

# Welcome to School – 2019

Friday 1 February 2019



Fairfield  
Primary School

## Principal's Report

### Welcome Back

I would like to welcome students and families to the new school year, with a special mention to those families who are new to the school. Following two productive curriculum days for staff, we have had two great days of school with the children very happy to be reacquainting themselves with friends and familiarising themselves with school routines.

A special mention to our Foundation students who today had their very first day of school. They looked so proud to be at the school and I am sure that they will have many exciting stories to share about their day.



### Building Works

We were delighted to be able to welcome the Year 5 and 6 students to our **new building**.

It is a fantastic space that impresses everyone who visits. Some of the words used by the students to describe it are '*mind-blowing*', '*out of this world*' and '*wow!*'

Unfortunately, there was a last minute hitch and 6B are unable to use their new classroom due to temporary changes to the building occupancy conditions – this should only be for a short time.



## Year 5 students in their new classrooms



The temporary fencing will remain in place for next week and access to the building will continue from the administration corridor.

As part of this building project, there has been extensive work carried out in the administration block; this work includes fitting out the new staffroom (previously 6A) and painting of the corridor and all adjoining classrooms, including the library. The fresh paint gives all of these areas a lift.

A lot of work took place around the **gym** with school fundraising used for an Infrared Heat Reflective Waterproof Membrane on the roof and eastern wall. Fans were also installed to improve the circulation of air in this space. First impressions are that building improvements make the gym much more pleasant on warmer days.

The **netball court** project was completed during the holidays with laying of the acrylic surface – it looks fantastic.

To ensure the longevity and appearance of the court, I remind everyone that bicycles and scooters are not to be ridden in the school grounds – this could easily damage the court.



### Tour of New Building

I would like to invite all community members to have a walk around the new building on **Friday 15 February at 3.35pm**.

~ Paul Wallace, Principal

## Community News

### Welcome Assembly—Join Us

Next Friday we will hold our welcome assembly at 9am. All families are invited to join us.

### Parking Pop Up

The Darebin City Council is soliciting feedback regarding the community's views on how parking can be managed in Darebin. This will take place on the FPS school grounds on **Friday 8 February from 3:15 to 4:15pm**.

Click for [further information](#).

### Mark Your Calendar—Important Term One Dates

Date	Time/Activity
<b>Friday 8 February</b>	9 – 9:30am: Welcome Assembly 7 – 10pm: Foundation Parent Social Night
<b>Tuesday 12 February</b>	6 – 7pm: Foundation Parent Information Night
<b>Thursday 21 February</b>	School Photo Day
<b>Friday 22 February</b>	6 – 8pm: FPS Welcome Picnic
<b>Sunday 3 March</b>	10am – 2pm: Working Bee
<b>Monday 4 – Friday 8 March</b>	Year 6 Canberra Camp
<b>Monday 11 March</b>	Labour Day – Public Holiday
<b>Saturday 16 March</b>	2 – 7pm: School Fair
<b>Friday 5 April</b>	1 – 1:30pm: End of Term Assembly 2pm: Dismissal for Holidays