



Principal's letter

2019 school year has come to an end and I'm so proud of everything we have achieved together. The school recently had our review which occurs every four years. The report is yet to be produced however I can say that the entire review panel had incredibly positive feedback and the improvements we have all worked together to achieve were clearly evident. We have got a clear direction for the next four years and next year our main focus for our staff will be reading. I'm excited about the training our staff will undertake and for us to have a greater consistency as to how reading is taught throughout the school.

I wish you all a safe and happy holiday and a very Merry Christmas. For those families who will be leaving us, I wish you all the very best and for those who will call Furlong Park home for 2020, I'll see you next year!

Lee Bullock
Principal

Bus times

You will be notified of your bus times the week before school starts.



Term Dates 2020

Term 1 – 29 January – 27 March

Term 2 – 14 April – 26 June

Term 3 – 13 July – 18 September

Term 4 – 5 October – 18 December

Upcoming Events 2020

Wednesday 22, Thursday 23, Friday 24 January – Uniform shop open

Monday 27 January – School closed for Australia Day

Tuesday 28 January – School closed for Pupil Free Day

Wednesday 29 January – First day back

Thursday 13 February – 5pm Family Welcome afternoon@ Frontier Park

Family Welcome afternoon

Please join us on Thursday 13 February for our Family Welcome afternoon. This is a great opportunity for the children to play together and parents can chat to other parents and staff at the park.



Staff leaving

This year we say a sad goodbye to Vicki Fielder who you all know and love. Vicki is retiring after 16 years of working with us. We also say goodbye to our wonderful Educational Support staff, Lauren Piper and Idelia Lai. Will Hawtree, the teacher in Room 3 will be finishing as well and we are grateful for stepping in to do a fantastic job this term.



Sleep over

Students in the Middle years were very excited to have their annual sleepover at school. On Thursday we went to have a picnic in the Royal Botanic Gardens where we saw some amazing ducks on the lake. Students also were able to interact with the environment by climbing on rocks and following a water trail to the Ian Potter Children's garden where we hunted for the illusive blue flower. We then journeyed to Ceres in Brunswick where

instructor Kim explained the water cycle and ways in which we can save water, such as having shorter showers and using the half flush on the toilets. We then came back to school and had a nature scavenger hunt using our iPads. Dinner was yummy pizza followed by a movie and bed. Thank you to all the staff and students for making this an exciting and fun sleepover this year.

