### Principal’s Message

#### Coming events
- **Friday 19 September**: Last day of Term 3
- **Tuesday 7 October**: Students return to school in full summer uniform
- **Thursday 9 October**: Pyjama Day for Asthma (SRC fundraiser)
- **Friday 10 October**: PSSA round 2
- **Wednesday 15 October**: P&C meeting 7.30pm
- **Wednesday 15 October**: Stage 3 camp to Bathurst
- **Sunday 19 October**: P&C Working Bee 2-5pm

#### Congratulations
The Performance Band played brilliantly on Sunday at the Battle of the Bands and were clear winners! Well done to all the band members and Mr Peter Squire.

Two former FFPS students, Ethan York (Captain) and Jessica Holland (Vice Captain) have been elected as school leaders at Davidson High! Wonderful news.

#### Recess and Lunch times

Next term we will be trialling slightly changed morning tea and lunch times.

Morning tea will run from 11.10am-11.50am with a 10 minute eating time and 30 minute play time, whilst lunch time will run from 1.10pm-1.50pm again with a 10 minute eating time and a 30 minute play time. In effect we have taken 15 minutes from lunch and added it to morning tea.

We are hoping with the changes to address the children’s learning engagement by giving them two 10 minute eating times during the day and an opportunity at morning tea to have a play as well as eat.

During the two eating times, K-1 children will enjoy a story as they eat and 2-6 will be encouraged to sit and socialise with peers as they eat (rather than holding a sandwich in one hand whilst they play handball with the other).

The extended play time at morning tea will give children a chance to refresh and expend some energy.

I am hoping parents will talk with their children over the holidays about what they should aim to eat at morning tea and lunch, thinking about keeping fuelled for lessons after lunch.

#### Long Service leave
In October I will be taking three weeks long service leave to accompany my husband to bonnie Scotland. I am looking forward to visiting the Isle of Skye which is my ancestral home!

I do hope everyone has a well-deserved holiday as we prepare to move into a busy Term 4.

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**Gail Smith**  Principal
Respectful Responsible Learner

The focus for this term is:

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Assembly Award Winners

Term 3 Weeks 8 and 9

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SILVER AWARD RECIPIENTS


GOLD AWARD RECIPIENTS

Tamara A, Toby S, Thomas O, Jade A, Byron A, Andres A

School News

Lost property
Thank you to 5/6M who cleaned out the very full lost property box last week. All clothing that was named was able to be returned to students, however the majority of clothing was unnamed or not able to be read and was sent to the uniform shop. May I ask that over the holidays you check that everything is clearly named.
Sports Update
PSSA sport will commence this Friday for students who have been selected in our Eagle Tag, Cricket, T-Ball and Softball teams. Please ensure permission notes are returned by 9am Friday morning.

Congratulations to Gus D, Zed D, Marcus V and Lucy E who represented the Warringah Zone at the Sydney North Athletics carnival last Monday. They did us all proud with their incredible efforts which included:

- Zed – 1st in 11 Years 100m
- Marcus – 4th in 11 Years Discus
- Gus – 7th in 8 Years 100m

Zed will now progress to the State carnival where he will compete as a representative of Sydney North. We wish him best of luck at the next event.

Congratulations to Jack B, whose name was inadvertently left out of the zone results in our last Forest Focus. Jack ran a fantastic race and came 4th in the 10 Years 800m. Well done Jack!

P & C News

President’s Report
As term 3 comes to an end I’d like to thank everyone who has volunteered in various roles to help the P&C deliver the events and services this term. Without your contribution, the P&C could not operate and you are true ‘local heroes’.

The P&C Federation election will be taking place next term. At our next P&C meeting we will discuss candidates and cast our vote.

Term 4 will be a busy term for the P&C. The Fair, our biggest fundraiser for the year and an amazing community event will take place on Nov 9. This requires a huge effort from the school community as a whole, so watch out for notes in the Focus on how you can help out.

Next term also sees the AGM. At this meeting ALL positions within the P&C will be declared vacant and filled for 2015. If you are interested in finding out more about ANY of the roles within the P&C, please don’t hesitate to contact me sandiedocker@gmail.com. The more involved you are, the stronger the P&C, the more enriched your child’s school life.

Have a safe and happy holiday. See you next term.
Next P&C meeting Wednesday October 15.

Sandie Docker
P&C President

Be involved = Make a Difference
Tea @ Tina's Reunion
Thank you to all the bakers and volunteers who helped last Friday at the Tea @ Tina's reunion. Quite a few faces from the past turned up for a cuppa and a chat.

Roster volunteers for Term 4
We cannot run the canteen without the help of all our parent volunteers. Thank you to all of those who gave their time this term – we really appreciate it. If you would like to help in the canteen, a note will go out early next term with available shifts…we’d love to see you in the canteen! We will have a new summer menu starting in Term 4 – gelatos are back, along with some new items!! The canteen will reopen on **Wednesday 8 October**.

Charlotte Nash
FFPS Canteen Convener

Grounds and Gardens

Working Bee
Please join us on Sunday 19 October from 2pm-5pm for a quick tidy up around the grounds before the Fair. The afternoon will conclude with a BBQ and promises to be lots of fun. Any help you can give will be much appreciated!
P&C Grounds and Gardens Committee

Fundraising

Christmas Fair 2014

The fair is fast approaching and we are still in need of items for our white elephant stall so please keep them coming. Ideas of what to bring are toys for all ages, games, bric-a-brac, books, clothes, kitchen items, dress ups. Anything you would sell at a garage sale we can sell at our white elephant stall.

Be on the lookout for the roster, which has been emailed today. The fair can only happen with our lovely parent volunteers, so please be sure to put your name down on a 90 minute shift.

I still have outside stall holder spaces available. If you or someone you know is interested, please give them my contact details. Donations on behalf of you or the business you work for are definitely welcome. There are many things to come at the start of next term as the Fair is on November 9, so be on the lookout for raffle tickets, tombola note, roster and lollies. The Christmas Fair is a very exciting time for our school community. Please get involved and make a difference.

If you have any fair questions or you would like to get involved please contact Tonya Richards on 0410 297 556 or email at wifie.richards@gmail.com.
Uniform Shop

Children come back to school next term in their summer uniform. The Uniform Shop opening hours for Term 4 are:

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If you are unable to visit at these times, please complete an order form, available from the office, or download one from the FFPS website. Orders will be filled each Friday. Payment is by cash or cheque only. Sorry we do not have credit card facilities.

Deb Hishon
Uniform Shop Co-ordinator