

Fernleigh Public School



Term 1 Week 2- 2020

Welcome back! We are excited to begin the journey of another fantastic year at Fernleigh Public School. We especially welcome all of the new students in Kindergarten and their families. We wish you all the very best as you join us at our very special school. Please do not hesitate to approach any of the teachers and staff if there is anything you need to know.

Our school has grown to 38 students, 20 students in 3-6 with Mrs McClymont as the teacher and 18 students are in the K-2 classroom, Mrs Reid, our Principal will teach the K-2 students. This year we welcome Mrs Gillott to our staff, she will assist students and teachers on a Monday as our Learning and Support teacher, on a Wednesday and half day Thursday she will teach the K-2 class and then teach the 3-6 class for a half day, this allows Mrs Reid and Mrs McClymont to take administration time. Mrs Lewis will be in the office every Monday, Wednesday and alternate Fridays. Miss Lewis will be in the office every Wednesday. Mr Dunbar-Reid (Grizz) will maintain the grounds as our General Assistant. Mrs Murray will continue to assist us everyday except Fridays. Your child's teacher is always happy to talk to you and they are more than willing to make a mutually agreeable time to meet if you have specific issues to discuss. Please call to speak to them or contact them to make these arrangements as discussions in the playground before and after school can be difficult.

School Communication – Staff can be contacted via the school mobile 0436601231, face to face or via the school number 66878267. Please note we also send messages home via the school mobile. Every family will receive a paper copy of the school newsletter printed three times a term as we encourage the students to look and read this document with you. Our school Facebook page is another form of communication we use.

Check us out!

What's Coming Up!

Week 2

Friday 7th February– Teachers planning day, Mrs Gillott teaching K-2 and Mrs Callaghan teaching 3-6

Week 3

Monday 10th February– Meet the classroom information sessions, 3-6 2.30pm, K-2 3.00pm

Wednesday 12th– 8am P&C Meeting and AGM in the primary classroom. All welcome, please bring \$1 to become a member for 2020.

Friday 14th February
-Library

Week 4

Monday 17th February - Primary 3-6 Swimming Carnival at Ballina Pool. Mrs Gillott teaching K-2.

Thursday 20th February– District Swimming carnival for those students that qualify

Friday 21st February
-Library

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School Fees- We invite parents to make an annual voluntary contribution towards the cost of providing all textbooks, stationery, equipment and online registrations used for your children's education. The amount per student this year is \$50 for each student. Please send this to school in a sealed envelope noting your family name and the amount enclosed or alternatively an online payment via the school website can be made. We thank you for your assistance.

Swimming Carnival- Our annual Swimming Carnival will be held on Monday 17th February at the Ballina Swimming Pool. The primary students (3-6) will join Cabbage Tree Island, Empire Vale, Broadwater, and Wardell for this event. K-2 students will remain at school. All 3-6 students must attend this carnival, they are not to attend school on this day as there will be no supervision for them. Non swimmers can cheer along their mates.

A permission note and event nomination form is attached to the newsletter for these students. Please sign and return these by Monday 10th February.

Meet the Classroom- Next Monday 10th February the students will be hosting an information session to help inform the parents/carers about the routines and expectations of each classroom. They hope you can make it.

The 3-6 classroom session will begin at 2.30pm and will take place in their classroom.

The K-2 session will begin at 3.00pm and will take place in their classroom.

Label..Label..Label- Please label all belongings, shirts, pants, jumpers, hats and containers

Library- Both classes will visit the school library for book borrowing every Friday. Please provide a library bag for borrowing.

Before and After School- As all students and their families are aware, there are a couple of rules that are in place to ensure everyone's safety.

There is no supervision available for the students before 9am and we ask that you do not arrive/drop off before this time unless pre-arranged. Students arriving before 9am must stay seated on the lunch tables. All staff are engaged in meetings, planning or preparation for the day until this time.

At the end of the day 3.30pm all students make their way to the maroon bench seats and remain **sitting** there until their parents are ready to leave. Please note students are not to play or wonder around the playground or classrooms at this time.

Please be **on time** picking your child/ren up, they have had a long day and do not enjoy waiting to be picked up. If by chance you are running late please inform the school by calling the landline phone 66878267 as the school mobile is not always monitored at this time.