



# Meadow Matters

Welcome to the newsletter of Fairy Meadow Demonstration School

**Week 10, Term 3 - Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September,**

## Principal's Report

**"It takes 2 flints to make a fire."**

### **Thankyou for Another Busy and Productive Term and Enjoy Your Holidays!!**

I wish to thank our wonderful children, dedicated staff and very supportive parents for your strong support and another busy term at FMDS. The year is quickly disappearing with so much happening at school. I trust everyone has a relaxing and safe Spring Holidays and enjoy the sunshine and warmer weather. In this final week of Term 3 all the teachers will be sharing their teaching and planning for Term 4 as part of our very important Planning Week. This time also provides me with a valuable opportunity to sit down and talk with each teacher. All classes will be taught this week by our dedicated and very flexible teachers Mr Prior, Ms Kerr, Mrs Wyers, Mrs Bull, Miss Tugril, Mrs Pezzutto and Mrs Boyd. We thank you all for providing the opportunity for the class teachers to share and plan together in their stage groups. Children will also enjoy PBL Reward extra play this week and each teacher will have their own special way of thanking their students for working so hard this term. I love Mr Napper's "NAP Awards!!!" and there will be movies and electronic days too.

We are now evaluating 2016 and planning for an even better 2017 to make FMDS the best school possible for our children. I strongly urge all parents and carers to complete our simple anonymous and confidential on-line Tell Them From Me parent survey at: <https://nswtellthemfromme.com/fmds2016>

### **Grandparents Day – An Amazing First at FMDS – Thankyou Everyone!!**

On Monday, in brilliant sunshine, after Sunday's drenching, we all enjoyed an amazing Grandparents Day. The day started with our mass junior and senior choirs with Mrs Sullivan, assisted by Ari and Lilliana and our 3/4TD Song and Dance medley with Mrs Davis entertaining the hall full of very proud and interested grandparents, parents and friends. Mrs Mawson then welcomed the crowd to the Library with nearly 300 cuppas. I think Mrs Mawson needed a well earned cuppa by the end. Children then took their families to their classrooms to give their grandparents a special bookmark gift and to ask them some questions about when they were at school, many of whom also were students of FMDS – what a wonderful legacy and family history. After a full morning, then the rush was for the fantastic sausage sizzle cooked by yours truly, Mr Summerfield and Mrs Kearns. Mrs Kearns and I then doubled teamed with our wonderful SASS Staff and Mrs Denton in a flurry of serviettes, bread and sausages. Then to top off the morning our SRC organised the coin line from all the classes. What a great morning. I met Kurt M's Great Grandfather who is 106 and can still give the bottle a good toss for the money. Special thanks go to our own Kerr Family yum, sausages Thirroul Plaza Meats and Luu Family Corrimal Bakehouse who supplied our delicious BBQ goodies.

### **Congratulations and Good Luck Again to our Junior Relay Team – Off to State and our Spelling Bee Finalist at Bulli P.S.**

Emma, Cailee, Annika, Eliana and Cohen, Kaitlyn, Jovana and Isabelle.

## **Full School Uniform**

I remind all parents and children that we all need to look our best with our school on show every day (includes black school shoes Monday to Thursday.)

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## **What's happening @ FMDS?**

### **Week 10**

- 19 Grandparents Day, 10.00-11.00  
Stage 3 Yr. 5&6 Gymsports 9.00-1.45  
Assembly Senior Yr. 3-6, 2.15-3.00pm
- 21 Killalea Excursion Stage 1 + K-4W  
Spelling Bee Finals, Bulli P.S.  
(Good luck Cohen, Kaitlyn, Jovana and Isabelle)
- 22 UOW 2<sup>nd</sup> Yr. Dem Students
- 23 Last Day of Term 3

### **Term 4 Starts**

#### **October**

- 10 Monday, All students K-6 return to school

### **IMB School Banking**

I remind all parents and children that IMB School Banking has now commenced at FMDS, care of our local IMB Branch across the road. Banking days and information is available in the IMB Green Sheets found in the front office foyer. Time to save for later !!!

### **Lost Property Mountain of Clothing, Lunch Boxes, Water Bottles etc**

I remind all parents and children to label clearly all your school uniform so it can be easily identified and returned to the owner. At the moment our lost property in the sick bay entrance door is of mountainous size and growing by the day. In four weeks at the end of the term all school clothing without names will be given to the P&C Clothing Pool, clothing with names will be returned and any other items given to the local charity bin. I ask parents to please have a look in the lost property for lost items.

### **FMDS Website, Facebook Page, School Sign and SkoolBag App**

I hope everyone is having a look at our school website and exciting Facebook Page which are both full of amazing photos, stories and comments from hundreds of viewers showcasing the many talents of our students and staff. With so much happening at FMDS our website, Facebook, School Sign and SkoolBag App show it all. A huge thankyou to the many staff and parents who upload and contribute as well as Mrs Scott who spends countless hours at home updating everything for you to view.

### **Canteen News**

Showbags are still available at the Canteen this week, \$5.00 each. They contain a popper, chips, lollies, ice block voucher and a novelty item. Some may have a Pokémon card inside.

As we run down on stock at the end of term, please check the whiteboard for any out of stock items.

Our fantastic helpers this week are:

Mon 19/9	
Tue 20/9	Deb Neich
Wed 21/9	Rachel Melville
Thur 22/9	Simone Warburton
Frid 23/9	Lisa Springett

### **Community News:**

***Big Fat Smile Fun Club*** – School Holiday Program.

Visit [bigfatsmile.com.au/fun-club](http://bigfatsmile.com.au/fun-club) to enrol or phone 4285 4616 to find out more information.

***Smith's Hill High School*** – Expo Night

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2016, 6:00 to 8:30pm.

Smith's Hill High School is a public selective coeducational high school catering for gifted and talented students.

Applications for Year 7 2018 close on November 14<sup>th</sup> 2016.

Year 5 students and their parents may wish to take the opportunity to see the school with a view to applying for admission in 2018. Year 6 students who sat the entrance test for 2017 admission and their parents are invited to attend our Expo to view our facilities and programs. Phone enquiries directed to the school on 4229 4266.

### ***Junior Water Polo***

Term 4, 2016 – Ages 7-16 (u12,14,16 age groups) at UOW Recreation and Aquatic Centre.

Training Monday nights and competition Wednesday nights.

Find out more at [illwp.com](http://illwp.com)

### ***Circus Monoxide***

Fun activities that allow children to be creative and adventurous in a safe environment.

Early drop off & late pick up for working parents Call 4285 0066 or book at [circusmonoxide.com.au](http://circusmonoxide.com.au)

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## FMDS Fantastic Grandparents Day & SRC Coin Line

