



# Meadow Matters

Welcome to the newsletter of Fairy Meadow Demonstration School

Week 7, Term 4 – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2017.

## Principal's Report

"The things we love tell us what we are."

## Aboriginal Mural Opening

On Monday our students, staff and many parents were a part of something very special at FMDS with the official opening of our Aboriginal Mural. The artistic talents of one of our dads, Symon Browne, helped by many students changed a blank, boring brick wall into a large, colourful mural full of symbolism and meaning to highlight the rich culture and history of Aboriginal Australia. Our mural will be a focal point for many years to come and classes can sit in front of the mural and study art, culture, history with their teacher to better understand and appreciate the importance of Aboriginal Australia. The students, staff and parents were also part of the smoking ceremony which made the day even more special. My thanks and gratitude not only go to Symon but to the dedication and enthusiasm of Mrs Mathers and Miss Scerri for everything they have done this year promoting Aboriginal Education in their role as our Aboriginal Education Team. 2017 has been an amazing year !!



## What's happening @ FMDS!!

### Week 7

#### November

24 Recreational Sport Yr. 3-6

### Week 8

27 Last Assembly 3-6, 2.15

29 Last Scripture

30 Sports Ready

Sports Heroes Fun Day P-6

1 Sports Assembly 12.00-1.00

Recreational Sport Yr. 3-6

### Week 9

5 Year 6 to Year 7 Orientation Day

6 Choir Christmas Community Walk

P&C AGM – 7pm

7 Sports Ready

8 School Presentation Assembly, 9.15

### Week 10

11 Year 6 Farewell Assembly, 9.15

12 P-2 Christmas Concert 9.15

13 Party Day

Year 6 Farewell Dinner

14 Semester 2 Reports to Parents

15 Last Day for all children

Last Day of Term 4

### Term 1 2018

#### February

30 Year 1- 6 students return to school  
Kindergarten Best Start Interviews  
commence

### **“ FREE School Furniture to a Good Home “**

I have had a clean out of old school furniture and placed chairs, desks etc outside the old garage in the middle of the playground trees. I am happy to offer the furniture to my school families, FREE to a good home until next Friday 1 st. December. Whatever is still here by next Friday will disappear.

### **Road Safety**

I remind all parents/carers and students to cross Balgownie Road at the pedestrian crossing under the guidance of our Road Crossing Supervisor. Today, police, who informed them to cross safely at the supervised crossing, questioned parents. I should not have to impress upon parents and children of the dangers of crossing a very busy Balgownie Road and the need to keep everyone safe.

### **P&C News**

A big thank you to Sarah, Derrian and the students of FMDS for their help on our Gala Day BBQ. Thankfully, the weather held out and we had a great day raising \$700.00 towards the air conditioning. The last P&C meeting for 2017, which is, also our AGM will be held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm in the staffroom. Hope to see many new faces.

### **Uniform Shop News**

We are now stocking School Bags at a cost of \$50.00 each. They are great quality and very spacious. Come down to the Uniform Shop and check them out. It has been a bit of a wait, but we have finally found a supplier for school caps, which we should have for the start of 2018.

### **Canteen News**

Christmas treats start next week. Beginning on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Nov with delicious super shakes. Yummy flavoured milk topped with ice cream, sprinkles, biscuit crumbs and a chocolate wafer straw for only \$2.50. Each day there, after we will be selling a different treat until the end of term. They will be advertised on the white boards outside the canteen, in the newsletter and on SkoolBag. Get in quick as numbers are limited and no treat will be repeated. Nothing will cost over \$2.50.

If you are able to offer your assistance in the Canteen in 2018, please call in and put your name down on the roster.

Our happy helpers to almost finish off 2018 are:

Tuesday 21/11	Deb Neich	Tue 28/11	Cheryl Tselonis
Wed 22/11	Rachel Melville	Wed 29/11	
Thursday 23/11		Thursday 30/11	
Friday 24/11	Jacqueline Boyton	Friday 1/12	Lisa Arang