



Meadow Matters

The newsletter of Fairy Meadow Demonstration School

Term 2 Week 3 – 10th

Principal's Report

Week 3 – Term 2

"You can neither win nor lose if you don't run the race."

NAPLAN – Good Luck Year 3 and Year 5 – Try Your Best!!!!

Mother's Day Congratulations Mums:

I trust all our mums and children shared a special day on Sunday with Mother's Day. Thankyou to the mums who came along last Wednesday to help out at the P&C Mother's Day Stall. I was particularly impressed with the lovely bags and packaging which came with each gift – a nice thought P&C!!

Thankyou P&C and P&C Bunnings BBQ – This Saturday 8.00 – 4.00 pm:

FMDS and our hard working P&C have started a busy Term 2 already!! Last week we had our Mother's Day Stall and P&C Meeting on Wednesday and this week we have a Bunnings BBQ. On behalf of FMDS we thank our hard working and very generous P&C for providing \$15,000 to help start our Sensory Garden at the front of our school opposite Woollies. We have exciting plans to transform the front of our school for our support classes, pre-school and mainstream children but sadly due to the high cost (approximately \$71,000) the program will be a long term project. We plan to install large areas of artificial grass, gardens and playground equipment. The front of our school will become very special and a showcase for FMDS.

With our Bunnings BBQ, if you can spare anytime during the day it would be greatly appreciated. Please message Jo Trotter on 0438859317 to advise the time you are able to help.

Soccer PSSA Knockout Update:

Sadly due to the rain on Monday, our soccer games were postponed. The boys and girls games have been re-scheduled for this Friday, 13th. May. Boys will kick off at 12.00 and the girls at 1.30 pm. against Gwynneville Public School at Guest Park so hopefully we can have lots of Fairy Meadow Dem. School fans supporting our students. See you there!!!

Pre-School Fitness news:

Well done to our little pre-schoolers, Miss Bennie and Mrs. White as they start their fitness program. Miss Bennie has attached some very colourful news to this week's newsletter. Well done FMDS Pre-School. Last week Miss Bennie and I visited Nowra and learnt much from visiting 3 Nowra pre-schools. Some of these excellent ideas will no doubt find their way into our pre-school very soon.

Term 2 Woodwork Group Starts:

Thankyou again to our Woodwork Group who take the time every Wednesday for Term 2 to work with a group of our boys. Thankyou also to Mrs. Fenwick for her excellent organisation. I know the boys and their parents certainly value very highly this opportunity for their sons to work with the men and women and to learn some very different skills out of the classroom.

K-2 Tennis Program:

All K-2 children have now started their energetic tennis clinic with Mr. Swindells on every Friday of this term. Our youngest students' fine motor and gross motor skills will certainly be challenged and developed as part of this program. Thankyou Mr. S, K-2 children and teachers. Well done.



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 also submit an online application at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement.

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 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
		PSSA Soccer KO, 12.00 (Boys), 1.30 (Girls)
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

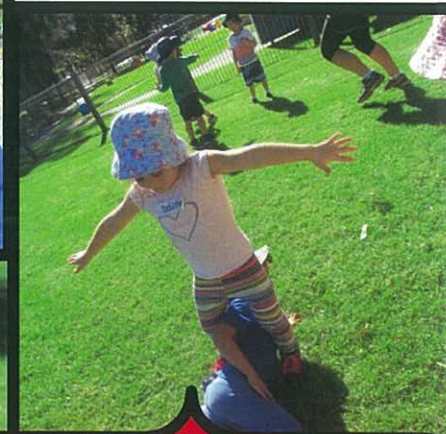
Monday	23rd May	Aboriginal Performers K-6
Wednesday	25th May	Extended Staff Professional Learning (In Lieu School Development Day) 3.30 – 7.00 pm
Friday	27th May	K-2 Tennis, COLA

Thankyou for your support
Paul Brightwell

Canteen News

Please try and get your orders in by 9am, we have to serve the food for 1st break at 11am. That only gives two hours to cook and bag orders. The majority of our hot food needs to be cooked from frozen. Also, due to health regulations we are unable to reheat food that is brought from home. Our wonderful helpers are:

Mon 9/5		Mon 16/5	
Tue 10/5		Tue 17/5	Deb Neich
Wed 11/5		Wed 18/5	Rachel Melville
Thur 12/5	Kaylene Roach	Thur 19/5	Melissa Hellmund
Frid 13/5	Lisa Springett	Frid 20/5	Jacqueline Boyton



This week our Preschoolers have started an exciting Preschool Fitness program with Pippa from Work it Out Fitness. We are having so much fun learning and practicing all of our essential Fundamental Movement Skills through lots of fun games and activities. This week we showed off our amazing **Running** skills. Check out how fast we are... Can you try to catch us?! We love having Pippa visit (and keep asking if she can come every day)! We can't wait to see her next week to see what fun she has planned for us.



May 2016