PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Dear parents and caregivers,

Next week at Fairfield West Public School we have events that we would like to invite our community to. If you are able to attend we would love to see you there.

Easter Raffle – 9:00am on Wednesday 9 April in the Kindergarten Quad – don’t forget to get in your tickets before then!

Easter Hat Parade – 10:00am Wednesday 9 April in the Hall

Easter Disco – Wednesday 9 April in the Hall
  K-2 Disco - 3:15pm - 4:30pm
  3-6 Disco - 4:45pm - 6:00pm

ANZAC Day Ceremony

You are invited to our ANZAC Day Ceremony on Friday 11 April at 12:10pm in the Kindergarten Quad. We also ask each year for donations of flowers to be sent in on the day, which will then be placed around the flagpole as a tribute. Thank you in advance.

Safe Road Crossing

Once again we urge you to use the traffic lights to cross Hamilton Road and also Palmerston Road with your children. I have had several phone calls from concerned community members regarding parents taking their children across the road in a dangerous fashion. Please model safe behaviours to your precious children.

Annual School Report 2013

The Annual School Report 2013 has been uploaded onto our school website. Please take some time to read through the report. Our school website is constantly being updated. We encourage you to look at our website to see the latest news and pictures.

Books to boost brains

Literacy skills often progress suddenly in leaps and bounds. The secret is to keep kids of all ages reading over the weekends and school holidays. Even 20 minutes a night can make a huge difference to their reading, comprehension and general knowledge. It’s also a great way to settle their minds down before sleep (for adults too!). If your child hasn’t found a book that grabs their imagination, why not try them on a series book from the Premier’s Reading Challenge list? Here are top suggestions for all ages, including young adult: [link]

Enjoy your weekend.

Genelle Goldfinch
Principal

6F/G CLASS REPORT

6FG have been learning about Natural Disasters this term. We conducted an experiment to make a tornado in a bottle. We worked in small groups and created our own tornado with plastic bottles, duct tape, water and food colouring. Maybe you would like to make this at home.

Tornado Experiment

Materials:
- Two 2-litre plastic bottles (lids removed)
- Strong tape (ie. Duct tape)
- Food colouring

Procedure:
1. Fill one bottle about two-thirds full of water and add a few drops of food colouring.
2. Use the tape to join the two bottles together securely at the top.
3. Turn the bottles so that the one filled with water is at the top.
4. Rotate the bottles in a circular motion. You should see the effect of a tornado where the top bottle meets the bottom one.

Annie, Lena and Thao

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

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RESPECT IS OUR VALUE OF THE MONTH

Students demonstrate respect by having regard for themselves and others, lawful and just authority and diversity within Australia society and accepting the right of others to hold different or opposing views.
Dancing, Chocolate, Fun and Music!

On Wednesday 9 April, year 6 are holding an Easter Disco to raise money for the Year 6 Farewell.

The K-2 disco will run from 3:15pm - 4:30pm.

The 3-6 disco will run from 4:45pm – 6:00pm.

The cost of the disco is $6.00 and includes a packet of chips and a drink. The students can bring money to purchase lollies, glow sticks and have their hair sprayed. There will also be dancing, games and prizes. Students can dress up in Easter costumes or wear mufti clothes with closed shoes.

The disco will be supervised by teachers and will take place in the school hall. Students require a ticket to attend the disco and will need to be picked up from the school hall after the disco.

Come along and help support our Year 6 fundraiser.

KidStales Easter Competition

The students in 1VP have entered an Easter competition at Stockland Wetherill Park. They have created an Easter Bunny Tree using 80 foam eggs. Their sculpture will be showcased at Stockland Wetherill Park from Wednesday 26 March until Sunday 27 April 2014. Family, friends and shoppers can vote for the display and help our school to win a share in over $5000 worth of books from Penguin, Puffin and DK books. Register your details at the Customer Care Centre to be eligible to vote. For every $1 that you spend in the centre (when making a minimum purchase of $10) you will be able to allocate 1 vote to the school display. Well done to Ms Ingram, Ms Perkins and 1VP for a great sculpture and thank you in advance for supporting our school.

Ms Vanessa Mah Chut

Catholic Scripture

Enrolments for the Sacrament (Confession) will be accepted at the 6.00pm Saturday Mass and all the Sunday Masses in Smithfield Parish on the weekends of 3/4 and 10/11 May 2014. Enrolment forms are available from the Scripture Teachers, from the Parish Churches, or by phoning Maureen or Halina on 9725 4317.

Pyjama Day

Yesterday our kindergarten students participated in Pyjama Day. They enjoyed wearing their pyjamas to school as well as participating in a number of activities around the letter ‘P’. The students made pasta pattern necklaces, paper planes, parrots, and poppies in preparation for Anzac Day. They also participated in parachute games and watched a ‘P’ movie. Everyone enjoyed this fun way of learning about the letter ‘P’ and the sound it makes.

Ms Vanessa Mah Chut

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