

Welcome Back!

Friday 2 February 2018



Fairfield
Primary School

Principal's Report

Welcome Back to FPS!

Welcome back to students and families for the start of another exciting year. I hope that everyone enjoyed the opportunity to have a relaxing and enjoyable break over the Christmas and New Year period.

Students have returned to school full of excitement, eagerness and anticipation. On Wednesday morning, the school was awash with smiling faces as friends caught up with each other and shared their holiday stories.

A special mention to our Foundation students who started school this week. The very first day of school is a significant milestone for students and families, and it is clear that our 2018 students were certainly ready to start.



You will have noticed the netball construction on the school playground has started. As well as providing a first class sporting facility for the school community, watching the diggers and trucks at work has become a favourite playtime activity for some students. We will continue to update our community with changes to timetabling and routines caused by the construction.



Allana Bryant will continue in the role of Senior Education Improvement Leader this term and I will continue as Acting Principal, working closely alongside Katrina Lamers, our Assistant Principal, and all staff.

On a personal note, Beth and I were delighted to welcome our baby daughter, Kit Wallace, into the world during the holidays. She is happy and healthy, and her two-year-old sister has taken her under her wing!

Wishing everybody a wonderful 2018.

Paul Wallace
Acting Principal

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Important Dates and Timetabling

Specialist Timetable

Click to see the [Specialist Timetable for Term 1](#).

Upcoming Dates

Wednesday 7 February:

- No School for Foundation students

Friday 9 February:

- Foundation Social Evening: 7 – 10pm in the BER Foyer. All Foundation parents welcome. Click to [see the invitation](#).

Monday 12 February:

- School Assembly. Our FPS community is invited to the beginning of year assembly. 9am in the gym.

Wednesday 14 February:

- No School for Foundation students

Thursday 15 February:

- Foundation Parent Information Night: 6 – 7pm in the Year 3AB classroom

Save these Dates!

- **Thursday 22 February:** School Photo Day
- **Friday 23 February:** School Welcome Picnic, from 6 – 8pm on the FPS school grounds
- **Thursday 15 March:** [Early Dismissal at 1pm](#). Parent Teacher interviews from 1:30 – 7pm. OSH Club will be open from 1pm.

Medical Alerts

We would like to remind all parents that current copies of **Asthma Care** plans and any other medical alerts are to be handed in to the school office.

If your child has medication to be administered during school hours, please complete the '**Medication Authority Form**' available at the school office.

We thank all our families who have completed and returned their child's Anaphylaxis Management Plans.

Working With Children Check—Required for all Parent Volunteers

All parents are required to have a **Working With Children Check (WWCC)** to volunteer in the school—both in the classroom, off-site (on excursions, camps and sporting events) and school events. This enables us to comply with the mandated Child Safe Standards.

Parent volunteers are to:

- Apply for the [Working With Children Check](#)
- Provide a copy of your WWCC card to the school office. Either come to the office for copying, or photograph your card and [email it to the school](#).

Volunteering at the school fair?

All parents who volunteer to work at our school fair **now require a WWCC**. We encourage family members to apply early so that we can add you to our volunteer pool.

2018 School Council Nominations

We will be starting the nomination process for members of the Fairfield PS School Council. The procedure and timeline for this nomination process will be communicated next week via Compass. Please watch out for this important communication.

Start of Year Communications

At this time of the year, there are many important messages that we need to communicate to our school community. We request that you check your Compass news feed at least weekly for the latest news.