



FAIRVIEWS

I Learn to Live

Term 1, Week 11

Wednesday 11 April 2018

Coming Up...

13 April
Yr 12 Half
Yearly
Exams
Ends

13 April
Last Day of
Term 1

30 April
Staff
Development
Day

1 May
All Students
Return

14 May
Junior
Athletics
Carnival

15 May
Senior
Athletics
Carnival

15 May
NAPLAN
Begins

25 May
NAPLAN
Concludes

30 May
Yr 12
Drama
Performance

1 June
Zone Cross
Country

14 June
SSW Cross
Country

FAIRVALE CELEBRATES HARMONY DAY



On Harmony Day, Wednesday March 21, the nation celebrated our diversity and the need for respect for everyone. Thank you to all the students who participated and embraced the spirit of the day. We would like to acknowledge the efforts and enthusiasm of those SRC members who braved the wet and crowded conditions to take photographs of our school coming together to positively celebrate the diversity of our student body, promoting mutual respect and belonging for everyone.

Thank you.

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Term 1 has been a full and enriching time for our students. They have participated in academic, sporting and extra-curricular activities and completed assessments in most subject areas.

Mid Semester examinations are in progress and Year 12 students can now look forward to receiving their reports early in Term 2. Please ensure that the feedback recommended from class teachers is given attention and followed through. Parents / Guardians are most welcome to contact the Year Advisers, Ms Barreca and Mr Lin, or the appropriate Head Teacher to discuss their son's/daughter's progress.

The staff have benefitted from a weekend conference focusing on Building An "Inclusive Community". Guest speakers included Joe Hendershott, Allison Mooney, Nikki Heald and Sue Neferis. Thank you to the P&C for supporting this professional learning activity.

Term 2 is the time when the winter uniform is worn and students will be wearing either the **junior or senior tie**. Ties are available from the uniform shop which is open on Mondays and Wednesdays.

As well, we would encourage all parents/guardians to support our endeavours in ensuring that Fairvale students present themselves with pride in the local community. This can be achieved by the wearing of full school uniform to and from home.

We trust that you have a relaxing and safe April Holidays.

Regards,
Mrs K Seto



GIFTED AND TALENTED CLASSES FOR 2019

The Gifted and Talented program is a rigorous academic program that enables students to extend their education and develop important skills for the future. If you are interested in applying please contact the school in 9604 3118.

Fairvale High School is currently accepting expressions of interest for the Gifted and Talented class for Year 7 2019.



GLO WORKSHOP: HAVING A PASSION FOR CHANGE



On 7 and 8 March, 10 girls from Years 10 - 12 were given an opportunity to attend an entrepreneurship workshop facilitated by Global Sisters, an organisation that helps, mentors and invests in businesses created by women. Our challenge at this conference was to establish our

own business. First, we considered an inherent issue in our local community that we thought we could change. Our group decided on combatting stereotypes present in education, focusing especially on how these stereotypes limit students in their schooling journey and create a feeling of apathy towards this part of their lives. Such feelings can limit students in their future endeavours. Our group decided that we wanted to change these stigmas and instil a sense of belief in the students who face such stereotypes. So, we created a social enterprise called PasionImpact. Myself and my partners had a passion for change, a passion to motivate students and make them feel able to do well in school. Our goal was to fight against the stereotype that being from Western Sydney automatically meant failure. Our goal was to prove these stereotypes wrong and make students believe that they could achieve anything they wanted to. With this being our problem, we decided our solution would be to facilitate ongoing workshops in our local community, aimed at helping to build the foundations for success and as well as create a belief in this success, irrespective of these stereotypes. Along with these workshops, we decided that we would create an app that will provide study tips and daily confidence boosts to ensure that these students will remain resilient through failure and through the face of these unjust assertions.

Throughout the two days, our team conducted market research, created a logo,

created a business plan and pitched these ideas to a panel of 3 judges. While we did not win this



challenge in the end, we learnt a lot of invaluable information about starting a business, entrepreneurship, and effective communication. We would also like to thank Matelita Tuitahi who involved Fairvale in this event and Ms Pixomatis for organising the excursion and liaising with the company for us.

Sylvia Mikha - Year 12

MOCK TRIALS

On Wednesday 21 March 2018, a group of students selected from Year 10 commerce classes participated in their first Mock Trial. Our opposition was year 11 Legal Studies students from Cabramatta High School. We were given the opportunity to experience and gain an insight into the procedures of a Criminal Trial. Both teams prepared evidence before the trial, impersonating the roles of certain court personnel. The evidence was presented before lawyer Peter Hansen who took on the role of the magistrate (judge).

During the mock trial, students with or without active roles learnt numerous skills and gained knowledge on the importance of being organised and well-rehearsed. From Mr Hansen, we learnt that lawyers must reduce the credibility of the opposing team's witnesses in order to win trials.

Mock trials can prove to be very difficult and stressful as it requires a great deal of commitment and devotion. However, with extensive team work and a strong means of motivation it proves to be a fun and rewarding experience for all of us.

Overall we had an amazing day as we received useful information and had the opportunity to meet new people with similar interests. We look forward to future trials and further opportunities to develop our skills. On behalf of the team we would like to thank Miss Zoghaib for making this experience possible. We would also like to give a special thanks to Sylvia Mikha for taking time off her busy schedule in order to assist in the preparations of the trial and for her guidance.

Anthony Bun and Zainab Eid - Year 10



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GIRLS BASKETBALL ON A WINNING BOUNCE!

On Monday 19 March the Open Girls Basketball played Prairiewood High. It was a good game for the junior players sitting on the side as they got the



opportunity to have a run against much older players. In the end Fairvale dominated play on both defence and offence winning 41 - 2. Player of the match went to *Serena Sok* with her sharp shooting abilities from the outside.

Mr Lin - Coach

AND ANOTHER WIN FOR THE GIRLS!

On Wednesday 28 March the Open Girls Basketball team played Bass Hill High in a battle to reach Central venue. Fairvale faced their most physical opponents in recent memory and found themselves trailing in the first half. However, the girls clawed their way back on the back of Nancy's driving into the lane, aggressive defence by Belinda, Rebecca, Kalameli and our centre Cindy. And sharp shooting by Sarena and Nghi from the outside when Bass Hill left them free.



In the end it was a nail biter with Fairvale prevailing 24 - 18 battered and bruised, but victorious.

Well done to the girls for their wins!

AA EXPLORE ANCIENT GREECE

As part of their History and Visual Arts studies the Diverse Learners have been busy making a number of works that reflect their understanding of the Ancient Greeks. They have learnt all about the Greek Gods, the origins of the Olympics, Ancient Greek architecture and famous Greek pottery.



PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE 2018

Because reading is such an important key to success in life, each year we have this Challenge, where students read 20 books (15 from a long list, and 5 of their choice) between now and the end of August. The Challenge is open to all students from Years 7, 8 and 9. Many of the Year 7s will have done it before in Primary School.



It is great to keep encouraging secondary students to read for enjoyment. Secondary school is a time when many begin to lose interest in books and reading – and yet they need the skill of reading well even more. You can log on at <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html> with your school user name and password.

Any questions? The Library staff and the English staff can help.

FAIRVALE HIGH SCHOOL - 2018 - CROSS COUNTRY



STEM - MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY

On Tuesday 20 March, students from 8X travelled to Macquarie University for a STEM conference held by 1Scope. The day consisted of insightful talks from highly successful companies such as Atlassian, Microsoft and Optus. These talks sparked enthusiasm in the realm of STEM careers amongst many students and definitely helped in the gruelling task of choosing careers in the future. During the time at Macquarie University, we also had the chance to play with virtual reality hardware and had the opportunity to mingle with many big names in Science and Technology. Overall, the day was not only educational, but a lot of fun!



FVHS CAREERS

Have you ever wanted to find out more about the career prospects available for your child?

You just have to access the Fairvale High School home page and click on the Careers icon. You will find various headings to click on. Under the "Important Information" link you will find information on tax file numbers, Fairvale Careers newsletters and under "Links" there is a vast amount of information, there is a "HSC/ROSA" heading, the "Post School Options" heading has information on Universities, TAFE, Defence Force, Policing, Volunteering. There is a "For Parents" link with information on parenting, Bull's Eye Charts that give information on jobs in each subject area that may interest your child. There is also a "Student's" link that gives information on scholarships, careers games and coping with stress.

You have the opportunity to find out information on job growth areas, University, TAFE, Private Colleges, Apprenticeships, Traineeships and Employment. This opportunity is available to all parents and carers of students regardless of year group (Year 7 - 12).

Parents and carers play a vital role in influencing their children to make future career decisions. It is never too early to start exploring future career possibilities and planning towards goals. Having a conversation with your child about their career interests is a fantastic way to begin.

To talk to the Careers Adviser regarding your child you can contact Kaye Higgins or Meryl Davies on 9604 3118.

CAREER NEWS

Year 11 and Year 12 students have the opportunity to attend Open Days and Career Expos for the various educational institutions over the next months. Please make the most of these Open Days. Take a tour, speak to the lecturers and ask the current students about the courses available.

Ms Higgins - Career Adviser



	Day	Institution	Website
April	21	Billy Blue College of Design, Ultimo	torrens.edu.au
	21	William Blue College of Hospitality, The Rocks	torrens.edu.au
May	5	JMC Academy	jmcacademy.edu.au
	7	Hotel Career Expo	hotelcareerexpo.com.au
June	2-3	HSC and Career Expo, Moore Park	hscandcareers.com.au
	2-3	Skills Show Australia, Sydney	skillsshow.org.au
	15	Charles Sturt University, Bathurst	csu.edu.au/myday
	16	NIDA	nida.edu.au
June July	30 - 1	Western Sydney Career Expo, Olympic Park	westernsydneycareerexpo.com.au
August	3	TOP Education Institute	top.edu.au
	4	Torrens University	torrens.edu.au
	5	International College of Management, Manly	icms.edu.au
	5	SAE Creative Media	sae.edu.au
	11	Macleay College, Surry Hills	macleay.edu.au
	11	University of Wollongong	uow.edu.au
	11	Australian Film Television & Radio School	afters.edu.au
	16	NIDA, Kensington	nida.edu.au
	18	Macquarie University, North Ryde	mq.edu.au
	19	Western Sydney University, Parramatta	westernsydney.edu.au
	23	University of Wollongong, Liverpool	uow.edu.au
	23	CQ University, Sydney	cqu.edu.au/openday
	25	Sydney College of the Arts	sydney.edu.au/sca
	25	University of Sydney	sydney.edu.au
	25	University of Technology, Sydney	uts.edu.au
	26	Australian National University, Canberra	anu.edu.au
	26	University of Newcastle	newcastle.edu.au

SCHOOL UNIFORM - TERM 2 AND 3

Dear Students / Parents / Carers

Friendly reminder that during Terms 2 and 3 students are encouraged to wear the winter school uniform, this includes the use of either the junior or senior tie.

Please refer to the Student Diary for an outline detailing more information about the girl's and boy's School Uniform Policy.

1



1) Start with the wide end ("W") of your necktie on the right, extending about 12 inches below the narrow end ("N") on the left.

2



2) Then cross the wide end over the narrow end.

3



3) Bring the wide end around and behind the narrow end.

4



4) Then bring the wide end up.

5



5) Pull the wide end through the loop and to the right.

6



6) Bring the wide end around front, over the narrow end from right to left.

7



7) Again, bring the wide end up and through the loop.

8



8) Then, bring the wide end down through the knot in front.

9



9) And -- using both hands -- tighten the knot carefully and draw it up to the collar.

Simply keep working on this necktie knot and be sure to practice a few times until you are really good at it!

DAYLIGHT - SCHOOL UNIFORM

Daylight Schoolwear has a website that will enable parents and students to purchase school uniforms anytime. Simply create an account profile, place your order and select 'walk in' to pick up your order from the School Uniform Shop on the next open day.

School Uniform Shop open days / hours:

Monday 8:00am - 12:00pm and Wednesday 8:00am - 12:00pm

For future details, please see website: www.daylightsportswear.com/fairvale

NOTE TO PARENTS / CARERS

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Education in New South Wales is compulsory. This means all children from six years of age and under the minimum school leaving age are legally required to attend school.

Parents or carers are responsible for making sure that their children comply with these legal requirements.

Regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. Fairvale High works in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance. When your child attends school every day and on time, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.



ATTENDANCE AND ABSENCES

Parents must ensure their children attend school **every day and by 8:40am**. It is important to tell the school if your child has to be absent or late from school and to provide a reason for the absence.

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment

Parents must provide an explanation for absences to the school **within 7 days**. These explanations can be:

- Verbal – including a phone call or a conversation in person with the parent. A record of the conversation must be made by school personnel and kept with other absence explanations.
- Written – a letter from the parent or a doctor's certificate explaining the absence.
- Electronic – an email or text message explaining an absence. A record must be made by school personnel and kept with other absence explanations.

Do not keep your child away from school for the following reasons:

birthdays - shopping - minding other children - routine check ups or care such as hair cuts - minor family events - sleeping in.

Medical and other health appointments for your child should be made either before or after school or during the school holidays.

Fairvale High school is regularly monitoring student attendance and notifies parents via SMS if their child is late to school or absent from the attendance roll.

Mira Sekuloski - Head Teacher Administration

DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 2 2018

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS Monday 16 April to Friday 27 April Monday 30 April - Staff Development Day Tuesday 1 May - ALL STUDENTS RETURN					
Term 2	30 April	1 May	2 May	3 May	4 May
Week 1	Staff Development Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All Students Return 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 9 English incursion Yr 10 English incursion Open Girls Volleyball 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mock Trials Girls basketball Final U/14 Rugby Buckley Shield
	7 May	8 May	9 May	10 May	11 May
Week 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 9 Debating Yr 11 Careers incursion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 11 Visual Arts excursion Yr 8x Spanish excursion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> U/14 Boys Futsal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 12 Earth & Enviro Science excursion Yr 12 Music HSC Study Day U/16 Boys Futsal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 10 PASS incursion
	14 May	15 May	16 May	17 May	18 May
Week 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Junior Athletics Carnival 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Athletics Carnival NAPLAN begins Yr 9 Science Skills test 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 8 X, Y, C, D, E, F Science test 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 8 A & B Science test Yr 11 Earth & Enviro Science excursion
	21 May	22 May	23 May	24 May	25 May
Week 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 10 Science Topic test 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 9 Science Skills test 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 10 Literacy Writing test 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 10 & 11 Vaccinations Yr 10 Literacy Reading test Yr 10 Numeracy test 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NAPLAN concludes Yr 10 Numeracy test Yr 10 Reading test
	28 May	29 May	30 May	31 May	1 June
Week 5		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 12 Visual Arts / Design and Photography excursion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 12 Drama performance Yr 10 Writing test 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 10 Numeracy test U/16 Girls Futsal Yr 1 Chemistry excursion Yr 10 Writing test Yr 10 Reading test 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zone Cross Country Yr 10 Numeracy test
	4 June	5 June	6 June	7 June	8 June
Week 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 10 & 8 French excursion Open Girls Handball 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open Boys Handball 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 10 Writing test 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 11 English test Yr 10 Reading test 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 10 Numeracy test
	11 June	12 June	13 June	14 June	15 June
Week 7			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 10 Writing test 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SSW Cross Country Yr 10 Reading test 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yr 12 Chemistry excursion

Please Note: The above events and/or event dates are subject to change.

If you have any questions, please contact the school on - 9604 3118
or visit the website - www.fairvalehigh.com/

WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE



Congratulations to all students for assisting to raise funds and awareness for a cure for blood cancer by taking part in the 2018 Leukaemia Foundation's World's Greatest Shave activities on Friday 16 March. Students had the opportunity to wear a hat of their choice on the day with a gold coin donation being given during roll call. A total of \$890 was raised for the Leukaemia Foundation and some of Mr Freney's hair is still scattered around parts of the COLA. (Rumour has it that Miss Prevezanos will shave her hair next year if we can break a \$1000 in fundraising). It goes without saying the support provided by our school community has been



enormous and we are forever grateful! Thank you Mr Micallef and Mr Freney Year 9 Advisers



FRENCH FILM FESTIVAL 2018

In celebration of the Alliance Francaise French Film Festival 2018, the Year 9 and 11 elective French classes had the opportunity to watch the fantastic French film, *Belle et Sebastien - Le dernier chapitre*, at the Palace Street Cinema in Leichhardt. The movie followed the adventures of Sebastien and his dog Belle in the French alps. After the movie we enjoyed lunch at a quiet, park reserve where we were able to bond with our peers and discuss the film. One of the highlights of the excursion was getting to meet students from other grades that shared a common love for the French language.

Raja Al-Saberi and Lillian Amin - Year 9 French

