Fort Cooinda

The fort naming competition was won by Georgia Franks of 6th grade. Georgia’s entry was Fort Cooinda. An Aboriginal name meaning “happy place”. Congratulations to Georgia. A naming plate will be placed on the fort soon. Also a big thank you to all the parents who worked incredibly hard to paint the fort and spread the mulch.

We would also like to thank Masters for their most generous donation and Rob and Craig who built this magnificent structure. The students at Millers Forest Public School love their fort.

Blazer Swap or Sell

Anyone who has a second-hand blazer they wish to sell on for $70 please give details to Mrs Vollmer and she will place an advertisement in the newsletter. If you wish to purchase a new blazer, please contact Jenny at Lowes. Cost is $199.50.

Aboriginal Cultural Day

On Thursday 7th March we will be having an Aboriginal Cultural Day here at school. Pauline Mitchell from Mindaribba Aboriginal Lands Council will be here to teach the students about Aboriginal History, cooking, games, yarn time etc.

Emergency Numbers

Just a reminder that the emergency mobile number for Emergency Services is 112. The number for the Poisons Information is 131126.
Year 7 Enrolment Application

Dear Year Six Parents

Please return your child’s Year 7 enrolment forms as soon as possible. Even if you are not applying to a government or local school we still must forward these forms on.

Francis Greenway High School

Years 5 & 6 Parent Information Evening for year 7 in 2014-2015, Wednesday 6th March, 5:30 – 7pm in the library.

P&C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting will be on Wednesday 20th March at 9.10am in the library. All welcome, please bring a plate to share.

Donations Required

As you would be aware the Small Schools Sports Carnival is fast approaching (Wednesday 27th March) at Woodberry oval. This year the P&C are charged with the running of the canteen for the whole carnival. This is the P&C’s MAJOR fundraiser for the year and if successful will make us a lot of money to spend on your students. With this in mind the P&C need assistance with donations for this day. If you could please bring into school any of the following items it would be much appreciated;

Butter/margarine, serviettes, lollies, sauces, chips, cakes/slices – on the day, sugar, coffee, tea and plastic teaspoons.

Soccer Posts

We are after some volunteers on Tuesday 5th March at 4:30 – 5:00pm at school to help lift the new soccer posts off the truck.

Important Dates to Remember

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Early Morning Drop Off’s

Many students are being dropped off at school well before 8.30am. Teachers are not required to go onto duty until 8.30am. However, with students in the playground sometimes from 8.00am onwards teachers are often doing on average a 40 to 45 minute duty in the mornings.

This time is dedicated for teacher preparation, staff meetings and work set-up for the day. This also causes an OH&S issue for our site. Please do be mindful of this habit.

Missing

The interactive Jolly Phonics CD is missing. Can you please check at home if you have previously borrowed it? No questions asked!
**NSW Binless Playground Day**

On Wednesday 6th March, our school will have a low waste lunch day where we will try to have no rubbish in our lunchboxes and no bins in our playground. The packaging can be left at home or taken home for reuse or recycling. We can feed our scraps to the worms. A waste free lunch is very healthy too. We aim to have NO LITTER in our school playground – and start helping to make our oceans cleaner at the same time – What a great feeling!

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**Go4Fun® Program**

Go4Fun® is a free healthy lifestyle program supporting children to become fitter, healthier and happier. The program is fun and interactive and supports 7-13 year old children and their families to adopt a long lasting and healthy approach to living. The program is currently being run in towns across NSW.

**Who can participate?**

The program has been specifically designed for children aged 7-13 years who are above a healthy weight, and their parents.

**What does the Go4Fun® program involve?**

The program consists of 20 sessions, twice a week for two hours. Highlights include:

- Weekly games and activities for children
- Fun, interactive discussions to teach you easy and effective ways to improve children’s nutrition, physical activity and self-esteem.
- Practical demonstrations, games and tips about healthy foods, label reading and portion sizes.

**For more information or to register for the program:**

- Free call 1800 780 900
- SMS for a call back on 0409 745 645 or
- Visit - www.mendcentral.org/go4fun

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### Assembly Awards

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| **Principals Award** | Travis  
Excellent contribution to class discussions |
| **Citizenship Award** | Mia  
Being a great friend to others |
| **Kindergarten Award** | Asha  
Presenting exciting news each week |
| **Infants Award** | Riley  
Great work in Maths |
| **Playground Award** | Lacey  
Being a good friend in the playground |
| **Sports Award** | Travis  
Good work at T Ball |

**TREE of the WEEK**

Riley  
Congratulations...