

# NEWSLETTER FERNLEIGH PUBLIC SCHOOL

1<sup>st</sup> December 2014

Term 4 – Week 9

email: [fernleigh-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:fernleigh-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)web: [www.fernleigh-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.fernleigh-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

## Dates to Remember in 2014



### Term 4

### December

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Final Swimming Day
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Kinder Orientation  
9.30-12.30
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Canteen orders due
- 4<sup>th</sup> Wyrallah PS Visit-  
Author/illustrator
- 5<sup>th</sup> Kinder Orientation
- 5<sup>th</sup> Canteen Day

- 9<sup>th</sup> Pre School Visit
- 11<sup>th</sup> Currumbin
- 12<sup>th</sup> Kinder Orientation

- 16<sup>th</sup> Assembly Concert
- 17<sup>th</sup> Last Day Students
- 18<sup>th</sup> School Development  
Staff Only

**Student Banking –**  
Wednesday/Friday  
**Munch and Sip** - Every  
Day  
**Office Days** – Monday,  
Wednesday, Friday.  
**Dates and times may**  
**Change**



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers,

As a matter of urgency I'm informing parents that, as of yesterday (Sunday), we have the opportunity of joining another small school at **Wyrallah for a full day of working with an author of children's books as well as an illustrator on Thursday this week (December 4)**. I took the opportunity for our students as it is funded under a grant, as long as it is for students from small schools. Once I have the final details (hopefully by tomorrow) I will send home permission notes. We WILL require some parental assistance with transport to and from Wyrallah. Parents are welcome to stay for the day, or perhaps they might like to spend the day shopping in Lismore??? Or have other ideas for the day??? This is a great opportunity and I didn't want our children to miss this. I hope, at this busy time of year, there will be enough parents who can assist with transport. Unfortunately I will be at another financial budgeting course for the day.

Thank you to all the parents who sent in **fun run money** – that has been sent off now. Also thanks to those parents and children who joined in our **mufti day last Thursday. \$23 was raised** for our end of year concert costs and this has been very helpful. On **Friday this week (Dec 5)**, the senior students have organized a '**canteen**' menu for a special day of '**food**'. The costs are:

Chicken and Avocado sushi - \$3

Hot Dog - \$2:50

Ham and Cheese Croissant - \$3

Fruit Poppers - \$1:50

Muffins - \$1:50 or Slice - \$1

Please ensure you send your child's order and money **back by Wednesday** at the latest. It is unlikely that we can cater for late orders. Thank you to Karla and Eliza who have indicated their willingness to help prepare the food.

Tomorrow is our **final day of swimming** and we thank Ballina High School for the grant organization, along with Frances Quinn and his instructors for the wonderful program that has been conducted. We intend to be involved again next year.

Thanks also to Ms Winfield for conducting the **After School Sports program** this year. It's been a great opportunity for our children. The program has **now ceased**.

Our preparations for the end of year musical, the Noble Gnarl, are 'heating up'. Next week on Tuesday, we intend to hold our first dress rehearsal at the Bright Horizons preschool. I will be sending a note home shortly to ask for parental transport help again. Thanks

Second hand Fernleigh uniforms for sale contact Angela 0415677686.

Dawn Douglas  
Principal



## BOOK REVIEW & ILLUSTRATION

For the last few weeks in class we have been focusing on a book called "Fox".

Fox is about love and belonging.

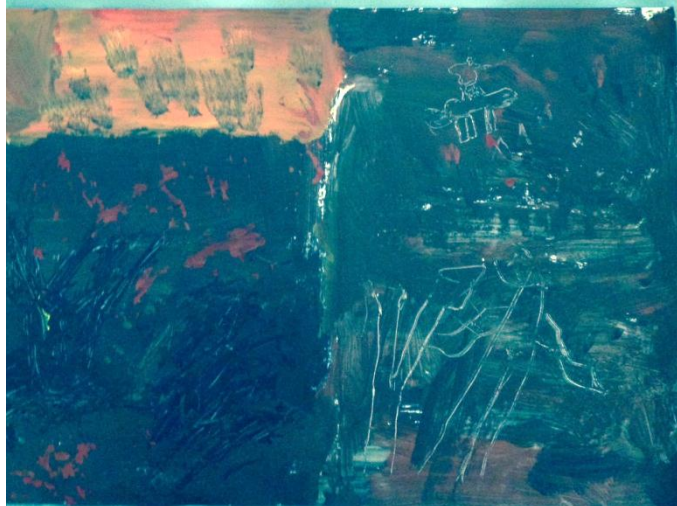
The fox didn't feel like he belonged and there was a kind of love between the Magpie and the Dog.

It is also about temptation risk and betrayal. The fox tempted the magpie saying that he could "really make her fly, she finally agreed and betrayed her friend by going with him. The dog also knew that there was a risk letting the fox into his home but he did because he was good hearted.

Finally, Fox was about friend-ship.

The magpie and the dog had a great friendship and the fox was very jealous of them and that's what drove him to trick the magpie into betraying her friend.

By Brea Watts





For the last few weeks we have been studying a book called "Fox". It is about love and belonging, the Fox didn't feel like he belonged anywhere and the dog and the magpie had a beautiful connection that developed friendship and love.

There was temptation as well, for example Fox tempted Magpie to betray Dog saying that life was better. Magpie was risking her friendship with Dog when she left Dog for Fox.

By Mia Iaconis



## Measuring volume



## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Plateau to the Sea**  
Excellence, Innovation, Opportunity, Success

Fernleigh Public School

Altonville Public School  
 Altonville High School  
 Ballina Public School  
 Ballina High School  
 Callaghan Tynes Island Public School  
 Empire Vale Public School  
 Fernleigh Public School  
 Lennox Head Public School  
 Rann Public School  
 Southern Cross K-12 School  
 Taree-Terrigal Public School  
 Tregear Public School  
 Wollumbi Public School  
 Wollumbi Public School

NSW Education & Communities  
Public Schools NSW

★  
 kids!  
 JOIN US  
 AND CELEBRATE  
 \*christmas!  
 2:00PM - 5:00PM  
 Saturday 13th December  
 @ BALLINA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
 free - fun - food - friends  
 MORE INFO: HOLLY 0401 222 546  
 R.S.V.P  
 10/12

These advertisements are accepted in good faith and the school does not vet them. Parents are advised to request further information or credentials if they seek product use or participation in the activity

## PARENT TIPS

### Summer holiday fun

Book your children into one of our fun-filled camp next school holidays. Your children will be kept busy and active while learning new skills and making new friends. You'll have peace of mind knowing your children are safe and well looked after.

For details, visit Sport and Recreation website [www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps/](http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps/)

### Avoiding homework drama

Bell Shakespeare's artistic director, John Bell, discusses Shakespeare and how to make it accessible. He says to tell your teen not to worry about the language; to concentrate on the characters, the dilemmas, and the problems they face, and find out how to identify with the protagonists in the story. Coping with Shakespeare:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/helping-kids-cope-with-shakespeare>

### For the love of science

Science is a method of engaging with, and trying to understand, the world. Professor Tim Flannery says if a child is interested in pursuing science, encourage them to develop persistence and humility – the idea that they won't always be right.

Listen to the podcast:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-projects/science/science-tips/for-the-love-of-science>

### Pleasures of free play

Allowing free time for children to play on their own, making up games and activities, can help kids to be comfortable in their own company, teach them how to cope with boredom and, importantly, foster their imagination.

Under scheduling your child:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/benefits-of-underscheduling-your-child>

January						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

February						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

March						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

April						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

May						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
31					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

June						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

July						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

August						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
30	31					1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

September						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

October						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

November						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

December						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		