From the Principal- Dr Carmel McGrath

Our Assembly will be held on Thursdays until the end of this Term. Please see the table on page 2 to familiarise yourself with the new dates.

Community Spirit Awards- Congratulations to all our award recipients.


It was a lovely ceremony and a great opportunity for us to acknowledge and thank those nominees who have shown selfless acts of kindness and support for our school community and various other worthy causes within the broader community. Special thanks to all staff for your help behind the scenes work leading up to the ceremony on Thursday.

P&C Vecs (Voluntary Education Contribution Scheme) - Thank you to our families who have already returned their contribution payments. Our P&C President would like to remind families that the contributions made are a real and tangible way to help our school.

The annual Voluntary Education Contribution Scheme is a significant way that families can help support our P&C Committee in their endeavours to improve our school for our students and community.
Please be as generous as you can. There are many wonderful projects to consider and all will benefit from the funding.

If we could please receive your pledge of a donation by Wednesday 15 June this would be greatly appreciated.

**Important** information for VECS Email address- The correct email address is: PandC@newfarmss.eq.edu.au. It is important that the capitals are used.

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**Gala Sports Day**- For three Fridays this term, students have had the opportunity to compete in the annual round robin carnival. All teams played soccer this year and by all reports the students thoroughly enjoyed this experience. An extremely large amount of work goes into planning and preparing for students to go to such an event. A special thank you to Mr Rainbow, Mr Rafter, Mr Conde, Mr Wilson and Ms Forsberg for the dedication and supervision of the student over the three weeks.

Thank you to our parents for their continued support of all our soccer teams. Special mention goes to the Junior Girls soccer team who won all 8 Matches, scoring at total of 47 goals for and only 1 goals against. Well done girls!
ICAS – Please remember to arrive in plenty of time to settle and commence your competition. We will aim for a start at 7.45am in the school library.

ICAS Tuesday 14 June – Writing.

ICAS Wednesday 15 June – Spelling.

Athletics Carnival- Please ensure your child has sufficient food and water for their morning of activities here at school. Please ensure your child has also applied sunscreen and has their school broad brimmed hat. They are permitted to wear a shirt in their house colour.

On Tuesday 21 June students in Years 3-6 will walk to New Farm Park to compete in their Track events. (Permission required to attend). Please ensure your child brings their own lunch and sufficient water for the whole day. **There are no canteen facilities available.** Please make sure all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child’s name.

Performance of Year 2 & 3 Choir and New Farm Beats group –Monday 20 June 9-9.30am in the Hall. Ms Marina Thacker has invited all classes and parents to attend a special performance morning here at school. The choirs will perform a range of songs and the New Farm Beats will show their wonderful skills as well. It is a great opportunity for parents and other students to watch these groups perform and acknowledge their hard work over the term. Thank you to Ms Thacker for her continued support and guidance to our groups.

New Farm State School 2016 Year Book- We would like to offer families the opportunity to purchase a Year Book. The proposal is in the planning process. Thank you to Mr Conde for his valuable input thus far. In order for this to come to fruition we need the consent and commitment of all families to include all students in the Year Book. This will be a book to purchase for the school community. It will not be published on our school website. In the coming weeks will be seeking special signed permission from each family to include their child’s class photo in this book. That means the inclusion of your full child’s name with this photo.

Other photos we will include will be from events and excursion over the school years e.g. Class room music and choirs, LOTE, Instrumental music students, Sports carnivals, Gala sports days, Incurious and excursions, Camps, Anzac Day ceremony, Naidoc week celebrations and Chinese New Year.

High Achievers- Students from Years 5 and 6 have been involved in this program for the last six weeks. They travel to Kelvin Grove State College on a Wednesday afternoon to participate in such programs as Science, Maths, Drama, English, Business, Art, Performance and ICT. Thank you to Mrs Jenny O’Neill for her mentoring and coordinating the students chosen for this program. A special thank you to all our parents for driving students to and from Kelvin Grove. Your time and commitment is really appreciated. The culminating event on Wednesday night was really worthwhile with some great presentations and positive feedback from students and parents.

Happy World Cleaners’ Day! - Wednesday 15 June. Thank you to Ellie, Gebe, Dereje, Sergio and Bruno who work very hard each day before and after school to ensure we have a clean and tidy school environment.
It is always great to see the pride taken in their work and the cheerfulness with which they all go about their work. Thank you especially to Ellie for her leadership and kindness with the cleaners’ team and amongst the school community.

P&C Meeting Tuesday 14 June 2016. 6pm in the school library.

On the agenda this week will be the focus of the fundraiser “Hats and Heels”. We are looking for helpers and sponsors. If you cannot attend the meeting and would like the minutes of the meetings, please email the P&C president. Important information for VECS or P&C Minutes email address- The correct email address is: PandC@newfarmss.eq.edu.au. It is important that the capitals are used.

Life Education ‘Talk about it ‘program – Dates Revised. Year 5 and 6 Thursday 23 and Friday 24 June 2016. Life education has been facilitating quality primary and secondary education for over 35 years. These programs are designed to motivate and empower young people to make smart life choices for a healthy future. Parents Information Session will be Tuesday 14 June from 5-6pm in the school library.

Year 5 and 6 Lote Cultural Excursion - Thursday 21 July, 2016. This week your child will receive a letter outlining the details of this event. Students will travel to the Chung Tian Buddhist Temple at Priestdale by bus. They will have a guided tour in the temple and visit the museum to see the replica of the entombed warriors for Qin Dynasty, practice Chinese Tai-Chi, mediation, Chinese calligraphy, taste Chinese tea and strike the wishing bell. After the temple students will have a Chinese banquet at Mt Gravatt before returning to school. Please return your signed permission and menu choice along with your payment by Friday 17 June. Bpoint is our preferred payment options.

Whole School Dance Program- Term 3. All students will receive at letter and invoice this week outlining the up and coming dance program. As the major component of our Arts Program for 2016, students will be participating in a weekly dance lesson with a qualified teacher from Creative Dance Industries. These lessons will begin in Week 1 of Term 3.

The cost is $18 per student for the 8 week program. The course will culminate with a showcase for parents where students perform for the school community on Saturday 10 September. Please return your signed permission and payment by Wednesday 22 June. Bpoint is our preferred payment options.

Year 5 Camp 2016 – Emu Gully, Helidon. Wednesday 17 August to Friday 19 August. Your child will have received an information letter regarding this school camp last week. As part of the school camping program, this year all students in Year 5 will be going to the Emu Gully Adventure Education Camp site at Helidon. www.emugully.com.au Students will be accompanied by Mr Brett Wilson, Mrs Jan Dickens, Mr Kent Rainbow and one of our Teacher Aides.

In order to confirm numbers we request that a non-refundable deposit of $50 be paid by Friday, 17 June 2016. Please contact our Business Services Manager, Elena Anderson on 3358 7333 if you have any concerns.

Peaceful Little People @ Teneriffe – Yoga
Weekly classes Thursday’s
Starting 21st April.
3.30 - 4.15pm: 5 - 8 y.o (10 max)
4.30 - 5.15pm: 9 - 12 y.o (Lmttd)
10 wks - early bird special - $120-
cut off -14th April. $15 casual.
Email: yoga@teneriffe-yoga.com
Ph: 0413151995
**Report Cards** - As you are aware, Semester 1 Report Cards will be emailed to the email addresses we have in One School. These are the addresses that we use to send you the link to our newsletter each week. We have now sent our Test email, so if you know a family or your spouse did not receive this test email and would like to receive the Report card via email, please complete the Change of Details form attached to the newsletter.

**Unexplained Absences** - We are still experiencing some unexplained absences each day. We are responsible to account for the whereabouts of all enrolled students each day. These absences are followed up by our Administration staff. Please ensure you respond promptly to any request for clarification. If you email the classroom teacher, kindly include the admin email as well. **Any unexplained absence will appear on your child's end of semester report card.** Please call the absence line each day your child is away. We must always record a reason for your child's absence. Absence Line 3358 7333 Option 1 or email admin@newfarmss.eq.edu.au

Every day at school counts. Please find the following link to the brochure on attendance. This is also attached to today’s newsletter.


**Canberra Trip 2016 for Year 6 Students** - 29 August- 02 September. Thank you to all parents who have now made the next instalment of payments toward the Canberra Trip for this year. If you have any concerns please contact our Business Service Manager Elena Anderson on 3358 7333 during school hours.

**New Farm State School Annual Athletics Carnival** – Education Queensland requires parents to give permission for students to participate in a range of Physical Education activities. We also require permission for those students who will be participating in events at New Farm Park on Tuesday 21 June 2016.

Mr Kent Rainbow our PE Specialist has already sent these permission forms home with children in Years 3-6. **Please return this permission form to the office as a matter of urgency.**

* **Wednesday 15 June – Prep –Year 2 Athletics Carnival** (School Oval)
* **Friday 17 June – Year 3 -Year 6 Field events** (School Oval)
* **Tuesday 21 June – Year 3-Year 6 Athletics carnival** (New Farm Park) Permission required to attend

**Important cyber safety tips for parents**

## New Farm State School Athletics Carnival - Overview

As students’ progress through sport activities at New Farm SS they begin in groupings based on Year level rather than age to accommodate their needs for peer related competition. In the older Year levels they are required to be grouped in competition based on their age for school sport for District and Regional competitions. The difficulty of mid-year bracketing of the Prep starting age has led to some of those in Year 3 who turn 9 in this calendar year being required to be in sport age groupings for District selection, whilst some are still precluded from selection because they are only turning 8 in this calendar year whilst in Year 3.

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**SPEECH PATHOLOGY- New Farm**

- Children & Adults
- Speech sounds
- Language difficulties
- Reading and Spelling difficulties
- Pre Literacy skills
- Stuttering

T: 0413 307 167

E: dimity.williams@speech-pathologists.com.au
Deputy Principal- Cassie Buckley

Last week I included in the newsletter some strategies for parents to support younger children to develop their Literacy skills, I hope that these were useful. As children get older it does become more challenging to engage them in “fun” literacy based tasks – other than those that they develop online of course. As with younger children the best ways to do this are by choosing enjoyable activities that fit in with your family’s daily routines and taking advantage of real life experiences. Please find below a fact sheet with some useful information and ideas.

Supporting your child in Years 4 to 9

Literacy is an essential skill that children need to succeed in their everyday lives. As a parent or carer, you will have already made a significant contribution to supporting your child’s learning from an early age.

Now that your child has reached the middle phase of their education, they will be supported by their school to move from primary to secondary education.

It is critical for you to continue to play an active role in helping to develop your child’s literacy so they can achieve the best possible outcomes.

Your vital role as a parent or carer

You might not realise it, but you are already contributing to the development of your child’s literacy skills through regular activities such as discussing the meaning of new words and phrases, the main ideas in books or events in a newspaper story.

Improving your child’s understanding and use of these skills will help to increase their enthusiasm to actively participate in the classroom and build on the foundation of literacy they have already gained in earlier years.

Ensuring that your child feels confident talking to you and their teacher about school work will enhance their opportunity to thrive in the 21st century.

What literacy skills will your child learn at school?

During Years 4 to 9, young people begin to investigate the world beyond home and school and are required to become more independent learners.

Students learn to write for particular audiences and purposes such as describing, explaining, instructing, arguing and narrating. They read and comprehend different types of texts and visuals. This involves identifying the purpose, audience, main ideas and order of events in a text, as well as making connections between ideas and information in different paragraphs and drawing conclusions.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child’s progress please contact your child’s teacher.
Activities to do with your child

Here are some simple yet effective activities you can do with your child to help them apply the literacy skills they learn at school:

- read some of the same books as your child and talk about characters, storylines and themes
- when assembling a newly purchased item, ask your child to assist with the reading of the instructions and interpreting diagrams
- read the newspaper with your child each morning — choose an article to discuss and ask questions such as ‘what is the report telling you?’ and ‘what does this word mean?’
- use language that encourages thinking and reflection such as ‘do you agree with what was written in that newspaper article or story?’ — have your child locate sources within the story or text to support their point of view
- talk about movies you have seen — discuss why a filmmaker may have created a movie in a certain way, the purpose of the film, the intended audience and what points of view or values are conveyed. Talk about language choices and why characters are represented in certain ways.

For more information about how you can help your child with literacy visit www.education.qld.gov.au/parents/map or contact your child's teacher or school.

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Literacy and Numeracy
Supporting your child

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Cubby House Shoes
Cubby House Shoes offers a stylish, practical and comfortable range of European shoes for children. The range caters for kids from newborns up to 12 years and are all directly imported from Spain. A unique alternative to your child's everyday wardrobe!

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New Farm 4005 QLDC
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with Cleberson Souza Santos an ex-professional Player from Brazil
E: thesoccerworkshop@gmail.com
W: www.thesoccerworkshop.com.au

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Midyear Ballet Class Formal Viewing
Monday 30 June, 1.30 – 4.30pm
Holy Spirit School Hall
Prayer, music and entertainment

Tessa King 0406 629 330
tessa.22j@gmail.com

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New Farm State School implements many programs for students requiring extra support with their learning. D Link is one of those programs. We introduced D Link three years ago and it has been very successful in helping students improve their reading. The following provides an overview of the D Link program.

D Link focuses on teaching students how to decode (read) and encode (spell) words quickly and accurately. The program uses lists of words that are carefully sequenced and structured and become increasingly more complex. It begins with students learning how to decode three letter words that have short vowels (e.g. sat, man) and is followed by initial blends (e.g. stop, plod) and final blends (e.g. send, frost). As students become more proficient at reading words with initial and final blends, multisyllabic words with short vowels are introduced (e.g. flippant, distrust).

D Link is aimed at students in Yr 2 – 6 who would benefit from learning and practising how to decode words when they read. Teacher aides run the program in small groups before or during school time. Each lesson takes 30 minutes and gains the best results if students participate three or more times per week and stay on the program for at least one semester.

**Congratulations** to Desiree in 5W for her contribution to the Healthy Water Ways Next Generation

Please find the link to the updated article profiling Desiree from New Farm State School on Healthy Waterways website below:-


Desiree from New Farm State School - Nine year-old Desiree is passionate about waterway protection, which shines through in her daily activities. Desiree has encouraged her family to adopt simple strategies in their everyday lives that make positive contributions to waterway health. This includes ensuring waste is put into the appropriate bins, encouraging the use of reusable bottles and clearing the driveway daily to prevent dirt and leaves from washing into the drains and our waterways.
Specialist Teacher- Physical Education

Kent Rainbow

Please find attached to today’s newsletter the run down for the Athletics Carnival.

Interhouse Athletics Days – House Prize

There will be some incentive for the students to dress up for their house. The prize for the winning house will be an ICE BLOCK for each member of the winning house on final points (day/date to be advised). As an added incentive for those who want their sport house to win – there will be bonus points added to the MOST COLOURFUL HOUSE and the BEST DRESSED STUDENTS – so get started on your house coloured costuming, and make sure all your House wear their colours!!

Teacher Librarian- Narelle Hoelzl

Premiers Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) is an annual statewide initiative for state and non-state schools and home-educated students up to Year 9, and children attending early childhood centres. Over the past eleven years, more than 10 million books have been read, and in 2015 alone more than 138,500 students and children participated in the challenge.

The challenge is not a competition but aims to improve literacy and encourage children to read widely for pleasure and learning. Students can participate in the challenge within their school or as individual readers (home-educated students or students whose schools are not participating in the program).

For a student to successfully complete the challenge they must read or experience the allocated number of books for their year level during the reading period. Students who complete the challenge have their efforts recognised through the receipt of a Certificate of Achievement signed by the Premier of Queensland. Please return completed forms to the library by Friday 26th August.

Congratulations to Sofia for her appearance on Sunrise last week. Please find the link to her campaign for the reef.

Free Dress Day for the Homeless and the Disadvantaged

This Thursday 16th June, the Community & Charity Leadership Group has organised a free-dress day for students to raise money for the 139 Club which supports homeless and the disadvantaged people in the inner city. We are asking students to donate some food and/or $2 which will assist the 139 Club in feeding these people who need assistance.

139 Club Limited is an integral part of the community of Fortitude Valley and inner-city Brisbane. We have been supporting people who are homeless and disadvantaged for 41 years. We are a bespoke organisation that specialises in being the family and home that many of our visitors don’t have. We are a day centre where people come to get back on their feet. We help people get a roof over their heads and support them to manage their life challenges like addiction, mental and physical illness, antisocial and offending behaviour and previous trauma. We provide a welcoming space to take a shower, do the laundry, have a meal, catch up on vital sleep, charge a phone and socialise with others.

Lynn Matthews from the 139 club said that they always need food. For example each $1600 they can raise enables them to provide 3300 meals to homeless and disadvantaged people which is typically approximately a monthly figure. The following food items are always needed by the 139 Club: jam, spreads, custard powder, eggs, tinned meats, tinned fish, small uhf milks, tomato, bbq and soy sauces, mayo, salt, pepper, tea, coffee cereals, white vinegar, cake mixes, biscuit mixes, plastic teaspoons and canned baked beans and spaghetti.

So c’mon students. Enjoy a free dress day on Thursday 16th June for a small donation of food and/or $2.

Year 6 Community and Charity Leaders
The ACE Gran Fondo and Griffith University would like to invite you to participate in a free exciting 2 day workshop and research project

Empowering Parents to Guide Their Child’s Learning: Working with schools and professionals to get the best outcome for your child with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

14 and 15 July 2016, 9.15am-3.45pm - Griffith University Gold Coast campus

OR

18 and 19 July 2016, 9.15am-3.45pm - University of the Sunshine Coast, Sippy Downs

Australian parents of an estimated 20,000 school-aged children with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) regularly engage with schools and services to access effective learning and education programs for their children as they move from early childhood, to primary and secondary school, and into adulthood. Parents often report feeling frustrated and disempowered in selecting and accessing effective programs and support for their children with ASD during the school years.

The aim of this workshop and research project is to give you, as a parents of a child with ASD the knowledge, strategies and support they need to develop a vision and plan for their child and to work with educators and professionals to develop and implement effective educational programs for their children.

At the beginning of the project, you will participate in a two-day workshop in which you will be given specific training and strategies in the use of the Cycle of Learning framework in order to enable you to guide your child’s learning as they progress through school and to work with schools to implement effective educational programs that will support your child to achieve his/her full potential.

During the workshop, you will be guided to develop not only a plan for your child, but a plan of action to help you make more effective decisions, be a successful advocate for them, and assist them to identify their own strengths and needs and eventually advocate for themselves.
Who should attend: This workshop is primarily for parents or carers of children with ASD, but would also be helpful for parents of children with other developmental disabilities.

Presenter: Dr. Amanda Webster, Autism Centre of Excellence - Dr Amanda Webster has worked for over 28 years with both individuals with autism spectrum disorder and other developmental disabilities and their families in school, home and community settings. She is currently the Program Convenor for the Autism Studies program at the Autism Centre of Excellence at Griffith University. Before coming to Griffith, she worked in Australia and the USA in positions as a school leader, program developer, special educator, early intervention specialist, and behavior analyst in both inclusive and special schools and home settings. This has led her to develop a particular expertise in the design of education programs for individuals with ASD and other disabilities as well as the implementation of evidence-based practice for individuals with ASD in school curriculum and environments. Dr. Webster was the Program Convener for the Autism Studies program at the Autism Centre of Excellence at Griffith University where she regularly taught classes on ASD to postgraduate students from a range of backgrounds including teachers, psychologists, speech pathologists, occupational therapists, and parents. Amanda is currently employed by University of Wollongong as a senior lecturer in Autism and Inclusive Education. Amanda also continues to work with Griffith University as an Adjunct Professor.

Cost to attend: Thanks to the efforts of the ACE Gran Fondo Ride for Autism, this workshop is being offered at no cost. Parking will be $6 for the day. Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided on both days.

Questions?
Please contact Autism Centre of Excellence on 07 3735 5640 or ace@griffith.edu.au

Warm regards,

Professor Jacqueline Roberts
Inaugural Chair of Autism
Autism Centre of Excellence
School of Education and Professional Studies, Griffith University
griffith.edu.au/education/autism-centre-excellence
Social Skills- Each week of this Term a Social Skill is chosen to highlight a lesson from our School Rules (Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible and Be a Learner). This week our Social skills will be “It’s Easy. Step by Step” which is from our school rule of Be A Learner.

It’s Easy, Step by Step

Focus:
Using a Coping Step Plan will help students to be brave with new or existing challenges. Breaking things down into small manageable steps can make them easier to achieve.

Looks Like:
• Students working on new things.
• Students happy in the class and playground.

Sounds Like:
• “I can break this hard challenge down into lots of little steps.”
• Students encouraging each other to make up and stay with a step plan.

Feels Like:
• Feels good to not be worried or scared.
• Feels safe to stay on one step until you are ready to move on.
Around the Classroom written by Jib and Raihan.

4F are currently looking at living things in science. Things that assist or hinder the life of their chosen creature. Students have to create a concept map to describe the relationship of their chosen creature and other living creatures.

New Farm State School Trivia Night - Date Saver – Saturday 23 July.

This is a wonderful fun and entertaining night for all.

Here at Each year at New Farm we have many generous families supporting all our fundraising events. If you would like to help our fundraising committee with a kind donation of a door prize or raffle prize or Hamper of goods from your business, please contact our Trivia night committee.

This event is a fun evening, so think about getting a table of friends together to attend.

This event is for Parents/Adults only (no children to attend)

Contact Jenny Larsen jenlarsen@optusnet.com.au or
Katrina Wallwork katrina_chiu@mac.com
Community Education Program Update

Now is the time to re-book or select your activities for Term 3!

Classes will begin in week 2 of the school term, and will run for 8 weeks (in most cases, but not all). Check the brochure carefully for specific start dates, class times and course length. Be quick to secure a spot in your preferred class(es) – first come, first served until classes reach capacity.

**What's on offer for kids?**

We’ve got the Arts covered: ‘Art with Meredith’ classes on Monday (wait list), Creative Workshops on Tuesday, Creative Dance on Tuesday/Thursday, and Drama on Fridays. Please check age restrictions/divisions and ensure you apply for the appropriate session.

There are active pursuits like Judo-Monday, Gymnastics-Wednesday, and Karate-Friday.

Chessmates -Tuesday and Language (French-Thursday, Mandarin-Friday) classes for kids are offered in term 2 as well.

**What's on offer for adults?**

Get your groove on in Zumba-style Aerobics, strengthen your body with a FIT.30 workout, or morning/evening Pilates classes, or start your day with a Sunrise Yoga session. Sing or strum a tune in Choir or Ukulele, or try your hand at the game of Mahjong. Broaden your linguistic, cultural or culinary horizons in one of our French, Italian or Japanese courses or weekend workshops.

**For all ages:**

Private music lessons (Guitar, Instrumental, Piano, Vocal) continue to be very popular! We have a few openings for Piano with Leana (Wednesday/Friday) and Guitar with James (Wednesday). Please enquire via email for lesson time availability. A wait list is in place for those who cannot take up one of the lesson times currently on offer.

**For all enquiries or to register for a class, please email:** nfsscommunityed@live.com.au

*Note – CEP Coordinator does not work onsite at the school. For this reason, the most efficient method for enrolment is via email. Forms that are dropped off at the school office or sent via the post will be collected regularly, but not necessarily every day. Email communication will be the quickest way to confirm your placement in a class.*
P & C Fundraising- EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST: Bakers wanted

The P&C is looking for bakers to assist with making cakes, slices and other sweet things for the Election Day Bake Stall.

Our regular parent bakers are not around as the Election is on 2 July - in the middle of school holidays and Teneriffe Festival.

So we would love to hear from you if you’re around for school holidays – we need volunteers for baking, setting up the stall and assisting for an hour or so on the day.

The classic and simple cakes and slices sell very well (so please don’t think you need to be Masterchef standard to participate!)

Any help appreciated. Please contact Janelle Moody on jsmlaw@ozemail.com.au or 0419 719 796.

The next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 14 June at 6pm.

Books for Fiji Schools.

As we are all aware earlier this year Fiji was hit by two devastating cyclone that destroyed many home and schools. Recovery from this is a long hard process and during the June/July school holidays I am taking Tabitha & Zachary to Fiji on holidays and see this as an opportunity to help the Fijian people in the recovery process.

I have arranged with the airline an additional 60kg of luggage so we can take resources and I am currently discussing with the local Fijian community which village schools in the area around Nadi require the most assistance. If you have books that are in good condition suitable for children of all ages, please leave them (in the box outside the office) by Thursday 23rd June.

I thank-you in advance on behalf of Fijian children and their families.

Peter Beatton
TUCKSHOP NEWS

ON LINE ORDERING

To order on line please go to www.flexischools.com.au it is quick and easy to use. We encourage everyone to do this as you can order in advance or for the whole term. Cut off time is 8.00am for both Wednesday and Friday.

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FlexiSchools - Online Ordering and Cashless Schools

www.flexischools.com.au

Flexischools is the fast and secure way to order and pay for canteen, uniforms, events, excursions, fundraisers and fees - everything in and around your school!

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

If you have pre-ordered on line and your child is going to be absent from school you will need to cancel the order before 8.00am with Flexischools otherwise it will still go through as an order. With the system we cannot change or cancel orders from the tuckshop.

COUNTER ORDERS

If you do order over the counter please have it before 9.00am otherwise we cannot guarantee that we will have all the menu items available. Please clearly mark your child’s name and class and be careful not include foreign coins as the bank does not accept these. We do prefer you to order on line though as it is more efficient and saves you having to wait in line to place an order.

ROSTER - June 17th

Tuckshop - Nicole Cabezas

Counter - Sue Fuller

Baking - Laura Watson, Renee Allan, Sarah Millar, Susie Levy, Gillian Penrose, Michelle Logan and Eleonora Gianardi

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Thank you,
Terri-Anne
Q Schools App

Thank you to all our Families who have already downloaded the Q Schools App. We have nearly reached our target of every family having access to this app. We are hoping all families will do so as matter of urgency. Schools mobile app includes an exciting push notification feature which offers a direct communication channel from our school.

To be able to receive important messages instantly to your mobile device (push notifications):

1. Download the free QSchools app.
2. If you already have the app, please ensure it is up-to-date, as out-dated versions will not receive notifications.
3. Make sure you have selected our school as your favourite school.

You are now ready to receive important school messages direct to your mobile device. Allowing push notifications means we can keep you up-to-date with critical information, health alerts and weather warnings.

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact Elena Anderson, BSM on 3358 7333 or visit our office for help in downloading the App.

SCHOOL BANKING

FRIDAYS from 8.30am to 9.00am OUTSIDE THE LIBRARY AT New Farm State School.

If you would like to choose a prize please do so before the first bell at 8.45am.

Week 9- 93 Students made banking deposits.

This is the final week of banking for this Term.

Please collect any unclaimed prizes.

If you have lost your Bank Book please see the coordinator they are easily replaced.

Please leave tokens in your bank book. These tokens cannot be shared with your siblings. Please contact our banking volunteers on a Friday if you have any questions regarding these tokens.

The Youth Saver account requires one deposit and no withdrawals in the month to earn the bonus interest.

Fill in your own bank book and you can chose a prize from the volunteers. For every three deposits one entry goes into the draw for a Mary Ryan Book voucher.

Contact Karen Ridoutt (ridoutt@optusnet.com.au or 0412 004 644)
Jabiru Holiday Program

Science, circus, sport and more at Jabiru for the June July holidays

Jabiru Kids has planned a great program of activities for the June July holidays. We’ll make art and music and create weird whirring widgets as well as play great games and do science and cooking activities.

Chill out with our yoga class, and try indoor rock climbing on our Rocksports excursion.

Jabiru Kids New Farm opens from 6.30am to 6pm over the holidays. We even serve breakfast!

The full program is available from Jabiru New Farm or online at www.jabiru.org.au

Jabiru vacation care is cheaper than you think, especially for people entitled to Child Care Benefit:

Call Jabiru’s admin team for a quote on 3269 0044.
First, a big thank you to all the families who have supported our school's P&C - both financially, and via attendance at our social events and monthly meetings. And thank you too, to the many families who have already made their 2016 voluntary contribution.

Just to give you a snapshot . . . with your help, we’ve already achieved some great things that would not have been possible otherwise. These include the artist in residence program, renovation of the library, the fabulous new creative arts centre, an annual subscription to Mathletics, arts excursions for all grades and a new playground (soon to be installed).

**Essential projects planned and just underway.** This year we have two essential areas to focus on. And they’re big . . .

The **air conditioning** rollout is now underway. Last term we were delighted to be able to fund the prep rooms, the library and the former LOTE room, which is now being used as a classroom. *For these three areas alone, the P&C paid out $33,000, in addition to our usual term contribution of $20,000 to the school.*

The air conditioning of these areas has made a massive difference to both the children and staff who use them daily. It is well documented that children’s learning outcomes are far higher when they are taught in cool rooms - and everybody is far happier too!

We are keen to roll the same benefits out across the rest of the school as quickly as possible, but a project like this does not come cheap. Overall, we are looking at a cost of around **$150,000**.

The second focus is on **technology**. As we all know, IT literacy is essential to live well in our world today. Our ICT committee is working closely with the school to research the best option for effective teaching and improved learning outcomes, and early indications are that this is going to require funding in the region of **$80,000**.

**How can you help?** If we knew that every family would contribute $100 this year, we could say yes to air conditioning the downstairs rooms in A Block right now. *These contributions really can make the difference between projects happening and not.*

While the P&C nominally suggests a family contribution of $100, we welcome any donation - big or small. Whether you can spare a one-off donation of $10, $100 or $1000, or ongoing scheduled direct deposit payments, all contributions go towards improving the facilities, programs and overall environment for all of our children.

**Do you have a business?** There are tax deductible options for parents who run their own businesses and wish to donate to VECS. These donations contribute specifically to our school’s Building Fund.

For any parents or local businesses who would be interested in sponsoring a part of this year’s focus programs and be recognised across the school, packages are available with appropriate benefits. Please advise on the form if you are interested in sponsorship.

**Make your commitment today.** Please return the attached form with your contribution to the box in the school office or by email to PandC@newfarmss.eq.edu.au by Friday 3 June 2016.

Rachel Kendrick  
P&C President
Voluntary Education Contribution Form

Please complete details below so we can provide you with a receipt:

Name: ________________________________________________________________________

Email address: ______________________________________________________________________

Student and year: ______________________________________________________________________

Contribution amount: ______________________________________________________________________

I would especially like my contribution to be used for:

New classrooms and other building-related developments, including air conditioning.
THIS IS A TAX DEDUCTIBLE OPTION and payments should be made to our Building Fund

Technology - not tax deductible

Learning resources (books, teaching materials, etc) - not tax deductible

Payment methods

Direct deposit
I have set up an ongoing direct deposit to the P&C or Building Fund account for $____each month
I have deposited $____ directly into the P&C or Building Fund account on date: __________

General account: NFSS P&C BSB: 064 119 Account: 00900135
Building Fund: NFSS P&C Building Fund BSB: 064 119 Account: 10252449 (TAX DEDUCTIBLE)

Credit card:
Please debit my Visa Mastercard
For the amount of: ____________________________________________

Credit card number: _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ Expiry date: __/__

Cardholder’s name: ____________________________________________

Cardholder’s signature: ____________________________________________

Email (receipts will be sent to this address): __________________________

Cheque
Please make cheques payable to either NFSS P&C or NFSS P&C Building Fund, and attach this form and cheque and
mail to The P&C Treasurer, New Farm State School, Cnr James & Heal Streets, New Farm, QLD 4005.

Cash
Please take any cash contributions directly to the office.

Thank you for your support - we really appreciate it and all of our children benefit from it