I am so happy to have returned to Farnborough State School. In the last three terms of last year, my role was to support other Principals across the Central Queensland Region, sharing some of the programs and practices that have made Farnborough such a strong school with such excellent student outcomes. My time away reinforced for me what a wonderful school Farnborough is. We have the most amazing staff and parents who all work together to support our students in so many ways.

It was a wonderful first week back at school, with all classes settled and working hard right from the first day. A very big welcome to all of our new families. Some of our new and not so new parents attended our Coffee and Cake morning on the first day of school. This has become an annual event and a great way to start the year. Thank you to Kathy King, Amanda McLardy and other members of the P&C for organising this event.

A special congratulations to our Prep students who have handled their first days at school with confidence, although I’m sure with the heat and long days, many were very tired by the end of last week. This Thursday (2.30pm) on parade, Prep students will be formally welcomed to our school. Parents are of course welcome to attend.

We have grown to 13 classes –

Prep Purple Vianne Sherriff
Prep Yellow Pauline Kussrow
Year 1 Purple Naomi Morris/Elodie Bunce
Year 1 Yellow Kylie Bean/Linda Orgill
Year 2 Purple Emma McKee
Year 2 Yellow Angela Hinds
Year 3 Purple Katie McCray/Kathy King
Year 3 Yellow Shayne Harris
Year 4 Purple Gail Goltz
Year 4 Yellow Jess O’Donnell
Year 5 Alma Morgan
Year 5/6 Rick Parker
Year 6 Sharon Forrest
P Arts Jacienta Hinton
HPE/Garden Margie Grant
HOC Lorraine Nielsen
SWD Teacher Raelene Shearer
SWD HOSES Stephen Hull
Languages Jill Hunter
Guidance Officer Lori Harrison
Chaplain Chappy Mel

We welcome Tamille Bell who is joining our existing Teacher Aides - Cheryl Cochrane, Vanessa Paviour, Sue Memmott, Jenny Cullen, Kris Smith, Kerry O’Brien and Rhonda Cahill and of course we have Danya Jarvis and Kellie Roth in the Office.

If you would like a chance to start the year by becoming involved as a parent, please come along to our garden working bee this Saturday (see Margie’s column for more details). We would love to see you there.
From the HOCs Desk
A warm welcome to our new and returning families as we commence the 2017 school year at Farnborough State School.

The teachers have been very busy over the break preparing their lessons and creating wonderful learning spaces both in and around their classrooms. In addition, on the student free days, staff participated in a number of professional development sessions updating their knowledge and skills in: curriculum developments, our whole school programs for reading and maths, our explicit improvement agenda and commenced exploring the importance of resilience and well-being.

In our first week of school, I have visited and met all the students in their classrooms and been very impressed with their enthusiastic attitude. Teachers have been sharing class routines with students and the importance of being Fair, Safe and Studious, observing the class rules, being bucket fillers and safely moving in, around and out of the school grounds, particularly at the STOP DROP GO area.

You as a parent, relative or guardian have one of the greatest impacts on a child’s learning and self-esteem. We aim to work with you to ensure that your child is the best that they can be. Spending time with your child and modelling a positive attitude, actions and language, particularly when challenges arise, is a great help in building a resilient child. You can also support your child’s learning at home by reading with them, taking an interest in their day and through their participation in some of our online subscriptions to Reading Eggs / Eggpress, Mathseeds, Typing Tournament and Ideal Resources. Your child’s teacher will be providing information about these and other resources through their classroom updates.

At Farnborough, we value good communication. You can learn how to stay informed about your child’s class by attending one of the parent meetings being offered in the junior school or gain information about class procedures and logons by reading the class letters and information boards. Our school communications through newsletters, Facebook and QSchools app will also keep you up to date. Watch out for key dates later this term; we are offering parent workshops on how you can support your child’s reading and spelling.

I look forward to meeting and working with you all in the coming year.

Lorraine Nielsen
Head of Curriculum

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**Student of the Week Awards**

**Prep P & Prep Y**
A Special Award will be presented to Preps on Parade this
Thursday 2nd January at 2:30pm.

**Year 1 Purple**
Kipp W  for actively participating in all class discussions
Charlie W  for an amazing start to Year 1

**Year 1 Yellow**
Hadley A  for a great start to Year 1. He is a good listener and works hard to follow instructions
Nataya C  for a great start to Year 1. She is working hard to be a super class member. What great listening.

**Year 2 Purple**
Connor C  for a great way to sort words in Words Their Way
Marina L  for a great effort on her pattern artwork

**Year 2 Yellow**
Zac B  for enthusiastically contributing to WTW activities
Oliver S  for showing independence while completing tasks

**Year 3 Purple**
Willson McC  for Effort! What a role model!
Rebecca G  for a Super Studious Start!

**Year 3 Yellow**
Jack J  for his participation in all class discussions
Elias C  for helping others in the classroom

**Year 4 Purple**
Kye B  for having beautiful manners
Max C  for making a fantastic start at your new school

**Year 4 Yellow**
Samuel S  Welcome to Farnborough State School
Faith S  for being a helpful and considerate class member

**Year 5 Purple**
Laynee O B  For an enthusiastic and organised start to the school year.
Ethan T  For being friendly to all class members.

**Year 5/6**
Jayden G  for being an enthusiastic worker in the garden preparing compost area
Callum H  for being a tremendous worker in the garden preparing compost area

**Year 6 Purple**
Caitlin J  for showing enthusiasm towards her learning
Alyssa McC  for attempting new and challenging work

**PERFORMING ARTS**
Harry R  for showing leadership in class
Cruz L  for his impressive listening in Music class
Neve G  for remembering musical terminology from last year
Upper School Problem Solving

WOW another year of challenging Math Problem Solving.
When you have solved each newsletter problem, put your solution
and how you solved it on a piece of paper with your name and year
level on it and drop it into the coloured box in the library. The first two
correct answers picked out each time wins prizes. So get solving!!!

Problem No. 1

Greedygrimes Charley ate a total of 56 jellybeans in 4 days, each day eating 6 more
than on the previous day.

How many jellybeans did he eat on the third
day???

NAB AFL Auskick is the Australian Football League's key introductory
program for primary school-aged boys and girls and their families. Through our
WEEKLY COACHING PROGRAM, you'll learn the skills of the game through
appropriately modified activities and rules, play plenty of fun games and football in a fun and safe environment, and
make plenty of new friends too!

Come along and join the fun with your school friends learning a whole range
of new skills, playing plenty of fun games, and getting kitted out with the
latest Auskick sporting merchandise. This includes your very own Auskick
Cooler Lunch Bag, footy, hat, pump, footy cards, 2017 Auskick essentials
guide and weekly prizes.

COME AND TRY YOUR FIRST SESSION FOR FREE!

Farnborough's NAB AFL Auskick Centre
Sign on & 1st Session Thursday the 9th of February 2017
Time: 3:15pm-4:15pm (every Thursday for 7 weeks)
Venue: Farnborough SS Oval
Cost: $75

For more information contact: Scott at AFL Qld Capricornia office
on 4927 3432, 0404 986 543
Or visit www.aflauskick.com.au

CAPRICORN COAST FOOTBALL CLUB
Season 2017

Registration and enquiries for all players wishing to play
soccer is opening very soon. Information can be found
on the club’s website capricorncoastfc.sportingpulse.net
or our Facebook page.
Be sure to register early and attend the Come and Try
Days on the 11th and 18th of February 8:30am at Apex
Park. Be part of the excitement of Saturday morning Football as a young
player, coach or general assistant in our community based club.

GIRLS ONLY PRESEASON KICKOFF FOOTBALL
If you would love to try Football but don’t want to foot it with the boys the
Girls Only Kickoff program is for you. CCFC is offering a six week girls only
introductory Kickoff program on Monday afternoons.
The weekly sessions will allow young girls to build confidence while learning
the basic skills of the game without the added pressure of performing in
games against other teams.
Please visit our website www.capricorncoastfc.sportingpulse.net for further
information.
HPE & SPORT NEWS & GARDEN GNOME GOSSIP!!
Welcome back to all of our “old families” and welcome to our “new families”.
My name is Margie Grant and I work with your children in the areas of HPE (Health & Physical Education) and Sport. My HPE days are each Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

Friday Interschool Sport commences in Term 2 for our students in Years 5 and 6. In addition to the HPE role, I teach each Thursday in the SAKGS (Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Scheme). With this subject we do integrate other curriculum areas however the principles of children learning to garden, care for plants and our poultry, recycle, harvest and then cook their produce is also an integral part of the scheme.

My role is in the garden doing the “hard yakka” whilst Amanda McLardy (our Tuckshop Convenor) is my cooking teacher – aide. Amanda works with the students from year 3 through to year 6 teaching cooking skills. These lessons commence in Term 2 with our Year 4 students being the first group to attend the kitchen lessons.

A general reminder for HPE lessons that all students need to ensure they have their hat, a water bottle, appropriate sport style shoes and their sports uniform (footy shorts and school shirt). This term we are working in and around the hall. With the Interhouse Cross Country scheduled for later in the term we will be commencing fitness towards this event as well.

Thank you to everyone who assisted with the SAKG maintenance and upkeep during the 6 week break. The poultry had a change of scenery and were looked after by families, our fish pond has had a little overhaul and our vegies and fruit trees were cared for as well.

To clean up some of the areas which need a little more attention, we are planning on having a school working bee on Saturday February 4th. With the warmer days, the earlier start the better; otherwise the cooler part of the afternoon is another option. There are plenty of “jobs” to be done so if you are able to spare some time this would be appreciated. Further queries …please ask.

SAKGS Garden club (before and/or after school) will resume in WEEK 3 for all and many!
Students in Years Prep to Yr 3 must be accompanied by an adult, whilst students in Years 4, 5 and 6 are able to come along without adult supervision. Please come and seek me out if you need further clarification.

Have a great week; Keep Hydrated. Margie

COMMUNITY NOTICES
Please take the time to have a look at the notice board (on the wall of the uniform shop) for the following events:-

- Touch Rugby League—Rockhampton Juniors
- Jump Start Fitness
- Family Fun Day—Archer Park Rail Museum
- Learn 2 Surf
- Junabel Miniatures
Every year the School Banking program launches a new savings theme and eight new exclusive School Banking reward items.

In 2017, School Banking is getting children excited about the future with a brand new look for the Dollarmites. As Future Savers, students will join the Dollarmites on a journey to reach the Savings Hover Park, an amazing playground up in the clouds of a hi-tech city.

There are 8 new reward items for 2017 from the Future Savers range:

- Cyber Handball
- Colour Change Markers
- 3D Chalk Set
- Tablet Case
- Smiley Emoji Keyring
- Volt Handball
- Pencil + Tech Case
- Epic Earphones

Win a family adventure holiday at Tokyo Disneyland!

This year, School Banking is running a Future Savers Grand Prize competition that will take one lucky School Banker all the way to Tokyo, Japan. The winner gets an unforgettable family trip, for up to two adults and three children, where they’ll explore Tokyo Disneyland with its amazing attractions, including the futuristic Tomorrowland, plus enjoy the fun rides at Tokyo DisneySea.

Students who make 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2017 will be automatically entered into the draw. This is another great way to motivate students to save regularly and reach their savings goals.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2017 School Banking program information pack from the school office or Banking Co-ordinators Jodie or Rachel and/or visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

New School Banking rewards now available!

Exciting new Term 1 rewards with a Future Savers theme are now available, while stocks last!

For every deposit made at school, students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for exclusive School Banking reward items in recognition of their regular savings habits. There are two new items released each term so be sure to keep an eye out for them!

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and remember, School Banking day is every Monday!

Keep up the great Savings in 2017

Jodie & Rachel Banking Co-ordinators
WHO WE ARE.....
Our P&C has an executive consisting of a President, Vice-President, Secretary and two Treasurers. These are all voluntary (non-paid) roles, which get accepted at the Annual General Meeting in March. We also have a voluntary Uniform Shop convenor (you’re awesome Jordin!), which enables uniform prices to be kept as low as possible. The Tuckshop convenor is the only ‘paid’ position within our P&C, with voluntary hours also expected as part of the job (thanks Amanda!). We have a wonderful Fundraising Coordinator (cheers Stacey M!), and a fabulous Fair Coordinator (getting started yet Rachel?), a Book Fair Coordinator (thanks heaps Linda!), and a Facebook/Website Coordinator (we love you Kellie!).

WHEN WE MEET.....
The FSS P&C Association meets 9 times a year on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm in the school library.

WHAT WE DO.....
Members who attend meetings help make important decisions as to where best allocate funds which assist the day-to-day running of the school, as well as purchasing additional items that enhance the children’s schooling. There are also members who don’t attend meetings but they make a big difference by being an active parent helper within the P&C.

HOW WE HELPED IN 2016.....
- a complete renovation of the uniform shop
- subsidising the Year 6 Senior shirts
- donation to the robotics team for their Brisbane and Sydney trips
- funding the construction of the covered area outside the Year 5 and 6 classrooms
- supporting the Chaplaincy program to get Chappie at our school an extra half-day each week
- sponsor child in Cambodia
- tuckshop convenor wages
- paying for the cooking teacher for Years 3 – 6 classes
- equipment for the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden
- new sporting equipment
- paying for Year 6 badges
- new blinds in the upstairs Year 5 classroom
...and the list goes on.

WHY WE NEED YOU.....
Please take the time to fill in the ‘Active Parent Helper’ form over the page and return it to the office. This is a ‘notice of intention’, however we understand that each family’s situation is dynamic and changing, so this is NOT a binding contract and you will always have the option of saying “sorry – too busy at the moment’! We value all contributions made by parents throughout the year as every little bit helps to benefit our wonderful school in so many ways.

Thankyou - in anticipation of your support.

Kathy, Gina, Jacquie, Kate & Anita
(2016 P&C executive)

PS.....
At our AGM in March, we are looking for a new President and two new Treasurers as we three will be stepping down from our roles. If you are interested, and would like to know more about one of the positions, please contact any one of us.
**ACTIVE PARENT HELPER FORM - 2017**

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Please tick any areas you are interested in ASSISTING with:

- Tuckshop volunteer (Wed & Fri mornings)
- Cooking/baking for Cross Country carnival & Sports day
- Serving in the canteen on Cross Country carnival & Sports day
- Cooking the BBQ on Cross Country carnival & Sports day
- Farnborough Fair organisation (April/May/June/July)
- Farnborough Fair set-up (Saturday 22nd July)
- Coordinating a stall at the Farnborough Fair (Sunday 23rd July)
- Working on child’s class at the Farnborough Fair for 30 minutes (Sunday 23rd July)
- School banking
- Raffle organisation (Easter hamper, Fair raffle, Father’s Day raffle)
- Gardening – Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden
- Gardening – maintaining classroom gardens
- School disco organisation (once or twice a year)
- Covering new school books in the library
- Book Fair volunteer (once a year)
- Toy Catalogue organiser (twice a year)
- Baking cakes/slice/cupcakes etc (in general)
- General help – when required
- Other – please specify your skill or talent that we might like to utilise……………………………….

Remember – this is only an INDICATION of your interest!
Thank you for your time.

*Please return this form to the office.*