STUDENTS OF THE WEE

The first Student of the Week for Week 5 is Tony Pham from 2D. Tony’s award is for beginning with the end in mind and being a positive role model for his peers. Well done Tony!

The second Student of the Week for Week 5 is Valeria Salazar Oscategui from 6E. Valeria’s award is for consistently applying herself to all classwork. She is always willing to give all activities a go even if she is unsure with how to do them. Keep up the good work Valeria!

The first Student of the Week for Week 6 is Josie Medina from 4L. Josie’s award is for always trying her best and being a good class role model. Keep up the good work Josie!

The second Student of the Week for Week 6 is Danny Su from 2D. Danny’s award is for being a considerate and thoughtful class member. Well done Danny!
Principal’s Message

PARENT LUNCHEON
I had the pleasure of attending a welcoming luncheon which was hosted by parents on Thursday 14 May. It was a real treat being able to try various foods as well as spend some time getting to know many parents. As I said on the day, I am looking forward to working with our Fairvale parents during my time as relieving principal. Thank you to those who were able to attend on the day.

CLASSROOM VISITS WITH MR PITT
Each fortnight I will visit two classrooms and report on my visit. This gives me an opportunity to see many wonderful programs we have in place here at Fairvale. The first two classes I visited were 6A and KG. Check out my report in this week’s newsletter.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
Please remember that all money must be returned before or on the day of the photos. Our photo day is tomorrow - Thursday 28 May. Students should wear their summer uniform on this day.

ZONE CROSS COUNTRY
Yesterday sixty-eight Fairvale students competed at the Zone Cross Country. Congratulations to all of these students. Some of our students will now participate at the Regional Cross Country. Great job!

PARENT/ TEACHER INTERVIEWS
This week all families will receive Parent/ Teacher Interview invitations for 2015. I would urge you to return the slip to your child’s teacher as soon as possible. Please make the necessary arrangements so that you can attend this important time with your child’s teacher – children love it when you visit their classroom and have that one on one discussion with their teacher. Interviews are held on Tuesday 23 June from 3.30-7.30pm. Vietnamese and Arabic interpreters will be available.

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**PSSA**

Fairvale PS had four teams in the Semi-finals for PSSA Season 1. All students played with some outstanding performances. Unfortunately the Senior Netball lost, with a score of 11 points to 14 against Lansvale PS. The MSP was Alize Faiva Tulemau from 5K. The junior team also lost with a score of 4 points to 14 against Villawood North PS. Georgia Anderson was the MSP. The Boys touch Football lost with a score of 3 points to 12 against Chester Hill North PS. The MVP was Cody Champion from 4B.

We had some success with the Junior Boys Soccer team, winning 1 point to 0 against Fairfield PS and progressing to the Finals. The MVP was Armin Karic from 3V. The Junior Boys Soccer team were declared joint Premiers with Old Guildford PS, after a wet weather round for the Finals. Congratulations boys, on such a successful season. Thank you also the coaches for all their extra effort in training and supporting these teams this season.

Congratulations to Kalvin Epati on successful representation at the Regional Open Boys Rugby League Championships. He was selected in the Regional team to compete at the State Championships on 16th – 18th June at Woooloware. Good luck Kalvin!

Miss Short,
School Sport Co-ordinator.

**FAIRVALE PS CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL**

After two failed attempts, the weather finally held out for us to be able to run our annual School Cross Country Carnival. This year we were forced to hold the carnival at a new venue, Adams Park, where the Zone Carnival was also held this week.

As to be expected, all students were fantastic on the day and tried their hardest. Each competitor received a participation point for starting their race; with bonus points awarded for placing within the top 10. Congratulations WENTWORTH for winning the carnival on the day. They amassed 337 points. In second position was PARKES with 320 points; STURT in third with 300 points and MACQUARIE if fourth with 245 points. Congratulations also to those students who went on to represent Fairvale PS at the Zone Carnival held this week.

Mr Kinniburgh
Cross Country Co-ordinator

**PRINCIPALS’ MESSAGE (continued)**

**MENTAL MATHS STRATEGIES**

We teach children a range of different strategies to add and subtract numbers. By showing them several methods for solving maths questions, we’re helping them to look for patterns. All this builds a good sense of “number” which means they understand the relationships between different numbers and why different ways to add and subtract work well. The goal is that your child will understand many ways to approach a maths problem and will be able to choose a way that makes the most sense to them. School A to Z has a lot of resources, including help sheets on mental maths strategies, here: [www.bit.ly/JkiUsY](http://www.bit.ly/JkiUsY)

**IS YOUR CHILD MAKING FRIENDS AT SCHOOL?**


**ATTENDANCE CHATTER**

**Too sick to go to school?**

Sometimes it's hard to know if your child is really coming down with something or just suffering a bout of Mondayitis. This chart will help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. [http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/too-sick-to-go-to-school](http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/too-sick-to-go-to-school)

Have a great fortnight,

Anthony Pitt
Relieving Principal
Dear Parents & Carers,

Thank you to everyone who attended our Cyber Crime Workshop and the Welcoming Luncheon for Mr Pitt on Thursday, 14 May 2015 and the Department of Education workshop on Thursday 21.05.2015

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Term 2 Community Engagement Program

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2015 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS)

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Mrs Newman
ICAS Competition Co-ordinator.

6A

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Bashar Hanna & Maria Ha
Community Liaison Officers
Fairvale’s Community Playgroup will be continuing throughout 2015. 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 2015. 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 – Morning: 9.00am –11.00am OR Afternoon: 1.00pm – 3.00pm
Cost: $2.00 per session

Fun and educational play activities for children and their parents/carers.

- Please bring a healthy morning/afternoon 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.

Mrs Casonato
Playgroup Teacher

CANTEEN NEWS
This term at the canteen we will be making warm, healthy nutritious soup for the colder weather. Our soups will be available during recess and lunch. We will also have small bread rolls available with the soup.

- Chicken and Sweet Corn
- Vegetable and Noodle
- Tomato and spiral Pasta

For Breakfast, we will be serving Pikelets (Plain, Blueberry and Banana). The children absolutely love them!

Here is our recipe:
1 cup Self Raising flour
¾ cup Reduced Fat Milk
1 tablespoon Caster Sugar
1 Egg
20g Margarine

HAPPY BAKING

LANSDOWNE ZONE CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to these 13 students who performed well enough at the Zone Cross Country, to now compete in the Regional Cross Country.
SCHOOL ZONE TRAFFIC INFRINGEMENTS

No Stopping maximum penalty - $415 + 2 demerit points.

No Parking - $173 + 2 demerit points

Bus zone - $311 + 2 demerit points

Double Parking - $311 + 2 demerit points

STOP on or near children’s or pedestrian crossing (within 20m on approaching and 10m on departure side of crossing - $145 + 2 demerit points.

STOP on path/strip in built up area - $173 + 2 demerit points.

These fines are subject to change without notice.

Let your children off on specified drop off/pick up zones, or on the side of the road. Never stop in the middle of the road to let down children.

Never let your children cross the road on their own. Always meet your children at the school entrance.

Never call out to your child from the other side of the road, as the child may run across the road without looking for cars.

Always walk your child across the road and ensure you use the pedestrian crossing.

Try to leave home early to avoid arriving at peak hour where traffic is heavy.

Park a safe distance from all crossings to enable pedestrians to see oncoming vehicles.

Do not double park, as this can create traffic jams and accidents.

Always obey the directions of all signs.

KG

Yesterday I visited KG. The children were very excited to see me and were able to show me all the learning they have been doing in mathematics. Many children solved answers on the smartboard and then were able to match and order numbers correctly. All children worked well in their table groups.