Thank you to all of the families who supported the end of year School Concert, our P & C BBQ & Ham Raffles. We are pleased to advise the BBQ raised $1,894 & the Ham Raffle raised $379!!

We would like to sincerely thank all of the fantastic volunteers that helped out on the night. Many of you saw the need to volunteer at short notice and we greatly appreciated you pitching in as we were run off our feet! Without your assistance, the night would not have been as successful.

A special thank you to The Simpson Family who kindly donated their Mobile Cold Room to the P & C to use on the night, which made the event easier to manage. Also to Roth Plumbing who donated the use of work lights for the BBQ.

Thank you to Jacques Coastal Meats (Arthur Street, Yeppoon) who donated a portion of the sausages served on the night.

Thank you also to Olivia Harding (our P&C Treasurer) who is behind the scenes at many of our school events handling the proceeds. We appreciate all that you have done for the committee over the past few years.

Are you interested in helping your school?

Our School has always been well supported by our P & C Committee, creating a collaborative and positive environment. There are many opportunities for parents to help in a wide range of capacities. All families are encouraged to join in where possible. As well as supporting the school and assisting your children, it is an ideal way of getting to know others within our local community.

Dear Parents, Students & Staff

What a wonderful first week back at school it has been with all classes settled and working hard right from day 1. Welcome to all of our new families and special congratulations to our Prep students who have handled their first days at school with confidence and lots of smiles.

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 Michelle and other members of the P&C for organising this event.

Our final staff and class lists –

Prep Purple  Vianne Sherriff                                        Prep Yellow  Pauline Barram
Year1 Purple Naomi Morris/ Diane Loxton                   Year 1 Yellow            Kylie Bean/Linda Orgill
Year 2  Emma McKee and Emma Coucom  Year 3  Shayne Harris and Jill Hunter
Year 3/4  Tracey Mills  Year 4  Gail Goltz
Year 5  Alma Morgan  Year 5/6  Rick Parker
Year 6  Sharon Forrest  PArts  Jacinta Hinton
HPE /Garden  Margie Grant
HOC  Lorraine Nielsen
SWD Teacher  Raelene Shearer
SWD HOSES  Nathan Scoffin
HPE Teacher Raelene Shearer LOTE  Jill Hunter
Our Teacher Aides are Cheryl Cochrane, Vanessa Paviour, Sue Memmott, Jenny Cullan, Sheena Waller and Rhonda Cahill and we also welcome Darcie McGuire who will be completing her final teaching placement in Prep Y.

Each year I am amazed at the generosity of Farnborough parents and the willingness to help our school in so many ways both in and out of the classroom. On Saturday, in spite of the steamy weather, we had a number of families turn up to find the Stephanie Alexander Garden, which was hiding amongst the weeds and long grass. A huge thank you to the Jason Smith and Paul Grant who cleared out a lot of the old garden beds on Friday and to Margie and the Butler, Bird, Rossiter, Little, Horton, Ganfield and Stone families for their hard work. We are planning to redesign the garden this year, making use of raised beds and new designs in order to reduce the ongoing maintenance required. If you have any suggestions please come and talk to Margie or myself. Stay tuned for more ways you will be able to help in the near future.

In other exciting news the renovation of the tuckshop is about to commence! Kathy King has been overseeing this project which will result in an exciting new tuckshop. Before it can be ‘in with the new’ however, it needs to be ‘out with the old’ with the existing cabinets and tiles to be removed. We need people who can help this Sunday to get this work done. If you have some renovation experience and basic tools, you would be perfect for the job. If you can help, please ring Kathy on 0400681442.

If you are looking for yet another way to be part of our school we would love to see you in the staff room next Tuesday night at our first P&C meeting for the year, starting at 6.30pm.

Carol Butler-Mader   Principal
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HPE ,SPORT & GARDENING NEWS

WELCOME to our new Farnborough families. My name is Margie Grant and at FSS I teach Health and Physical Education to all year levels on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. On Tuesday I put a second cap on and work with the classroom teachers (and students) in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Program. As well as the gardening work, Science has been incorporated into this program. Throughout the year students in years 3 to 6 participate in the cooking program under the supervision of their classroom teacher and Kelly Carter (Teacher Aide) using as much ‘home grown’ produce as we can.

SWIMMING TRIALS – P’TON DISTRICT

Over the next two afternoons (after school) five of our students are competing in the Interschool District swim trials. Good Luck to Ainslie W, Amelie T, Jordan Mc and Finn H (all 12 yrs) and to Caitlin J who is competing in the 10 yrs events. To compete at the regional level – Capricornia, students must swim at or below a qualifying time. Do your best FSS kids!

COMMUNITY SPORTS

Check out the sports noticeboard for any community (or school) sporting news. We do place as much information as possible into the newsletter but sometimes the information comes to us after the newsletter has been printed. Community sporting clubs are beginning to have their sign-ons for the traditional winter sports.

HPE LESSONS

We are fortunate this term to have the use of the hall for all of our HPE Lessons. The younger year levels are working on perceptual motor skills whilst the middle and upper levels are combining this with some fitness components. All classes (when the weather permits) are given an endurance run challenge each lesson. The distances will be slowly increased as the term progresses as our Cross Country Fun Run will be held prior to the Easter break. PLEASE ENSURE ALL STUDENTS have a SUNSMART HAT, WATER BOTTLE & APPROPRIATE SPORT SHOES (at the moment may be a little difficult with all the wet weather). All classes have bottles of sunscreen in their room which students may use.

THANK YOU

A huge thank you to the parents (and students and grandparents) who were able to come along to the first garden working bee on Saturday. We will be having another working bee once we finalise the plans for the raised beds and other improvements. PLEASE NOTE – NO WORKING BEE THIS SUNDAY (Feb 8th) however in saying this PLEASE FEEL FREE to pop into the vegie patch and continue weeding etc as we still have a way to go to get it back to scratch! A separate note will go home outlining what we are hoping to achieve at the next working bee.

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

The uniform shop will now be open on Mondays at 2:30pm and Wednesdays at 8:00am.

NOTICE BOARD INFORMATION

2015 Yeppoon Junior Seagulls Sign on
Frenchville Rovers Hockey Sign on
Capricorn Coast Football Club Sign on
February Community Diary from P’ton regional Council
NAB AFL Auskick come and try session
SBU Saints Swim Squad Training
FREE healthy lifestyle programfor families—places still available
SeaQ Boariders 2015 Sign on Day
Bluebirds Softball Sign-on Day

Please take the time to stop and have a look at the notice board (on the wall of the uniform shop) for any Community Notices.

TOOOOOO much for the newsletter!!!