

Growing Together - Learning Forever

Principal's Message

Fairview Heights

JUNE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

I'm sure that I don't need to remind you that the June School Holidays will commence today **Friday 26 June at 3.00p.m. and school resumes on Tuesday 14 July.** Monday 13 July is a Pupil Free Day, where students do not attend school, but teachers need to be present at school to plan for Semester 2.

REPORT CARDS

Report Cards were sent home on Wednesday (except for Yr 2, and Yr 5/6FS students). Please check that you received your child's report card. If you haven't received your child's report, could you please contact your teacher.

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Teachers have been conducting Parent/Teacher Interviews during the last couple of weeks. If you were unable to attend an interview, or have not made a time to see your child's teacher, I encourage you do so as soon as possible. It's a great opportunity to meet with your child's teacher and discuss the progress of your child.

TSR

The TSR Questionnaires that we sent out with the last newsletter for parents to complete were to be returned today, however if you haven't returned yours could you do so during the first week of Term 3. It would be fantastic to have all of these questionnaires returned as it would give us a valuable insight into your perceptions about how our school is performing. This feedback is then collated and forms the basis for strategic planning for future improvement.

MISS MINGAY LEAVING

Michelle Mingay, who teaches Yr 4/5 class with Michelle Greer, will be completing her teaching contract this week. Michelle has only been teaching at Fairview Heights since the beginning of the year. We thank Michelle for the work she has done with the students in Yr 4/5 and we wish her well in her future endeavours.

Kristian McIvor will now commence teaching with Michelle Greer as from the beginning of Term 3. Kristian already teaches part-time with Mandy Morgan in Yr 3 on Thursday and Friday and will now co-teach with Michelle on Monday and Tuesday.

NEW UPDATES FROM ED QLD

Human Swine Influenza

Queensland schools have played an important role in helping contain the spread of H1N1 Influenza 09 (Human Swine Influenza) in Queensland.

With Australia now moving to a new 'protect' phase, Queensland's policy of school exclusions and closing schools to students will conclude at the end of term on Friday June 26.

In line with this decision, the seven-day time-out guidelines for students entering Queensland from areas of concern, including Mexico, the United States of America, Canada, Panama, Japan, Chile and Argentina or students that are returning from Victoria, will not apply after that date.

It means for example, that any students visiting Victoria during the school holidays will be able to return to school immediately Term 3 begins.

While restrictions are being eased, it is important to stay vigilant, practise good hygiene and seek medical advice if children are showing the symptoms of Human Swine Influenza.

The symptoms of Human Swine Influenza are similar to those of seasonal influenza, including fever, cough, sore throat, runny or blocked nose, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue.

Preventative measures include:

- ⇒ **washing hands frequently with soap and water or using an alcohol-based hand gel**
- ⇒ **washing hands prior to touching eyes, nose or mouth**
- ⇒ **when coughing or sneezing, covering the mouth and nose with tissues which should be disposed of.**

Should you have further questions about Human Swine Flu, please contact the school or visit the Department's website at www.deta.qld.gov.au where you will find an informative range of questions and answers.

WEB PAGE

Remember to always check our Web Page as we upload our Newsletter and Parent Prattle the day after the Newsletters are sent home. The School Website address is:

<http://www.fairheigss.eq.edu.au>

YEARS 4-7 ATHLETIC DAY

Our Year 4-7 Athletic Day had to be rescheduled to Thursday 25 because of the weather conditions. All our news and results will be published in our first newsletter after the holidays.

Have an enjoyable and safe holiday and I look forward to a busy and enjoyable Term 3.

Julie Raitelli
Principal

Music! Music!

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

- ♪ Eisteddfod will start on Sunday 19 July. We still do not know when the students will play - we usually get the timetable during the holidays but will let you know as soon as possible.
- ♪ It is very important that the students practise every day during the holidays - even if it is only for 10 minutes.
- ♪ Students will get their band uniform on Tuesday of Week one next term. It will be the neck tie, cummerbund, black pants (**if they do not have their own**) and a vest. We will appreciate it if you can get a white, long sleeve SCHOOL SHIRT. We do not have any that you can borrow. They will need flat black shoes (school shoes) with **BLACK SOCKS - NO ANKLE SOCKS**. (Don't forget to visit the secondhand shops first!)

MUSICAL - "Kids at Sea" (Year 4 to Year 7)

We are all very excited about our musical (10 September 2009) and need your help! We need sewers, make-up artists, anybody who thinks they can make a contribution to make this musical a wonderful experience for our students.

Please check with your Y4,5,6, or 7 child if you did not receive a newsletter regarding the above.

Have a fantastic holiday!

Carlen Pelcher & Hilary Redfean



Jump Rope for Heart News

All the school was jumping and skipping. On Friday 19 June. It was great to see so many children joining in the Jump Rope for Heart Programme. They ran races with ropes, ran relays with ropes, jumped in long ropes and worked with a partner with single ropes. The Heart Foundation supply all the ropes for the programme. Please continue to fundraise over the holidays to support a worthwhile cause.

Money is due back after the holidays so I can send it in so children can receive their incentive prizes.

There will be a prize for the highest fundraiser, and a treat for the person in each year level who raises the most money.

All money is due back by Friday 31 July.

The Fairview Twirlers have been busy visiting schools. On their day trip they skipped at Millmerran State and Catholic Schools, Ryeford, Clifton, Nobby and Emu Creek. A photo and a write up of the team was printed in a local newsletter which is distributed to hundreds of households. They were very well received at Toowoomba Prep School. They enjoyed the display as they have not seen a skipping demonstration before.

Everyone any age can do 10 minutes of skipping each day to help co-ordination and your fitness.

Margaret Stewart

DATES TO REMEMBER

27 June-12 July	Winter Vacation
13 July	Pupil Free Day
16 July	Harristown SHS 2pm Yr 7 Visit
21 July	P&C Meeting 7pm Staffroom
23 July	Term 3 Arts Council Prep-Yr7—Permission slips and money due by 21 July.
24 July	Interschool Sport commences
31 July	"Jump Rope for Heart" money due
4 August	English Competition
11 August	P&C Meeting - 7pm
18 August	Yr 2-3 Sports Day
19 August	Prep-Yr1 Sports Day
19 August	Mathematics Competition
20 August	Yr 4's Excursion to Ipswich Railway Museum
25 August	Amaroo Excursion Yr 1
26 August	Amaroo Excursion Yr 1
25/26/27 August	Advanced Music Camp
2 September	Amaroo Introduction visit to Prep @ FHSS
3 September	Musical Rehearsal
8 September	Musical Rehearsal
8 September	P&C Meeting - 7pm
9 September	Amaroo visits Prep @ FHSS
10 September	Musical Performance
11 September	Last Day Interschool Sport
11 September	Amaroo visits Prep @ FHSS
17 September	TYME in the Park
19 September-4 October	Spring Vacation
5 October	Ministerial Holiday/Pupil Free

TUCKSHOP

We hope all students enjoyed their sports house coloured donuts this week. It was a shame that Sports Day had to be postponed!!



All money for Parent lunch orders were returned to your child on Tuesday so if you haven't been given these please ask for them.