INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR FERNY GROVE

Many of you would by now be aware that as of 2014 Ferny Grove State School will be one of 54 new schools commencing the Independent Public Schools (IPS) program. IPS is designed to allow schools greater flexibility around decision making, staffing and use of resources. Along with Ferny Grove State High School (also IPS in 2014) we look forward to continuing to create innovative solutions to local issues with the ultimate goal of enhanced quality of learning and community participation in our school. As more details are released I will keep you informed through both our newsletter and Facebook page.

A FEW GOOD MEN

Part 2 of our 3 part program for men and boys will be held Monday 4 November from 7pm in the Ferny Grove State High School library. The second session is designed for fathers and significant male role models of boys in 12-14 year old age group (approximately years 7 and 8). It is a men only session with a particular focus around the treatment of women. We will also share how the issue will be discussed the following Monday evening (11 November) when we have both men and boys together.

Michael Jeh will once again facilitate the program and those who attended the first session will know how insightful and informative it was. Don’t worry if you weren’t able to attend the initial session as you will be more than welcome to be part of the rest of the program. We are encouraging not just fathers but also male role models for boys of this age to be part of the program. It is strongly recommended that you lock in both nights as they will be directly related to each other.

Both Mr Breckenridge (Principal, Ferny Grove State High School) and I look forward to working with Michael and interested participants to see if we can play our part in addressing an important issue in our society. For those interested in the way this issue is gathering momentum I would suggest you check out the link below to a speech given by the Chief Commissioner of Victoria Police Ken Lay.

http://www.abc.net.au/unleashed/4391852.html

WALK FOR DANIEL

Friday 25 October from 8:50am on school oval.

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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
Prep Enrolments
Prep students are continuing to be enrolled for 2014. Please telephone the school on 3550 5333 to book an appointment. Please do not forget the forthcoming Prep Play Morning for students to be held next month on Tuesday, 19 November from 9:00 – 10:00 in the Prep playground and adjoining classrooms.

Paul Cooke (Deputy Principal)

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS
Senior String Ensemble Music Fest Performance
Our Senior Ensemble students played well at Iona last Thursday evening and were awarded a Silver award for their efforts. The adjudicator noted their well-balanced repertoire and provided a few technique suggestions. Her final comments, “You play well together and are attentive to your conductor. Keep working for precision in your individual playing so that the ensemble continues to grow in its music making.”
Thank you to all the families and children for supporting this competition. The children enjoyed the experience and are to be congratulated for their efforts.

MUSIC FEST COMPETITIONS
Junior Concert Band Music Fest Competition
Wednesday 23 October
Venue: Ferny Grove State School Hall
Arrival Time: 5:40pm for 6:40pm performance
Senior Concert Band Music Fest Competition
Wednesday 30 October
Venue: Ferny Grove State School Hall
Arrival Time: 4:22pm for 5:22pm performance
A note went home with all details regarding the competition for Senior and Junior Band
IMPs will be running a canteen on the 23 and 30 October to raise funds.
Proceeds of tickets sold at the door go to Prestige Music the Music Fest organisers.

GROUP PHOTOS MUSIC, SPORTING AND LEADERSHIP
The sporting and cultural photos are displayed on the staffroom windows. Order forms are available from the office. The first photos is $15 and additional photos are priced at $12. Orders will be collected until 31 October

YEAR 6 MAROON DAM CAMP
All the children set off happily on Tuesday and are thoroughly enjoying themselves. The campers return to Finvøy Street on Friday afternoon at approximately 2:15pm. The info line (35505350) and Facebook will be updated at 1:00pm on Friday.

Belinda Evans (Deputy Principal)

WALK FOR DANIEL
On Friday, 25 October all students, staff and available parents are invited to walk from our school to the Ferny Grove SHS assembly hall. This is an annual event to promote and raise awareness of child safety, promote a safe community for our kids and honour the memory of Daniel Morcombe. Everyone is invited to wear a red t-shirt and donate a gold coin or $ donation for the Daniel Morcombe Foundation.
All walkers are to wear their school sun safe hat and sneakers or comfortable walking shoes. Please bring a water bottle and apply sunscreen. School Captains and Student Councillors will lead the parade with Year 9 student leaders from Ferny Grove SHS joining this year for the first time. Each class will walk together as year levels followed by parents, then parents with prams. Parents volunteering to assist teachers with students are able to walk with class groups. Students are to enter class at 8:40. Donations will be collected by class student councillors and we will assemble on the school oval at 8:50 for a 9:00 departure. Please join us for this significant annual event.

Paul Cooke (Deputy Principal)

SCHOOL BANKING COMPETITION - PRIZES UP FOR GRABS
- 60 x Apple iPod Touch 16GB
- 100 x Adventure DVD Pack including Despicable Me, Despicable Me 2 & Hop
To be eligible, all you need to do is make two or more deposits through school from 21 October to 30 November. Additionally – all but 9 tokens need to be redeemed by the end of the year. You can order moneyboxes, calculator, torch, handball, headphones NOW. Please complete reward form (or send a note) and the 9-10 tokens and you should receive your reward that day or the week later.
**We require a pair of friends to help with school banking next year – please let me know if you can help.**

Xanthe 0437266530

GOTCHAS: Well Done!
These children were caught ‘doing the right thing’ and were rewarded with a likstick voucher from the tuckshop.
Alex Prep C ; Joshua 1M; William C 2S; Oliver B 3BM
Lily S PC; Harry A 1LV; Eleanor B 2CL; Shaun P 3B; Sam E 4T; Kye R 4T; Mia Y 5L; Brayden W 6K; Keith G 6/7W; Kiara D 7T.

FOUND
1 Student GO Card
1 pair of reading glasses — brown rectangular frames
1 Ladies gold ring (small) — on school oval
Please call the office on 3550 5333 or come in to collect.
**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)


**UNIFORM STORE**

Seeking volunteers to help on Monday or Friday morning until the end of term. Prefer from 8 – 9am but flexible (could be 8.30 – 9.30)

**STATIONERY STORE REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE**

If you are able to help please return the form to the Stationery Store or Office, telephone Charyl or email your availability to stationery@fernygrovepandc.com.au. If you did not receive the form it will be available on line at the school website under ‘Bookshop’.

**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

Thur 24  Heather D. Fri 25  Kate N; Katrina ; Susan B.

Mon 28 Jodie B. Tues 29 Carolyn G; Anne F. Wed 30  Traci M.

Thur 31 Deb C; Christina Z.

**COFFEE CART**

Open 8 - 9am daily. Yvette 0409317553.

**FAST (Fundraising and Social Team) UPDATES**

Applications are open for our Twilight Christmas Market held in our hall on Friday 22nd November from 5-9 pm. We are seeking local vendors who would like to participate and share their wares.

Stalls are $50 (Insurance $20 extra). For an application or information pack please contact fgssmarkets@gmail.com or Vanessa on 0433 325 452.

**RESEARCH - CHILDREN WITH TYPE 1 DIABETES**

Researchers from the University of Queensland are conducting research into parenting of children with Type 1 diabetes. We are seeking parents of children and adolescents with type 1 diabetes to participate. Participation in this project will involve completing a survey, and attending a focus group, which takes approximately two hours.

If you are interested in participating in this research or would like further information please email clin.roslyn.pay@uq.edu.au

**FERNY GROVE HS SAFARI TRIVIA NIGHT**

Safari Trivia Night 25th October is supporting Humani! Tables of 6-10 are $40 or $5pp. Bookings through the high school office Enquiries to Asleigh Shea - Interact Secretary at ashlea38@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](http://www.fernygroveshs.eq.edu.au) or our facebook page: [www.facebook.com/FernyGroveSHS](http://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.

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

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

**Personal Excellence - Supportive School Environment - Quality Teaching and Learning**

**A NOTE FROM MISS SARA:**

You may have noticed that I have put on a bit of extra weight over the past few months and as I have explained to some of the students, this is not due to eating too many cakes! I will be finishing up as chaplain on the 24th October to start a family.

Eleisa Harris will be starting one day per week for this final term and will then continue at 4 days in 2014. Previously a teacher; Eleisa has a wealth of knowledge with children and is kind, caring and very approachable. She is very excited to meet you all! I want to pass on my utmost appreciation for all of your support over the last 4 years. I have absolutely loved my time here. Ferny Grove SS is such a special community! Thank you for everything.

*Sara Millard, Chaplain*  
*Ferny Grove State School*  
*smill432@eq.edu.au*

**BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS TENNIS CHALLENGE**

Permission slips must be returned by Friday 1 Nov.  
(Please put your completed permission slip in the box at the school office ASAP.) Pure Tennis Ferny Hills coaches have conducted trials with all the year 1, 2 & 3 pupils to help us organise and manage your school tennis teams.

All children who play for their school team will get to participate in the regional finals held at the State Tennis Centre. Regional Finalists will then go on to play a Grand Final at the Brisbane International which has attracted tennis superstar Roger Federer for the first time!

A Permission Slip has been sent home with more details or if you have any further questions on the event, please contact Simon on 3851 0444.

**Ocean Rangers!**

Calling all Marine enthusiasts!

Become a real life Ocean Ranger! Helping Hands is pleased to be able to offer this unique opportunity for all children at Ferny Grove.

A fun interactive program breeding custodians of the environmental future, you will become Ocean Rangers!

For more information or to book onto this exciting 5 week program please contact *Helping Hands*  
*Ferny Grove on 0467 677 763 or email fernygrove@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au*

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