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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.

One new award is our Daily FAIR Award. All teachers have these awards to hand out every day. As you can see one of our FAIR rules will be ticked. This new award started this week.

FAIR AWARD

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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 or scan the QR codes below.
From the Principal

WELCOME
Welcome back to the new school year. I’d like to especially welcome the new families that have enrolled at Fairvale PS both in kindergarten and across the school. I hope your time at our school is very rewarding.

STAFF NEWS
We welcome some new staff members to FVPS this year:

- Miss Nicole Cameron – Deputy Principal
- Miss Jenna Arzapitian – Assistant Principal, CoS L3 trainer
- Miss Belinda Djukic – class teacher, teaching 3 Dell
- Mrs Emma Herps – class teacher, teaching 2 Hackett
- Ms Pearl Orwin – Teacher Librarian

AROUND THE SCHOOL WITH MR PITT
This year I will continue my journey around the school visiting different places each and every week. I will include a few photos of my visit in each edition of the school newsletter. This week I visited the Administration block. This is where my office is along side Miss Cameron, our new Deputy Principal and our office staff, led by Mrs Bushby, Mrs Boyle, Mrs Rigley, Mrs Lyons, Mrs Deane and Mrs Sinclair. Remember to use your manners when visiting the Administration Block—it is a very busy time of the year for our office staff. Check out some of my photos in this edition of the newsletter.

SCHOOL LEADERS
I would like to take this opportunity to officially welcome our new school leaders for 2016.

SCHOOL CAPTAINS – Steven Trinh & Oriana Epati
PREFECTS – William Yousif, William Tran, James Toma, Britney Nguyen, Olivia Oliveric and Loretta Abraham.

NEW CLASSES
We formed our new classes last Thursday. Currently we have around 600 students enrolled at Fairvale PS this year. We have formed 25 classes but this could possibly change. With this in mind I have not included the classes and teachers. Once finalised, I will send home the list with your child.

I am endeavouring that any changes will be made as soon as possible.

This year our classes are named after Australian Olympians—past and present. This coincides with the 2016 Olympic Games to be held in Rio later in the year. During the year the students will be learning more about their Olympian.
From the Principal

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 will go home with the times and venues for these important meetings sometime soon.

Have a great fortnight,

Anthony Pitt
Relieving Principal

AROUND THE SCHOOL WITH MR PITT

Administration
From the Deputy Principal

Who is Miss Cameron?

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce and share some background about myself. My name is Miss Cameron and I feel very fortunate to be taking on the role of Deputy Principal at Fairvale Public School. I have been in a variety of teaching and leadership roles over the past 16 years. Prior to commencing at Fairvale I was an Instructional Leader, working across a number of schools in the Campbelltown and Glenfield areas. I worked closely with principals, executive staff, teachers, students and the school communities, supporting the implementation of high quality initiatives, leading to the improvement of students outcomes. I am looking forward to working with the teachers, students and community at Fairvale Public School and celebrating our successes.

What a great school!

I took the opportunity last week to visit classrooms and the playground to introduce myself and get to know all the students. As I went into the classrooms I saw students engaged in high quality learning experiences which included writing, reading, mathematics and problem solving activities. Students also displayed the FAIR rules when in the playground. So many students took the time to say hello and have a chat!

Thank you!

I would like to say thank you to the whole school community for making me feel welcome. 2016 is going to be a fabulous year for Fairvale Public School!

Miss Cameron

Deputy Principal

GETTING TO SCHOOL ON TIME

With the beginning of a new school year it is essential to establish a 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.
CLO Messages
Welcome to the commencement of a new academic year. I hope that you had a most delightful holiday. In particular – welcome to our Kindergarten parents, carers and students to the Fairvale Public School family. I look forward to meeting and catching up with you throughout the year.

Parents’ Café
This Thursday, our first Parents’ Café will commence in the Staffroom from 9:30 am to 10:30 am. The Parents’ Café brings together culturally and linguistically diverse members of the school community to share valuable ideas and experiences that strengthen families’ experience at Fairvale Public School and increase student learning outcomes. All parents, carers and friends are welcome. Light refreshments provided.

New Kindergarten Parents Welcome Morning Tea
Next Thursday 11th February, the Fairvale Public School community will be organising a Morning Tea as a warm welcome to all Kindergarten parents and carers. This will take place in the Staffroom from 9:30 am to 11:00 am. Everyone is welcome to join and bring a plate of food to share.

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 10:00 am. 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 made 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: 9.30-11.30am.
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.
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NEWSFLASH

Years 3 to 6 will be attending a Swimming Carnival at Fairfield Leisure Centre on Friday 5th February. A note went home on Friday outlining the plans for this event. It is expected that all students will attend the day – it is a ‘Fun Day’, therefore suited to all children, regardless of their swimming ability. Please complete the note and return it to the office on Thursday morning. It is going to be a great day!

If you have any questions, please see Mr Kinniburgh

CANTEEN NEWS

We have new school canteen managers. Please contact the canteen directly for menus and ordering information and an on-line service is also offered.