



The West Express

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School Rules

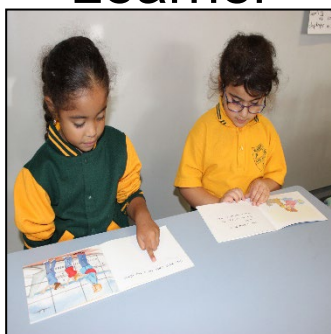
Be Safe



Be Respectful



Be a Good Learner



Calendar

Week 7	What's on...
Mon 25/11	Kindergarten Excursion- Calmsley Hill City Farm
Mon 25/11	Basketbal clinics at school – years 2 and 3
Tues 26/11	Yr 6 Middle Schooling
Tues 26/11	Westfields High School Extra Yr 6 Transition Day
Fri 29/11	PSSA Summer Finals (if washed out in week 6)
Week 8	What's on...
Mon 2/12	Basketball Clinics- years 2 and 3
Tues 3/12	High School Orientation
Wed 4/12	HAMT Sport
Fri 6/12	K-6 Assembly- SU and Kindergarten
Week 9	What's on...
Mon 9/12	Mayor Carbone to address Yr 6
Tues 10/12	Presentation Day
Fri 13/12	End of year picnics
Week 10	What's on ...
Mon 16/12	Yr 6 Graduation and Farewell
Wed 18/12	Talent Quest
Wed 18/12	Last day of school



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News from the Relieving Principal ~ Dalziel Rangiah

Dear parents and caregivers,

Congratulations to Ms Goldfinch

Did you know that Ms Goldfinch is currently in London? She was awarded an inaugural Scholarship for our Best Principals and is attending University College London, engaging in a course on Leadership in the context of improving schools.

We wish her the best of luck and look forward to her sharing what she learns with us so that we can put her knowledge into practice to improve the outcomes for our students at FWPS.

Russ the Story Bus visit

Last week, Russ the Story Bus alongside the talented cartoonist, Jules Faber visited our school. Year 5 students had an amazing day exploring the concept of illustrations and books. Russ the Story Bus and Jules Faber encouraged students to express their creativity and love of reading. Learning about the latest children's novels was an engaging and inspiring adventure. Cartoons were demonstrated and stories were shared. Afterwards, students were welcomed aboard onto the magical bus. Inside, there was a library decorated with a diverse variety of thousands of books. We were fortunate enough to have the incredible opportunity to browse and choose a book to take home and keep forever. Mai Tran 5/6M



News from the Relieving Principal – Dalziel Rangiah

Remembrance Day

On Monday 11 November 2019 our school captains and vice captains attended a Remembrance Day ceremony at Smithfield RSL commemorating those who have bravely fought and those who continue to fight for our freedom and a peaceful nation.



Backflips Against Bullying

On Thursday of last week our students attended a very engaging and entertaining incursion targeted towards recognising different forms of bullying and equipping students with strategies for preventing it. A big 'thank you' to Ms Goldfinch for subsidising payment for each student with school funds.



Presentation Day - **changes to 2019 times**

This year Presentation Day will be held on **Tuesday 10 December**. Students who will be receiving an award will be presented during the Presentaion Day assembly.

K-2 assembly – 9:15am – 9:45am.

Years 3-6 assembly – 10:00am – 11:30am

Please note:

- Students receiving an award will be given a limit of two tickets per family to attend.
- Please make alternate arrangements for children under school age as we will be unable to accommodate them.
- It is expected that family members stay for the duration of the assembly.

These changes should provide the students receiving an award the recognition they deserve. I thank you in advance for your understanding and support.

Staff learning

Not only do the students spend their days learning, but so do all the staff at FWPS. Over the past two weeks staff members have participated in the following professional learning opportunities:

- 16 days University College London- Principal
- One half day Language, Learning and Literacy for stage 1– six teachers.
- One full day Language, Learning and Literacy for early stage 1– one teacher
- Full day Gifted and Talented professional learning – Assistant Principal and eight teachers.

All staff professional learning ensures that the highest quality of education is provided to all students at FWPS.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Dalziel Rangiah

/ respect and acknowledge Aboriginal People as the traditional owners of the land on which / work, live and visit.

Student Learning

Learning in KN...

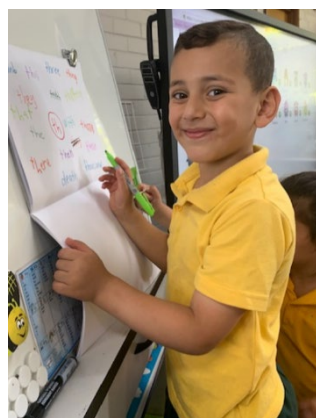
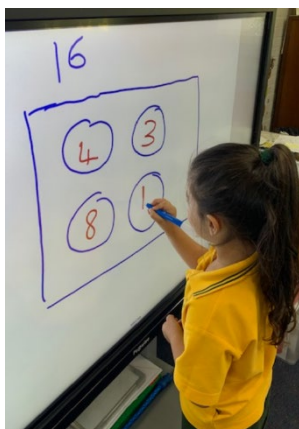
This term, KN is learning all about Australia! We started our unit by reading one of our favourite texts, *Possum Magic*. In the story, Grandma Poss and Hush eat lots of yummy Australian food and we did the same! We tried Vegemite and Pavlova for the first time and then ate a Lamington.

We've been enjoying learning about our Native plants and animals too! KN all agree that Australia is an amazing place to call home.



KN have been very busy looking after some important vegetables for our friend, Farmer Joe. He wrote to us asking for our help after the wind blew some trees down onto his vegetable patch at his farm. He desperately needed crops to be grown so that he could have enough vegetables for his harvest. KN decided to grow some cucumbers.

Last week, we harvested our vegetables and sent some to Farmer Joe and made a yummy salad with the rest. We loved helping out a farmer in need and have learnt so much about how to take care of crops.

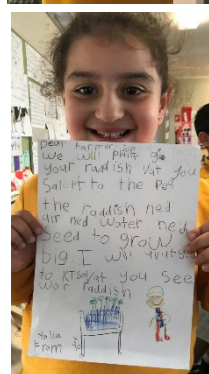
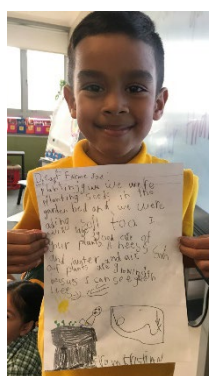
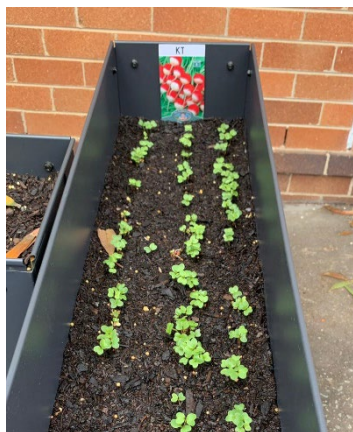


We love learning and growing every day! KN are always learning new things and enjoy challenges. We have had a great first year of school and are ready for year 1 very soon!

Student Learning

Learning in KT

KT have had an incredible year filled with learning and growing. They have blossomed into loving, caring and independent students, and have developed an amazing passion for learning. Students have eagerly participated in a range of fun and exciting learning experiences in and out of the classroom. Have a look below!



After planting the seeds, students decided to write a letter back to Farmer Joe to let him know what they had done so far. Some students even drew a map so Farmer Joe could find his crops easily if he were ever to visit the school. A few weeks later, students harvested their plants and used the vegetables to make a delicious salad.

Literacy

Kindergarten students received a mysterious box in the mail. When they opened the box, they found some seeds, gloves, gardening tools, a hat and a letter from Farmer Joe. In this letter, Farmer Joe asked for their help to plant his crops because all his plants were destroyed by the winds. Students were all excited and eager to help and they went to work straight away! The teachers helped by building the garden beds and the students planted the seeds.

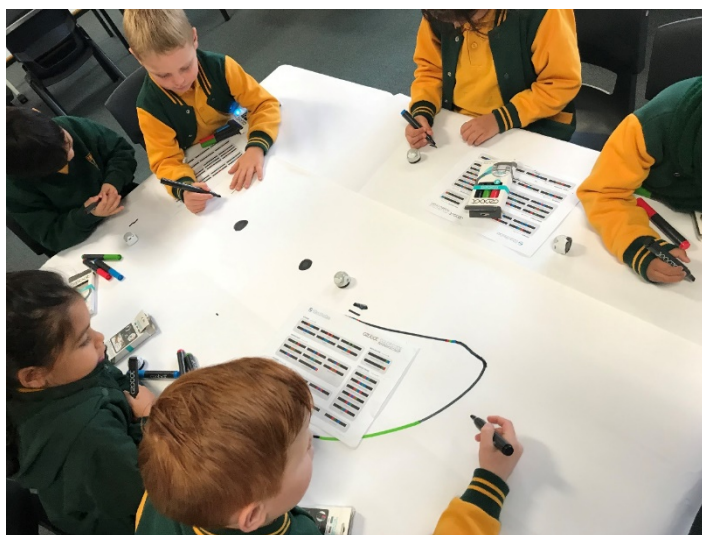
Robotics

Students had so much fun learning how to code using the Ozobots. They created a track for the Ozobot to follow using codes and were able to make their Ozobot do cool tricks like the 'moon walk'.



Numeracy

KT have been developing their number skills through daily numeracy activities. Their focus have been solving addition and subtractions problems using patterns and groups. Students have made amazing progress!



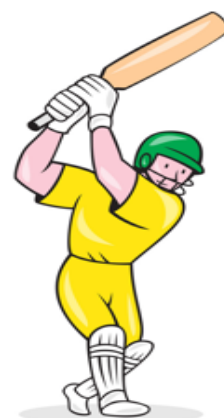
Sporting News

PSSA

Notification of results:

Friday 8.11.19 PSSA Results	Semi-Final Friday 15.11.19 PSSA Results
Cricket V WS @ Avery Oval Jnrs 108-105 WIN Snrs 103-53 WIN	Cricket @ Endeavour Jnrs- 87-130 LOST V CW Snrs- 64-81 LOST V KP
Softball v WS @ Avery Oval Boys 6-0 WIN Girls 8-6 WIN	Softball @ Endeavour Girls 1-4 LOST V FH
T-ball v WS @ Avery Oval Boys 14-7 WIN Girls 6-8 LOST	T-ball @ Endeavour Girls 8-13 LOST V BP
Newcombeball v @ Endeavour Jnrs 6/15 16/14 5/15 LOST Snrs 4/15 15/8 8/15 LOST	AFL @ Endeavour Jnrs 0-35 LOST V FH Snrs 27-48 LOST V Chi
AFL v GPK @ Endeavour Jnrs 58-7 WIN Snrs 0-59 LOST	Touch @ Endeavour Boys 7-5 WIN V SW Girls 5-3 WIN V FH
Touch v WS @ Endeavour Girls 6-1 WIN Boys 4-1 WIN	

Congratluations to the senior boys and girls touch football team coached by Ms Mandow and Mr Ottmann for making it through to the grand final. The grand final will be played at Endeavour reserve starting at 9.30am.



Community News

Community Hub term 4 calendar



Fairfield West Public School Community Hub

2019 Term 4 activities timetable



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast club 8.30am-8.50am	Breakfast club 8.30am-8.50am	Breakfast club 8.30am-8.50am	Breakfast club 8.30am-8.50am	Breakfast club 8.30am-8.50am
Sewing Class Run By: Nahrain & Vivian 9:30am Childcare provided FREE Starting Monday 21/10	Beginning School Well Run By: Ms Obeid and Caroline 9:15am – 10:45am Starting 15, 22 and 29 October	Community Kitchen In Partnership with Health Department 9:30am – 12:30pm Starting Wednesday 16/10	Playgroup Run By: Kardonia Starting Thursday 17/10	
	English Conversation Run By: Ms Edworthy 12:30pm – 2:45pm Childcare provided FREE Starting Tuesday 15/10			

If interested in any activities, please contact Caroline Isaac on 0449 157 143 on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.

KINDERGARTEN 2020 ENROL NOW

If you have a child turning 5 before 31 July, 2020 and they will be starting school next year, please come to the front office to pick up enrolment papers.



"National Drought and Bushfire" fundraiser – Bunnings Villawood

Bunnings Villawood is running a sausage sizzle on Friday 22nd November to help support the "National Drought and Bushfire" fundraiser.

Villawood Bunnings will be running the sausage sizzle from 9am – 4pm selling sausages on a roll for \$2:50 and drinks for \$1:50.



Community News

Kindergarten Transition

Congratulations to all the families who have now completed our three 2020 Kindergarten Transition sessions. The teachers were extremely pleased with how clever and settled the children were and are looking forward to next year.

First day for Kindergarten 2020 will be Thursday 30 January.



2020 Enrolments

The executive will be beginning to look at student enrolments for 2020 so class sizes can be organised. If you are going on a holiday before the end of the year or leaving during the break and not returning until after the school year begins, please complete the slip below and return it to the front office as soon as possible. We need to know this information so we can keep your placement open.

WILL YOUR CHILD BE ABSENT FROM SCHOOL AT THE END OF TERM 4?

The last day of school is Wednesday 18 December. If you know your child will not be at school at the end of term but will return for the 2020 school year, please write a note to the class teacher stating the date/s of absence and reason. An 'Application for Exemption from Attendance' (available from the office) **MUST** be submitted if your child is going to be absent.

Is your child leaving Fairfield West Public School?

In order to plan our classes for next year, it is vital we know the number of students who will be enrolled at our school in 2020. Please inform the office if your child is **not** returning to Fairfield West Public School next year or will be returning after Wednesday 29 January, 2020.

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NOTICE OF STUDENT LEAVING

(Please give to office)

My child _____ of class _____ will not be returning to Fairfield West Public School next year. Their last day will be _____. The school they will attend next year is _____.

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NOTICE OF STUDENT RETURNING AFTER 29 JANUARY 2020

(Please give to office)

My child _____ of class _____ will be returning to Fairfield West Public School next year but will return after Wednesday 29 January due to _____. They will return on _____.

(reason)

(date)

Community News

Sewing group

On Monday, we farewelled our lovely ladies who have participated in the sewing group in the Community Hub for the last three years. Over the years the ladies not only gained the skills to sew but also enjoyed meeting and making friends for life.

This program was created to teach basic sewing skills as an entry level and to gain opportunity for advancement. This acquired skill can be used to create their own business or even work for other companies.

We would like to thank Ms Goldfinch and Fairfield West Public School for supporting and encouraging this program. We also thank Yamane Fayed from Information and Cultural Exchange for mentoring and a big thank you to our two lovely facilitators Nahrain and Vivian for running it.



STRENGTHENING FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS THROUGH CREATIVE ARTS

Cabramatta PCYC & Fairfield City PAC will be running ten (10) creative arts sessions commencing Tuesday 26th November 2019 through to 13th December 2019. Each session will be 1.5 hours in duration. These sessions will take place at Cabramatta PCYC.

The aim of this program is to build stronger family relationships by using art as the medium. This type of environment encourages positive energy and positive interactions. The sessions will also raise awareness to participants about the effects of Domestic Violence on families & young children.

YOUR ORGANISATION HAS BEEN SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROGRAM. IF YOU HAVE ANY CLIENTS WHICH MAY BENEFIT FROM THIS TYPE OF PROGRAM PLEASE CONTACT ORGANISERS LISTED BELOW

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