



Meadow Matters

The newsletter of Fairy Meadow Demonstration School

Term 2 Week 2 – 3rd May 2016

Principal's Report

Week 2 – Term 2

“Life is 10% what happens to us and 90% how we react to it.”

Week 1 - A Busy First Week:

Our first 3 days back in Week 1 with our students were busy with Kinder and their eye tests over two days, our ANZAC Assembly led so well by our very capable student leaders and organised by our wonderful Mrs. Mawson and our senior tennis team playing against Minnamurra P.S., led by Mr. Dill. Good luck to our Year 3 and Year 5 students who will try their best in their NAPLAN next week.

ANZAC Report and Photos from our Media Team – Kalani Francis 5/6N:

On Friday we commemorated ANZAC day with a special assembly to remember all those Australians who have fallen serving our country in armed conflicts. We laid a wreath with rosemary which is a herb to help people remember. The students from 3/4OS made paper poppies and laid them next to the wreath. Poppies were the first flower to grow out of the mud after a battle. That is why people wear a poppy on ANZAC Day, to remember our ANZACs. Well done and thank you Kalani.



Last Paper Copy of School Newsletter Last Week:

A number of newsletter paper copies have been placed in the school foyer immediately to your left upon entering the front door along with a larger A3 copy. The recent survey given to parents indicated our newsletter is very important but the paper copy was not. You can access our newsletter on our FMDS website and Skoolbag App.

Applications for Opportunity Class Placement in 2017:

The application process for Year 5 2017 placement is about to begin. Important dates are:

Tuesday 26th April 2016 – Online applications open

Friday 13th May 2016 – Online applications close Late applications will not be accepted.

Wednesday 27th July 2016 - Opportunity Class Placement Test

An intention to apply letter to parents of Year 4 is also available. Parents who complete an intention to apply letter must still submit an online application.

Parents can access the online application at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement.

Busy P&C Start to Term 2:

P&C Mothers Day Stall in Hall, Wednesday, 4th. May, 8.30 – 1.45 pm, P&C Meeting, 4th. May, 7.00

P&C Bunnings BBQ, Saturday 14th. May:

Please put the above dates into your diaries so Term 2 can start with a bang with our hard working P&C. I hope everyone has noticed the change in appearance of our Guest Park school boundary fence garden

after all the hard work at our P&C Working Bee with parents and children at the end of last term. I assume no one found an extra green pitch fork in their garden equipment??

Strong support from our parents is needed to man our Bunnings BBQ all day on Saturday, 14th May. We all know the smell of a sausage sandwich at Bunnings and how popular they are and how much money we can raise on the day for our students. One huge project is our Sensory Garden at the front of our school which when finished will present a colourful, highly functional and very attractive and very visible frontage to FMDS. We realise that Saturdays are a busy time with children's sport etc. but if you can organise to help out at anytime during the day it would be greatly appreciated. We are providing the BBQ between the hours of 8.00 am and 4.00 pm. Please message Jo Trotter on 0438859317 to advise the time you are able to help. Thankyou.



Thankyou Keira High School and Corrimal Rotary Club with DreamCricket:

During the last week of last term children from support classes from Wollongong schools came to Fairy Meadow Demonstration School to participate in DreamCricket. To help out on the day Ms. Pike a teacher from Keira High School and a number of Keira H.S. students along with members of Corrimal Rotary made the day a fun, active day for the many children and teachers who attended. It's very important to have a close relationship with our feeder high school, Keira High School and DreamCricket is only one of many highly successful programs that draw FMDS and KHS together.

Upcoming Events:

(Also have a look at our Fantastic New look School Website, FMDS App, Electronic School Sign and our new Facebook Page for further information)

Week 2

Wednesday	4th May	P&C Mothers Day Stall, Hall, 8.30 – 1.45 pm P&C Meeting, 7.00 pm Staffroom
Thursday	5th May	District Cross Country
Friday	6th May	K-2 Tennis, COLA

Week 3

Tuesday	10th May	NAPLAN Test Year 3 and Year 5, Language and Writing
Wednesday	11th May	NAPLAN Reading
Thursday	12th May	NAPLAN Numeracy
Friday	13th May	K-2 Tennis, COLA
Saturday	14th May	P&C Bunnings BBQ 8.00 – 4.00 pm

Week 4

Tuesday	17th May	School Photos
Wednesday	18th May	Gold Award Student Morning Tea
Friday	20th May	K-2 Tennis, COLA

Week 5

Monday	23rd May	Aboriginal Performers K-6
Wednesday	25th May	Extended Staff Professional Learning (In Lieu School Development Day) 3.30 – 7.00 pm
Friday	27th May	K-2 Tennis, COLA

Thankyou for your support
Paul Brightwell



***Fairy Meadow Demonstration School
Tennis Team***

Thankyou to Our Woodwork Group:
Over the past weekend members of our Woodwork Group gave their time and skills to replace the bag hooks in our pre-school. I also talked to the group members about building a garden bed at the front of our school as part of our new sensory garden attached to our support classes. We hope to transform very soon the front of our school into something very special and highly visible from the Princes Highway.



Canteen News

There's not much to report this week. Just a reminder about the price increase to pies \$3.70, sausage rolls \$2.70 and halal sausage rolls \$3.20.

We also have frozen milk bits available in 3 flavours, vanilla, strawberry and chocolate 20c each. Since beginning to sell Oak milk our sales of Moolish long life milk have dropped off considerably. Therefore we have decided that we will no longer keep it in stock.

Our wonderful helpers are:

Mon 2/5	Brooke Ward	Mon 9/5		Mon 16/5	
Tue 3/5	Coralie	Tue 10/5		Tue 17/5	Deb Neich
Wed 4/5		Wed 11/5		Wed 18/5	Rachel Melville
Thur 5/5	Michelle Haigh	Thur 12/5	Kaylene Roach	Thur 19/5	
Frid 6/5		Frid 13/5	Lisa Springett	Frid 20/5	Jacqueline Boyton

COMMUNITY NEWS



**Fairy Meadow Netball Club urgently needs players aged 11 and 12 years old.
Please contact Club President Margaret on 0412 103 041**