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## **SCHOOL NEWS**

### Week 6

This week marks our last time with our Year 9 students.

I have seen these students grow to become incredible young adults that are showing their grand potential in so many aspects of their lives and we are all so proud of them as a group and individuals. It has been an honour for all of us here to be a part of their journey and time at School.

We have our Year 9 Graduation on Friday, and it will be a great opportunity for the students and families to celebrate their child's achievements, and it will be wonderful for the School and the Circus to be a part of that occasion.

Our event starts at 7pm at the Performing Arts Centre. Please park in the carpark nearest the back of the FruitFlies School and we will use the one small gate to enter and exit. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Have a great week.

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## Student of the week:

Congratulations Kai – your teachers have noticed your developing maturity, great manners, confidence and presentation. When you recite the acknowledgement to country at our assemblies you are confident and respectful.

### Year 6/7:

In Science the 6/7s have been looking at physics, forces and simple machines. They are currently designing and building a fully operational toy.

Their maths skills are always improving; this is especially in their times table quizzes. Most students are now averaging above 85%. Their unit of study on statistics was completed this week. Weather data for Wodonga was collected, summarised and displayed on a variety of graphs.

### **Upcoming Events:**

- 14 November Year 9 Grad Dinner 7pm PAC, in school grounds
- 28 November Wodonga Cup Public Holiday, no school
- 10 December Transition Day
- 15 December End of Year Award Ceremony, @ 10am

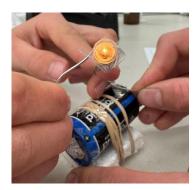
### **Year 8/9**







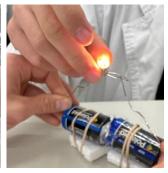














Year 8/9's final assessment task was making a torch. This completed the students' unit on physics and electricity. They studied the particle model of electricity, current and voltage. Times table quizzes are still being held in every maths class and results are now sitting at 90% or above. Trigonometry is the current unit of study, challenging all students.



## **SRC Tea Towel Activity**

SRC tea towels, a 2025 keepsake, have been ordered. Students and staff have contributed self-portraits that will all be included on each tea towel. The cost of the tea towels is \$12.00. This fee is now on student's your portal for payment. The tea towels are due to arrive later this term.

## 2025 FFFCS Cup and Fashion on the Fields

Last Thursday we ran our FFFCS Cup (we had to postpone from Tuesday as the track was too wet). All competitors put in a great effort – preparing their 'horses' and competing on the day. A lot of fun was had as well as sneaky probability and chance lesson from Helen. The running style of some of the 'horses' was questionable and the RSPCA called re complaints of a horse being used as a guitar! Check out the photos:

















The competition for best hat was fiercely contested. Our guest judge Anthea was impressed with the effort gone into the hat construction. First place was Violet and Ruby, second place was Clancy and third was Tempey.









# FROM THE CIRCUS



### **TERM 4 WEEK 6**

The Borderville Festival is fast approaching so make sure that you have purchased all of your tickets before early bird pricing expires on Sunday, 16 November!

- Night Flies Cabaret | 2 December | Borderville Theatre
- The Portrait | 4 & 5 December | Borderville Theatre
- Circus Arts Showcase | 6 December | Guang Rong Lu Stage
- Chaos | 9, 10 & 13 December | Borderville Theatre
- Mayhem | 11, 12 & 13 December | Borderville Theatre
- Circus Cubed | Sunday 14 December | Hyphen Courtyard Free Community Event
- Curtain Call: The Grad Show | 16 20 December | Borderville Theatre

Tickets can be purchased here: <a href="https://fruitflycircus.com.au/performances/">https://fruitflycircus.com.au/performances/</a>

## **VOLUNTEER CALL-OUT – USHERING AT BORDERVILLE**

We're seeking two friendly parent volunteers per performance to assist with ushering at our Borderville theatre shows. As an usher, you'll be part of the fun, greeting audience members, helping them find their seats, and setting the warm, welcoming tone that makes Borderville so special.

You'll receive a quick briefing at the beginning of your shift - all you need to bring is your friendly smile and positive energy!

A volunteer schedule outlining dates and times needed has been emailed to families.

And if volunteering isn't possible for you this time, another wonderful way to support is by donating snack food to keep our young performers fuelled during their long rehearsal days. Every muesli bar, piece of fruit or packet of crackers makes a difference!

If you're able to help, please contact Bek at bgibbs@fruitflycircus.com.au to sign up.

## **COMMUNITY EVENT**

There will be a free community event in Albury this weekend with youth programs, live music, free workshops, free food and more.









### **CLASS CLOWNS 2026**

The search for Australia's next teen comedy sensation!

Melbourne International Comedy Festival's national competition and workshop program, Class Clowns, is back in 2026 to inspire, engage and elevate humorous people aged 14–18.

All it takes is 3-5 minutes of original material in any genre – whether it's stand-up, sketch, solo, group, musical or physical comedy – the possibilities are endless! Participants take part in a free workshop to fine-tune their acts under the guidance of a professional comedian before taking to the stage.

The funniest acts will earn a trip to Melbourne to perform at the National Grand Final, and the chance to win a \$1,500 cash prize plus a workshop package for their school

To register and find out more head to classclowns.com.au.

### **GO/NO GO CIRCUS UNDER CONSTRUCTION**



Go/No Go Circus are here for their Under Construction Creative Residency to work on their project - *Most Notorious Pyrates*. Their crew have been working with our artists to develop ideas for their project. *Most Notorious Pyrates* is a story of breaking conventions, defying gender norms, and setting sale for adventure, told through acrobatics, aerials, juggling, and live sea shanties.

### **HOSTING**

We'd love to hear from any families might be interested in hosting a new student joining the Flying Fruit Fly Circus in 2026. Homestay families play an incredibly important role in making it possible for young people from across Australia (and sometimes overseas!) to take part in the unique circus experience we offer here. By opening your home, you're giving a student the chance to pursue their dream and be part of something truly special.

Many families have found hosting to be a deeply rewarding experience, building lifelong friendships and gaining a real sense of pride in supporting the next generation of Fruit Flies.

If you'd like to learn more or register your interest, please contact Melanie McClure <a href="mmcclure@wmyc.vic.edu.au">mmcclure@wmyc.vic.edu.au</a> and I'll be in touch to chat through the details.

## **UPCOMING DATES**

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WEEK 6 (This week)		Borderville rehearsals continue
WEEK 10	Tuesday 9 December	Chaos 7PM
	Wednesday 10 December	Chaos 7PM
	Thursday 11 December	Mayhem 7PM
	Friday 12 December	Mayhem 7PM
	Saturday 13 December	Mayhem 11AM Chaos 3PM
	Sunday 14 December	Circus Cubed 10 AM, 11 AM, & 12.15 PM
WEEK 11	Tuesday 16 December	Grad Show 7PM
	Wednesday 17 December	Grad Show 7PM
	Thursday 18 December	Grad Show 7PM
	Friday 19 December	Last day of term Grad Show 7PM
	Saturday 20 December	Grad Show 3PM & 7PM

Please remember to email both school and circus if your child will not be attending school and training

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