

Faction Swimming Carnival - a Fantastic Day

On the 24th of February the faction swimming carnival was swum and won by

This year was the largest number of students Forrest and Stirling have had to choose from in the last 20 years. Thanks to the efforts of our volunteer parents, involved with the Dowerin Swimming Club, the overall ability level of the students has risen to new heights. Lots of records were broken and our interschool team looks very strong.

Having won the last few swimming carnivals, Forrest were feeling and sounding like a team that had it won when they arrived. Stirling however arrived at the carnival in full voice and the feeling was that they were here to turn the tables.

Forrest won the opening event of the day, with Mollie Ratcliffe breaking the open girls 100m record (R) by 3 seconds. After this early success it was all Stirling, lead by Coden McIvor (R), Jack Warren, Sara Metcalf, Caleb Metcalf (R), Laila McIvor and Daniel Holberton (R) who all won their freestyle event for Stirling. At the end of the freestyle events Stirling lead 129 to 105.

The breaststroke was more of the same from Stirling, with Coden McIvor (R), Ciara McMorran, Jack Warren, Caleb Metcalf, Laila McIvor,

Daniel Holberton all winning their events. This left Forrest in precarious position trailing Stirling 167 to 210.

Needing a lift Forrest railed in the dreaded butterfly events, Lewis Petchell, Isla Hagboom, and Hudson Petchell did their best to close the gap during the primary races. Unfortunately for Forrest the Stirling secondary student lifted and won the remaining 4 races to re-assert their dominance. New records were set by Ciara McMorran, Hudson Petchell, Laila McIvor and Daniel Holberton.

The backstroke was split between the two factions. Coden McIvor, Caleb Metcalf and Jessica Holberton set new records for Stirling, while Yazmine Exton smashed her old record by 7 seconds for Forrest.

Heading into the relays, Forrest needed a miracle to pull off a come from behind win. Trailing by 48 points.

As was the case all day, Stirling rallied to win six out of the final 8 relays of the day to achieve a long awaited victory. Well done to everyone involved on a successful day. Special thank you to our parents and volunteers, staff and the students who provided the intense contest.



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Final scores Stirling 348 def Forrest 290.
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Division	Winner	Runner-up
Junior Primary Mixed	Coden McIvor (S) 15pts	Emmett Dreghorn (F) 8 pts
Intermediate Primary Girl	Ciara McMorran (S) 16pts	Lexi Dreghorn (F) 11pts
Intermediate Primary Boy	Lewis Petchell (F) 15pts	Jack Warren (S) 13pts
Senior Primary Girl	Isla Hagboom (F) 18pts	Sara Metcalf (S) 12pts
Senior Primary Boy	Caleb Metcalf (S) 18pts	Kye Matthews (F) 9pts
Lower Secondary Girl	Laila McIvor (S) 18pts	Tahnee Jones (S) 10pts
Lower Secondary Boy	Daniel Holberton (S) 20pts	Elijah Smith (S) 11pts
Upper Secondary Girl	Jessica Holbeton (S) 16pts Mollie Ratcliffe (F) 16pts	
Upper Secondary Boy	Ainsley Crippen (F) 15pts	Riley Hagboom (S) 13pts

WHAT'S ON?

- Mar 20 Auslan Parent Workshop (7.00pm)
- Mar 27-31 Year 5-6 Camp to Pemberton
- Apr 4 School Board General Meeting (6.30pm)
- Apr 6 Assembly Last day of term
- Apr 7 Good Friday
- Apr 25 ANZAC Day holiday
- Apr 26 Students return to school—Term 2 starts

INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS

Year 5/6 Champion Girl- Isla Hagboom
 Year 5/6 Champion Boy- Caleb Metcalf
 Year 7/8 Champion Girls- Laila McIvor
 Year 7/8 Champion Boy- Daniel Holberton
 Year 9/10 Runner Up Champion Girl- Jessica Holberton

We came....
 3rd in the Primary Shield
 2nd in the Perpetual Shield and
 3rd in the Handicap Shield



	Primary Shield	Perpetual Shield	Handicap Shield
Cunderdin	190	340	422
Kellerberrin	93	126	316
Merr/Tamm/Meck	48	243	243
Quairading	128	154	300
Wyalkatchem	19	84	300
Dowerin	125	276	334

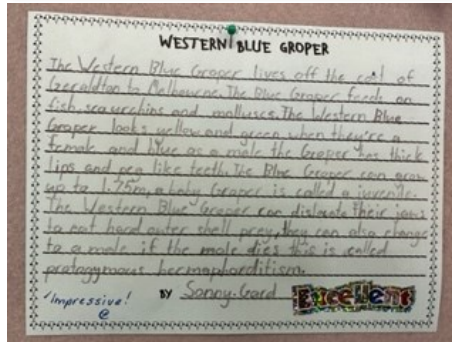
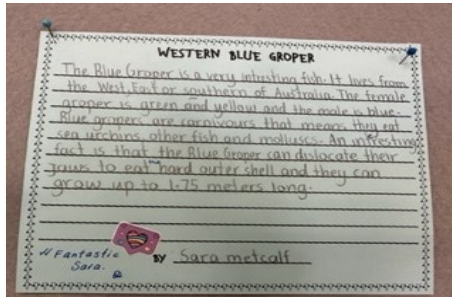
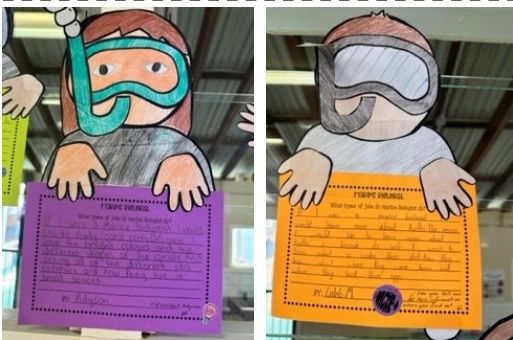
year 5/6 classroom capers

The year 5/6 class has started 2023 with a BANG!! Here is a quick look at our classroom and some of the fantastic work we have produced in just 5 weeks!!

Our class novel 'Blueback' by Tim Winton gave us the opportunity to discuss what a Marine Biologist does and we then wrote about what we would like to study

Western Blue Groper Writing!

our classroom! Room 5



The Western Blue Groper is an integral part of our class novel. We researched to find relevant facts about the Groper. These were added to our classroom display!

We discovered:

- The Western Blue Groper can live for up to 70 years!
- The Western Blue Groper actually starts off life as a female (bright green) and can change to a male (blue) as it grows. So interesting!!
- It is also the largest carnivorous bony fish species found on reefs.



We are a class of 27. We need so much space!!



Parents are the ultimate role models for children Every word, every movement and action has an effect. No other person or outside force has a greater influence on a child than the parent.

Bob Keeshan