



## NEWSLETTER

# FISHER ROAD SCHOOL

*'Together we can'*

### Dates to remember

21st July-Students resume  
27th July-Dental Clinic



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It has been great to have the students back in the classroom this term. Staff and students have welcomed the reopening of the pool. We are hoping the senior camps will still go ahead in term 3 dependent upon restrictions.

We have had air conditioning installed in the glassed area to take the chill off these chilly days for our students.

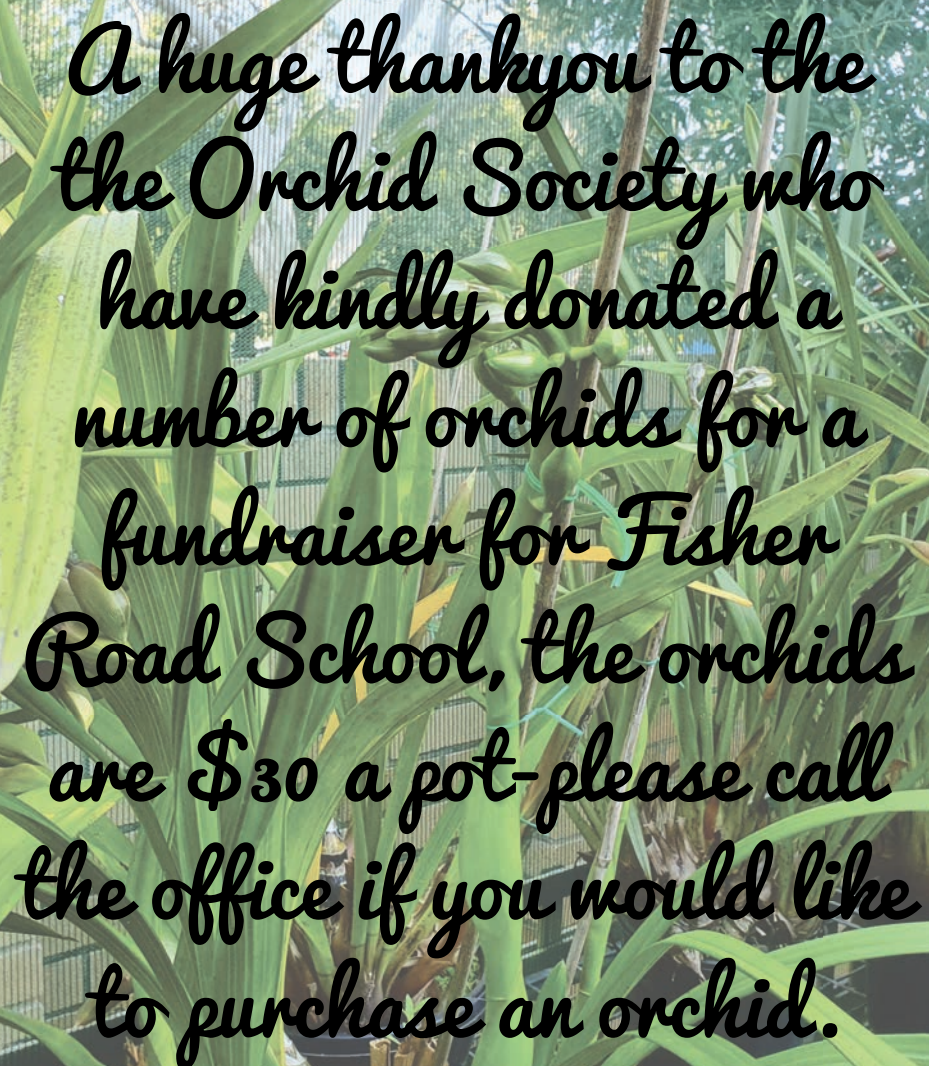
Fisher Road now has 3 putt putt holes for mini golf. A huge thank you to Billy's dad, James for helping Matt, Doug and John build them for the school.

We have been selected by Northern Beaches Council as one of three schools to have solar electricity installed at a reduced cost to the school. The P & C have applied for a grant to help with the remaining costs.

We wish you all a happy and safe holiday.

# SCHOOL NEWS

## From the Office



*A huge thankyou to the the Orchid Society who have kindly donated a number of orchids for a fundraiser for Fisher Road School, the orchids are \$30 a pot-please call the office if you would like to purchase an orchid.*

# SCHOOL NEWS

## Student Safety


**A reminder please to all  
parents and carers.**

**Please be patient in the  
mornings and afternoons.  
Drive right to the green gate  
to drop off and pick up  
students. This way, staff can  
support each student  
individually. Please do not  
walk amongst vehicles or in  
the staff carpark. Any  
pedestrians need to use the  
pedestrian gate and the  
pedestrian crossing on the  
southern side NOT the  
vehicle driveway.**

**Thankyou**



# SCHOOL NEWS



## From Share Our Space



**Unfortunately due to Covid 19 restrictions Share Our Space will not be held these Winter school holidays. We appreciate your understanding and look forward to working with you during Term 3 to deliver the program in the September/October school holidays.**



# CLASS MP



**Class MP continues to focus on learning to work as a group. Jasper, Laragh, Dylan, Gwyneth, Geoffrey and Alexandra actively participate in group morning roll call. They are sitting longer and following simple**

**instructions such as photo recognition of their classmate who is seated next to them. Listening to a sensory story is another in-seat activity that gets a positive response. Each one has the opportunity to use his or her sense of touch, smell, look, and taste.**

**Walking on the oval is another activity that we try to do as a group. We usually start altogether but others easily get distracted and leave the group.**

**We look forward to Term 3 where our community access programs will re-start. Have a safe and relaxing holiday.**

**Maria & Sue R**





# CLASS NS

There's no surprise that when Class NS students are putting together their daily schedule, swimming always generates the most excitement. Each morning after roll call students put together their visual schedule so they are familiar with the daily school activities. Each student has their own daily schedule which helps provide the student's with a sense of autonomy as it is their responsibility to set up their schedule and change the activities over as the day progresses.

As Term 2 draws to an end, it's so lovely to be able to be back to some normality and lucky enough swimming is back on so that students can enjoy the heated pool for some much needed hydrotherapy.

Nick, Sam and Mandy







## CLASS VR

**As we are unable to attend our usual Work Experience programs, we have been doing gardening and workbox skills instead. Last week we helped move some of the mulch heap into garden beds at the front of the school. Russell, Jarryd, Nathan and Callum shovelled the mulch into the wheelbarrow which Thomas then wheeled to areas in need of mulch. Ella and Chantelle used rakes to move the mulch around within the garden beds and it was agreed we did a fair sessions work which we will repeat again next Thursday to help reduce the mulch heap before the school holidays.**

**Virginia and Carmel**





# SCHOOL NEWS

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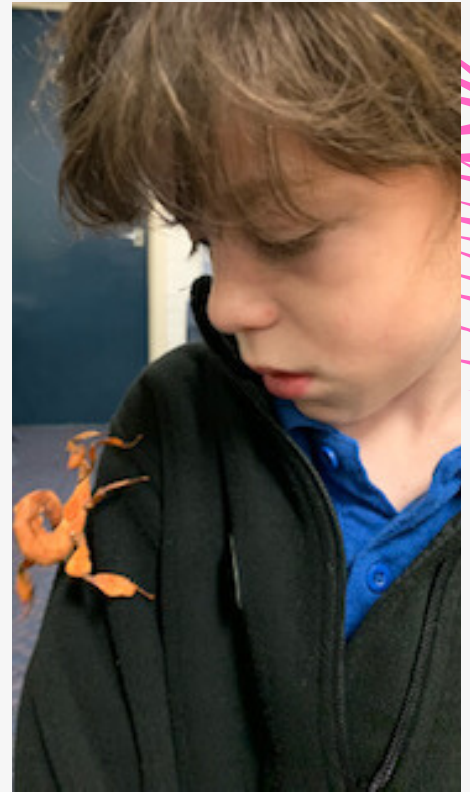


# CLASS AP

**Term 2 has flown by in Class AP with all students being very busy bees indeed!**

**We've been learning about the characteristics of living things, in particular; Minibeasts! We have counted, matched, sorted, drawn, painted and explored, insects of all shapes, sizes and colours. We have even welcomed 2 spiny leaf insects into our classroom, to stay with us for a while, so that we can care for them, learn about their needs, their habitat and how they grow and change. Students have also enjoyed bike riding, ten pin bowling AND a return to their regular swimming lessons...an action-packed term indeed!!**

**Annette and Alena**



**As we reach the end of a very different Term 2, we have slowly settled back into class routine.**

**With the pool opening again this week and assemblies, once again, being permitted, we feel as if school life is getting back to normal.**

**Class LS have really enjoyed being able to swim again. Isla loves splashing about and diving under or, singing her favourite show tunes while watching the others swim.**

**Henry, whilst not a fan of cooler, wintery weather, doesn't mind getting in the 32 degree water and enjoying a 'soak'. Lachlan loves sitting in the spa and watching the other students splash about.**

**This week we also celebrated another milestone - Lachlan turned 12! We partied with cupcakes and music. Everytime someone wished him 'happy birthday', he would smile and giggle. Happy Birthday Lachlan!**

**We hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday and we look forward to seeing you in Term 3.**

**Sandy, Lainie and John**





# CLASS FR

2020 Term 2 Week 9

This term in class FR we introduced a new reading program Accessible Literacy Learning - ALL. This literacy program is designed for learners with special needs and is specifically designed to meet the needs of individuals who have difficulty using speech to communicate. Our class has been working with ALL both individually in the reading room and as a group on the smartboard. We are already making great progress in our reading abilities. Last week we were all excited to have the pool open at school. All week George was putting the swimming symbol up on our daily schedule in the hope we would be able to go swimming that day! Thursday finally arrived and it was our turn to swim. Hooray! Swimming at school provides many learning opportunities - swimming skills, fitness and for many in our class we are working on dressing ourselves independently. We are also working on our drama skills and to tie up our book study of Handa's Surprise, we will be doing a play that we will video and send home for you all to watch. With such a busy term it is no surprise that time just flew by! Enjoy the up coming holidays, keep safe and remember to keep washing those hands!

Fran, Kari and Ebony



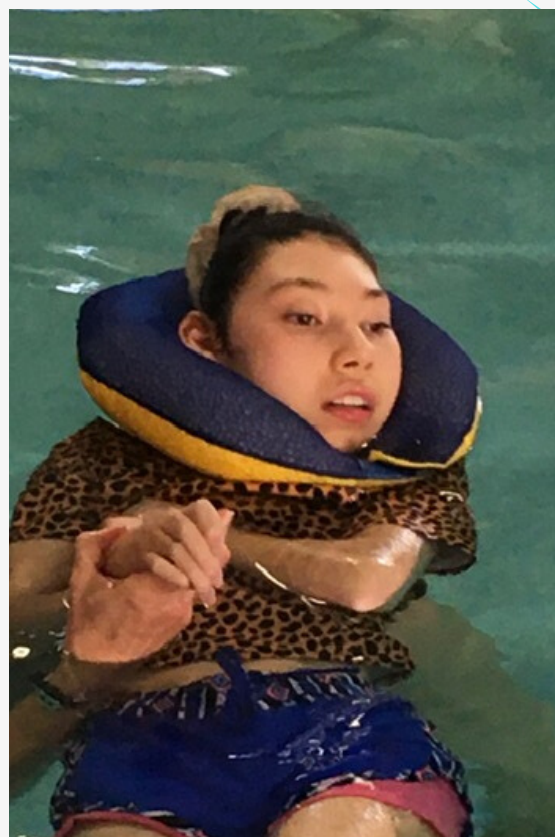


# CLASS TH

**Class TH have been making the most of these summery winter days. Ben and Charlii have both been practicing their bike riding skills around the oval.**

**Charlii is able to pedal independently on the flat part of the oval, and enjoys picking up momentum. She is being encouraged to apply more pressure when needing to pedal a bit harder. Ben has also been bike riding, and demonstrates it's a physical activity he enjoys. He pedals smoothly most of the way, and is working on fine tuning his steering skills. Moving forward, Charlii and Ben will start to learn how to use brakes. Maia has also enjoyed engaging in physical activities on the oval. She thrives on the opportunity to go on the liberty swing, and gets much satisfaction out of being pushed a bit higher each time. Now that restrictions have been lifted, Class TH have resumed swimming. The class is super excited about this, and are having fun in the water.**

**Trish and Sue W**





# Dallas



**We have had great news, "Dallas is settling into her new House and looking forward to starting at her new school soon".  
The smile says it all!**



# CLASS SB

Class SB along with special guest Tiago from Class FR had a special excursion this week. A trip to Forestville Fire Station! We got to climb on the fire truck, spray water from the fire hose, see all the firefighters special equipment and check out where the firefighters stay whilst they are on duty. We learnt about calling 000 if there is ever a fire and learn that the noisy sirens are not scary they are there to help us. We all had a great time at the firestation and would like to thank firefighter Jacqui for taking such good care of us!

Sally, Justine and Nanaako





# CLASS JK



It has been a pleasure to watch how excited the students in class JK become when Anita comes into our room for our Music Therapy session each Tuesday. They get a lot out of it and are having some great interactions with Anita. During the "hello" song, everyone gets a turn to strum the guitar and all students are improving with turn taking. Heath loves to strum the guitar while Rafaela enjoys banging on the drum. Mia likes to choose the shaker and will often vocalise while Anita is singing. George enjoys his interaction with the therapist and looks and smiles at her as she sings. The class are all using more eye contact and remaining seated for the session which is a sign that they are all really enjoying it. Thank you, Anita!

Julie & Jenny





## CLASS MT



Our school gardens were in desperate need of some love and attention, so for the last couple of weeks during our work skills sessions, classes MT and VR joined forces and worked together to tidy them up. We broke the two classes up into teams to conquer the massive task. We had a team that shovelled mulch, a team that wheeled barrows of mulch to the designated garden beds and a team using rakes to rake the mulch evenly across the gardens.



Matt and Sue M



# NEWS FROM THE THERAPY ROOM

## *Therapists-Behind the Scenes*

Great news for Fisher Road School and our Students is the introduction of regular visits from our school funded therapists. Every Tuesday, classes are visited by Prue and Hayley to implement speech and physical activities in half hour class sessions. This Term's Sessions include "Sing & Sign", with interactive picture boards and "Coloured Rice Box" activity with hidden toy insects where students can find and match insects, a fantastic sensory adventure. Prue and Hayley also provide wonderful assistance to our Teachers and Aides, helping with any individual student needs or concerns. Thanks Ladies!





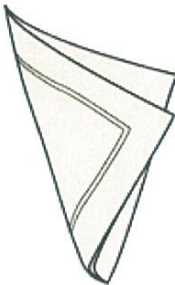
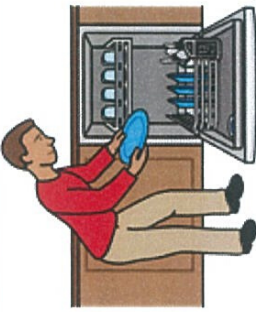
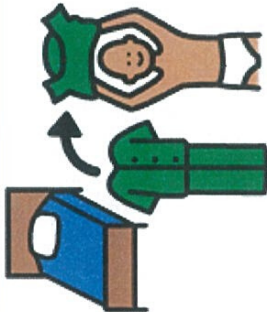

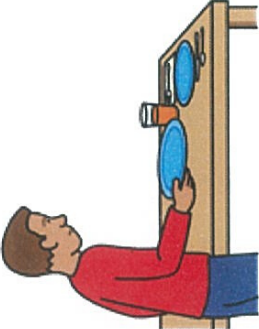
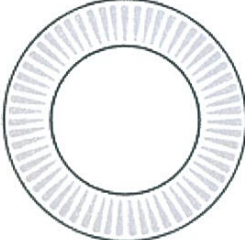
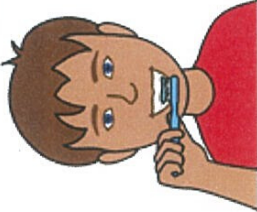

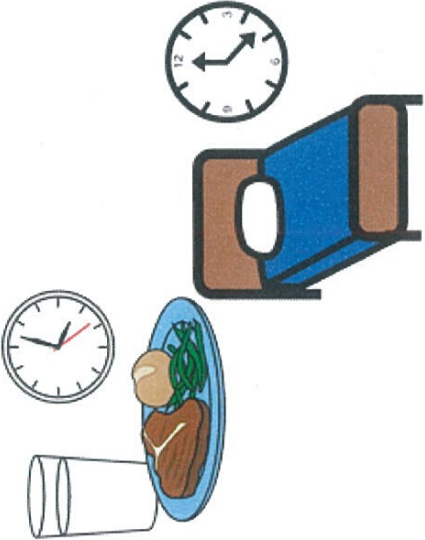
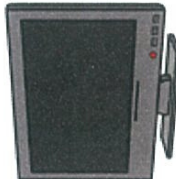

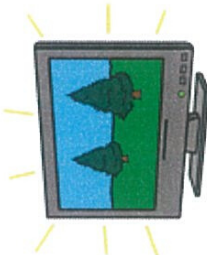
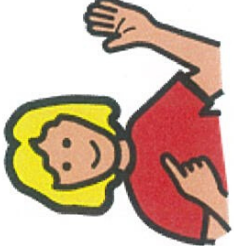
We are also very excited to welcome every Wednesday our Physiotherapist, Charlotte Brooks.

Charlotte has over 25 years experience since qualifying from Bristol University in the UK, Charlotte has achieved over 25 years experience in Paediatric Physiotherapy.





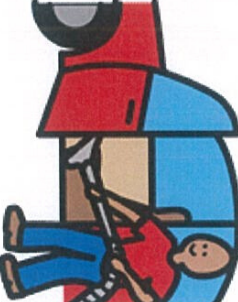
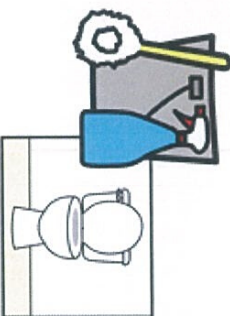

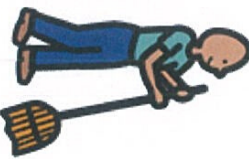



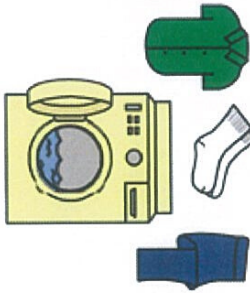
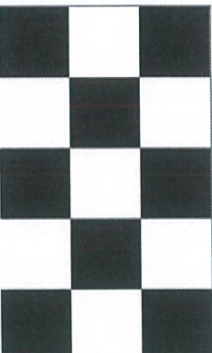

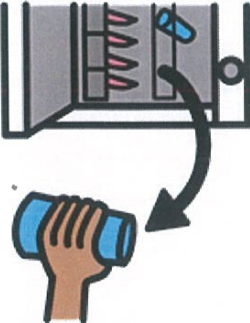
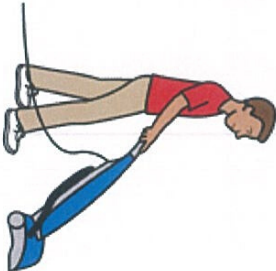
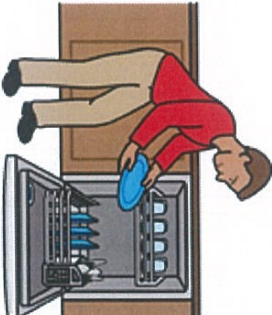
The Children's Health Scheme at Royal Far West were fortunate to have Charlotte head the department for 15 years before starting her own private mobile clinic which has been successfully running full time since 2013. Together with her husband Charlie, they have called Sydney home since 1997 where they have raised their 3 boys. Charlotte comes highly qualified and we are very excited to have her on board. Welcome Charlotte.

*Leisa*



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	napkin		load dishwasher		put on pyjamas		no	
	set table		dinner plate		brush teeth		yes	
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					TV on			I want



 <p>I want</p>	 <p>wash car</p>	 <p>chores to do at home</p>		
 <p>help</p>	 <p>vacuum car</p>	 <p>clean toilet</p>		
 <p>yes</p>	 <p>brushhair</p>	 <p>sort dirty clothes</p>		
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