

School Rules

Be



Be Respectful



Be a Good Learner



Calendar

Week 6	What's on		
	Continued staggered home times		
	Social distancing observed		
	Safe hygiene practised		
Week 7	What's on		
	Continued staggered home times		
Week 8	What's on		
	Continued staggered home times		
Week 9	What's on		
	Continued staggered home times		



Skool Bag

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.schools.nsw.gov.au



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News from the Principal - Genelle Goldfinch

Dear parents and caregivers

WELCOME BACK

It has been fabulous to see students back at school fulltime. There have been lots of excited faces and big smiles from children, teachers, staff and parents.

Now we are back, we are focusing on literacy and numeracy, as well as other Key Learning Areas.

A HUGE THANK YOU

I wanted to thank everyone for their efforts in the past eight weeks. The students for learning remotely, either on line or through learning packs provided. Families did a great job supporting the children with their learning from home. The staff at Fairfield West Public School did a very impressive job in a super short period of time providing innovative learning opportunities for all students, demonstrating a strong commitment to ensuring that the students from Fairfield West PS had the best possible opportunities to learn.

The executive, teachers and the support staff worked quickly to ensure that technology was made available to students and families who needed it. However, all of this had to be planned and organised and for that I would like to thank the outstanding executive team who made this possible. I would especially like to thank the Deputy Principal Team who worked with me during the last week of the holidays to ensure that term 2 was organised under the new guidelines.

Together, we as a learning community got through with children being educated and everyone staying safe. THANK YOU!!!

STAGGERED AFTERNOON PICK UP

After a congested start...the staggered afternoon pick up has been very successful. We thank parents for being here at the designated time to pick up their child/ren and for leaving the area promptly to keep congestion to a minimum.

Please remind your child not to leave the school grounds or walk home unless you are there. This is the same message the staff at the school gate are giving the children.

SCHOOL UNIFORM – WINTER

The cold weather has arrived and as such, students need to be dressed in their winter uniform. Children grow rapidly and for many children last year's uniform may not fit. So it may be time to buy a new school uniform, to keep your child warm.

There is a <u>winter uniform</u> and all children are strongly encouraged to wear the school uniform in line with the School Uniform Policy. If you are having some issues paying for a new uniform please contact the school and we can confidentially work something out for you.

Please also make sure that all jackets are labelled with the child's name on the inside.

STAY AT HOME IF YOU ARE SICK

It is very important that if a child is sick that they do not come to school. This is the message given to all people who work or come to Fairfield West Public School. If students are unwell we need to be able to contact someone to collect them immediately. Please make sure your details are always current. If anything changes please let the school know.

OPPORTUNITY CLASS (OC) PLACEMENT PROCESS FOR 2020

There is a revised timeline for the OC placement process and a note went home today. **DATE for ONLINE APPLICATIONS:** Parents must apply between <u>9 June 2020 and 26 June 2020.</u>

TEST DATE: Wednesday 16 September 2020

To ensure fair and consistent assessment of students across NSW, students will be offered places based only on their test results this year- there will be no school assessment scores. There will also not be any appeals due to tight time frame.

News from the Principal - Genelle Goldfinch

We are all in this together

During Phase 1 of back to school learning all students participated in weekly art activities that focused on being a part of a school community and the importance of friendship. Inspired by Van Gogh's artwork 'Sunflowers' each student created their own flower, which represented themselves in and amongst the Fairfield West community. Students had the opportunity to view the artwork displayed in the hall on the day of their attendance, which aimed to bring them together, although apart and feel connected to their peers.



Fairfield West's Friendship Flowers

Murals: During 2020 we have had two murals painted to enhance our school environment.



| respect and acknowledge Aboriginal People as the traditional owners of the land on which | work, live and visit. Have a great long weekend! Genelle Goldfinch



40 with Mr Ottmann



The students of 40 have come back to school very keen and enthusiastic to learn. While some fantastic things were done when the students were learning from home, there's no place like learning at school. Everyone was very happy to see one other again. We got back into the swing of things very quickly and have been focusing a lot on our English and Mathematics skills.

We have teamed up again with our neighbour class 3M and Ms Mandow and we have been doing some wonderful work in and around R.L Stine's Goosebumps book...Creature Teacher: The Final Exam. Where we soon find out that Mrs.Maaargh is not the type of teacher you would ever want to misbehave with. We are learning about what it takes to write a creative narrative and have been very excited to see and hear what a fantastic author such as R.L Stine does in his books to make them so interesting to read and listen to.

We look forward to continuing our work with the Goosebumps books with 'The Curse of Camp Cold Lake' awaiting us next.

While term 2 is more than half over we will be working hard over the next few weeks to learn and achieve as much as we can.



4I with Mrs Isaac and Miss Yang

Miss Yang and Ms Isaac were very excited to have welcomed the students back into the classroom last week, after our online learning experience. A heartfelt thankyou to all the families for helping their children along the way. It feels that together, we have tackled remote learning and have succeeded as a united team. We have loved seeing their smiles, hearing their lovely stories and of course continuing our learning.

4I kick started week 5 with some amazing writing. We explored the text "A house that once was" then used the vocabulary from the text to write descriptions, explore similarities and differences and describe our own homes. The students focus for the rest of the term is learning to edit their own writing.



In numeracy, students in 4I have explored measurement by creating shapes with paddle pop sticks, measuring the sides in centimetres and calculating the area and perimeter of each shape. Students then discussed and recorded these results in their books. 4I have also continued daily number talk and times tables practice to enhance their mathematical knowledge and skills.

We are looking forward to an engaging and productive term 2!

3/4M with Ms Mrmacovska

3/4M are a hard-working, curious and enthusiastic class! In light of recent events, all students were in charge of their own learning whilst learning from home. Students worked independently to complete their work and showed excellent resilience and persistence during such a challenging time. Well done!

In fact, the students' **love of learning** meant that many children received Attendance awards for their fantastic attendance in term 1. Congratulations!



We have bounced back into the classroom and embraced the autumn weather by engaging in lots of hands-on Science lessons. We used our school's managed environment to investigate natural and manmade features. We have also begun to grow our very own green beans and can't wait to observe the changes we see!

Mathematics, we are enjoying using our knowledge of different number concepts to complete researchbased tasks with our peers. We even used the Woolworth's website to calculate the cost of cooking a delicious and healthy dinner for our teacher, Ms Mrmacovska!

In literacy, we have been learning to analyse and evaluate a range of texts. **Reading Eggs** and **Mathletics** have been a massive hit, too! We have learnt about sympathy through different books and explored Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories.



3/5W

Students have been excited to be back in class learning with their friends. 3-5W are a wonderful group of enthusiastic learners, each bringing something unique to share.





In reading groups, students have been focusing on various activities to improve their reading skills. These activities include, sight word recognition, story retelling, guided comprehension with a teacher and punctuation.





My Two Blankets by Irena Kobald and Freya Blackwood is a quality text that the class have been focusing on over the last week. The story is written in English and Arabic translation and some brave students read the text in Arabic for all to comprehend. Students have really enjoyed identifying with the character, sharing their own settling in Australia experiences.

4T with Ms Tjong

4T are so excited to come back to school in term 2 after a period of online learning on Google Classrooms. We have settled back quickly and have been busy with hands on activities. This week we have been learning about **volume and capacity** and creating models using cm cubes and learning to draw them in 3D.



We have also been learning about the **life cycle of a plant** and what plants need in order to survive. We are excited to come to school every morning to water them and observe any growth.



With an increase of online learning, we have been looking at cyber safety and learning to be a responsible user of the internet. We have been watching **Hector's World** and having important discussions afterwards.



5W with Ms Wilson



We are thrilled to be back at school and continuing our learning journey! We have participated in music lessons, sporting activities and celebrated National Reconciliation Week through art. Check out some of our displays :)





Community News

Community Hub- ALL ACTIVITIES CANCELLED

Planned activities in the Community Hub have unfortunately been indefinitely suspended due to the social distancing strategy put into place by the Australian government.

Rania Bursic is the Community Hub Leader at FWPS this year. If you have any concerns, Rania will be available for interpreting in the school's office Monday to Thursday.







PATHWAYS TO EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM



COURSE INFORMATION SHEET

TERM 3, 2020 - 21 JULY TO 25 SEPTEMBER 2020

Business Administration

The course will provide you with skills required for employment in general business operations. You will learn to design and produce simple documents and use workplace technology. Possible National Police Check cost up to \$60.

Retail

This course will provide you with customer service skills including assisting with customer difficulties and producing a visual merchandise display. Possible cost for safety equipment up to \$60.

Customer Service for Hospitality

This course provides you with the skills required to pathway into work or further education in various hospitality settings such as restaurants and cafés. The hospitality industry is continually evolving with continuous growth providing many full time and casual opportunities.

Community Services

This course will provide you with skills to understand the nature of community work, how to communicate effectively with clients and co-workers, and manage stress at work and home. You will also undertake practical volunteer work. *National Police Check cost up to \$60*.

Information Session

- Information sessions are held to delivering the Pathways to Employment Program
- Students will be provided with educational and employment pathway information
- Priority will be given to students who attend a Pathways to Employment Program information session
- Please submit a resume with your application

Application Form

 Please see an AMEP Pathway Guidance Officer to apply

PEP Attendance

- All Pathways to Employment Programs courses are 4-days per week, full-time
- You must attend all 10 weeks of your course

Work experience 40 hours, you will be required to

- Work the hours of the industry you are studying
- Perform all duties of the industry you are studying
- Travel up to 60 minutes to/from work experience

Childcare

• Childcare is provided for under school aged children

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For more Information please visit <u>tafensw.edu.au/AMEP</u>

email AMEP.PEP@tafensw.edu.au or call 9942 0933

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Course	TAFE NSW Campus	Information session
Community Services		Date: Thursday, 11 June
	TAFE NSW Bankstown	Time: 10.00am
	500 Chapel Rd	Venue: Online - Microsoft Teams Session
	BANKSTOWN	Contact: 9780 5559
		Email: amepbankstown@tafensw.edu.au
Customer Service for Hospitality		Date: Thursday, 18 June
	TAFE NSW Campbelltown	Time: 10.00am
	181 Narellan Rd	Venue: Online - Microsoft Teams Session
	CAMPBELLTOWN	Contact: 9780 5559
		Email: amepcampbelltown@tafensw.edu.au
Retail	TAFE NSW St George President Ave & Princes Hwy ST GEORGE	Date: Wednesday, 17 June 2020
		Time: 10.00am or 2.00 pm
		Venue: Online – Skype (10.00 am)
		Microsoft Teams Session (2.00 pm)
		Contact: 9598 6181
		Email: <u>ameppgo-stgeorge@tafenew.edu.au</u>
	TAFE NSW Blacktown Main Street BLACKTOWN	Date: Tuesday, 16 June 2020
		Time: 2.45 pm
Business Administration		Venue: Online - Microsoft Teams Session
		Contact: 9208 1722
<i>n</i>		Email: amepblacktown@tafensw.edu.au
	TAFE NSW Campsie Level 1, 59-63 Evaline Street CAMPSIE	Date: Wednesday, 17 June 2020
		Time: 10.00am or 2.00 pm
Business Administration		Venue: Online – Skype (10.00 am)
		Microsoft Teams Session (2.00 pm)
		Contact: 9217 5963
		Email: ameppgo-campsie@tafensw.edu.au
	TAFE NSW Ultimo 651-731 Harris Street ULTIMO	Date: Wednesday, 17 June 2020
		Time: 10.00am or 2.00 pm
Business Administration		Venue: Online – Skype (10.00 am)
		Microsoft Teams Session (2.00 pm)
		Contact: 9217 4172
		Email: ameppgo-ultimo@tafensw.edu.au

Further Information

Please contact the AMEP Office where you are attending AMEP classes for further information and to register for a PEP Information Session.

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CLOTHING AND GOODS EVENT

FREE ITEMS AVAILABLE INCLUDE; CLOTHING, NAPPIES, TOILETRIES, LINEN, KITCHEN ITEMS, TOYS, SMALL HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND MORE

ALL WEEK

MONDAY 8TH JUNE TO FRIDAY 12TH JUNE

AT ROTARY COMMUNITY CENTRE 34 NORTH PARADE, CAMPSIE (1 block from Campsie train station)

ALL CLIENTS MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND AT

PROSPERPROJECTAUSTRALIA.ORG/WELFARE-PROGRAM

APPOINTMENT TIMES (BETWEEN 9AM AND 3PM DAILY) AND ENTRY LIMITS WILL BE APPLIED TO ENSURE SOCIAL DISTANCING

NO CHILDREN OR BABIES WILL BE ALLOWED AT THE EVENT DUE TO SOCIAL DISTANCING

> For further information call 0402 787 571 or email mail@prosperprojectaustralia.org

