



# ANZAC DAY 2022

LEST WE FORGET





## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents, Carers and our FHS community,

Welcome to a brand-new school term, an extremely busy term but a highly important time as we finalise assessments for Semester One and issue reports. We will schedule opportunities for you to meet with teachers to ensure the learning outcomes of our students are maximised.

Welcome to several new Forbes High families who have joined us at the end of first term and at the start of this term. We look forward to working shoulder to shoulder with our families ensuring the best educational outcomes for their students.

We have a significant amount of building and landscaping works taking place around the school. This beautification is exciting as we continue the aesthetic appeal of our grounds. You will notice work commencing on a mural at the front of the school. This update will include our students connecting in and through this project which pays homage to the past whilst also strengthening connections to the present. Garden beds, retaining wall and large chess sets will feature in the updated area between blocks 1 and 2. There are significant improvements planned and we look forward to showcasing them as they finish!



Thank you to our students who were able to attend the ANZAC commemoration and who represented our school with pride. I would also like to acknowledge our students for their participation in our school commemoration.

Congratulations to our Year 12 students who have demonstrated commitment and dedication to the non-assessable examinations. These examinations are a rich source of data for staff and students to finetune and target the next steps in learning. This critical feedback, combined with their Half Yearly Reports, will provide an excellent platform for students to engage in focussed study and revision.

The coming weeks are busy ones, with the school's athletics carnival on Friday 13th May. This is a regular school day and all students are expected to attend. Please wear your house colours and support your house through participation, cheering and positive spirit!

Next week will also see Years 7 and 9 complete NAPLAN assessments. These important assessments allow us to monitor student growth as well as identifying areas of strength and areas for development. Please ensure your child is at school on the required days to complete the assessments, allowing us to plan for the targeted learning necessary.

NAPLAN days are as follows:-

Tuesday 10th May - Reading

Wednesday 11th May - Language & Writing

Thursday 12th May - Numeracy

Tuesday 17th May - Catch up

**All students in Year 7 & 9 will need to bring a set of headphones to use during the assessments.**



The Forbes High School P and C are a pivotal part of our school’s success, and we invite you all to the meeting next week, Wednesday 11th May at the school. Please come along and be a part of this great team of passionate supporters of our school.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our school and please reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Warm regards.  
Kathleen Maksymczuk  
Rel. Principal

## DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

We are back into the swing of term 2 and students and teachers have been quickly absorbed back into their teaching and learning. It is lovely to walk around a calm school and witness the students engaged in their classes, asking questions, debating topics and generally doing what they come to school to do, which is learn. While talking to a colleague from another school that is very similar to Forbes High School the other day, we got on to the subject of how students learn in the 21st century. After the conversation had finished, I received an email from him with the following paragraph that resonated with me and how we need to be working with our charges in improving their outcomes for a successful future. Sometimes I think we lose sight of the fact that Generation Alpha – born since 2010, are younger than smartphones, the iPad, 3D television, Instagram, and music streaming apps like Spotify. This is the first generation likely to see in the 22nd century in large numbers.

The paragraph reads

*“A 21st century education is about giving students the skills they need to succeed in this new world and helping them grow the confidence to practice those skills. With so much information readily available to them, 21st century skills focus more on making sense of that information, sharing and using it in smart ways. Education is an important tool that helps an individual work for a better future. When we say education, it is the continuous process of learning things – from simple knowledge to complex information.”*

(Think strategic 2020)

While we may not always get it right, I do believe that with the staff and students at this amazing school, we are making great leaps forward into producing young 21st century adults. We see it on a regular basis when students successfully leave school and become apprentices across multiple trades in our town or when students are accepted into university with early entries. Or when students both with internal and external events represent themselves, the school and their families with dignity, respect and pride.

Year 12 are participating in their examination week as I write this, the purpose of these examinations is twofold, the first is to allow students to receive extra support and feedback from their teachers in the students’ knowledge of content as well as giving the cohort practice in the skills and techniques needed to be successful in formal examinations. I wish all Year 12 well in these endeavours, as with all assessments and examinations preparation and practice are key to being successful.

Here is to a successful and productive Term 2.

Yours sincerely,  
David Lickess  
Deputy Principal



## ATHLETICS CARNIVAL FRIDAY 13TH MAY

The athletics carnival is on next Friday 13th May so dust off your house colours and start practicing your chants!

This is a regular school day and all students are expected to attend as per normal school hours.

Year 12 will have a canteen running on the day with food and drinks for purchase including cakes & slices, bacon & egg rolls and sausage sandwiches. The Skills Van will be there also for hot and cold drinks.



## UNIFORM PRICE LIST

Below is a list of items that are available for sale from the front office.

- Sports shirt \$30
- Sports shorts \$35
- School Jacket \$95
- Visual Art Diary \$8
- School Hoodie \$45
- Tracksuit pants \$60
- Calculator \$35

If you require a white FHS polo shirt or a tunic, these can be purchased from Gunns, on Rankin Street.



## ENERGY DRINKS PROHIBITED AT FORBES HIGH SCHOOL

A reminder to students that all energy drinks are prohibited at school. If you are found to be in possession of one, it will be confiscated.

### WEEK 3

- M 9th May** - Open Girls Squash
- T 10th May** - NAPLAN
- W 11th May** - NAPLAN
- T 12th May** - NAPLAN
- F 13th May** - Athletics Carnival

### WEEK 4

- M 16th May** - 'Smashed Live' performance
- T 17th May** - NAPLAN catch up
- W 18th May** -
- T 19th May** -
- F 20th May** - Lachlan Athletics Coffee Van Excursion

### BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club is running from the Canteen every morning from 8:30am. Come and grab some toast to start your day.



Kathleen Maksymczuk  
Relieving Principal



David Maksymczuk  
Deputy Principal



Lee-Anne Jones  
Deputy Principal

YEAR 7 ADVISOR  
Shanna Nock

YEAR 8 ADVISOR  
Tara Morrison

YEAR 9 ADVISOR  
Hayley Wilson

YEAR 10 ADVISOR  
Riley Pike

YEAR 11 YEAR ADVISOR  
Peita Coote

YEAR 12 YEAR ADVISOR  
Georgie Price

CAREERS ADVISOR  
Daniel West

SCHOOL COUNSELLOR  
Elisabeth McIntyre

WELLBEING / TRANSITION  
Amy Adams





Fishing has been a hugely successful sports choice for our Stage 4 students. The record catch so far is a whopping 30 fish in one day! Great to see our students doing their bit for the environment by getting rid of so many carp from the Ski Dam!



Senior students attended a Tertiary Awareness Day yesterday, where they had the opportunity to explore and discover post school pathways. There was an impressive array of displays and representatives from a variety of tertiary education providers and prospective employers, giving the students plenty of ideas for potential careers.





## FORBES HIGH SCHOOL P & C

The P&C will be holding its next meeting on **Wednesday May 11th at 5pm** at the Forbes High School.

### MEETING DATES 2022

Meetings for the year will be on Wednesday evenings at 5pm.

- May 11 (FHS)
- June 8 (FHS)
- Aug 10 (Club Forbes)
- Sept 14 (FHS)
- Nov 9 (FHS)
- Dec 7 (Club Forbes & Xmas dinner)

Membership forms are also available and we would like to encourage families to become a member to support the school. Forms can be found on the school website <https://forbes-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/> . Membership is only \$2 We look forward to helping support our families, students and staff.

Have a great week.  
 Kind regards,  
 Nat Walker  
 FHS P&C President

## AEROSOL FREE SCHOOL



For the health and safety of all in our community, the use of aerosol deodorants is NOT PERMITTED on site at Forbes High School. Students who wish to 'freshen up' during the day will need to use a roll-on deodorant.

Some students and staff will suffer a serious asthmatic reaction to aerosols, which could lead to serious harm.

## PASS OUT PROCEDURE

If your student requires a pass out from school, please send a note to be handed in to the office when they first get to school or ring the office on 6852 2666. Please be aware that pass outs can only be collected at recess and lunch.

Please let your student know that they need to collect the pass out from the office during recess (11-11:30am) and lunch (1:30 – 2pm). Pass outs will not be delivered to the students during class time.



## Forbes PA & H 2022 Show Youth Committee

The Forbes PA&H are looking for people aged 16yrs to 20 yrs to be part of the 2022 Show Youth Committee. A great opportunity to have your say about the Forbes Show as well as helping out your community.

**Contact us to put forward an expression of interest or for further details**



[forbesshow@gmail.com](mailto:forbesshow@gmail.com)

02 6852 1311



## Become a foster carer

Foster Carers are needed in your area more than ever before.

Whether you are giving a child a long-term home, or stepping in to help in a crisis, being a foster carer is a hugely rewarding experience.

If you have room in your heart and your home, please take the first step and contact Challenge Foster Care on **1800 084 954**, [fostercare@challengecommunity.org.au](mailto:fostercare@challengecommunity.org.au) or visit our website [challengecommunity.org.au](http://challengecommunity.org.au) to find out more about becoming a foster carer.



Friday night 6pm - 8.30pm

**YOUTH GROUP**

St. Laurence's Youth

**YEARS 7-10**

Dinner provided - \$5 donation

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**FORBES CWA EVENING Branch**

# **OPEN GARDEN**

Come and explore a magnificent garden and sculptures  
at

## **Helen and Kingsley Green's "Brooklyn"**

(From Post Office: South on Newell Hwy (3.3ks), left onto Wirrinya Rd (4.8ks), right onto Victory's Rd (1.4kms), left into "Brooklyn" HJ Green – balloons at entry to property)

**2pm-4pm**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May**

**\$10 per person**

Afternoon tea and refreshments included

**All funds raised supports:**

- local CWA Projects**
- NSW CWA Disaster Relief Fund**