FROM THE PRINCIPAL

CHAPPY WEEK
Chaplaincy is a program supported by both the Australian Government and our local community. We are very fortunate to have Sara Millard as our Ferny Grove Chaplain. Her role is all about helping to meet the social and emotional needs of young people and their families and I can tell you that our kids love Miss Sara. People from time to time ask us how they can support our Chaplain. Each family will receive a pamphlet from us this week outlining the role a Chaplain plays in our school and ways in which you can help us meet our financial obligation as a community which is currently 2 days per week. Your P and C plays a big role in funding this program and any donation is always appreciated.
Keep an eye out for our Chaplaincy brochure.

VOLUNTEER WEEK
So many people volunteer in our school in so many different ways that it is hard to acknowledge on an individual basis. This week I would like to acknowledge Tony Clark who for the past few months has been donating his time and equipment to help with the cleaning, painting and maintenance of paths and buildings on weekends and after school. Tony's contribution is another example of the different ways in which our members of our community can help make Ferny Grove State School a better place.

PHONE MESSAGES
The most important factor in the success of our teachers is uninterrupted time in front of students. This means firstly having students at school and once they come, ensuring that we make the most of every minute of learning time. Accordingly, we have enacted a policy of no phone calls to classrooms between the hours of 8:45 and 1:20pm. Please be mindful of this when ringing to speak to teachers or making changes to after school arrangements. Office staff will collect messages and pass them on outside of this critical teaching time unless the message is of absolute urgency.

PARENT INFO SESSIONS
Thank you to all involved in the information night held on Tuesday evening. For the first time, our school captains managed the school tours of new and prospective parents. The feedback on their work was very positive and their involvement was appreciated by the families who attended. Well done Andrew, Ailsa, Reilly, Caleb, Sophie and Alyssa.

Payment days are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday ONLY. Payment options are:
- Over the counter from 8.30am to 11.30am ONLY on the above days
- Credit card - Ph: 3550 5333 after 8.30am or complete the form on the Bulk Bill letter

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

CHAPLAINCY WEEK continues
22 Yr.2 LEGO Ed. Centre
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RAW ART Yrs. 3BM, 3M, 3R
24 WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY
Free Brekky after walk
11.00am Staff vs Yr.7 students challenge
2.00pm Early Years Assembly

27 8.50am Middle Yrs. Assembly
FANFARE- Senior Choir
Yr.7T, Yr.6/7 Port Of Brisbane Excursion

28 11.00am DEFENCE Kids Sausage Sizzle
31 Prep - The Beats Bus
2.00pm Early Years Assembly

JUNE
3 8.50am Student of the Month Assembly
Yr.7H, 7P Port Of Brisbane Excursion
EARLY YEARS NEWS

Reporting for Prep
This year for the first time parents/careers of Prep students in Queensland will be provided with a written report card. Each report will outline the extent of student progress and achievement in the following learning areas: English, Mathematics, Science, History, Social & Personal Learning, Health & Physical Learning and Active Learning Processes.

Excursions This Week
Year 2CL & 2S students visit the Lego Education Centre on Thursday. Year 3BM, 3M and 3R students have Raw Art lessons on Thursday.

Paul Cooke (Deputy Principal)

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PERFORMANCES
Due to the Year 7 Port of Brisbane excursion on Monday the Percussion Ensemble’s performance will be postponed to Monday 15 July, Week 2 term 3.

Junior Choir will be performing on Monday 3 June at the whole school Student of the Month Parade.

Brass and Woodwind Parent Info Session.
Parents of woodwind and brass students are invited to attend a Smartmusic Info session on Wednesday 29 May at 6:30pm in the library. Mr Grainger and Mrs Harlingcaspel will be demonstrating and talking about the interactive software which enables children to seek feedback regarding their daily practice. Come along next Wednesday evening to find out how it works. Children received a note today regarding the one hour session.

Instrumental Music Telephone Trees
Thank you to three wonderful parents for completing our 2013 instrumental music telephone trees. Gillian Tomczak, Kim Rollings and Clare Gadd very kindly offered to compile telephone trees for our Senior Strings, Senior and Junior Bands. Volunteering to complete this task for all our instrumental music students is greatly appreciated by admin, teachers, students and parents. The trees allow parents to notify and be notified if the music teacher is away and early morning rehearsals are cancelled. On behalf of our school community I thank, Gillian, Kim and Clare for the time, effort and computer skills involved in compiling these phone trees.

Senior band and Junior band will receive their phone trees this week at rehearsal.

Senior Choir - Fanfare Performance
Our Senior choir will compete at Fanfare on Monday. Thanks to the many parents offering to transport children there will be no costs involved. We leave school at 10am and return at 1pm. Children will be required to wear their performance uniform and black shoes and socks for the competition at Kedron Park State High School. NO rehearsal after school - Thursday 30 May.

Belinda Evans (Deputy Principal)

ENROL FOR PREP IN 2014
Prep enrolment interviews will be held in Term 3, 5 August to 6 September. Please book online: http://www.sobs.com.au/p/parent.php?schoolid=691. A detailed brochure regarding enrolment information can be accessed online: www.fernygroves.eq.edu.au or by phoning the school office staff on 3550 5333.

SCHOOL INFORMATION EVENING THANK YOU
On Tuesday evening members of our school community were welcomed and shown around our school by our student school captains. Parents of prospective students for 2014 were provided with a snapshot of the variety of experiences and opportunities for learning and involvement in our school. I would like to thank all of the staff and parent helpers who have contributed to the design or preparation of materials, or for your assistance on the night. We are all extremely proud of our great State school. Thank you.

PEOPLE’S POET SESSIONS
Year 4 – 7 students spent time last week with our school poet, Rupert McCall. Rupert challenged every student to consider a passion or story they have inside that needs to be told. How surprised students were by Rupert remembering his epic poem Q150 that comprised 150 different Queensland icons!!! Teachers spent a relaxing afternoon where Rupert talked about how he writes poems and practises for his presentations.
Prep – 3 students will have their sessions with Rupert in week 9.

Paul Cooke (Deputy Principal)

YEAR 4 STILL NEEDS YOUR HELP!!!!
Are we there yet?? No, not quite but we are going strong.
A big thanks to all of you who have been collecting bread tags - parents, grandparents, staff, neighbours, even our tuck-shop! 10 000 is a huge number and we have reached over 3000 so please keep saving them for us.

Remember bring them up to L Block and we’ll send collectors to the little kid’s classes.

LEARNER

SPORT SPOT
This week we recognised the support of our families on assembly by presenting a display of sports equipment earned through the Coles Sport for Schools program. It was with the generous efforts of our parents and of course Coles that we were able to obtain this equipment for our school.

The range of equipment received will enable all of our students to further enhance their ability and enjoyment of physical activity. A special thanks to Mrs Baird and helpers who worked tirelessly to label most of the equipment.

Once again at our assemblies we have been able to recognise the efforts of a number of our students who had been selected in District and Regional sporting teams. Well done and best of luck to those students at their respective events!!

##### REMINDER
Our Interhouse Sports days are fast approaching. They will be held in the last week of the Term.
- Monday 17 June – 9rs to 13yrs 600/800m & high jump
- Tuesday 18 June – Prep to Year 3 Sports Day
- Wed 19 June – 9rs to 13yrs Track and field events

### Please advise your child’s teacher if you are able to assist at any of these events.

Gary Kirby
PE Specialist

“Congratulations to Jeremy Hayward the Tennis Player of the Week! Thank you for your great effort and keep up the good work.”
TUCKSHOP ROSTER
- Thur 23 May Christina Z; • Fri 24 May Anne T, Heidi P, Tania H; • Mon 27 May Vanessa T; • Tue 28 May Meg L, Uli E; • Wed 29 May Simone H; • Thur 30 May Cheryl B, Kylie L

Feeling the cold? Get a cup of hot milo before school at the tuckshop for $1.50 (comes in a enclosed cup with sipper lid)

The Coffee Cart
Coffee Cart is open 8-9am Monday-Friday, and 1:45-3pm on Friday afternoons.

Friday is cupcake Friday so come on over and check out our latest flavour. Like us on facebook for your chance to win FREE coffee.

Uniform Store
There is some new second hand stock that has been hung for sale. We are out of stock of Size 6, 8 and 10 Fleecy Jumpers – we do have Microfibre jackets available. For those looking for fleecy winter pants, think about checking online sites for local retailers – it looks like Target and Best and Less both have them available on their websites. Pool with some other Mums to share the shipping cost.

Trivia Night
Don’t forget to grab some friends and book a table for a fun night out at our Trivia Night being held in the hall on Saturday June 1. Cost is $12 per person. Forms have gone home this week. Payment can also be made on Flexischools. Theme your table and BYO food and drink. Funds raised will go to back our hall stage. Enquiries to Vanessa at 0433 325 452.

Festival Donations
We are getting ready to start collecting donations for the Festival. We will be looking for books, specialty magazines (no weeklies) individually wrapped chocolates (bars and blocks) and some other items, so start sorting through your overflowing libraries or keep an eye out for specials on chocolate for our Sideshow Alley prizes. Drop off days will be announced.

We are also having a Craft Stall and our convenors will be holding Craft mornings every Monday (school days only) from 9 -11am until mid-August. Come along and help make goodies to sell – meet in C block (Year 1) and access via the back stairs near the 1/2 playground. All are welcome. We are also looking for the following donations for the Craft Stall – Pencils, Cardstock, Notebooks, Ribbon, Felt, Buttons, Beads, Elastic, Goggle eyes, Pom poms, Fabric, fur and feathers, Rice. Donations can be left at the Uniform or Stationery store or contact Kim on 0414 424 567.

Festival Committee
We have signed up with AUSSIE FARMERS DIRECT as fundraising partners. They will donated 2% to the school from all orders from our school community. Just go online and link your account to the school under the fundraising tab. Aussie Farmers home deliver bread, milk, veggies and much much more, free delivery when ordering 3 items or more. For more information visit www.aussiefarmers.com.au

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