The beginning of Term 2 has seen the staff and students of Forbes High School involved in a wide variety of learning, sporting and cultural experiences. I took great pride in the manner in which our students recognised and observed the significance of the 100th anniversary of the landing at Gallipoli at our school and community ANZAC Day commemorations. I would like to thank all the staff and students who marched and contributed to our school service.

Friday the 1st May saw our four houses battle away at the annual athletics carnival. It was encouraging to witness the level of participation and application from all students across a variety of track and field events. Our house captains are to be commended on their efforts in organising relay teams and stirring up house spirit. The competition between houses this year has been fantastic and a positive culture is being developed. Congratulations to Mr Hoy and the PDHPE faculty for their organisation of a successful and enjoyable day and to our champion house Wiradjuri.

This coming Tuesday 12th May we will be holding a Year 12 information evening where students will receive their half-yearly reports. Parents/carers are encouraged to attend and take the opportunity to discuss with class teachers their child’s progress and areas for improvement. This will take place in the Forbes High School Library from 6.00 to 7.00pm. Following this, a P & C meeting will be held and all are encouraged to join.

Two documents of interest that relate to the day to day functions of Forbes High School are now available on our school website www.forbes-h.schools.nsw.edu.au.  
- The 2014 Annual School Report is a document that contains information on all aspects of school life from the previous year and includes some interesting reading.
- The School Plan 2015-2017 has also been published and includes the purpose, processes, products and practices which will be the focus of our school for the coming three years.

Several of our students have been long term members of the Forbes Youth Advisory Committee and played a key role in contributing to the support of youth within our community. This has included the organisation of Youth Week, movie nights, sporting activities, information and awareness raising and the Super Mega Fun Day (SMFD). Our students were lucky enough to participate in SMFD activities to celebrate Youth Week. A community awards night was also held to recognise the contributions of young people within our community and I would like to congratulate the following students on receiving awards:

Junior School Academic Award - Paige Thomas  
Senior School Community Award - Alex Coles  
Senior School Academic Award - Jake Hemming  
Youth Encouragement Award - Mikayla Gillard  
Judges Award - Josh Forrester  
Overall Youth Community Award - Mitchell Ashcroft
MONTHLY MATHEMATICS ACHIEVERS
Congratulations to the following students who have achieved excellent results in mathematics.

- Brielle Thornton
- Holly Cook
- Maddison Kearney
- Paige Thomas
- Casey Reid
- Lachlan Kiss
- Alesha Horton
- Britney Spencer
- Isabelle Herbert
- Jessy-Lea Burns

SUPPORT UNIT
Teachers & students in the Support Unit would like to welcome Miss Amy Adams. We look forward to working with you this Term.

AECG MEETING DATES
The Forbes Aboriginal Education Consultative Group meet once a term. Meetings commence at 11.30am. Below is a list of the 2015 meeting dates:

- Monday 25th May - Forbes North Public Sch.
- Monday 24th August - Red Bend Catholic College
- Monday 19th October - Catholic Education Office
- Monday 7th December – Mezzanine

OPEN GIRLS SOCCER
Round two of this year’s girls football knockout saw Forbes take on Canowindra at Canowindra. Canowindra were strong opponents last year and proved too strong again taking out the match 3-0. All three goals were scored in the first half of the match as the Forbes team showed an unbeatable defence in the second half led by Sarah Simmonds and Katie Andrews. Kate Hessel played well in the midfield proving to be an integral link between defence and attack and never gave up when chasing an opponent. Special mention must go to Gabby Alley who, as a late addition to the team, was dominant as goalkeeper and held her own against girls many years older than her.

On a very hot day, the girls can be commended on their sportsmanship and perseverance. Here’s to going one better next year!

STUDENT PROFILE
Name: Mikayla Gillard
School: Forbes High School
Year: 12
Age & Birthday: 18 – 17th September
Do you have any nicknames? Mikky, Kay, Kayla
Do you have any brothers or sisters? Yes – two sisters & four brothers
What is your favourite past time? Too many to mention
Do you play any sports? What? No
What is your favourite food? Fish & Chips
What do you want to do when you grow up? Nursing
Who is your idol? My Nan
What are three things you can’t do without? Family, talking & sleep

SCHOOL UNIFORM CLOTHING POOL
If you have any FHS uniforms sitting at home unneeded can you please donate them to the FHS clothing pool.
WESTERN REGION LAWN BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIP

Congratulations to Riley O'Malley, Mitchell Jack, Kaitlyn Andrews, and Mitchell Andrews for participating in the Annual Western Region Lawn Bowls Championship Knockout. Last term, students made their way to Parkes for the competition and challenged fourteen other schools.

The first match that Forbes High School played was against a young side from Dubbo. Mitchell Jack was our skipper and controlled the game well. Despite our great bowling at the beginning of the game, the Dubbo side stole a great portion of our points to prevent a major upset. Forbes had a convincing win 14 to 7 which instilled confidence and helped calm the nerves. The second match was against Bathurst who showed promise but was not strong enough for Forbes High who won comfortably 15 to 7.

As Forbes went through to the third round undefeated, energy levels were low and the midday sun was beginning to take its toll. The third match was against Orange who was leading the competition and had an air of confidence that our team found intimidating. Forbes High began strong with a two point lead but soon became out played by the more experienced team. The final result was 18 to 2 and with heavy hearts the players were adjourned to lunch.

Forbes High was in fourth position and it was soon discovered that we would get a second chance at playing against Orange. Mitchell Andrews was a late contender who took the place of Riley O'Malley who relinquished his position graciously. The Orange side did not look as confident now that they had learnt of our late change. Forbes High came out fighting and stole many of the points that our team had worked so hard to get. It was a close finish but sadly we were defeated 11 points to 8. Kaitlyn Andrews and Mitchell Andrews were selected to be part of the Western Region team who will be playing in Armidale later on in the year. Well done to these students and all other students who participated on the day.

P&C NEWS

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th May at the Forbes High School Library (Please note change of venue) commencing at 7.00pm. At the completion of the general meeting a short meeting will be held to discuss preparations for the 50 Years Celebrations scheduled for November. All past and present students and staff are invited to attend. Everyone is welcome to attend and please bring a friend.

SYDNEY ROYAL SHOW SUCCESS

Congratulations to Sally Downie for receiving Reserve Champion in the RAS Dairy Cattle State Judging Competition final at the 2015 Sydney Royal Show. Sally and her cousin Timothy Downie represented the Forbes Zone at the State final, with Sally placing 2nd to the winner of the National Judging Competition.

Sally also competed and placed 1st in the All Breeds Youth Competition; class heifer 12-18 months, with Paschendaele Blossom Belle, owned and exhibited by Eagles Partnership of Gooloogong. We are very proud of Sally's achievements and have enjoyed watching her showmanship blossom this year.

YEAR 11 MID-COURSE EXAMS

The 2015 Year 11 Mid-Course Exams commence on the 18th May. The Timetable is now available via the calendar on the school website www.forbes-h.schools.nsw.edu.au.

NAPLAN TESTING

2015 NAPLAN testing for students in Years 7 & 9 will commence on the 12th May. Important information for parents & students and timetables are available via the calendar on the school website www.forbes-h.schools.nsw.edu.au.

Thank you

Forbes High School would like to acknowledge the on going support of our student programs from Woolworths Supermarket and Barrick Gold, Lake Cowal Mine. Without these partners many programs at Forbes High would not run.
ATHLETICS ANYONE!

Parkes Leagues Club
192 Clarinda Street, PARKES
Tuesday 26th May 2015 – 5:00 – 8:00pm

Public exhibition prices: Family $18, Adult $6, Student/Concession $5, School teachers FREE (pre-primary to secondary), children under 5 FREE. Students attending an in-school performance receive a FREE student entry ticket. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Enquiries: 0427 060801

SCHOOL WEBSITE
The school website is constantly being updated with new photos, calendar dates and information. Visit www.forbes-h.schools.nsw.edu.au to find photos and information about our wonderful school.
YEAR 12 VISUAL ARTS
Case Study 3: 'Dancing Shiva Debacle'
Oral presentation - Date Change
was Friday 15th May 2015
now Monday 1st June - Friday 5th June

STAFF PROFILE
Name: Jason Nottingham
Place of Birth: Chipping Sodbury, UK – same place as J K Rowling!
Star Sign: Water Bearer!!
Where you went to High School? Lisarow High School
How many years working at FHS? Term 1
Number in current family? 5
What is the most important thing in your life? Family and Travel
What is your favourite past time? Travelling
Best book or movie? Book – Dictionary (very handy), Movie – Saving Private Ryan
What is your favourite food? Curry – the hotter the better!!
Best holiday destination? South Island of New Zealand
Who is your idol? Don’t have one
What are three things you can’t do without? Family, Music & CURRY!

PBL REWARD EXCURSION – STATE OF ORIGIN!!!
A brief heads up to parents about the upcoming PBL Reward Excursion to the State of Origin in Sydney on the 27th May. To be entitled to go on this excursion students must have been displaying the school’s core values of: Respect, Responsibility, Honesty and Doing Your Best from the beginning of Term 2 up until the 15th May and continue up until the day of the excursion. If they have been doing this then they will be able put in an expression of interest and enter the ballot for one of the 100 seats on the bus. Tickets will be $95. Be in it to win it!!!

COMMEMORATING 100 YEARS OF ANZAC
On Saturday the 25th April a large contingent from Forbes High School assembled at 10pm in Cross St to take part in a march commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the ANZAC landings at Gallipoli. Approximately 70 students and 35 staff attended numbers that were up on previous years. Students are to be commended on their attendance in full school uniform and many wearing relatives’ medals and Rosemary. The school marched in three files proudly lead by our four school leader; School Captains Cameron Herbert, Megan Morrison and Vice Captains Isabelle Cowhan and Will Dukes. The students were supported by a huge crowd that lined the whole route. The march concluded in Victoria Park with Cameron and Megan laying a wreath on behalf of the Forbes High School community. As a new Deputy Principal at Forbes High School I was greatly impressed by the way students and staff alike conducted themselves during the march, it was a real testament to the level of connection the school had to the event and the community in general.

School leaders performed an ANZAC ceremony to commemorate the 100th Anniversary at school on Friday 24th of April and laid a wreath at the cenotaph.
The Forbes Youth Advisory Committee would like your feedback in regards to the BMX Track in Forbes.

To give your feedback like the Forbes Youth Advisory Committee Facebook page, click on the APPS POLL and complete form, then submit.

This poll will close at 5pm Friday May 22

You must be over the age of 13 to have a Facebook account

Forbes BMX Track Facebook Poll

Free Baby & Kids Clinic
1st Thursday of the Month
10am – 1pm

No appointment necessary – drop in at Yoorana Gunya
For more information contact:
Yoorana Gunya on (02) 68501222

Waste to Art
Community Art Exhibition and Competition

CHALLENGE THE WAY WE LOOK AT WASTE!
$1,800 Prize Money to be Won!

Monday 11 May 12:00pm – 5:00pm:

Collection of artworks for exhibition, Forbes Town Hall.

Tuesday 12 May:
Judging, Forbes Town Hall.

Thursday, 14 May 5:30pm:
Winners Announced and Opening, Forbes Town Hall.

Public Exhibition, Forbes Town Hall

Friday 15 May 2 – 5:00pm, Sat 16 and Sun 17 May 10am – 2:00pm

Monday 18 May 11:00am – 4:00pm:

Collection of works, Forbes Town Hall.

Food Revolution Day
16 May 2015
Let’s get excited about good food!

Farmers Markets & Demonstrations

Templar St, Forbes
10am – 2pm
FREE Demonstrations on:
• Raised Veggie Bed Gardening
• Forced Citrus Growing
• International Cooking
• Nutritious
• Healthy Pizza Making
• Composting
• Kids Activities

Forbes SaCC

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