Dear Parents, Students & Staff

At Farnborough SS, we provide a variety of learning opportunities. This year we were successful in gaining some extra funding for a small group of students to participate in a project called “What Is Your Science?”, and invite students from other schools across the Coast to join. Our first session was held last week, when the participants were able to meet as a group, get to know each other a little and start exploring the Physical, Biological and Earth Strands of Science. These students will be attending an excursion at The Caves and participating in activities on an Ed Studio to further their knowledge about science.

Did you get to see the wonderful display of student work at the Yeppoon Show? Thank you to Sue and Jacintia for setting this up, it looked fabulous!

I hope everyone is well on the way to meeting the criteria of the Premier’s Reading Challenge.

To meet the challenge (and we expect 100% of Farnborough Students to do so), Prep to Year 2 need to read or experience 20 books, Years 3 and 4 should read 20 books and Years 5 and 6 have the challenge of reading 15 books.

Here are some reasons why it is important to take an active interest in reading with our children:
* Books widen knowledge, increase vocabulary and help to teach children about language and the world.
* Reading at home is linked to success in reading at school.
* Good readers perform better academically.
* Reading with your child helps to build common ground and strengthen relationships.
* Reading helps children to develop attention span (and limits screen time).

So with the school holidays nearing, stock up on some good books and take the opportunity to spend time reading.

Congratulations to two of our sporting students who were selected to join Greater Rockhampton Teams, Rhys, who has been selected for his skill in Rugby Union and will play in Emerald and Tom, a great soccer player who played in Mackay. Well done boys!

Carol Butler –Mader (Principal)
Nationally Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Collecting data on school students with disability helps teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of students with disability in schooling on the same basis as students without disability.

All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students with disability. All Australian schools participate in this annual data collection.

The data provided to the Australian Government is aggregated data only. Please be reassured that the Department will not provide to any other organisation any data that can identify an individual student. The only data being collected at the school level to be reported nationally is the:

- number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability;
- level of adjustments we provide for those students; and
- broad category of disability.

While only data that cannot identify your child will be submitted outside of the Department, if you do not wish for your child’s details to be included, please let me know by 19 June as this is when our information will be submitted.

Information and fact sheets are available to help you make a decision from the:


Alternatively, if you have any queries about the collection or use of this data I encourage you to contact me directly.

Carol Butler
Principal

FOR TENDER

TERMS OF SALE FOR PHOTOCOPIER

FARNBOROUGH STATE SCHOOL

The property is being offered for sale by public tender, closing 3.00pm on Monday 15 June 2015. All Tenders are to be lodged in writing, in an envelope clearly marked:

“Confidential – Tender offer for Photocopier”

and submitted to the school either in person or by mail to:-

Farnborough State School
8 Hinz Avenue
Farnborough 4703

The sale includes the complete removal of the following specified item on an ‘as is where is’ basis:

1x Kyocera TASKalfa 250ci photocopier and assorted cartridges.

No warranties are implied or given. For additional information or an inspection of the property, please see the staff in the office.

Tuckshop Talk

Hello from the tuckshop! I have had a wonderful amount of help this week and I honestly would not be able to do it without you. Thank you to Barbara and Nycole who come in every single week to help me prepare for Wednesday and to Vanessa and my Mum (who was here visiting), for helping out on Wednesday; it was one of the busiest Wednesdays so far. Mum hadn’t worked in a tuckshop for over 20 years, I don’t think she knew what hit her! Friday I had help from Larissa and Paula, thank you so much for making everything run so smoothly. Thank you to Amanda, Melinda, Lee-Anne, Gwen and Kath for helping out with the talling. We now have special tuckshop brown paper bags that can be purchased - 10 for $1.00. Drop by and grab yours, they are designed to make everyone’s life much easier.

Keep a look out this week for our special Sports Day order form that will be sent home with the kids. Our regular menu items will not be available, however, it will be the launch of the winter menu and a great way to try out the yummy new things!

See you at the tuckshop. Regards, Amanda
From The Finance Desk

In an effort to continually improve our receipting system, please ensure that cash payments are handed into the office on arrival at school. Sometimes we find ourselves ‘chasing’ student’s money, only to find it tucked away safely in the bottom of their school bag.

Year 4 Camp          Final payment due now
Arts Performances    Final payment due by 26th June

If you have any questions regarding your child’s school account, please don’t hesitate to pop in and see us.

Thank you, Kellie.

HPE & SPORT NEWS

Congratulations to Rhys W on his selection into the Rockhampton Rugby District Rugby Union team.

Interhouse Track & Field Days

Tomorrow Wednesday 10th June  9-12 yrs   All field events  12noon—3.00pm
Next Wednesday 17th June    Whole school. All track, relay & ball games  9.00am—3.00pm

AFL Interschool Competition

A one-off event next Monday the 15th of June. Notes have been distributed. Please return to the office by tomorrow.

Regional Shield - Rugby League & Netball Carnival

Week 1, Term 3  (Thursday and Friday), Notes have been distributed to students selected to participate. Please return these ASAP.

Sport Report from Samantha F & Amy K

Last Friday, our team FSS Pink played two great matches of soccer. We lost both games. The first game we played was against Yeppoon State School Lavender and our second game was against Yeppoon State School Azure. Even though we lost both games, we still had a great afternoon. Overall the teams we played against had great sportsmanship.

GARDEN GNOME GOSSIP

Scarecrows     Don’t forget the holiday fun of making a scarecrow with your children to enter in the Farnborough Fair. Entry $5.00 each. Hay available on the Kitchen deck.

Manure         Cow, chook, horse, goat, sheep etc. I thought this could be a great seller at the Fair as part of the SAKG stall. If anyone is able to bring some in for such, this would be greatly appreciated. I do have some old bags on the chook pen fence if you need some to fill. What doesn’t get sold at the Fair, we’ll certainly use in the garden.

Margie

FROM YOUR P & C ASSOCIATION

P&C meeting is tonight in the library, 6:30 – 8:00pm. Everyone is welcome.

Pies, pies, pies!
Don’t forget to pick up your pies tomorrow – Wednesday 10th June, from 2:30pm to 4:00pm out the front of the tuckshop area. Many thanks to Joanna Kitchener for organising this for our school again.

Sports Day
The Athletics carnival for all students is next Wednesday 17th. It is a really fun day with lots of running, relays and ball games. There will be a special sports day menu, and children WILL NOT be able to order from the normal tuckshop menu. Pre-orders are encouraged. An order form will go home to all students on Friday & one is include in this newsletter. Forms and money can be returned to the office on Monday or Tuesday. Parents are able to order from the menu too! The hall canteen will again be in operation, selling tea & coffee, water, poppers, icy poles, home baked treats. Can you help serve for half an hour? Please let me know.

Looking for some home bakers
Are you able to whip up a batch of biscuits or slice or cupcakes to feed our hungry athletes on Sports Day? Please contact me to let me know what is your baking specialty and how many you can donate on the morning of the 17th June.

Disco
Next Friday 19th June the school is holding a disco for all FSS students. $5 entry which includes a popper & a hot dog. There will be tea & coffee for parents and water will be $2/bottle.
Prep to Year 3    – 5:30 to 6:45pm
Yr 4 – Yr 6      – 7:00 to 8:30pm
All parents are welcome to stay and help supervise.

Farnborough Fair – Sunday 26th July
Planning for this year’s fair is going really well and donations are steadily coming in. On sports day, there will be a sign up board to register your intention to help on different stalls. You might find that your class stall fills up its volunteer spots really quickly and this is when we ask for you to choose another stall to help on. All stalls are coordinated by parent volunteers who would love as many helpers in all times lots – otherwise they do not get to spend any time with their children at the fair. Please help by putting your name down on at least 2 stalls for half an hour each or one stall for an hour. Your help is greatly appreciated…the fair raises money that goes directly back into the school to assist all of our children. If you think you will find it difficult to assist on the day of the fair, please try to come for an hour on the day before. Saturday 25th will be a whirlwind of busy beavers setting up tables & chairs, marquee, signs and stalls like the white elephant, book stall and cent sale. Many helpers make the jobs get done more quickly.

Miss McKee, Miss Coucom & the Year 2 garden gurus have again been out working. Last Friday the wonderful parent helpers included Felicity Jones, Lee-Ann and Simon Lovegrove. If you haven’t found the school orchard yet this year, it is worth a walk out the back.

Kathy King
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