

The West Express

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School Rules

Be Safe



Be Respectful



Be a Good Learner



Calendar

Week 1	What's on		
	Winter PSSA and Recreational tennis		
Fri 26/7	Winter PSSA and Recreational tennis		
Fri 26/7	Learn to Swim begins		
Week 2	What's on		
Tues 30/7	High Achievement Morning Tea		
Fri 28/6	Winter PSSA- Recreational tennis- Learn to Swim		
Week 3	What's on Education Week		
Mon 5/8	Science and Maths Fun Sessions		
Tues 6/8	Opportunity to Perform Concert		
Thurs 8/8	Book Parade- Art Exhibition -Shared Lunch		
Fri 11/8	Clubs- Open Classrooms		
Fri 11/8	Winter PSSA- Recreational tennis- Learn to Swim		
Week 4	What's on		
Wed 14/8	Athletics Carnival		
	K-2 at school		
	3-6 at Rosford St Reserve		
Thurs 18/8	Vietnamese Parent Meeting at 2.20pm in		
	Community Hub		
Fri 11/8	Winter PSSA- Recreational tennis- Learn to Swim		



SKOOLBAG APP

Fairfield West Public School now has a Skoolbag App. Newsletters, dates can now be delivered straight to your smart phone. For instructions on how to download the app visit our School Website.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

https://fairfieldw-p.school.nsw.gov.au

News from the Principal - Genelle Goldfinch

Dear parents and caregivers,

Welcome back to school for a very exciting and busy term 3. I hope everyone had a relaxing break and has recharged their batteries ready to learn.

Term 3 School Development Day

Whilst students were enjoying their final day of the holidays on Monday 22 July, FWPS staff engaged in a very informative, reflective and productive day based around the theme of wellbeing.

Mr Scott Davidson, Director Educational Leadership who was keen to immerse himself in a day focussed on strategies to improve personal practice of mindfulness, increase inner health and reduce levels of stress was in attendance.

Ms Goldfinch presented a session on the Power of calm culminating in sharing 22 power-actions effective people use to stay calm in times of stress. Mr Rangiah, Ms Lazos and Ms Turnbull reported back on their 'take home message' from the Happiness and its Causes Conference they had attended at the end of last term

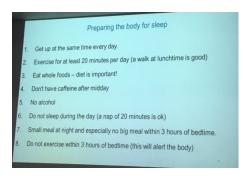
Dr Carmel Harrington (managing Director of Sleep for Health and research Fellow @ Childrens Hospital Westmead), spoke about the importance sleep plays in regenerating our body and mind.

Chef Davide Tonucci then spoke about the importance of a healthy diet and led the staff in a team bonding session of cooking up a storm and producing a scrumptious Mediterranean meal.

I'm sure you will agree by the photo that what we produced would be worthy of any popular restaurant!







High Achievement Morning Tea

It was wonderful to see so many proud parents attend our High Achievement Morning tea this week, acknowledging their children's exceptional efforts in various KLA areas. We would like to thank you for continuing to support the school by attending these special functions, highlighting the importance of our partnership in your child's education.

Athletics Carnival-Week 4

The Athletics Carnival will take place on Wednesday 14 August. K-2 students will be participating in events at school and years 3-6 students will be participating in the athletics carnival at Rosford St Reserve, Smithfield. There will be NO canteen facilities at the venue for 3-6 students so any orders for lunch on Wednesday need to be given to the canteen on Wednesday morning before leaving for the carnival. Lunches will be delivered to the park for students to access.

The athletics carnival is part of the Department of Education curriculum so ALL students are required to attend.

News from the Principal - Genelle Goldfinch

Education and Book Week Celebration-Week 3

FWPS will celebrate Education and Book Week in week 3, from 5-9 August 2019. We have a very entertaining schedule ahead of us.

Please see attached colored flyer and note.

I can't wait to see you all dressed up for our Book Parade. The theme is: 'Reading is my Secret Power'.

Learn to Swim

It was great to see how popular the Learn to Swim program was this year. It is unfortunate that all families wanting places could not be offered one, but spaces are capped by the pool. Please ensure that your child's name is on their clothing as items are often left behind or mixed up during 'change' time. If your child comes home wearing someone else's uniform, please return it to school the following Monday.

Student jumpers and jackets

As witnessed during the holidays, the weather is quite unpredictable and whilst the mornings are still quite cool, the days seem to be getting unseasonably warmer. Remind your children to leave their jumpers/jackets in the classroom to avoid them getting left behind in the playground when they are taken off. Please ensure your child's jumpers and jackets have their name on each item so they can be returned if misplaced.

NCCD

The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on school students with a disability (NCCD) takes place every year. Teachers are currently collecting data of students receiving an adjustment or 'help' due to disability in order to access education on the same basis of other students. The collection of this data allows principals, teachers and education authorities to better support students with disability.

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:

- Two full days Working with the big ideas in number conference Two Instructional Leaders, Two Assistant Principas and one Interventionist.
- Half Day Language, Learning and Literacy for stage 1– three teachers.
- Full day School Development Day focussing on improving personal practice of mindfulness, increasing inner health and reducing levels of stress through strategies from Power of calm, Happiness and its Causes, Sleep for Health and Healthy eating. - Director Educational Leadership and 71 staff members.

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

Eid Al Adha Mubarak to our families who celebrate on 12 August 2019.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend. Genelle Goldfinch

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



Student Learning

Tremendous learning in 2T







2T have been having some tremendous learning experiences. Yves Stening came to our school to share his book 'The Legend Lurking in your Lunchbox' with us.

We have been focusing on our speaking and listening too. Barrier games and group conversation practice have been lots of fun.





Learning to keep fit and healthy is part of each week in 2T. Now we are going to focus on getting lots of sleep to help us stay healthy too.





Student Learning

Splendid learning in 2S





2S has been on an amazing learning journey this year. We had the privilege of going to Taronga Zoo as our Stage 1 excursion. We saw so many amazing animals. It was such a great day.

We have been authors hard at work, creating inspirational published pieces of writing.











Sporting News

Friday 2.08.19 PSSA Fixtures All games are scheduled to begin at 12:30pm.

Rugby League V **HS** @ Endeavour

AFL v **SJP** @ King Park

Football v **KP** @ King Park

Year 3/5 Netball v **CHi** @ Endeavour

Year 4/6 Netball v Smihfield @ Endeavour

Basketball v SJP @ King Park

Friday 26.07.19 Rd 8	Results	
Rugby League V Smithfield @ Endeavour	Jnrs WON 8-4 Snrs WON 56-0	
Boys AFL V Smithfield @ King Park Oval	WON 59-12	
Jnr Boys Soccer V Smithfield @ King Park Oval	Draw 1-1	
Snr Boys Soccer V Smithfield West @ King Park Oval	Lost 1-2	
Open Girls Soccer V Smithfield West @ King Park Oval	Drew 0-0	
Jnr Mixed Basketball V William Stimson @ Fairfield West PS	Lost 4-10	
Snr Boys Basketball V William Stimson @ Fairfield West PS	Lost 10-27	
Snr Girls Basketball V William Stimson @ Fairfield West PS	Lost 2-14	
Year 3 Netball V Cabramatta West @ Endeavour	WON 7-2	
Year 4 Netball V Smithfield West @ Endeavour	WON 10-7	
Year 5 Netball V Cabramatta West @ Endeavour	WON 21-1	
Year 6 Netball V Smithfield West @ Endeavour	WON 30-3	

Community News

Fairfield West Public School will be participating in the 2019 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) endorsed by the University of NSW (UNSW) again this year. The following assessments will be available at our school; Digital Technologies, Science, English and Mathematics for years 2-6.



The date and entry fee per student is as follows:

**	Digital Technologies	Tuesday 3 September	\$14.50
**	Science	Thursday 5 September	\$14.50
**	English	Tuesday 17 September	\$14.50
**	Mathematics	Thursday 19 September	\$14.50

Expression of interest notes will be sent home this week. Please return notes and payment by Tuesday 6 August 2019.

SkoolBag app

If you have not already downloaded the skoolBag app, please follow the instrucions below to download. You will receive the school newsletter and other school updates.

How to install the SkoolBag app

instructions for parents and community

- 1. Get your favourite mobile device
- 2. Open the App Store/Play Store
- 3. Search for "SkoolBag"
- **4.** Download the free app
- **5.** Open the app and add your school(s)

for Apple users

Download on the App Store

for Android users



for more info visit skoolbag.com.au



Community News

Community Hub

Caroline Isaac will be working as the Community Hub leader on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for the rest of the year. Please contact Caroline if you are interested in any of the hub activities listed in the timetable below.



Fairfield West Public School Community Hub



2019 term 3 timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Breakfast club	Breakfast club	Breakfast club	Breakfast club
Sewing Class Teacher - Nahrain 9:30am		NSW Health Community Kitchen Facilitator – Paul and Caroline 9:30am -12.30pm	Playgroup and story time Facilitator - Kardonia 9:00am
	English Conversation class Facilitator-TAFE teacher 12:30pm to 2:45pm Free Childminding		Teachers Aid Course Facilitator – Belinda 9:30am to 2:30pm Free Childminding (began in term 2)

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

Teeth On Wheels

Teeth On Wheels will be coming to our school! Notes to be returned by 5 August.

\$1,000 of FPEE dental.

Now that's something
worth smiling about!



At Teeth On Wheels, we provide the highest quality dental treatment while making it fun, positive and memorable for children.

We are the **LARGEST** Mobile Dentist in Australia that are accredited by Quality Innovation Performance (QIP) and members of the Australian Dental Association (ADA)

We provide children with a free educational program and a brushing chart to ensure they have a positive dental experience, while encouraging effective oral hygiene. During the visit, children can watch age-based movies, helping to entertain and set a relaxing atmosphere.

The Australian Government offer \$1,000 of free basic dental for eligible families through Medicare.

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