part of the Science faculty, this is extremely exciting for him as his passion in life is learning all about Science and telling others about Science. He is excited about moving out to Forbes and teaching here as he never really had the chance to experience the country lifestyle. The best part is how friendly everyone is, this is a major but welcome change to what I am used to.





Mrs Carne is our new TAS teacher. She has been a woodwork and metalwork teacher since 2013. She decided to become a TAS teacher whilst driving across the Hay plains from her home town in Ceduna SA. She realised that her honours degree in Industrial Design would actually help her to teach kids how to design and make things. She thought that would be the best job in the world. It is fun, it is meaningful and the design process can be applied to any problem to find a solution.



Faculty Report from TAS

What an amazing and exhilarating start to 2021.

Firstly, I would like to officially welcome out newest member of the TAS faculty Mrs Carne. Mrs Carne will be working with our Stage 4 Technology classes and the Stage 5 Design & Technology students.

Year 7, Digital Technology have been working on typing skills and general computer usage. They have been working towards developing their understanding of *binary coding* and data storage in **Bits**, and **Bytes**.

Year 8, Engineered Systems: Have been working on developing their CAD skills in SketchUp and Onguard training. Students have also been investigating colour as an element of design in Design and Technology. We made colour wheels to experiment with primary colours and created secondary colours as they spun.





Year 12 are well into their Major Project development. Students are continuing with the designing and planning of projects to construct for their HSC Major Projects. In the coming weeks students will be ordering and engaging in making their ideas and seeing them through to realisation.

In Stage 5 Design & Technology students have been investigating how visual language is used to communicate messages effectively without words. We are using a vector drawing program to develop our own safety signs for the computer lab.



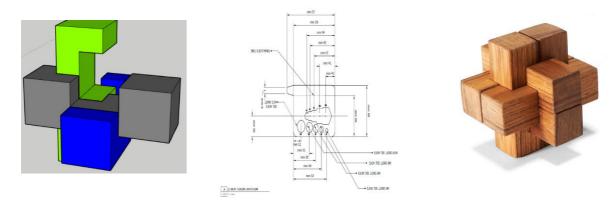




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Year 11 have started their senior course with a great attitude the Industrial Technology Timber class is working on their *Burr Puzzle Project* utilising Sketchup as the Cad element of their learning and Metal is working on their *Multitool.*



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<u>Reminder</u>

To start the day off right, breakfast club is now running out of the canteen and is now serving free toast





Community News

WISHES DO COME TRUE

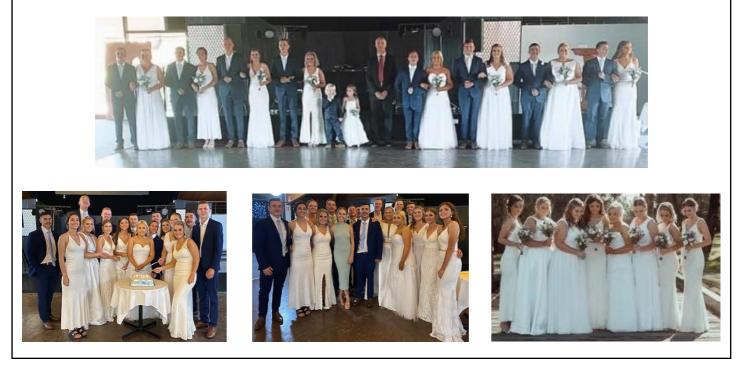
On Saturday night, around 200 family, friends and guests attended the Forbes Sportsman's Hotel to support sixteen determined young people who raised more than \$1500 for 'Make A Wish' Australia. Twelve months ago when this group commenced preparations for their charity Debutante Ball they had no idea what challenges they were about to face. A Global Pandemic and all the social distancing restrictions that came with it may have tried to derail them but it certainly did not stop them.

Master of Ceremonies for the event, Maria Bullock was on point and made sure that everything ran smoothly for the evening. Arlo Barlow and Bobbie Ashcroft, the pageboy and flowergirl, were gorgeous and escorted the debutantes and their partners to Mr Daniel West. The debutantes and their partners consisted of Sybella Carlisle and Angus Turner, Jessica Ashcroft and Blair Thomas, Bridie Herron and John Dietrich, Ruby Staines and Preston Thorpe, Hannah Staines and Brodie Acret, Ella Greenhalgh and Talis Hurford, Leilah Merritt and Xander Williams, Jessica Little and Lincoln Godden.

The presentation dance was choreographed by Miss Eliza Woods to 'Speechless' by Dan + Shay and it was a fresh, modern partner dance. The group gave a polished performance to the delight of their families, friends and guests. At the conclusion of the feature dances a delicious two-course meal, prepared by Monty's catering was enjoyed by all attendees. Shirley Myers made and decorated the cake which was cut up for dessert at the conclusion of the official part of the evening.

Even though the group was unable to fundraise as much as they had planned due to circumstances beyond their control, they raised more than \$1500 for their chosen charity 'Make A Wish' Australia. 'Make a Wish' brings amazing people together to grant inspirational, life-changing wishes for children with a critical illness. As one of Australia's most trusted charities for the past 35 years, they work with sick children, their families and medical teams to design and deliver wishes that are as unique as the children who imagine them. The 100 Club and Monster Garden raffle were draw on the night and the winners included: Kate Merritt (100 Club 1st Prize), Hannah Staines (100 Club 2nd Prize), Jo Staines (100 Club 3rd Prize) and Sharon Beuzaville (Raffle winner).

This amazing group would like to thank everyone who have supported them through this experience, especially their families.







Term 1, we

Forbes High School

P & C Meeting AGM 2021

Tuesday 9th March

6pm, Forbes High School

Membership costs \$2.00 Forms can be downloaded from the school website and emailed to forbeshighschool@pandcaf filiate.com.au, deposits can be made on online or come along to the meeting and join.

All welcome!



Become a Vinnies Member and make a difference in your local community

Community News



Forbes District Soccer Club 2021

Online Registrations are now open for the 2021 Winter Football Season Competition Starts Saturday 24 April





Poyers turning 6 (UK6) through to Seniors - both Ladies and Men need to register online at ... www.mytootballclub.com.au and select Forbes District Soccer Club.

The NSW Government now provide a \$100 voucher to parents / guardians of school / NEE enrolled children aged 4.5 to 18 via the Active Kiks Rebate. The \$100 voucher can be used forwards registration casts and requires you to create an account of www.service.new.gov.au and enter your medicate defails for each child had that lib polyarity access. You will be given a voucher code for each child and can enter the voucher code at the payment section of Online registration plus the Cub Gap Rev.

Face to Face Registrations will be held at Forbes Services Memorial Club on the 20, 27 February, 6, 13, & 20 March from 10am - 12pm. Entry from Templar Street

Inquiries: Doug Mckenzie 0412 287 810, Ash Milford 0404 039 772

Under 4 to Seniors Registration

Face to Face Registration Only

Name:		
Age:		
DOB:		
Address:		
Parent Name:	Parent Phone:	
Parent Email:		
Emergency Contact:		
Friends for Team:		

Active Klds Voucher Details for Redemption by Club at Registration

Childs Name (as per medicare card):

DOB

Voucher Numbe

Please complete and hand this form in at the Club Registration Day Forbes Services Memorial Club on 20, 27 February, 6, 13, & 20 March from 10am - 12pm

ORBES RUGBY

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\$125.00**

includes:

Shorts | Socks |

Training Shirt

TRY JUNIOR RUGBY WITH FORBES RUGBY

Forbes Junior Rugby Club welcomes boys and girls for the 2021 season.

Steps on how to self register can be found on our juniors/walla page at www.forbesrugbyclub.com.au For more information please contact Nat Walker via email: forbesrugbyjuniors@hotmail.com

Registrations Now Open

- WALLA 5 10 Years
 - JUNIOR
 - Under 12's
 - Under 14's
 - Unders 16's

\$100 off registration fees with your free Active Kids voucher. See Active Kids www.service.nsw.gov.au

*** UNDER 6 Player Fees \$100.00

To Self Register go to myaccount.rugby.com.au