STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

The first Student of the Week for Week 7 is Chanel Genoa from 4B. Chanel’s award is for being a role model for other students in 4B by completing outstanding work. Keep up the good work Chanel!

The second Student of the Week for Week 7 is Mohamed Al-Jabiry from 2D. Mohamed’s award is for settling into Fairvale PS and being a great role model to his peers. Well done Mohamed!

The first Student of the Week for Week 8 is Jessica Campos from 1D. Jessica’s award is for always being friendly and helpful inside the class and on the playground. Well done Jessica!

The second Student of the Week for Week 8 is Alex Gao from 6A. Alex’ award is for being a responsible and a caring class member. Keep up the good work Alex!
Principal’s Message

CLASS VISITS WITH MR PITT
Over last two weeks I visited 2S and 3V (Maths Groups). Check out my report in this edition of the newsletter.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE IS COMING IN 2016
I am happy to announce to the Fairvale community that a Before and After School Care Centre will operate on site next year, commencing in Term 2. The venue will be the School Hall. A tender for the centre is advertised and I hope to inform the community who the successful tender is by the end of the year.

HIGH SCHOOL ROTATIONS
Our Stage 3 students are currently experiencing high school rotations at school. Over the next few weeks, students get a real feel for what life will be like at high school. Students have been following a timetable and participating in lessons such as PE, Languages, Textiles and Food Technology.

PARENT HELPERS MORNING TEA
We will be holding a special morning tea for all of the volunteers who have assisted at our school throughout the year on Monday 7 December, commencing at 11am. This includes our lovely and dedicated scripture teachers, parent helpers, our hardworking P&C . . . . the list goes on! Invitations will be sent to all of these people. I hope that many of you will be able to attend.

MAYORAL DONATION FUND
The Mayoral Donation Fund enables Council to provide small one-off amounts of funding to individuals and groups. I am happy to announce that we received a $500 donation to put towards our Fun Day. I attended Fairfield City Council’s meeting last night and received the donation from Mayor Frank Carbone. Thank you to Fairfield City Council for their continued support of our school and the wider community.

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LANSDOWNE ZONE PSSA – Season 3

Round 8

Boys AFL
Fairvale PS 14 v Fairfield PS 3
Most Valued Player: Kalvin Epati 6E

Girls AFL
Fairvale PS 24 v Fairfield PS 18
Most Valued Player: Meleana Fenunuti 5K

Boys T-Ball
Fairvale PS 0 v Fairfield PS 0
Most Valued Player: Teancam Epati 3/4T

Girls T-Ball
Fairvale PS 7 v Fairfield PS 0
Most Valued Player: Mandy Quach 4L

Boys Softball
Fairvale PS 7 v Fairfield PS 0
Most Valued Player: Soane Fatai 6P

Girls Softball
Fairvale PS 0 v Fairfield PS 5
Most Valued Player: Jasmina Bawa 6E

SEASON 3 PSSA

Unfortunately, our PSSA Season 3 semi-finals were cancelled last Friday, due to the extreme temperatures experienced on the day. As a result, the Girls Softball team were knocked out due to finishing third on the ladder and will not compete in Grand final matches this week.

Both the Boys and Girls AFL teams will however, be competing this Friday at Endeavour Sports Reserve. Grand Final matches will begin at 12.30pm. Spectators are welcome.

If ordering from the school canteen on Friday, only PSSA AFL students need to write PSSA AFL on their order. PSSA T-Ball and Softball can just write their class name as they will not be coming out of class early.

Good luck to both AFL teams.
Mr D Kinniburgh
Season 3 PSSA Co-ordinator.

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE (continued)

SEMESTER 2 REPORTS

Teachers are busily finalising student reports for Semester 2. Reports will be going home in an envelope on Tuesday 8 December. We have not planned for parent/teacher interviews at this time but if you would like to meet with your child’s teacher about the report, a designated appointment time should be made with the teacher. Doing this during morning lines at 9am or 3pm is not appropriate when many children and parents are around.

FUN DAY IS COMING
- 9 more sleeps!

GETTING TO SCHOOL ON TIME

With the end of the year fast approaching it is essential that we continue regular routine each morning and arriving at school on time is an important part of your child’s morning routine. It is important to be at school on time because:

* It sets up good habits for the future.
* It provides social benefits - good play time and discussion among friends in the playground.
* The school day usually begins with the teacher giving out information to students e.g any changes to school routines, coming events, etc.

Have a great fortnight,

Anthony Pitt
Relieving Principal
LIBRARY BOOKS

Does your child have any school Library books at home? We would like them returned to school as soon as possible, before the end of year, please. Mrs Fedele and Mrs Soumboulidis are doing a stocktake of all the library resources and books are a major part of that. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Mrs Fedele and Mrs Soumboulidis

FUN DAY

Our Family Fun Day will be next week on Friday, 4th December. There will be a variety of fun activities and food stalls available on the day. Students need to come to school in their SPORTS UNIFORM on the day and bring their spending money. The canteen will be closed ALL DAY. Parents and younger siblings are very welcome to join us from 12.30pm for our fun Day activities. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Miss Kelleyan
Fun Day Co-ordinator

What: Playgroup for preschool aged children and their parents/carerers
Where: Fairvale Public School Hall
When: Every Monday and Wednesday morning
       9.30am – 11.30am
       Starting Monday 8th February 2016
Cost: $2.00 per session

Fun and educational play-based 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.

Please return your application form to the Office by Monday 14th December 2015

MERIT AWARDS

All Merit Awards will need to be presented to Mrs Rigley before the end of Week 9. Although this is the week of Fun Day, some arrangements will be made for students to receive their Honour Certificates.

Year 6 students, who receive awards at the End of Year Assembly and/or the Sport Assembly can present their awards by Friday, 11th December (Sport Assembly day), so they can be included in the Movie Rewards list for Monday, 14th December.

If there is any confusion, see Mrs Rigley in the Print Room regarding awards for 2015. Thank you.
COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP

I am pleased to announce that the Community Playgroup for preschool aged children and their parents/carers will continue in 2016. The playgroup will run on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9.30am to 11.30am. Playgroup will commence on Monday, 8th February, 2016.

If you or someone you know has a child aged between 3 – 5 years, who would like to attend the playgroup, please fill in an application form, which is available from the Front Office.

Please note that new application forms need to be completed for 2016, even if you have been on the waiting list or have had a playgroup position this year.

Mrs Paige Casonato,
Community Playgroup Teacher

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Last Friday, we were selected to attend the Multicultural Perspective Public Speaking State Final. Over 2000 students enter this competition yearly and only 12 are selected to represent their school. The students presented and delivered amazing quality speeches. It was very interesting and we gained a lot from this experience. We learned how to structure and deliver our speeches in a more formal and meaningful manner, whilst sending a main message to the audience.

We also learned to stick with one main idea when creating an impromptu speech and focus on current issues within our society.

We at Fairvale, come from many different cultural backgrounds that make us a part of “Team Australia.”

We are all proud and should feel privileged to be Australian.

We would like to thank Miss Bruzzese for giving us the opportunity to experience this competition to assist us with life-long skills

Steven Trinh and Loretta Abraham
**CLO Messages**

**Thank you to everyone who participated in our Organic Gardening workshop and P&C Meeting.**

**Multicultural Day Concert**
Cultural music, singing, drumming and even a lion dance performance. Please join us at this important event, as students, teachers and our Fairvale community unite to celebrate the magnificent cultural diversity of our families and the multicultural values we embrace. The concert will commence at 1:30 pm in the school hall and you are more than welcome to organise a picnic lunch with your children at 12:30 pm prior to the concert. We look forward to your valuable presence.

**Parents’ & Carers’ Excursion**
You are invited to our End of Year excursion to the Chinese Garden of Friendship at Darling Harbour next Thursday 3rd December, where we will tour beautiful oriental landscapes. We will gather under the K-2 COLA at 9:00am and depart at 9:15am to Canley Vale station where we will travel by train, returning to the school at approximately 2:45 pm. If you are interested to attend, please register your details with our CLOs as soon as possible. We look forward to your wonderful company at our upcoming excursion.

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**End of Year Assembly**

Bashar Hanna & Maria Ha
Community Liaison Officers

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**Educational Speech Pathology & Therapy Services Pty Ltd.**

**Toothpick patterns**
Aim: This activity is aimed at improving a child’s upper body strength, pincer grasp, pincer strength, hand eye co-ordination and posture.

**Activity:** Ask your child to lie on carpet on their stomach with their elbows on the ground lifting their head in the air. Your child is to bend their knees and lift their feet in the air. They are to hold a toothpick in their dominant hand and poke holes along a line on a piece of paper. You could use their name as a template or you could use a picture of a character. Anything you like.

What to look for: Can your child maintain their laying position, with their head held in the air? Can your child control the toothpick along the line? Does your child use their index finger and thumb only, to hold the toothpick?

**Speech Language Pathology**
Creating a story
Aim: This activity reminds children what information to include in recounts and stories.

**Activity:** Talk with your child about a recent or memorable event (e.g., birthday, trip to the swimming pools). Make sure your child provides information about who was in the story, what happened, and where and when the story took place. Tell your child that a:

- ‘who’ is someone you can wave to
- ‘what’ is what you do with your body
- ‘where’ is somewhere you can visit
- and ‘when’ refers to a time, day, season, or weather etc.

Grab some paper to staple into a ‘book’. Get your child to write down their story. Some children might need help writing their story. Children can illustrate their story once done. Take turns reading each other the story and talking about who was in the story, what happened, and where and when the story took place. Change the activity by making up characters (e.g., monster) and settings (e.g., beach) and putting them into a story.

What to look for: Do your child’s sentences make sense? Is your child able to provide enough information to create a story? Does the story follow a logical order?
3V
Stage 2 Maths Group
Last week I visited Miss Vartuli’s Maths group. The lesson was about time. Students had to work in small groups to draw their own clock on the mini-whiteboards and record different times. Most groups did this well, even though the minute and hour hand are still a little tricky. After this we played a game on a gigantic class-made clock. When we returned to the classroom, students completed various time activities. I enjoyed my time working with Miss Vartuli’s Maths group.

2S
This week I visited 2S during grade dance. We did two dances; the Stockyard Dance and the Heel and Toe Polka. During the first dance we had to hold hands in a big circle and walk around to the left and right. The students really enjoyed coming into the circle and shouting. The second dance was performed with a partner and had students using lots of energy. We finished the dance time with a cool-down, stretching our muscles. It was evident the students also enjoyed these old dances that have been around for a very long time.