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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

DIARY DATES:

JULY
31st: Footsteps

AUGUST
1st: Parent Session
Family Life 5-6
:Grandparents and special friends day P-2
2nd: School banking
: Girls District Teeball
7th: Footsteps
8th: Family Life Vic 5-6
9th: School banking
: Athletics day
14th: Footsteps
16th: School banking
25th: District Basketball

PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT

Welcome back everyone to term 3. It has been an excellent 2 weeks so far, with everyone settled in and ready to learn. Here are a few things to keep you up-to-date and informed.

Prep 100 days
Monday was an extra special day as our wonderful Preps celebrated their first 100 days at Primary School. They each spoke at assembly sharing what they had learnt and enjoyed during their first 100 days. Their parents were all very proud, as was Mrs Jackway and the rest of the staff. Congratulations to both the Preps and their parents on this significant milestone.

Enviro News
Last week at our assembly, Nick Wakeling MP presented our school with a box of native plants. Our Environmental Captain Tas, received the donation on behalf of the school. Since then, our Environmental Captains, Casey-Lee and Tas, along with our gardening club, Mrs Both and myself, have planted each of the plants to beautify our school. We are very grateful for this gift and we would appreciate everyone taking extra care around our new plants.

Enrolments- Prep 2018
Enrolments for Prep in 2018 have certainly taken off and has created a real excitement as we see the families coming to drop of their paper work. Please remember, even if you already have a child at Fairhills, you still need to fill out and return an enrolment form before the end of August. Please come and see the office for more info.

Assembly
We are excited to launch CARE groups this Monday 31st July. This will be replacing assembly on Monday 31st July. **Therefore, assembly is cancelled next week.** Assembly will occur every 2 weeks, alternating with CARE groups. Therefore, our next assembly will be the 7th August. The goals of CARE groups are:

- To care for each other across the school (Prep to 6)
- To get to know other teachers
- To reinforce our values
- To have fun

Chaplaincy
Over the holidays, Tracey was repositioned within the Salvos and will take on more of a youth role. We thank her for her contributions over the last 6 months and wish her all the very best with her future endeavours. We would like to welcome Matt, who will be our new Chaplain. It is expected that his start will be next week. As always, thank you in anticipation for welcoming him into our Fairhills community.

A few reminders

- For those who have booked a time or had a request from Mrs Millington for a 3 way conference interview, your interviews will be postponed next week and will occur at a later date. We apologise for any inconvenience.
- Please remind your children that while on school property, they need to be off their bikes and scooters and to walk them.
- Please remember that dogs are not permitted on school grounds before, during or at school pick up.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Have a great week 3 everyone.
Stuart Beaver
Acting Principal

PFA News

Thursday 31st August Father's day Stall will be held in the hall from 10am. Father's day Raffle will also be drawn.
All helpers welcome. Morning Tea provided.
Footy day coming in September, keep an eye out for more information!

Junior School Council

Junior school council will be running **Jeans for Genes day on Friday 4th August**. Wear your normal school top with jeans and bring a gold coin donation to help support the work of Children's Medical Research Institute who research genetic defects and childhood diseases.

School Council News

The next School Council Meeting is being held on **MONDAY 7 AUGUST** at 7.00pm.

Chaplain's News

Breakfast club is on every Monday and Wednesday in the hall at 8.15-8.45

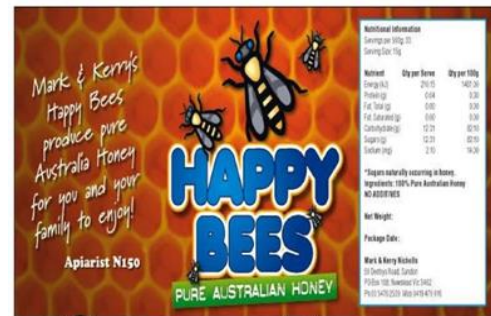


Woolworths earn & learn is being run again this year from July 26th until Tuesday 19th September.

Please collect your earn & learn stickers by shopping at Woolworths, or from family and friends. We have a collection box at school and there is also one at Woolworths Mountain Gate.

The more stickers we collect the more resources we can get for our students.

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School Values

Confidence, Acceptance, Respect, Integrity, Responsibility, Honesty.












Soon we will be reviewing our school values and we will be seeking your input.

More info to come.



Student of the week awards- Congratulations to all our achievers!



24 th July		
F/1H	Hunter 	Congratulations on learning to write your own name
1/2C	Sam 	For being a great kid
	Kooper 	For working well in Maths
3/4C	Jack 	For always seeking to challenge himself
3/4T	Nikolhaus 	For showing persistence in learning the times tables and improving his 'Beat That' score each week
5/6D	Reegan 	For not giving up and trying hard in the pre-test today
	Aaliyah 	
5/6W	Luke 	For an excellent and improved attitude toward your learning. Well Done!
F/R	Ethan 	For listening to instructions and always doing his best
R/Rec	Jennifer 	Reading with confidence and pointing to each word
Sport	Zuleika 	For being an outstanding netball captain and displaying extraordinary leadership skills



Foundation, Grade 1 and Grade 2 News

Current Learning Focus

Mathematics: We are currently learning about money in the Junior area. We have been learning how to recognise Australian coins and notes, adding different amounts together, discovering different ways of making a set amount and how to work out simple change. Can all families please follow up with this at home as it is a tricky topic and everyone needs lots of practise.

Reading: The preps are learning to use the reading strategy Eagle Eye while they read. They look at the pictures and use them as clues. The 1/2s are learning to infer as they read with Iggy the Inferring Iguana.

Writing: It's all about recounts for the first few weeks of Term 3. The students have written recounts about their holidays and what they have done on the weekend. There has been a big focus on editing. Teaching students how and where to use full stops, capital letters and the recount structure correctly.

Reminders

Grandparents and Special Friends afternoon – Tuesday 1st August 2:30 – 3:30 in Junior area.
Footsteps notes are still outstanding for some students.
Jeans for Genes Day – Friday 4th August

Celebrations

On Monday the 24th of July the preps celebrated their 100th day of school. They had a fun day filled with lots of exciting activities. They worked with their buddies, had a special performance at assembly, received their certificates and had cupcakes and activities with their parents and friends. Congratulations preps.

Jack and Elise got to harvest and clean the lettuce from their garden bed. Everyone enjoyed either putting a piece of lettuce on their sandwich or munching on a piece of lettuce by itself. Yum, thanks Mrs Both for organising this!



Grade 3 and Grade 4 News

Current Learning Focus

Mathematics: Over week 1 and 2 we have been learning about time and how to solve time problems. It has been great to see the students showing more of an interest in the time and wearing watches to school. We highly encourage students to wear and read analogue watches regularly to keep practising their new skills. Next week we will be learning about financial maths (money) so please take every opportunity to include your child in money transactions, counting change, estimating shopping costs, adding up the cost of the food/entertainment etc. from catalogues.

Reading: The strategies from the CAFÉ Menu for the next two week are:

Comprehension: Continuously make meaning while reading/ Notice when losing focus

Accuracy: Trade a word, guess a word/ Cross-checking – does the word look right/sound right/ make sense

Fluency: Read with expression/ Use intonation to vary expression
Expand Vocabulary: Use word parts to determine the meaning of words (prefix/suffix)/ Use word parts to determine the meaning of words (origins/abbreviations)

Giving your child the opportunity to read out loud and to themselves assist in further developing these skills. Fluency is best practised when reading out loud and assists in the development of public reading and speaking.

Writing: This term we are focusing on Explanation writing and Information Report writing. We are currently working on Explanation writing and have had a focus on using conjunctions such as however, therefore, although etc.

Reminders

- Keep practising Times Tables
- Footsteps Dance Program is every Monday – please ensure your child's permission form has been handed in.
- Please ensure your child has a NAMED jumper/jacket at school every day over the colder months
- Homework is due on Friday but may be worked on over the weekend and returned on Monday if extra time is needed.

Celebrations

All 3/4's have been working really hard to learn to tell the time and solve time problems. We are looking forward to marking the time post tests and seeing the amount of growth that has been made.

In the 3/4 area we have been learning to embrace mistakes, as our room is a safe place to make mistakes and learn from them. If we don't know how to do something we put in the effort to practise until we can do it. We have been hearing some great phrases like, 'I don't know how to do it yet, but I am going to learn', 'this is really tricky but I am going to keep on trying.'

Grade 5 and Grade 6 News

Current Learning Focus

Mathematics: Time

Reading:

Comprehension: Compare the text features of each genre.

Accuracy: Cross Checking - Does the word look right, sound right, make sense?

Fluency: Look for talking marks and speak as the character.

Expand Vocabulary: Use pictures, diagrams and charts to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words.

Writing: Information Reports

Reminders

We have the Sex Ed program coming up for all Year 5/6 students. Notices need to be returned asap. There is also a parent information night about what the children will be learning and how to discuss topics with your children next Tuesday after school. Please rsvp to this event asap.

This term we are learning about Immigration and the reasons people might need to relocate from one country to another. As part of the introduction to this task, all students were asked to research when and why their family came to Australia. This sheet needs to be returned by Monday for follow up classroom activities during the week.

Celebrations

A massive congratulations to the girls who competed in the Division Netball Finals on Friday last week. They won 1 of their 4 games and did an absolute stellar job. Well done girls, we're very proud of you!

We also have our Tee Ball girls participating in a district final on Wednesday next week. Good Luck!



Sport News

