

NEWSLETTER FERNLEIGH PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 4 – Week 1

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Dates to Remember in 2014



NOTES THAT NEED RETURNING:

Swimming

Term 4

October

6th Labour Day Holiday

7th Students Return

14th Swimming -

Tuesdays - 8 Weeks

Student Banking –

Wednesday/Friday

Munch and Sip - Every Day

Office Days – Monday, Wednesday, Friday.

Dates and times may change

Welcome back for term 4



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers,

I trust you have all had a lovely time with your children over the holidays, and of course, that they also had a great break. We are ready for our final term for 2014.

Our last day of Term 3 culminated in a day of **strategic thinking, literacy or numeracy games**. Many photos are attached. Our children are in pyjamas, not because they forgot to change that morning, but because they all thought it might be a bit of fun for the day. Lots of fun was had by all, sharing tent space, trying to think ahead of their opponents, while learning some new games.

On the Wednesday of the last week of term, we held our **Jump Rope for Heart skipping skills** demonstration and many photos are included of those displayed. We saw 'the skier', the bell, the side swipe, and others along with a coordinated routine developed by some of our 3-6 girls. They all did a great job! Thanks to the parents who were able to make it along to watch their children display some of their new found skills.

Ms Winfield has also included some information about the Jump Rope for Heart activity. Thanks to Ms Winfield for organising this and thanks to all the wonderful parents who assisted their child/ren raise money for this worthy cause. We think it's important for our children to learn that we need to help others where we can.

Next week, our **new swimming scheme** begins. It is on **every Tuesday** and is quite different from what we have done in the past 2 years. **Starting at 10am** at the **Ballina Pool**, and **finishing at 11am**, we are working with Mr Frances Quinn this year. This scheme has been funded by a grant that was obtained from Ballina High School, and we were fortunate enough to be included in the invitations to participate. Please make sure your child has returned his/her permission note by Friday of this week at the latest. And thank you to all parents who were willing and able to assist with transport.

Dawn Douglas
Principal



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JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

On Wednesday 17th of September we held our Jump Rope for Heart Jump Off Day. The Jump Off Day is the last day of the skipping program and provides an opportunity for students to showcase what they have learnt. Students worked hard to practice their skipping routines throughout Term 3 and thoroughly enjoyed performing a variety of skipping skills and styles to all of the parents. Some even invented their own skipping styles and taught them to their peers.

Ryder, Fox, Milly, Quinn and Levi raised a total of \$260 for the Heart Foundation to help fight heart disease. Levi did an amazing job raising \$150. Well done to these students for their wonderful fundraising efforts. These students will be receiving their prizes next term. Ms Winfield

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