TEACHING & LEARNING ADVANCES

Work is well advanced on Ferny Grove State School’s pedagogical framework. Building the framework is giving teachers an opportunity to reflect on and document the total picture of teaching and learning for our school. This work will guide decisions about the teaching practice that we want to see happening consistently in every classroom, every day at FGSS.

A team of teachers – Mrs Reid, Mrs Bertram, Mrs Vickerson, Mr Timms & Mr Thompson - and our Head of Curriculum, Mrs Read, must be commended for leading this important work.

NAPLAN UPDATE

The Queensland Studies Authority had originally planned to deliver hard copy NAPLAN student reports to schools last week. However, ACARA has acknowledged it made errors in an aspect of the Years 5 and 7 NAPLAN student reports for Language Conventions. Individual student reports for these year levels have to be reprinted with a consequent delay in distribution of all student reports for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It is likely that we will not receive individual student reports until early in Term 4. Once received, all reports need to be checked for accuracy before being distributed to parents / carers.

Currently we can access NAPLAN data in school, year level and class reports. This data is just “one piece of the assessment picture” that informs teachers’ and the leadership team’s planning for improvements in student learning. Stay tuned!

“ART SMART” ACHIEVERS

Congratulations to all young artists who submitted entries in the Art Competition. The standard of creativity was exceptionally high. Awards were achieved by:

Prep – 3: Painting & Drawing: Bradley S; Mitchell A; Elliott G.
Textiles & Craft: Stella C; Annabel C; Charley L.
Construction: Hannah P; Lily-Rose RM; Taleisha D.

Years 4 – 7: Painting & Drawing: Ailsa L; Bradley M; Georgia H.
Textiles & Craft: Isabella G; Jorgee P/Cassie S; Stacie G; Andrew G
Construction: Kiarra D; Bradley M; Tamieka F.

LEADERSHIP AWARD

Congratulations to Mr Brett Shackleton who has been recognized by the Australian Council for Educational Leaders with an ACEL Fellowship for his outstanding contributions to educational leadership. It is a significant award for the school to celebrate with Mr Shackleton on his return to school next term.

Ferny Grove State School is well deserving of its excellent reputation in the wider community and it’s been an honour serving as your principal for the past five weeks. Wishing all students, staff and families a safe holiday… relax, recharge and return to school on Tuesday 8th October for an exciting Term 4.

Larissa Vecchio (A/Principal)
EARLY YEARS NEWS

Prep Enrolments
Prep students are continuing to enrol for 2014. Please telephone the school on 3550 5333 to book an appointment. Please don’t forget our Get Set For Prep repeat sessions for parents to be held next term on either Tuesday, 15 October, 7:00 – 8:15pm or Wednesday, 16 October, 9:00 – 10:15 am. Each session is to be held in the school library.

Paul Cooke (Deputy Principal)

INSTRUMENTAL AND CHORAL NEWS
Thank you to all the families and friends who supported the Expressive Arts Showcase. To be playing to a large crowd certainly boosts the children’s interest in performing and hopefully strengthens their love of music. We hope you had the opportunity to enjoy the artwork displayed throughout the hall. Thank you to the many parents involved in displaying the artwork and working behind the scenes on the night.

SENIOR STRINGS ENSEMBLE’S COMPETITION
The Senior Strings will be participating in the Music Fest Competition on Thursday 17 October. This is their only competition for 2013 and we have purposely chosen the Thursday evening section rather than Saturday due to sporting commitments. Children will be competing against Wellers Hill and Mansfield State Schools at Iona College Performing Arts Centre, 85 North Rd Wynnum. Their arrival time is set for 5:15pm and performance time is 6:12pm. A note has gone home this week with further details regarding uniform requirements and entrance fees for parents. Performers are free. We hope to see all ensemble members participating as altogether they make up a balanced ensemble group and their playing has certainly strengthened throughout the year due to the weekly parade performances. Further notes are available from the office if your child has not brought one home.

MUSIC FEST DIARY DATE CLAIMERS
Junior and Senior Bands

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SWIMMING TERM 4
In Term 4, from week 2 on Mondays, Preps and Years 3 and 4 will have a weekly swimming lesson to be held at Ferny Hills pool. On Thursdays Years 1 and 2 will have lessons. A letter explaining dates, times, costs and what to bring on swimming days has been forwarded. Please return the permission slip for your child to their class teacher by this-Friday, 20 September. Each child is required to bring: togs, sun-safe shirt, towel, bathing cap & sunscreen. Goggles are optional. Children can bring thongs or sandals to wear to and from the pool.

PRE-SERVICE TEACHERS
In week 1 of next term please welcome pre-service teachers to the following classes: Prep C, 3R, 4A, 4T, 5G, 5L and 7T.

TERM 4 REMINDER
Day 1 of Term 4 commences on Tuesday, 8 October from 8:40 am.

Paul Cooke (Deputy Principal)

SCHOOL BANKING
WIN A MINI IPAD!
School banking has many advantages:
• win a Mini iPad for you or a marquee for the school (entry into competition for deposits in term 3 only)
• save money for something in the future
• get prizes for every 10 school banking deposits – current rewards include calculator, money boxes, torch, wallet
• earn the school money ($5 for each new banker and 5% of each deposit (from CBA profits, not your child’s savings))

Open an account at any Commonwealth Bank, bring yellow deposit book (with all details completed please) to school office before school on Wednesday (or in class satchel) and start seeing the benefits!!

PLEASE HELP: We are in need of an additional helper for school banking – please come to the office Wed. morning 8:40-9:40 to learn how!!!

Any questions, please call Xanthi 0437266530.

DEFENCE NEWS
Gallipoli Barracks Family Day - Flea Market
FREE entry! Sunday 20 October 10.00am —1.00pm
(Stalls, Fairy Show, Face Painting, Jumping castle, Army Band, Free Sausage Sizzle)
Cost for stall holders is $20
(proceeds go to youngdiggers.com.au)
Those interested in holding a stall (2nd hand clothes/foods/crafts/food etc.) email: gallipolibarrackscommunitycen@ymail.com or call Major Graham Palmer 0438 043 511 or Pte. Kylie Jane Houghton on 0403 404 279

GOTCHAS: Well Done!
These children were caught ‘doing the right thing’ and were rewarded with a lkstick voucher from the tuckshop.
Jacob P 4T; Bailey M 4T; Brock D 5F; Thomas M 6D; Kaila K 7T; Kiera D 7T.

LOS PROPERTY
Lost Property bins are overflowing. Please check for your lost items before the end of term as unclaimed clothing will be disposed of by the commencement of Term 4.

GROUP PHOTOS
Thursday 19 September - Leadership, Sporting and Musical Ensemble photos will be taken.
Instrumental Music students and Senior Choir will require performance uniforms for their photo.

Belinda Evans (Deputy Principal)

DEADLINE for all items for inclusion in the current Newsflash is 3.00 PM ON MONDAYS.
Email to Newsflash@fernygroves.eq.edu.au

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ABSENCE LINE – 3550 5360 – FOR STUDENT ABSENCES – Phone any time , Wait for the BEEP, Slowly and clearly state — your name + your child’s name + roll class + date of absence + reason for absence.

P & C UPDATES & COMMUNITY NEWS

STATIONERY and UNIFORM STORES
OPENING HOURS: Monday & Friday 8.00 – 9.00am.
Charyl 3550 5359 (0431 265 068) Vanessa 3550 5342 (0433 325 452)

TUCKSHOP ROSTER - AUGUST
Thur 19 Cheryl B, Kyle L; Fri 20 Donna B, Marie K;
OCT Tue 8  Kim B; Wed 9 Liz K; Thur 10 Jodie , Melissa H
HELP! We desperately need two volunteers for a Friday roster. If anyone can help out it is just one day a month.
Please contact Julie or Kellee at the tuckshop or our email address is tuckshop@fernygrovepandc.com.au

COFFEE CART  Open 8 - 9am daily.
Open every morning between 8-9am.
Yvette - 0409317553.

96.5FM BREAKFAST SHOW FROM SCHOOL OVAL!!
THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER
Come see the 96.5 Family Show, on the road to our school! Broadcasting live from 6am-9am, there’ll be loads of fun family activities including a jumping castle, sporting games and freebies. Catch Seven News Weatherman, John Schluter, in the 7 Helicopter when he pops in to give his weather report!

Chappy Sara will be running the pancake brekky (gold coin donation) from 7:30am - be sure to purchase a coffee from our school's coffee cart.

• Students with their parents can arrive at school from 6am & must be supervised by parents until school starts.
• Students arriving without their parents must go to the Tuckshop as usual. They will then be escorted down to the oval at 8.10am.

BILLY G’S COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER!
Collect order forms for our annual Cookie Dough Fundraiser. We are hoping for as much support as possible. We’re sending the forms home for the holidays to reach out to as many friends, relatives and neighbours as possible. Every tub sold is eligible for a prize.
Forms and monies are due back on Tuesday 15th October.
Belinda Stewart (Prep Fundraising Committee)

FERNY GROVE SHS SAFARI TRIVIA NIGHT
The Ferny Grove State High School Interact Club is organising a Safari trivia night 25th October to help support our sister school, Humani! Tables of 6-10 are $40 or $5 pp. Bookings through the high school office. This is a family trivia night with fun for all ages and there is strictly no alcohol. There will be a BBQ and soft drinks available from 5:30pm with kickoff at 6:00. You can also BYO non-alcoholic drinks and snacks. Enquiries to Ashleigh Shea - Interact Secretary at ashea38@eq.edu.au.

FERNY GROVE STATE HIGH SCHOOL
(Year 8 2014 Enrolment Interviews)
The interview will take approximately 15 minutes.
Please note that enrolment interviews are a mandatory part of the enrolment process.
Further information visit our website: www.fernygroveshs.eq.edu.au or our facebook page: www.facebook.com/FernyGroveSHS
Phone 3550 5777 or email info@fernygroveshs.eq.edu.au

F.G.S.H.S UNIFORM FIT OUTS – YEAR 8, 2014
AVOID QUEUING IN DECEMBER/JANUARY
Phone Melissa or Christine on 3550 5792 for an appointment
Please bring your child with you & allow 30 minutes. Uniform items are to be purchased at the time of the appointment.

Monday (Pupil Free Day) 21 October 9.15am to 1.45pm
Tuesday & Wednesday 22 & 23 Oct. 3.00pm to 5.30pm
Mon, Tues & Wed 28, 29 & 30 October 3.00pm to 5.30pm
Mon, Tues & Wed 4, 5 & 6 November 3.00pm to 5.30pm
Monday to Friday 18 to 22 November 9.15am to 1.45pm
Monday to Friday 25 to 29 November 9.15am to 1.45pm

Uniform Store & Second-Hand Uniform Store
Open normally: 8.15am – 9.15am on school days

PINE HILLS LIGHTNING JUNIOR BASEBALL CLUB
are still needing more Junior 8-13 years old Boys and Girls who would like to play in Rookie Ball or Little League Baseball -starting after the September school holidays. For information www.pinehillslightning.baseball.com.au or: Steven Cox, Club Registrar phlbcregistrar@gmail.com 0407 112 678; Jacqui Carseldine, Club Sec. phlbcssecretary@gmail.com 0409 168 681

PINE HILLS - HOOK IN2 HOCKEY!
Welcomes boys & girls aged 5 -13 introduction to hockey.
New players receive a Hook in2 Hockey pack that includes a replica Australian playing singlet, foldout portable hockey goal, hockey stick, ball and shin pads. Cost: $50 per player – no weekly fees
When: Boys & Girls aged 5 to 13 When: 8 x Fri. night sessions, 18 Oct–6 Dec, 6.00-7.30pm
Where: Pine Hills Hockey Club, Jinker Track, Bunya
For registration details and further information: Email: pineshillshockey.org.au; Call: Megan, Vice Pres. 0414 340 643

NET SET GO! FOR 2013
Girls aged 7—10 years. Go to www.phoenixnetball.org.au for all details and registration.

FERNY HILLS SWIM CLUB
Sign on day 2013/2014 for children all ages and abilities. Sat. 21 September 10.00am—3.00pm www.fhds.org

MEN’S SHED CAR BOOT SALE
Saturday 12 October 7.00am—1.00pm
Rivercity Family Church carpark, 59 Settlement Rd. The Gap
Sign on day 2013/2014 for children all ages and abilities. Sat. 21 September 10.00am—3.00pm www.fhds.org

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P & C NOTICEBOARD
Wednesday 18 September  P & C Mtg.  7.00 pm in Library
Tuckshop – 3550 5361 Uniform Store - 3550 5342 Stationery Store – 3550 5359
8.30-12.00 pm Mon & Fri 8.00 - 9.00 am Mon & Fri 8.00 - 9.00 am
OSHIC Mon- Fri Gail 3851 2196

OPENING HOURS: Monday & Friday 8.00 – 9.00am.