



Meadow Matters

Welcome to the newsletter of Fairy Meadow Demonstration School

Week 4, Term 3 – Friday 11th August, 2017.

Fairy Meadow School Attendance Procedures

Regular attendance at school is essential to assist students to maximise their potential. Schools, in partnership with parents, are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students.

The School Attendance Policy sets out the requirements for the attendance of students in NSW government schools. When a student is absent from school, parents/carers are required to explain the absence and the school is required to record the explanation.

Parents/Carers are required to inform the school, upon returning to school, when and why their child has been absent. This also includes partial absences. An absence is unexplained if parents have failed to provide an explanation to the school within 7 days of the absence.

For more detail on the department's School Attendance Policy- NSW Department of Education use the address below.

education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/school-attendance-policy.

Thank you for supporting your school in this important area.

Welcome to the University of Wollongong

Each Thursday throughout Term 3 and early Term 4 our school has the privilege of accommodating 240 pre service teachers from the University of Wollongong. Our partnership with these 2nd year students began in 2011, where they are given the opportunity to make authentic connections between the theory that they teach at the university, and the practice of teaching in the classroom.

As a core, second year subject, EDPD202 has consistently had a healthy student enrolment with the average class size from 2011 – 2017 being 195 students. These large groups of students have attended a two-hour lecture on campus at the university as a whole cohort and then, on alternate Thursdays, made their way to our school to attend a three hour session, comprising of a tutorial, mini-lecture and classroom experience, every other week for 12 weeks. The experience for both the pre-service teachers and the staff at FMDS has been overwhelmingly positive.

UOW and FMDS have a special relationship and a unique bond that we can really be proud of! We welcome our teachers of the future.

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What's happening @ FMDS!!

Week 5

- 14 Brokers District Athletics Carnival
Kinder Orientation Session 1, 9.10-10.30
- 15 K-2 Assembly, 2.15 (2HD Class Lead)
- 16 Preschool Photo Day
Whole School Assembly, 2.15
Presidents/Vice Presidents Photo Day
- 17 University of Wollongong 2nd Yr. DEMS
- 18 House Sport, 2.00pm

Week 6

- 21 Stage 2 Excursion to Mt Keira Scout Camp
- 23-25 Southern Stars
- 24 University of Wollongong 2nd Yr. DEMS
- 25 Southern Stars Excursion

Week 7

- 28 Interrelate
- 29 Book Parade
Kindergarten Orientation Session 2, 9.10-10.30
K-2 Assembly 2.15 (1T Class Lead)
- 30 Father's Day Stall
- 31 University of Wollongong 2nd Yr. DEMS
- 1 South Coast Athletics Carnival

In addition to our 2nd Year UOW students, we have three, 4th Year Bachelor of Education Interns working with classes from 14 August -22 September 2017. We welcome them to our wonderful school and support them in their final teaching practicum.

S2 3/4D Stephanie Uggrinovska

S2 4TB Michael Mellon

S3 6MN Carly Solah

Broker's District Athletics Carnival

Fairy Meadow Demonstration is sending a strong team of over 70 athletes to compete at the Broker's District Athletics Carnival, at Beaton Park on Monday 14th August. Thank you to Mr Dill for all his organisation and relay training. Thanks also to Mr Napper and Mr Chapman for taking the team and as always this couldn't happen without our fabulous office staff.

Good luck team! We know you'll do us proud.

NAIDOC Public Speaking Challenge

Sonny Browne and Max Green have been busily working with Mrs Mathers and Mrs Mawson to prepare a joint presentation about this year's NAIDOC theme; 'Our Languages Matter'. Together they have written a speech that they will present at the NAIDOC Public Speaking Challenge at Dapto Public School, on Monday 14th August. They have worked extremely hard over the past few weeks and their teachers are very proud of their achievements. Sonny and Max will also have the opportunity to present their speech at the whole school assembly in week 5, Wednesday 16th August at 2.15pm. Parents and visitors are more than welcome to come along. Well done boys and good luck for Monday!

Canteen News

Just a reminder that due to health regulations we cannot reheat food brought from home.

Net Tuesday the canteen will only be open for Break 1. Wednesday will instead be open for Break 1 & 2. This is for next week only.

If you would like to help in our canteen next year, hours are from 9am to 12noon. Please call into the canteen and put your name down on the roster.

Our fantastic helpers are:

Tue 15/8		Tue 22/8	
Wed 16/8	Rachel Melville	Wed 23/8	
Thur 17/8	Cynthia Sanders	Thur 24/8	
Frid 18/8	Kylie Slawski	Frid 25/8	

Premier's Spelling Bee

Students in Stage 2 and Stage 3 have been 'busy little (spelling) bees' this week. Each class held their own individual Spelling Bees to determine their class representatives for the Stage-wide competition. Stage 3 held their Spelling Bee on Tuesday 8th August and Stage 2 followed on Thursday 10th August. The two top spellers from each Stage will be representing FMDS at the Regional Spelling Bee, held at Wollongong Public School on Thursday 7th September 2017.

The Spelling Bee provides the opportunity for students from Public schools across NSW to learn new words and to explore the English language in an interesting and challenging way. The Spelling Bee is invaluable in promoting the development of key literacy skills. It helps to encourage FMDS students to embrace a love of spelling, and in turn, a love of reading which will stay with them for the rest of their lives.

Congratulations to all students who participated in the 2017 Premier's Spelling Bee, and a special congratulations to Kairyn, Max, Blaise and Anna our 2017 Stage Spelling Champions.

Stage 2 Contestants:

3P

Declan Hayman
Eden Neich
Kira Zilizi-Heffernan

3/4 D

Blaise Jago
Quan Nguyen
Ramin Tihami

4TB

Audrey Ang
Amelie Gillen
Anna Steven

Stage 2 Winners:

1st Blaise Jago
2nd Anna Steven

Stage 3 Contestants:

5D

Sebastian Dobre
Max Farnan
Chloe Gleeson
Liam Pople

5F

Abbey Molkentin
Mackenzie Reid
Cooper Turner
Jed Zvargulis

5/6S

Ryley Russell
Colby Thompson

6MN

Kairyn Hewitt-Worthington
Isabelle Roach
Noah Trotter

6N

Alisha Devi
Jovana Pjevac
Zaynab Reslan

Stage 3 Winners:

1st Max Farnan
2nd Kairyn Hewitt-Worthington

Community News:

Wollongong Cricket Club

Boys and Girls of all ages are welcome to attend our Come and Try days.

FREE: Sausage Sizzle for those in attendance.

Meet Syd from the Sydney Sixers & try a range of fun activities.

North Dalton Park, Pioneer Road, Towradgi NSW

Saturday 2nd September 2017 11am-12:30pm, Saturday 9th September 2017 11am-12:30pm

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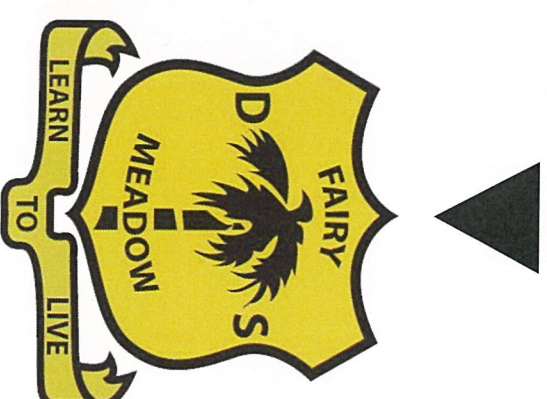
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