

NEWSLETTER

Issue 02 | Week 4 | Term 1

DATES TO REMEMBER

FEBRUARY

17-21 Engineers Week

18 Governing Council Meeting @ 7pm in the library

20 Hockey clinic

MARCH

6 Sports Day

- 7 Pupil Free Day
- **10** Public Holiday
- **14** Pie (π) Day
- 17-21 Harmony Week
- **19** Soccer Clinic

21 School Photo Day

Assembly 2.30pm in the gym

26 Soccer Clinic

24-4^{th April} Learning Conversations

APRIL

2 Soccer Clinic

1-4 Learning Conversations

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DEAR COMMUNITY,

Week 4 check in

How is it week 4 already? Time flies when we are having fun.

On Tuesday 11th of February we held our Family Information Night, welcoming all of our families in to learn about routines, class expectations and important information about learning at FPPS.

Thank you to all of the families that attended the evening.

Teachers put a lot of effort into preparing these evenings and having the opportunity to connect and build relationships is very important.

Punctuality

School officially starts at 8.50 am and it is an important life skill that needs to be taught. Entering the class on time, preparing for the day and organising our belongings is a skill that teachers explicitly teach all students. For some students, it does take a little longer than others – and that's OK.



It does mean though, that as adults, we do need to support our young people in building these skills and arriving on time. It may mean getting up a little earlier, creating a visual timetable or check list to help.

For our littlest learners, our literacy block starts at 9am, every day. Missing the morning routines and arriving late means that they miss valuable instruction time. This will and does impact on their learning.

For our older learners, valuable maths instruction and specialist lessons occur in the mornings. Again, missing these lessons means that important instructions are missed and potentially, our learners fall behind as these lessons cannot be caught up.

Thank you to all the families that have supported us with this message and continue to arrive on time.

Over the next couple of weeks, our students stamina will improve. After having a longer break over summer, routines do fall away and getting up early, having to concentrate – can be tricky. We know after school, students may be tired, emotional, hungry and mentally exhausted but coming every day is really important. Please speak with your class teacher if you have any concerns so we can all work together.

Enjoy the weekend.

Kind regards,

Zoe Wecker Principal





Hats

At FPPS, we wear sun smart hats all year round. This means that all students need a navy, wide brimmed hat to play everyday.

If students do not have a hat, they will need to be under the shelter, at play times.

Uniforms- Shorts

Our uniform colours are navy, not black. Shorts are readily available from the front office, or major retailers.

Increasingly we are seeing students wearing black shorts with Nike and Adidas printed on them, more commonly with our older students. Leadership have been having conversations with students, reminding them to wear correct uniform. Should incorrect uniform items continue to be worn, loan shorts will be provided.

Breakfast Club

Students are welcome to come and visit Ms Gordana every Monday and Thursday in our STEM kitchen for breakfast from 8.30-8.45am.

Kickstart provide us with our breakfast supplies which include toast, cereal and tinned fruit.. Just a friendly reminder that breakfast club is for our students only and we do ask that adults wait outside.

Science News

Students have been enjoying hands on science activities across the school. They have explored animal movement, push and pull forces, and how ice melts. Using toy cars and handmade puppets, they have discovered how push and pull forces make objects move. One experiment involved mining "coal" (chocolate chips) from cookies and attempting to restore the "earth" afterward. Students have also taken on the role of news readers, reporting about the topic of light to the class.

Next week is Engineers Week, where students will learn about different types of engineers and the important work they do.



PE News

This week we have the Grange Royals Hockey Club in doing some clinics for all classes. Flyers will be sent home next Thursday for anyone interested in playing Hockey. Also check out their Facebook page or Website for more information regarding clinics, trainings and game play.



Sports Day is Thursday Week 6 and preparations are in full swing. All children have been told their house colours but if you are unsure please message your class teacher.

Congratulations to this years Sports Day Captains. These students are responsible for making up the house chants, helping set up and pack up on the day and also helping organise their teams during the relays.

Tarnta: Sharriff, Kaitlyn and Grace

Nakudla: Johnny, Kushi and Zane





Yampu: Hamish, Adem and Patrick

Wiritu : Alisha, Hailey and Mahtab





Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	27 th	28 th	29 th	30 th	31st
Lift Off					
	Public Holiday				Whole school
	· ·				newsletter
2	3 ^{rd February}	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th
Lift Off					
	Class newsletters &				
	term overviews home				
3	10 th	11 th	12 th	13 th	14 th
				Hockey Clinics	Assembly – Yr 5/6
		Family Info night &			
		AGM			
4 <mark>Engineers</mark> Week	17th	18 th	19 th	20 th	21 st
				Hockey Clinics	Patch Theatre R-2
					and Inclusive Ed
					Whole school
					newsletter –
					Science/P.E
5	24 th	25 th	26 th	27 th	28 th
		Practice NAPLAN test			
		(Year 3 & 5 students)			
6	3 ^{rd March}	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th
				Sports Day	Pupil Free Day
7	10 th	11 th	12 th	13 th	14 th
			NAPLAN (Yr 3&5)	NAPLAN (Yr 3&5)	NAPLAN (Yr 3&5)
	Public Holiday		· · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Pie (π) Day
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				Session.	newsletter – Rm 4
8	17 th	18 th	19 th	20 th	21 st
Harmony Week 9	NAPLAN (Yr 3&5)	NAPLAN (Yr 3&5)	Soccer clinics		School Photo Day
		10 (11 2 (11 2 (3))			Assembly – Yr 5/6
					Ride2School Day
					Midez School Day
	24 th	25 th	26 th	27 th	28 th
Learning Conversations			Soccer clinics	Underdale Cup	
				Soccer Tournament	
				Soccer rournament	
10	31 st	1 st April	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
Learning Conversations	21	Τ	World Autism	5	4
			Awareness Day		
			Soccer clinics		
					Whole School
					Newsletter – Rm 9
11	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th
					End of Term 1 Early