Dear Parents and Carers,

As mentioned in previous Newsletters, Mr Thorne is taking some well-deserved rest time until week eight. I feel very privileged to be sitting in his chair and would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has made me feel so welcome.

I would also like to welcome some very new members to the Fairy Meadow Demonstration School community, with the birth of Mr Thorne’s second grandson Evan, on the 16th May 2014 and the birth of Ms Thorley’s fourth grandchild Aurora, on the 26th May 2014. Both are very proud Grandparents.

Athletics Carnival

The Fairy Meadow Demonstration School Athletics Carnival is approaching quickly. A reminder to all families to return payment and permission notes to the school by Friday 30th May.

This is a great school community event and is much more than the winning of races. It is a day for participation, fun and friendship. DON’T miss out!

WALK TO SCHOOL

I was very lucky to replace Mr Thorne for the Walk To School day last Thursday. I walked with an enthusiastic group of students from Jardine Street. I was very impressed with all of the girls and boys who walked to school in a safe and respectful manner. Mr Dill also reported a fun morning and a very positive way to start the school day.

STAGE3 EXCURSION

Stage Three Students, staff and parents were up very early on Wednesday morning, this week for the three-day educational tour of Canberra. This excursion is a great opportunity for the students at Fairy Meadow Demonstration School to participate in a variety of educational experiences relating to Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

CHANGE TO ASSEMBLY DATE.

Due to a training and development day being held in our school, please note that the Early Stage One/ Stage One assembly will be held in week 7 on Tuesday 11th June.

CHANGE TO P&C MEETING

Due to the School Dance Group Performing at the IPAC, the P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 18th June at 7:00pm. Everyone is welcome. This is a great way to meet other parents and play an active part in your child’s education.

FAIRY MEADOW DANCE GROUP

The dance group has been working very hard with Mrs Toll and Miss Pinkster. Almost every lunch break goes into strenuous practice to perfect their moves. On Tuesday this week the group came together for dress rehearsals and the school was treated to a sneak preview of their wonderful performance, “The Garden”. The children showed that practice really does make perfect. They smiled beautifully and danced together like seasoned professionals, their hair, make-up and costumes were all fantastic! Well done boys and girls, I can’t wait to see you all perform under the lights on the big stage at the IPAC.

Susan Swindells
Relieving Principal
NETBALL
The FMDS netball team had a beautiful morning out at Guest Park on Monday. The girls had to play Corrimal East in the first game where Ana scored 2 goals and Keera scored 1. Jaimee made an excellent Goal Keeper, often getting the ball on the rebound and defending for her team. Tameka worked hard playing Center for half of the game and was very good at covering the entire court. Christina played in a variety of positions and showed versatility and skill. Unfortunately the girls were defeated. We then went onto play Stanwell Park in our second game (who were also defeated in round 1). In this game Marci played as Goal Attack and also made a goal alongside Ana and Keera. Shikira and Alana both had a turn at Goal Defence and they had the height and confidence to get in there and get the ball. Selin did excellent defending and Taylah was a whippet as Wing Attack. Nicole was tall enough as Goal Keeper to snatch the ball and was doing an excellent job until an injury sent her off the court. Again, FMDS were defeated by Stanwell Park but the girls played a very fair and friendly game.
Congratulations girls and thank you very much to Aimee O’Connor and Simone Allott for your help umpiring on the day.
Jessica Harris.

P&C NEWS
*In preparation for winter, the P&C is having a Pie Drive. There is an order form with today's newsletter, listing a huge variety of yummy pies and quiches for an easy dinner on a cold night, as well as lots of tasty treats – slices, lamingtons, muffins and more. All of these delicious products will be baked fresh by Queen Street Bakery. Please return order forms and money to the school canteen by the last Wednesday this term, June 25th. Your order can be picked up from the school hall on the first Wednesday of Term 3, from 2.30pm.
*To celebrate the last day of term, come along and have a night of laughs at our Family Movie Night – keep an eye out for posters and more information coming soon!
*The FMDS Dance Group will be performing at IPAC at the same time as our June P&C meeting so we are postponing the meeting. More information about the new date will be available soon. We are very friendly and always welcome new faces, so please come along if you are interested in seeing what goes on at our meetings or if you have something you would like to discuss. If you can’t make the meetings, but have ideas or suggestions you’d like us to consider, you can email fmdspandc@gmail.com

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS
A big thank you to Jo, Angie and Belinda for keeping the Uniform Shop open and stocked while I was away in Term 1! Now that I’m back, I’m going to have a trial of opening on Wednesday mornings from 8.45am until 9.15am – so the Uniform Shop is open three times a week at the moment. At some point in the future I will work out which are the two most popular times to make permanent. The weather is beautifully warm at the moment, but chilly weather isn’t far away and it’s time to start thinking about winter uniforms. As always, the Uniform Shop has lots of second hand items – all for only $2.00 each. Please keep the donations coming, too, because second hand items have been selling well. Boy’s cargo pants are in demand but very rare because they tend to wear out the knees. If your son has managed to keep his knees intact, we would love to give his old uniforms a new home!
The new items we have available for winter include:
- Long sleeve polo’s in gold and black
- Standard Jackets
- Black cargo pants
- Dry & Cosy Jackets
- Jumpers (limited sizes)
- Two styles of girls' long black pants
- Beanie
- Scarf
- Rain poncho

Our Winter Sale continues all through Terms 2 & 3, with $10.00 off jumpers, plus size 4 jackets and long sleeve polo’s, and size S long sleeve polo’s. The jumpers are now only $12.00.

If you can’t make it to the Uniform Shop, you can order by email or through the school office. The order form is available on the school’s website, click on Notes 2014. We accept, cash, cheque or direct deposit, we also offer a lay-by service.
Cath Chisholm

Uniform Shop co-ordinator

CANTENEEN NEWS
Hi all, not much to report this week, we still have Spaghetti Bolognaise in stock and also a supply of halal sausage rolls. The sausage rolls are pretty big (almost twice the size of our usual ones) and retail for $3.00 each the can also be purchased by the half for $1.60.
New canteen rosters covering July – December will be going home to all our volunteers in June so look out for it hiding in school bags. If you would like to help out in the canteen just pop in and talk to a supervisor any day of the week.
Our helpers this week and next are:

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