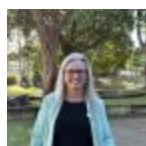




FLSS - Newsletter - Term 4 - Week 5



Kylie Steinhardt - FLSS Principal

Published by Kylie Steinhardt

Dear Forest Lake State School Community,

It's hard to believe we're already halfway through Term 4! The past few weeks have been filled with wonderful learning, events, and celebrations that truly highlight the spirit of our school.

Our Gala Night is going to be a fantastic showcase of talent, dedication, and teamwork. I am looking forward to seeing all members of our community come and support our talented and confident performers.

As we move into the second half of the term, there's still plenty to look forward to - from upcoming excursions and transition programs to our end-of-year celebrations. I encourage families to stay up to date through our school calendar and social media pages to ensure you don't miss any important dates.

I'd also like to thank our parents and carers for your ongoing partnership and support. The enthusiasm, kindness, and involvement of our community make Forest Lake State School such a special place for our students to learn and grow.

Let's continue to finish the year strong and celebrate the successes, big and small, that make our school community shine.



Michele Devlin - Deputy Principal Years 5-6

Published by Michele Devlin

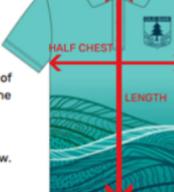
Senior Shirt 2026 - Pre-order Senior Shirt

Every year the Year 6 students wear their senior shirt with pride as they complete their final year of primary school. As the year 5 students approach the end of their school year and prepare to enter year 6, they all have had an opportunity to be involved in designing what their senior shirt will look like. The shirt is currently in the development stage and a sample will be available for us to view soon. In the meantime, I have included some examples below of senior shirts from the last couple of years so you have an idea of what it may look like.

The 1st round of pre-ordering has now been finalised. We understand that everyone couldn't meet the 1st round deadline, so we are preparing to place another order when we have enough. This just means you may need to wait a bit longer to receive your order (approximately the start of term 2).

Email uniformshop@flsspandc.onmicrosoft.com
 Price \$37 each (price effective for 2025-2026yr - Additional shirts can be purchased)
 Order Now through School24 or visit www.school24.net.au on any device.
 Install the School24 mobile app on your iPhone/Android. School ID 25435963
 Drop down Categories - Select Senior Shirts 2025 Preorders

- ✔ Get a shirt that fits nicely and lay it flat on a surface.
- ✔ Measure across the chest from between the armpits. This will give you the **HALF CHEST MEASUREMENT**
- ✔ Turn the shirt over and measure down the back of the shirt from the neck or base of the collar to the hem. This will give you the **LENGTH - CENTER BACK**
- ✔ Find the closest match from the size range below.
TIP! Always size up if you are between sizes.



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	UNISEX FIT																			
HALF CHEST MEASUREMENT	34	36	39	42	45	47.5	50	52.5	55	57.5	60	62.5	65	68	70	75				
LENGTH - CENTER BACK	46	50	54	58	62	65	68	71	73	75	77	79	80	81	82	83				
	LADIES FIT																			
HALF CHEST MEASUREMENT	32.5	35	37.5	40	42.5	45	47.5	50	52.5	55	57.5	60	62.5	65						
LENGTH - CENTER BACK	45	49	52	55	58	62	64	66	68	70	72	73	74	75						

NOTE: Whilst every effort is made to match these measurements, a tolerance of 1-2cms applies.

Tickets on sale every morning before school on the path near the front gate (Kauri Place). See information below. The raffle will be drawn in week 9.



Remembrance Day Poppies

Available, until sold out, every morning before school on the path near the front gate.



Important Dates to Remember

6 November	Gala Arts Night - 6:30pm
7 November	2026 Student Leaders applications due
27 November	Sausage Sizzle Prep - 3
28 November	Sausage Sizzle Year 4 - 6
2 December	Meet the teacher
3 December	Esports Primary Final
5 December	Forest Lake State High School Transition Day
8 December	Academic Assembly
9 December	Year 6 Graduation - St Johns 6:00pm
9 December	Year 6 Guard of Honour - 2:15pm
10 December	Year 6 Celebration - Area 51
11 December	Frankie Fun Day & Party Day



Philip Thomas - Deputy Principal Years 2-4

Published by Phil Thomas

Returning to FLSS in 2026

Please complete the form below to confirm your plans for the 2026 school year. It's important that all families fill this out so we can plan accordingly. [Will your child be returning to Forest Lake State School in 2026? – Fill in form](#)

You'll be asked to indicate whether your child(ren) will be:

Returning to FLSS in 2026

Returning with a delayed start in 2026

Not returning to FLSS in 2026

Swimming Update

We are now heading into the final week of our swimming program and what a success it has been so far! Students have shown wonderful enthusiasm and growth in their swimming confidence and skills over the past few weeks. It's been fantastic to see everyone participating with such positivity.

A big thank you to all families and staff for your ongoing support in making swimming accessible and successful for every student. Your help with preparing swimming bags, labelling items, and encouraging independence has made a big difference.

Every-Day Counts

Consistent daily attendance is essential to every child's success in school. Each day builds upon the last every lesson, discussion, and activity helps strengthen their learning and confidence. When students are absent, they miss meaningful opportunities to grow and connect with teachers and classmates. Let's continue working together to make sure every student is present, on time, and ready to learn each day because every day truly counts.

QParents Registration Reminder

Why sign up?

All excursion, camp and activity permissions will be handled through QParents, and Term 4 report cards will be released there earlier than by email. Going digital also cuts down on printing (and lost notes!).

Dropin help - come to the office and request support to sign up.

What to bring:

100 points of ID (e.g., passport or licence = 50 pts each; Medicare card = 20 pts).

Full ID list is on the QParents site.

Prefer to register at home? Follow the stepbystep video tutorial. [Registration Tutorial](#)

Thank you to the many families who have already registered, your support is appreciated!



Bronwyn Watkins - Deputy Principal Prep - Year 1

Published by Bronwyn Watkins

Gala Night - TOMORROW NIGHT!

Forest Lake State School is looking forward to a night with our community to celebrate our Performing Arts sector!

Join us on Thursday, 6th November at 6:30pm at St John's Anglican College Performing Arts Centre Senior Campus, for an evening filled with music from our band and strings, dance, and the incredible voices of FLSS choirs.

Tickets are still available <https://www.trybooking.com/DGPJC> or through the QR code. Please note, all FLSS performers do not require a ticket, and families may purchase up to four tickets each.



FLSS Playgroup

Our Forest Lake SS Playgroup welcomes families from our local community with children aged 0–5 years to join us for fun, learning, and friendship each week. It's a great way to meet other families and help little ones develop social and early learning skills through play.

We'd love to see some new and familiar faces before the year wraps up - our final playgroup session for 2025 will be held on Friday, 5 December. Come along and celebrate the end of another wonderful year of play, discovery, and connection!



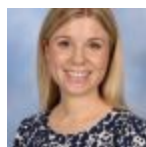
Prep 2026 Enrolments

FLSS Prep 2026 enrolments are open. If you have a child born between 1 July 2020 – 30 June 2021 please contact our enrolment officer to collect your enrolment pack and organise an interview with the Deputy Principal as soon as possible.

Little Frankies

Our Little Frankie's Program has been a wonderful opportunity for our future Preppies to experience what school life is all about! Through fun, play-based activities, the children have been getting to know their teachers, classmates, and the exciting routines of school.

With only three sessions remaining for 2025, we're enjoying seeing the confidence and smiles grow with every visit. Thank you to our families for your continued involvement and enthusiasm - it truly makes a difference in supporting a smooth start to school next year.



Vanessa Sims & Kellie Espie

Published by Vanessa Sims

Supporting Numeracy Skills at Home

At Forest Lake State School, numeracy is about more than numbers, it's about helping our students make sense of the world through reasoning, problem-solving, and recognising patterns in everyday life. We aim to nurture positive attitudes towards numeracy across all learning areas, encouraging curiosity, confidence and critical thinking.

Here are three simple ways to build numeracy into your home routines (and have fun doing it):

Cooking and recipes: Involve your child in reading and adjusting recipes. Ask questions such as, "If we double this recipe, how many cups will we need?" or "If one tray fits six muffins, how many do we need for twelve?" Cooking offers meaningful opportunities to explore measurement, fractions and estimation.

Everyday decisions: When shopping, travelling, or planning an outing, invite your child to think mathematically. Try prompts like, "Which option gives better value?", "If we leave at 3:45 pm and the movie starts at 4:30 pm, how much time do we have?", or "How many ten minute blocks make up that drive?"

Games and challenges: Encourage numeracy through play with card and dice games, building with blocks, measuring distances in backyard sports or solving puzzles together. These activities help develop strategic thinking, spatial awareness and problem-solving skills.

By weaving numeracy into everyday conversations and activities, you're helping your child see that mathematics, and numeracy more broadly, is not just something learned at school, it's part of how we understand and navigate the world.



Academic Assembly

This year our Academic Awards Assembly will be on Monday, 8th December at 9.15am. Students in Years 4 & 5 who receive an A in both Semester 1 and Semester 2 for English, Mathematics and/or Science will receive an award/s. Year 6 students receiving an Academic Award will be announced and presented at the Year 6 Graduation. In addition to this, our 2026 School leaders will be announced. Prior to the event, parents of students involved will receive an email closer to the date. We look forward to celebrating 2025 student achievement!



BYOD (iPad) Information Session

Our BYOD iPad program runs from Year 2 to Year 6. We will be holding our BYOD iPad Parent Information session on Monday, 24th November, 2:10pm PAC. This session is open to all parents. Parents in Year 1 and new families to FLSS are encouraged to attend. Staff will go through the program overview including requirements, school responsibilities, parent responsibilities, student responsibilities and purchasing options. If you are planning on attending, please RSVP to vsims6@eq.edu.au.



FOREST LAKE STATE SCHOOL

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FOREST LAKE IPAD PROGRAM

Digital technologies are essential to respond and adapt to a changing world. This program develops 21st century skills that students need for their digitally enabled future.

BYO/iPAD

Benefits Include:

- Students equipped with skills regarded as pivotal in the 21st century – communication, collaboration, creativity and critical thinking
- Students developing the necessary skills to keep themselves and others safe within digital environments
- High levels of student engagement and productivity
- Increased development of problem-solving skills and creativity
- Greater opportunities to individualise learning
- Enhanced communication skills
- Improved digital literacy skills
- A connected learning environment providing real-world learning
- Connecting learning to home

Preparing every student for success in a digital world by creating engaging digital learning opportunities.

The Reading Room in the Library

Start your morning with a story! The Reading Room is open in the library every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 8:15 to 8:30am, and families are warmly invited to join in. It's a lovely way to begin the day by sharing books, building connections, and enjoying the calm buzz of reading before school starts.

Each Wednesday, a special guest reader takes the spotlight! Teachers volunteer to read aloud with students, choosing favourite stories or new adventures to share. It's always a surprise who might pop up next and what story they'll bring to life!

Students can keep track of their visits by signing their Reading Room card each time they attend. After a set number of visits, they'll earn a small prize to celebrate their reading effort. We love welcoming readers and their families into the library and encourage everyone to make reading together a daily habit because a few pages shared each day can make a world of difference.

