**Principal’s Message**

Dear parents and caregivers,

What a busy week!

**Meet the teacher BBQ**

The meet the teacher BBQ was a huge success with more than 300 parents attending. Thank you to all staff that presented at the information sessions and feedback from the many parents that I spoke to was very positive. Thank you to the catering crew led by Mr Carr who cooked and served almost 800 sausages. A special thank you to our parent and community helpers Ms Sandra Spurway, Ms Maria Beyer, Ms Janelle Smith and Joshua Smith for your assistance and involvement and cleaning up at the end of the day. Your participation is truly appreciated and acknowledged.

**Scripture**

Scripture classes are scheduled to start next week. At this stage there will be Catholic and Protestant classes for kindergarten, year 1 and year 2 students every Tuesday and years 3 to 6 every Wednesday.

**P&C**

The Parents and Citizens had their first annual general meeting on Tuesday. The results of the elections are as follows:

**President:** Ms Jo Kebblewhite  
**Vice President:** Ms Maria Beyer  
**Secretary:** Ms Andrea Farias  
**Assistant Secretary:** Mr Luke Favaloro  
**Treasurer:** Ms Sandra Spurway

The committee will be looking forward to your support this year.

Have a great weekend!  
Mr Rangiah  
Deputy Principal

**Student Representative Council**

The Fairfield West Student Representative Council (S.R.C) is formed at the beginning of each school year. Every class is represented by two students who are nominated and voted for by their peers. These representatives are sworn in at an official induction ceremony. In 2014 they will meet on a fortnightly basis to discuss student concerns and areas of the school where they can participate in making this school an even more caring and productive place of learning. Last Friday these representatives took their pledge and were officially inducted into their role for 2014. Mr Ottmann and I look forward to working with these wonderful students throughout the year. On Monday they were lucky enough to pose for a photo with players from the Parramatta Eels who visited our school to spread the anti-bullying message.

Ms Edworthy  
SRC Coordinator

**Dates for Your Calendar**

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**Care is our Value of the Month**

Students demonstrate care by showing concern for the wellbeing of themselves and others, demonstrating empathy and acting with compassion.
**Voluntary School Contributions**

At this time each year we seek voluntary school contributions to enhance Fairfield West Public School’s educational resources such as: work sheets; use of the library; iPads; computers; printers across the school and sporting programs, to mention just a few things.

These school contributions are voluntary and payment is a matter for decision by you as parents. Contributions help provide additional educational resources for the benefit of your child.

There has been a slight increase in fees this year, the first in twelve years. Due to the rising costs of resources used daily; it is $40 for one student, $60 for two students and $70 for three or more students. We have provided an envelope for your convenience which then can be returned to the front office.

**School Notice Board**

Does your child enjoy drawing and craft at home? I would love to display their creations on our school notice boards.

Please give me their work samples and I will put them up.

Ms Ingram

**Catholic Scripture Confirmation 2014**

Enrolments for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be accepted at the 6.00pm Saturday Mass, and all the Sunday Masses in Smithfield Parish on the weekends of 1, 2 March and 8, 9 March, 2014. Enrolment forms are available from the Scripture Teachers or in the Parish Churches, or alternatively phone Halina or Maureen on 9725 4317.

**Sport**

Summer PSSA sport teams will be playing at Emerson Park this Friday. Tennis will play at Brenan Park and Swimming at Fairfield Leisure Centre.

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**FOODcents**

This week the FOODcents program for parents commenced. The participants started by learning food hygiene and safety.

This was followed by a cooking session where they made lunches with new and delicious fillings, as well as chocolate and beetroot muffins. Everyone was surprised at how great these tasted.

The program continues every Tuesday at 9.30am in the OOSH room. There are still a few places if you would like to join next week.

Ms Mah Chut - Assistant Principal