**Principal’s Message**

Dear parents and caregivers  

How fast this term has passed. This will be the last newsletter for term 1.

**Social Skills Reports**

I have enjoyed reading the Social Skills Reports of each student in the school. It was very pleasing to see the efforts made by the students and to get feedback from the students about their learning and what they enjoy doing and why. I trust you will enjoy reading the reports as much as I did.

**Reminder – P&C Easter Egg Raffle**

The P&C Easter Egg Raffle will be drawn on Monday the 30 March during the K-6 morning Assembly. Please make sure all tickets are returned prior to the assembly on Monday.

**Reminder - Easter Hat Parade and Disco**

You are invited to attend this year’s Easter Hat Parade on Wednesday 1 April 2015, from 9:45am to 11:00am. Please help your child make a hat at home for this event. The Easter Bunny will make a surprise visit during the event.

The Easter Disco will commence at 3:30pm – 4:30pm for the K-2 students. From 4:45pm - 6:00pm will be the disco for 3-6 students. The disco is a fundraiser for year 6 and a separate note went home last week.

**Kha b-Nisan 2015 – Happy New Year to our Assyrian Community**

Kha b-Nisan is celebrated on April 1, 2015. Kha b’Nisan is the spring festival among the Assyrians – also known as “Head of the year”. In addition to the traditional Assyrian New Year on April 1, all Assyrians also celebrate the Georgian calendar on January 1.

So to those in our community celebrating on April 1 we wish you a Happy New Year.

**Winning House BBQ**

The Winning House BBQ will be on Wednesday 1 April and the winning house will be announced Monday 30 March.

**Ms Goldfinch Leave**

I will be taking Long Service Leave as from Thursday 2 April until week 4 term 2. During my leave Mr Rangiah will be relieving as principal. The person relieving in the role of Deputy Principal will be announced next term.

Enjoy the holiday break and stay safe. To those that celebrate I wish you a very happy Easter. Looking forward to seeing everyone back safe and sound in term 2.

Genelle Goldfinch  
Principal

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**6W Class Report**

We can hear the snap of an alligator, the slithering of snakes through the leaves and the “whoop, whoop” call of the gibbons. Where are we? The Taronga Zoo of course. This week Stage 3 travelled by bus to North Sydney, over the ANZAC and Sydney Harbour Bridge to Mosman. The bus trip was very exciting, however the Zoo was AMAZING! We were lucky enough to have a fantastic map reader and guide, Emilio and a fabulous photographer, Hannah who lead TEAM 6W through rainforest paths to the enclosures of a menagerie of animals. Our favourite? The Bird Show. We loved the owls and harrier hawk as they whizzed by our heads, their wings brushing our hair as they chased after prey. But best of all was the 60kg vulture called Lesly who had a wing span of 3m and who glided down from a lighthouse on the hill. We would like to thank Ms Tjong and Ms Rouel who organised the trip to the zoo. It was FANTASTIC.
HOW TO BOOST YOUR CHILD’S MOTIVATION AND LEARNING AT SCHOOL

Presented by
Dr. Andrew Martin

Dr. Martin, a Registered Educational and Child Psychologist, describes the essential parts of students’ motivation and engagement at school. The well-rounded student is not only motivated and engaged, but is also able to bounce back when the going gets tough in schoolwork.

Dr. Martin will discuss the key issues relevant to realising the personal potential of students, and practical ways that parents and caregivers can help build their child’s academic success. Increase academic interest, enhance persistence, reduce fear of failure and anxiety, and emphasise academic personal bests (PBs).

This seminar is for primary school aged children.

Bookings are essential and places are limited.
Please call 0407 708 626 to book your place.

Families Together is for parents living in the local government areas of Fairfield, Liverpool and Bankstown. Children’s services workers, teachers, family support workers and other professionals will not be given a place.

DATE: Thursday, 30th April 2015
TIME: 6.30 – 9.00pm
PLACE: The Horsley Room & Lounge
Fairfield RSL
14 Anzac Avenue
FAIRFIELD
CHILD MINDING is not available for this course. Children are not permitted to attend.

SPORT

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

FAIRNESS IS OUR VALUE OF THE MONTH

Students demonstrate fairness by being fair to themselves and their friends, at school, at home and in their community.

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

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KINDERGARTEN PYJAMA DAY

Kindergarten students looked fantastic in their very colourful pyjamas on Tuesday. We had an exciting day with children experiencing very enjoyable activities such as making purple playdough (from scratch), decorating and eating yummy pancakes, creating very colourful paper peacocks and making prince and princess puppets. Thank you to the families who kindly made a donation towards our expenses.

Mrs Turnbull
(Relieving AP)