

**OUR COMMUNITY IS COMMITTED TO
LEARNING, GROWING and ACHIEVING
TOGETHER.**

Last week saw the Prep students celebrate their 100th day of school. This is always a big day on the Prep calendar and the students spent the day celebrating. They came dressed up and began the day with a photo opportunity at the front of the school. The day was filled with activities and concluded with their parents and carers joining them in the classroom. Prep is a milestone year in a child's life and the learning that occurs in that year always seems exponential.

Children's birthdays are always an exciting time, particularly if a child is having a party and handing out the invitations is a highlight. However, parents are asked to send the invitations to school in their student's *Communication Satchel*, and the teacher will distribute the invitations, even if the students are in different grade. Whilst it is exciting for students to be receiving an invitation there will always be students who don't receive one, and it is these students we need to be mindful of.

This week we had a group of Fairhills High School exchange students from Japan visit the Grades 3-6. They taught the students origami and Japanese games. The students at Fairhills Primary School showed incredible manners and respect and I would like to thank all the of our students for their outstanding behaviour during the visit.

Tanya Burton
Principal



Calendar Dates	School Information
<p><u>August</u></p> <p><u>12th CURRICULUM DAY -NO STUDENTS REQUIRED AT SCHOOL</u></p> <p>16th – 21st Book Fair 20th Book Week Parade 23rd Assembly 30th Father's/ Special Persons Day Breakfast</p>	<p>Principal: Tanya Burton School Council President: Bev Shaw Parents and Friends (PFA) President: Tamara Simari</p> <p>Phone: 9758 3007 Email: Fairhills.ps@education.vic.gov.au Absence notification: via Compass Parent portal or by phone. (This must occur prior to 9.30am on the day of a child's absence)</p> <p>Office Hours: for communication, payments and enquiries. Monday: 8.30am-4.00pm Tuesday: 8.30am-4.00pm Wednesday: 8.30am-4.00pm Thursday: 8.30am-4.00pm Friday: 8.30am-4.00pm</p>



Book Fair and Book Parade

We have almost reached that very special time of year again- Book Week!

Book Fair:

This year the book fair will be held in the CORE of the school. This is a great chance for you to purchase some wonderful reading resources and help support the school in the process. It will be open on during the following times:

- **Friday** 16th Aug: 3:40 - 4:10pm
- **Monday** 19th Aug: 8:20 - 8:50am and 3:40 - 4:10pm
- **Tuesday** 20th Aug: 8:20 - 8:50am and 3:40 - 4:10pm
- **Wednesday** 21st Aug: 8:20 - 8:50am and 3:40 - 4:10pm

This year we will be accepting EFT and Cash payments only. We are not accepting online orders to the Book Fair items.

Student Competition:

There will be a small colouring and drawing competition available for all students. This is to be completed at home by the students and brought back to school by the 22nd of August.

Book Parade:

Our Fairhills **Book Parade will be held on Tuesday the 20th of August.** This year's Book Parade Theme is "**Reading is Magic**". As usual our school will be holding a parade on the Wednesday morning where students will be able to show one another their character costumes.

Costumes must be appropriate primary school setting, keeping in mind that there are 5 and 6 year olds in our school. If the school believes the costume to be related to an M, MA or R related book or movie, or not acceptable for a primary school parade then parents may be requested to bring a change of clothes for their child. Students must also be wearing clothes toed shoes and have their shoulders covered.

Prizes will be awarded at the following assembly for students who have shown creativity and effort to dress up on the day, and handed out on the assembly on the 23rd of August.

If you have any questions or need any further clarification please call or email the school.

Looking forward to a fun event!

- Catherine Holt



Junior School News

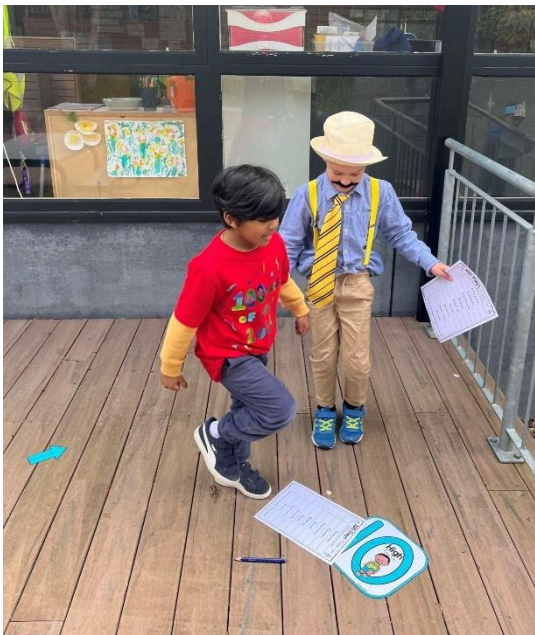
It's already the end of week 4! Over the past two weeks in our junior grades, we have:

- Celebrated 100 Days of Prep
- Continued our Circus training
- Built on our knowledge of 3D objects
- Practised our number knowledge and our understanding of place value, partitioning and addition strategies
- Developed our ability to use transition words and paragraphs in our writing
- Furthered our history investigations

Reminders:

- **Curriculum Day** – Monday 19th August
- **Reading Tips** – daily reading practise (DRP) is an important part of a child's literacy development. DRP includes reading TO your child, reading WITH your child or LISTENING to your child read each week – not all in one day. If you are struggling to engage your child in home reading, please speak to your child's teacher.





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Student of the week awards- Congratulations to all our achievers

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Prep/1 M	Jye 	For concentrating and persisting in all classroom activities; being organised and contributing positively to class discussions.	Prep/1 M	Murphy 	For slowing down and thinking about the position of each letter on the page. Keep up the terrific effort.
1/2J	Harvey 	For consistently showing the STARR values of respect and responsibility. Well done Harvey!	1/2J	Kaden 	For demonstrating the STARR value of responsibility during learning time and writing an awesome story.
2/3S	Olivia 	For having great initiative in maths lessons and predicting possible questions. Well done.	2/3S	Manny 	For reading dialogue with great phrasing and expression that represents characters and events. Awesome effort!
3/4H	Jax 	For showing a growth mindset and taking on feedback about his learning. Keep focusing and working hard!	3/4H	Amelia 	For coming back to school this term with energy and a thirst for learning. Thank you for being flexible and making the most of every moment!
5/6B	Skyla 	For pushing yourself and making connections in maths. Keep up the wonderful work Sky!	5/6B	Arisa 	For researching diligently and producing an informative poster with your partner! Fantastic work!

5/6L	<p>Maya</p> 	<p>For her efforts to stay focused on her task and make the most of her learning time. Keep up the awesome efforts!</p>	5/6L	<p>Minnie</p> 	<p>For her attempts to extend herself and take on challenges in mathematics. Keep up the fantastic efforts!</p>
P.E.	<p>Skyla</p> 	<p>For demonstrating outstanding sportsmanship and determination during Division netball. Amazing work!</p>	P.E.	<p>Jackson</p> 	<p>Putting in his best effort while learning new tennis skills. Keep it up!</p>
S.T.E.M.	<p>Audrey</p> 	<p>For being a very kind and patient learning partner. Keep it up Audrey!</p>	S.T.E.M.	<p>Lucas</p> 	<p>Working independently and applying his coding knowledge to create a path for his Sphero. Amazing work!</p>



Let's all be Fairhills Starr's and arrive at school before the bell.

The best start to learning is being at school and in class on time, every single day.

Senior School News

3/4 NEWS

3D Shapes

3D shapes are all the rage in grade 3/4 this week. We have been exploring the number of for vertices, edges and faces on a whole range of fun and interesting shapes and then hunting for these shapes in the real world. We have found cubes, prisms, pyramids and spheres in and out of the classroom... but we are still yet to find a dodecahedron!



Japanese Incursion:

On Monday this week we had some very generous year 7 students come all the way from Japan to visit our school. They taught us about origami, new games to play and how to speak some words in their language. We might not have understood what they were saying all of the time, but we could learn from them... thank you for visiting us! We hope you can come again next year!





Circus Tricks:

We are starting to get the hang of some of these very tricky circus skills! Spinning plates is still very difficult to get started and juggling may take a little more time to get the hang of, but our teamwork when doing class balancing is excellent! Well Done 3/4!



Reminder:

- Please ensure that your blue folder is coming in every day and that you read each night or morning and write it in you reading log!
- Uniform: It has been pleasing to see so many names on student jumpers. This makes it much easier to return them to their owners when they are forgotten outside or left somewhere. Sadly our uniform in 3/4 is becoming a little bit of an issue and uniform notices will be sent home to help remind people about what is in our school policy. Please try to remember to wear our uniform with pride, as we do have a lot to be proud of at Fairhills Primary School.

Miss Holt

5 / 6 NEWS

It seems that we are always very busy in the senior school – we wouldn't have it any other way!

Interschool sport training is in full swing, and all students are training hard each Friday during their 5/6 sport sessions. We have future tennis, cricket and volleyball stars in the making and the laughter we hear while they're training shows how much fun they are having.





We have been very lucky to have some Japanese Exchange Students visit us from Fairhills High School this week. They ran focus groups, demonstrating origami, traditional Japanese games and craft. All students were engaged throughout the sessions and displayed our Fairhills Primary School values with pride!



Although we do not want to give away our circus skills just yet, a little sneak peek of the senior students in action won't hurt!



Mrs Lockyer and Mrs Bullen

P.E. News

Girls Division Netball

Congratulations to our senior girl's netball team played in Division! Everyone played very well showing STARR values and great sportsmanship throughout each round."

