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Calendar

TERM 1

FEBRUARY

Week 4

17th—BYOD Parent Meeting—
classes 5/6S and 5/6T (library) at 5pm

18th—Yr 2 and Yr 4 Gymnastics
—P&C Meeting—9.15am

19th—PSSA commences

Week 5

22nd—Stage 3 Excursion

23rd—Stage 3 Excursion

24th—Meet The Teacher Afternoon

25th—Yr 2 and Yr 4 Gymnastics

MARCH

Week 6

1st—Zone Swimming Carnival

4th—Yr 2 and Yr 4 Gymnastics

4th—Clean-up Schools Day

Week 7

8th—SCHOOL PHOTOS

10th—Yr 2 and Yr 4 Gymnastics,
Selective High Schools Test

Week 8

17th—Yr 2 and Yr 4 Gymnastics

Week 9

21st—HARMONY DAY

23rd—Easter Hat Parade

24th—Yr 2 and Yr 4 Gymnastics

25th—GOOD FRIDAY

Week 10

28th—EASTER MONDAY

30th—Tree Planting Day

31st—Yr 2 and Yr 4 Gymnastics

APRIL

Week 11

5th—Stage 1 Excursion

6th—Stage 1 Excursion

7th—Yr 2 and Yr 4 Gymnastics

—ANZAC DAY Assembly—11.30am

8th—END OF TERM Assembly—11.30am

We are always FAIR at FAIRVALE

This year we have made some changes to our rewards process. These changes have been made so that they align with our long term commitment to the Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) program.

Our new awards process will commence at the beginning of Term 2. The changes will be explained over the coming weeks. We advise everyone to trade in all eligible awards before the end of term.

Remember to talk to your children about being FAIR.

F—We are Friendly

A—We are Always Safe

I—We are Into Learning

R—We are Responsible

Check out my Principal's Into Learning awards!

Do you have our School App?

Remember to access our school app from mobile devices on both the Apple app and Google Play store. This application provides instant notifications so that you can stay up to date with current information about what's happening in the school. This includes sections for school newsletters, notes, electronic absence submissions, important locations and the school calendar. You can search for Fairvale Public School in both the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store.



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Principal's INTO LEARNING AWARD



Congratulations to the following students for receiving the Principal's Into Learning Award for Week 3.

CLASS	STUDENT
K Bright	Mariam Ezat
K Hewitt	Zahra Al Salman
K Magnussen	Shahad Helfee
K Tomkins	Zainab Al Salem
1 Kelly	Teodora Tomasevic
1 Perkins	Valentina Arcaba
1 Rice	Eva Simovici
1/2 Dwyer	Amanda Dawoud
2 Bradbury	Joanne Nguyen
2 Campbell	Maryana Luay
2 Hackett	Leah Lam
2 Knowles	Leon Sepulveda

CLASS	STUDENT
3 Armstrong	Summer Kendall
3 Dell	Mariel Paje
3 Strickland	Angel Qayssar
3/4 Power	Tony Pham
4 Basil	Jayzen Valencia
4 Delaney	Thai-Tran Le
4 Lewis	Wilson Palu
5/6 Barratt	Motaz Mousa
5/6 Esposito	Hussein Obada
5/6 Meares	Kayla Tran
5/6 Sosimenko	Jeremiah Leatigaga
5/6 Tallent	Yusif Qala
5/6 Vincent	Jorgia Elhlou



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From the Principal

AROUND THE SCHOOL WITH MR PITT

Over the last 2 weeks I visited 1/2 Danyal and 5/6 Vincent during classtime. Both classes were very settled and on task during my visit.

5/6 Vincent: Students worked in small groups to persuade people to purchase their product. Students had to think about a slogan, factual information and reasons for buying the product.

1/2 Danyal: Students have been learning about adjectives. Everybody worked in small groups completing activities related to adjectives. My favourite activity was using adjectives to describe yourself.

Check out some of my photos in this edition of the newsletter.



SWIMMING CARNIVAL

We had a fabulous day at our Swimming Carnival on Friday 5th February. Everybody had a lot of fun and enjoyed the various rotations. The Aqua Play equipment was fantastic! Congratulations to the children who entered the racing events and may be required to attend the Zone Carnival. A special mention to Mr Kinniburgh and Mr Misitano for organising the event. Well done everyone!



STAFF NEWS

We welcome two new teachers to our Fairvale family:-

- Mrs Daly—Preschool teacher (Mondays and Wednesdays) and Support teacher (Tuesdays)
- Mrs Tannous—Support teacher (Thursdays and Fridays)



I would also like to take this opportunity to officially say farewell to three staff members who are not returning this year—Mrs Casonato, Mrs Hua and Mr Hanna. On behalf of our learning community I say thank you for the fine contribution to made to FVPS.

MEET THE TEACHER AFTERNOON

I would encourage all families to attend our meet the teacher afternoon on **Wednesday 24th February**. At this time you will meet your child's teacher as well as find out about the teaching and learning programs for 2016. A note recently went home outlining times and venues for each stage meeting. Please complete the Student Profile sheet and return it to your child's teacher.



CLASSES 2016

We have not made any changes to our class structure for 2016. We have decided to use some of our funding allocation to keep our 25 classes. Having 25 classes has meant all our classes are excellent sizes, manageable for the teacher and most importantly, focused on individual student achievement and improvement. As mentioned in the last edition, our classes are named after Australian Olympians—past and present. When writing your child's name for different things you can still use the initial of the class. For example, Mrs Rosic's class is called 1 Rice. You can still write 1R.

Each teacher has information on the classroom door – check it out!

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K-2 Class Names	Teacher
K Bright	Miss Byrne
K Hewitt	Miss Holloway
K Magnussen	Miss Mu Sung
K Tomkins	Mr Tran
1 Kelly	Miss Kelleyan
1 Perkins	Mrs Pereira/ Mrs Kyriacou
1 Rice	Mrs Rosic
1/2 Dwyer	Miss Danyal
2 Bradbury	Ms Batar
2 Campbell	Mr Carbone
2 Hackett	Mrs Herps
2 Knowles	Mrs Karam



3-6 Class Names	Teacher
3 Armstrong	Mrs Assad
3 Dell	Miss Djukic
3 Strickland	Mr Smyth-Gapps
3/4 Power	Miss Pracy
4 Basil	Mrs Bruzzese
4 Delaney	Miss Diep
4 Lewis	Mr Ly
5/6 Barratt	Miss Brooks
5/6 Esposito	Miss Elks
5/6 Meares	Mr Misitano
5/6 Sosimenko	Miss Spagnolo
5/6 Tallent	Miss Brady
5/6 Vincent	Miss Volpato

We also have many staff in specialist roles.

SPECIALIST ROLE	TEACHER	SPECIALIST ROLE	TEACHER
Teacher Librarian	Ms Orwin	EALD	Mrs Newman
Learning and Support	Mrs Worby	EALD	Mrs Soumboulidis
Learning and Support	Mr Kinniburgh	EALD	Miss Michael
Learning and Support	Miss Mahendra	EALD/ Technology	Mrs Sheppard
Reading Recovery	Mrs Bawa	EALD (Thursday)	Mrs Kahawati
Reading Recovery	Mrs Sloggett	Counsellor	Mrs Sequeira
RFF (Music)	Mrs Olivera	Wellbeing Mentor	Ms Batten
EALD	Mrs Tsioras	Playgroup Coordinator	Mrs Daly
EALD	Mrs La Robina	Support teacher (Th & Fri)	Mrs Tannous
Instructional Leader K-6	Mrs Dale	L3 Trainer	Mrs Arzapitian

NON-TEACHING STAFF

An important part of our school is our highly valued staff that work in the office, in classrooms, taking care of the school grounds and generally making sure that everyone in our school is well looked after.

STAFF	ROLE	STAFF	ROLE
Mrs Bushby	School Administration Manager	Mrs Hadfield	School Learning Support Officer
Mrs Boyle	School Administration Officer	Miss Matheson	School Learning Support Officer
Mrs Rigley	School Administration Officer	Mrs Youlten	School Learning Support Officer
Mrs Lyons	School Administration Officer	Miss Jojic	School Learning Support Officer
Mrs Sinclair	School Administration Officer	Mrs Spiteri	School Learning Support Officer
Mrs Deane	School Administration Officer	Mrs Franso	School Learning Support Officer
Mrs Ha	Community Liaison Officer	Mrs Salem	School Learning Support Officer
Mr Knight	General Assistant	Mrs Figueroa	School Learning Support Officer
Mrs Hamawi	School Learning Support Officer	Miss Ally & Miss Lisa	Speech and Occupational Therapists

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COMMUNICATION

If you have concerns about any issue, and it is a classed based, please make contact with your child's teacher. Remember an appointment may be necessary as teachers cannot speak to you during teaching time. We also have an executive team who guide the teaching and learning programs and wellbeing of all members of our school. At times you may find it necessary to organise to meet with one of the executive members of staff.

STAFF	ROLE
Mr Pitt	Principal — <i>leading and managing the whole school, supervising specialist programs</i>
Miss Cameron	Deputy Principal — <i>supervising specialist programs and teacher professional learning</i>
Miss Byrne	Assistant Principal — <i>supervising Early Stage 1 and specialist programs</i>
Mrs Karam	Assistant Principal — <i>supervising Stage 1</i>
Mr Smyth-Gapps	Assistant Principal — <i>supervising Stage 2</i>
Miss Elks	Assistant Principal — <i>supervising Stage 3 and specialist programs</i>

Three other forms of communication at our school is our newsletter, our Community Liaison Officer and notes sent home. Firstly, our newsletters are sent home fortnightly on Wednesdays. The newsletter will include fortnightly news stories, important events and important information from our office.

Secondly Maria Ha, our Community Liaison Officer, is another source of communication. Maria works Thursdays and is always happy to assist our families. Maria also assists our P&C who meet the first Thursday of each month – consequently our first P&C meeting will be held **tomorrow—Thursday 18th February** at 9.15am in the staffroom.



Thirdly, notes are sent home on a regular basis. It is important that you always check your child's bag for notes. Every note that is sent home should always be read by families. Placing notes on your fridge door is a good way to remind you when events are coming up or if money needs to be returned to school for excursions and other exciting events. And most importantly don't forget to download our school App – this gives daily messages and reminders.

FRIENDSHIPS TO BOOST LEARNING

If children are happy socially they tend to be more engaged in their learning. So teaching your child about the importance of making friends is as vital as learning their ABCs.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/how-friendships-boost-your-childs-learning>



Have a great fortnight,



Anthony Pitt

Relieving Principal

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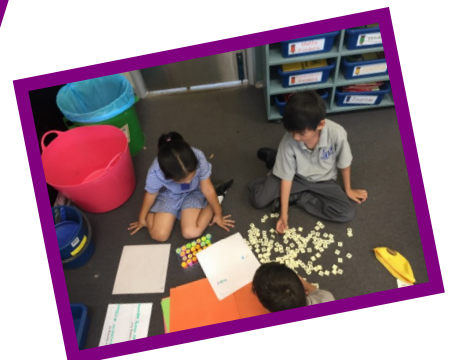
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5/6 Vincent



1/2 Dwyer



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From the Deputy Principal

Fabulous Fairvale!

Playgroup has started with great success. We have had over ten students and their parents/caregivers attend each session, where the children are provided with the opportunity to interact with other children, play with a variety of equipment, listen to stories, sing songs, dance and create art and craft items. If you have a child aged between 3-4 years and would be interested in attending the Monday and/or Wednesday session, please see the front office for more information. We look forward to seeing you!



Story Time!

Teacher learning is taking off at Fairvale!

As well as student learning, Fairvale Public School is invested in ensuring all staff are provided with opportunities to continue their own learning. Professional learning for teachers is important as it ensures our teachers are planning and presenting the most current and exciting learning experiences to your children. At times, this requires teachers to be off class so they can plan and engage in quality talk around the latest research and practices in teaching. When the classroom teacher is not on class, their normal teaching and learning program continues. Thorough planning is handed over to ensure this. This week all teachers have been engaged in Stage Planning Days. This is a day where teams of teachers work together to plan lessons, develop resources and talk about strategies to cater for all the different needs of students in their classrooms.

A program titled Language Learning and Literacy Stage One (L3 Stage One) has also commenced at Fairvale Public School. This is an exciting program that Year One and Two teachers are involved in. Mrs Jenna Arzapitian is leading this project across five local schools, including ours. L3 Stage One focusses on the delivery of reading, writing and talking lessons using quality literature and meaningful experiences. Year One and Two teachers will engage in professional learning every fortnight for half a day through the year. This will mostly be on Mondays. Once started, you will be invited into the classrooms to see the amazing work of the teachers and students.

Miss Cameron

Deputy Principal

Attendance Chatter

Notes

If your child is absent from school it is important that a note explaining the reason for your child's absence is provided to the classroom teacher as soon as possible. Alternatively you can call the office to notify the school of their absence and the reason. Schools are required to keep attendance registers which includes absences and reasons for these. It is extremely important for students to be at school everyday to ensure they progress academically, socially and emotionally.



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CLO Messages



Thank you to all who attended our Welcome to Kindergarten Parents Morning Tea last Thursday. It was a joy to be able to meet and get to know those newest to our school community and to welcome them to the Fairvale Public School family. Special thanks to everyone who dedicated their time to organise food to share.

Nutrition & Cooking Program

The school in conjunction with NSW Refugee Health Service is excited to announce the launch of a free nutrition course this term for families and friends. This informative cooking program consists of 8 two-hour workshops focussing on important health topics including: Healthy lunchbox, food safety and storage, and preventing chronic disease. Participants will have the opportunity to cook specially organised healthy food recipes by the facilitating Community Dietician.

An Introductory Session will be held this Thursday following our P&C AGM from 10:00am to 11:00am. All sessions will be held in the Staffroom on nominated Thursdays which will be published in the newsletter. Please see attached flyer included in this newsletter for further information regarding session topics.

Parents & Citizens (P&C) Committee Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Please join us at our P&C AGM, which will be taking place in the Staffroom on Thursday 18th February from 9:05 am. Kindly note the change of time from 10:00am, as had been previously published, was made in order to meet the best interests of the school community.

Our school P&C meetings are wonderful opportunities to be updated about our children's education and the wonderful initiatives that will take place throughout the year. Key members of the P&C will be elected at the AGM. Office bearer and representative positions for our P&C encompass:

- President
- Vice-President (2 positions)
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Minutes Clerk
- Uniform Shop Coordinator
- Fundraising Coordinator

For non-P&C members who wish to vote, kindly note that a membership fee of 50c can be paid prior to the AGM meeting. Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Maria Ha
Community Liaison Officer

Fairvale PS – Playgroup

Fairvale's Community Playgroup will be continuing throughout 2016. This educational program is run by an experienced teacher and is designed to help prepare children for all areas of school life.

Our school data has shown that children who have attended Fairvale's Playgroup achieve high academic results once they start school.

There are a very limited number of vacancies left for Playgroup in 2016. If you have a preschool aged child and would like to bring them to Playgroup so they can start preparing for "big" school, fill in an application form now, before you miss out.

Application forms are available from the Front Office

What: Playgroup for preschool aged children and their parents/carers

Where: Fairvale Public School Hall

When: Every Monday & Wednesday – Morning: 9.15-11.15am.

Cost: \$2.00 per session

Fun and educational play activities for children and their parents/carers. - *Please bring a healthy morning tea for your child and yourself –*

Limited places available

For further information please call 9724 3470

or collect an application form from the Office.

Please note: Parents or carers MUST stay and interact with their child during the Playgroup.

This is not a child minding service.

Fairvale Public School
Community Playgroup



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CANTEEN NEWS



healthycanteens.com.au

We have new school canteen managers.

Please contact the canteen directly for menus and ordering information and an on-line service is also offered.

If you pre-order your child's lunch and your child is going to be absent (sick, excursion or sport), please remember to cancel your child's lunch order for that day, otherwise you will be charged for it.

Thank you.

\$4.90 MEAL DEAL

Choose Any One of These



Chicken Nuggets x 4



Salad or Ham + Salad Wrap



Caesar Salad (Add Chicken \$1)



Hot Dog with Sauce



Pizza Cheese & Bacon OR Ham & Pineapple



Garden Salad



Fried Rice - Vegetarian



Sausage Roll



Sushi Rolls - Terms 1 & 4 Tuna, Chicken or Vege



Vege Spring Rolls x 4 (oven)



Pizza Rocket (Ham Cheese Sauce)



Lasagna



Choose Any One of These



Apple, Orange, Paradise Punch, Apple & Blackcurrant



Water 350ml

OR CHOOSE A 300ML MILK AND ADD



\$5.40 Meal Deal With Milk



Choose Any One of These



Halal Items Marked on Main Menu

Healthy Canteens Australia

All Items Rated Green or Amber



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- Convenient for Parents - Free Registration
- Removes paper orders and cash

Online ordering is more convenient, providing a payment and ordering system that can be accessed from home, work or your mobile device.

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- Click REGISTER
- Enter your email. You will be emailed an online link
- Click on the link and follow the steps
- Choose a Username & Password & complete the form
- Add each child and their class
- Top up the Account - Visa or Mastercard preferred



Place lunch orders from your iPhone, iPad or mobile device!

For help call 1300 361 769



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HOUSE CAPTAINS

Congratulations to the following students, for being elected the Sport House Captains for 2016.

STURT		PARKES	
Boy Captain	Amir Rahmany, 5/6S	Boy Captain	Joshua Gorman 5/6M
Vice Captain	Christian Bechara 5/6T	Vice Captain	Jason Sada 5/6V
Girl Captain	Meleana Fenunuti 5/6T	Girl Captain	Nada Al Ali 5/6B
MACQUARIE		WENTWORTH	
Boy Captain	Jordan Ha 5/6V	Boy Captain	Hendrick Dawo 5/6T
Vice Captain	Jeremiah Leatigaga 5/6S	Vice Captain	Miro Tahir 5/6T
Girl Captain	Kayla Tran 5/6M	Girl Captain	Patrishia Asekona Sebial 5/6T
Vice Captain	Mirna Franso 5/6M	Vice Captain	Grace Salem 5/6B

SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL



We held our annual swimming carnival on Friday, 5th February. Thank you to all students who attended the carnival, as your behaviour was outstanding for the entire day. The weather was not too hot and not too cold. A great day was had by all with many fun activities completed by swimmers and non-swimmers.

Congratulations to **WENTWORTH**, our overall carnival winner on the day. In second place was **Macquarie**, closely followed by **Parkes** and then **Sturt**. Overall, we had 21 students qualify to attend the Lansdowne Zone Swimming Carnival. Notes for this carnival should have gone home today, with money and note due back at the office by Tuesday of next week (23rd February).

SEASON ONE—PSSA

Our first game of the year will take place this Friday at Endeavour Sports Reserve. It will be against Chester Hill North PS. Please ensure that permission notes are returned promptly and that \$2.50 is paid to the coaches each Friday when a game is being played. Please also make sure that your child understands the expected Code of Behaviour (printed on the permission note) before returning the note.

Students will need to be dressed in their correct sports uniform, which does include a school hat. Students will be unable to represent our school in PSSA sporting teams if they do not have these things with them on the day. A drink container, filled with water is also necessary for the players.

Mr D Kinniburgh

PSSA Co-ordinator