

FAIRVIEWS

Term 4 Week 10, Tuesday 17 December 2019

Coming Up...

17 Dec. Reports Issued

18 Dec. Last Day of School

19 Dec. School Holidays Commence

<mark>25 Dec.</mark> Christmas Day

26 Dec. Boxing Day

31 Dec. New Year's Eve

<mark>1 Jan. 2020</mark> New Year's Day

27 Jan. Australia Day Holiday

28 Jan. Staff Development Day

29 Jan. Years 7, 11, 12 Start School

30 Jan. Years 8, 9, 10 Start School

INTRODUCING FAIRVALE HIGH SCHOOL'S 2020 SCHOOL CAPTAINS



From left:	Sam Abdulkareem (Captain), Zainab Eid (Vice Captain),
	Cindy Lam (Sport Captain),
	Valentina Sol Silva (Junior Vice Captain),
	Isabella Awraham (Captain),
	Alyssa Luhr (Junior Captain),
	Grace Dinh (Junior Vice Captain),
	Thanh Duong (Sports Captain),
	Alyssa Chum (Vice Captain), Dean Munoz (Vice Captain)

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ART EXPRESS SUCCESS FOR CLASS OF 2019

A huge congratulations to our Year 12 Visual Arts students Kristine Huynh and Victor Ou for having their artworks selected for the very prestigious 2020 ART EXPRESS exhibition.

ARTEXPRESS is an annual exhibition of exemplary artworks created by New South Wales visual arts students for the Higher School Certificate examination.

Kristine's photographs and book photomedia work '*I Will Go Before You*' will be exhibited at The Amoury Gallery, Sydney Olympic Park and Victor's forty miniature gouache paintings '*Momentary Beauty*' will be exhibited at The Art Gallery of N.S.W.



Ms Haberecht and Ms Nou - Visual Arts



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Fairvale High has had an exceptional year in all aspects of school life. The students have been focused and aspiring in class, sporting, cultural and social activities and have achieved value added results. I would like to thank the teaching staff who have been dedicated in the pursuit of an aspiring, inclusive and respectful learning environment. My appreciation to the teachers' aides, administration staff, Community Liaison Officers, General Assistants, cleaners and itinerant support teachers who support our students every day.

My gratitude extends also to the members of the P&C for their continuation of the P&C scholarships and their participation in the school's decision making and merit selection processes.

On this occasion we would like to acknowledge a number of staff members who have attained merit selection positions during the year:

- Ms Dianne Piet the position of Deputy Principal;
- Ms Janelle Grills the position of Business Manager;
- Ms Pru Husari the position of Head Teacher Diverse Learning;
- Mr Peter Repousis the position of Teacher Diverse Learning;
- Mr Long Nguyen the position of Teacher Home Economics;
- Ms Melissa Elliott the position of Teacher Home Economics;
- Ms Laurie Zoghaib the position of Teacher Social Sciences;
- Ms Samantha Moore the position of Teacher Science;
- Ms Seika Nou the position of Teacher Visual Arts;
- Ms Cassandra Suberlak the position of Science Assistant;
- Ms Rochelle Rastall as School Administration Officer.

Thank you also to the teachers who have relieved in higher positions throughout the year:

- Ms Caterina Malki as relieving Head Teacher Home Economics;
- Mr Dylan Trevor as relieving Head Teacher Science;
- Ms Rosalyn Hoang as relieving Head Teacher Mathematics;
- Mr Graham Micallef as relieving Head Teacher Industrial Arts;
- Mr Brett Calder as relieving Head Teacher Performing Arts; and Ms Julia Brown as relieving Head Teacher History

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT CONTINUED...

Fairvale students have been involved in a wide range of extra-curricular activities ranging from public speaking, debating, mock trials, dance ensembles and music concerts through to SRC leadership events. A number of our students represented the school at ANZAC and Remembrance Day ceremonies at the local RSL clubs. We appreciate their representation and thank their teachers and 2019 SRC coordinators Ms King and Ms Feng for organising their attendance.

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected as per our merit processes to the student leadership team:

Captains: Sam Abdulkareem and Isabella Awraham

Vice Captain: Alyssa Chum, Zainab Eid and Dean Munoz

Junior Captain: Alyssa Luhr

Junior Vice Captains: Grace Dinh and Valentina Sol Silva

Sports Captain: Thanh Duong and Cindy Lam

On Friday 13 December we recognised all our numerous sportspeople who have improved and excelled in various sports throughout 2019. For six years in a row Fairvale High students have won the Zone Cross Country and Zone Athletics Competitions and achieved Overall Champion Sports School. Well done to all our competitors!

Year 12 received their Higher School Certificate (HSC) results Tuesday 17 December and we look forward to value added results for every one of our Year 12 students. All Year 12 are welcome to come to the school on Tuesday 17 December for an afternoon tea.

As well, Ngoc Gia Han Huynh and Victor-Sokphan Ou have had their Body of Works nominated for Art Express 2019. A wonderful achievement indeed.

Brenda Chang (Year 8) was successful in being selected for the 2020 Harding Miller Education Foundation scholarship. A wonderful achievement indeed.

In the area of professional learning we held our twelfth staff conference. Next year we will continue this tradition as we plan for staff conference to be held in March 2020 with special guest presenter Steve Francis.

Moreover many excursions, incursions, study skills workshops and Life Ready camp were held throughout the year. Thank you to all the staff who organised these events.

Our capital works program in terms of the tender process has been finalised and hopefully construction will recommence in January and the final product will be a new COLA, Year 7 area, 30 classrooms, including specialist art, hospitality and science rooms and a multi-purpose hall. Other capital works this year has seen the building of three lift shafts, ramps and fixing of hand rails to all our stairs. The lifts will be fully installed and operational for 2020 and we appreciate this access for our students with physical needs.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT CONTINUED...

This year was our 50th anniversary and we celebrated this occasion last term with a celebratory dinner in the Bini for our ex-students and publication of our book "Celebrating 50 years of Public Education". It was an occasion with speeches from our 1969 Boy Captain Gordon White, Bill Harrigan, Nicholas Mirzai and Jane Simmons (DP / Leading Teacher).

Thank you to the organising committee and attendees. It was a wonderful way to celebrate 50 years of Public Education to the Fairvale community.

Finally, I would like to wish the students, staff and parents a refreshing break over the festive season and a safe and happy New Year. Together with the staff I look forward to working with the students

and the community to improve further the learning outcomes for Fairvale High in 2020. Thank you all for your support for the Senior Executive and Executive throughout this year.



Regards,

Mrs K Seto

MEMBER OF FAIRFIELD - MR GUY ZANGARI

October 2019, excerpt from the Legislative Assembly Hansard and Papers.

"I send a message to all students who are still unsure about what they want to do when they graduate, what career path they wish to follow or what their next step in life should be. I encourage those young people to try not to stress. They are not alone and what they are feeling is completely normal. Everyone goes through stages of uncertainty, doubt and confusion. If they give it time they will eventually choose their desired paths. On a personal note, when they reflect back to this week 30 years ago when I too was graduating from year 12, I would have never in a million years dreamed that this is how my life would have panned out. Despite believing that they are barrelling themselves down a single path, I assure those young people that life has a funny way of working things out and that new paths will continually open up throughout their lifetimes. They just have to keep their eyes peeled for the opportunities that come up.

None of us would be here today without the ongoing contributions, support and guidance of our friends, family, teachers and support staff. They have played an invaluable role in shaping us into who we are today.

... I have seen many of the graduating 2019 class coming through the years group, starting from feeder schools to entry into their respective schools in year 7. If fill me with great pride to have seen those students grow and mature over the years and to see them now going into the world as young adults and fine upstanding citizens in our community. On behalf of the people in the electorate of Fairfield I congratulate the year 12 students of Fairvale High School" (Note: the other schools of the Fairfield area are mentioned).

SUPPORTING MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

In response to Australia's Mental Health Awareness Month campaign 'Share the Journey' 2019, Fairvale ran a number of wellness activities during lunch times. Some of these activities included: Yoga, Social Inc, Mindfulness Relaxation activities, Mindful Colouring sessions, Time to Shine (shining our respectable school shoes), Meet Someone New and Big Screen (a movie club).

We had many students attend these activities. As a result, some activities continued to ran for the rest of the year. W1 is now permanently open and available for students during breaks, Yoga is on at lunch time on Thursday in the Foley Centre. Social Inc runs each even week in P5 on Mondays. Ms Glen - Diverse Learning

BOOK WEEK 2019

Last term, the library celebrated Children's Book Week. This year's theme was 'Reading is my secret power'. During this week awards for the best Australian children's books of 2019 are announced. Two of this year's winners were the novel, Between Us by Clare Atkins (Book of the Year: Older Readers). This book tells the story of the friendship between two teenagers who are separated by cultural differences, their parents' expectations and twenty kilometres of barbed wire in a detention centre.

BOOK WEEK 2019





Cicada by Shaun Tan is Picture Book of the Year. It tells the story of a hardworking little cicada who is completely unappreciated for what he does. In the end, just when you think he's given up, he makes a transformation into something beautiful. It is a great metaphor for both growing up and working hard. These books are available for loan in the library now.

Fairvale High School's Library celebrated with many great activities



organised by the library and the SRC. Students and teachers enjoyed being able to dress up one afternoon as their favourite superheroes or book characters. Teachers were asked to contribute a book review of their favourite novel for a book review guessing competition. Students were eagerly trying to match each book review to the teacher who wrote it. In

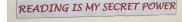
addition, there was a social media photo frame available in the library for students to pose with. Great fun was had by all!

> Ms Chen -Library













READING IS MY SECRET POWER

UNDER 15S BASKETBALL WENT WEST

Mid September, Fairvale Under 15s Basketball team went West. Way west; 5.5 hours drive, over the Blue Mountains, past Bathurst, past Goulburn and past Dubbo to the small country town of West Wyalong. On the way we saw small country towns affected by devastating drought. Despite this, people offered us smiles, welcomes and even free food. We saw fields of green and yellow for towns closer to the Blue Mountains. The game against West Wyalong was a tough one. This was a team used to state and they played confidently, shutting our quick counter attacks with hard man coverage. West Wyalong did not allow Fairvale to play their style and this was key to their win. In the end they pulled away in the last quarter winning 44-17. Humbled, the girls congratulated West Wyalong and made some friends from the country. The journey home although a more sombre one was quickly brightened by snow up in the Mountains and then warm pies for lunch. After it was all said and done, Fairvale U15 girls had a stellar season and a trip to remember for the rest of their lives.



DIVERSE LEARNING GALA DAY



On Friday 25 October Lansdowne Zone invited us to attend a Diverse Learning Gala Day. It was a fun day for everyone. We caught the bus to Inflatable World and met other schools there. While there we had the opportunity to enjoy the fun slides, jumping castles, played Futsal and a game of modified Endzone. We made some new friends and saw some friendly faces from last year. We would like to thank Lansdown Zone and especially Ms Lacroix for organising such a fun dav for us. Written by - AB English



UNIFORM SHOP SPECIAL OPENING HOURS				Tuesday	28 January 2019	8:00am - 12:00pm
Wednesday	15 January 2019	8:00am - 12:00pm	DAYLIGHT	Wednesday	29 January 2019	8:00am - 1:00pm
Friday	17 January 2019	8:00am - 12:00pm		Thursday	30 January 2019	8:00am - 12:00pm
Tuesday	21 January 2019	8:00am - 1:00pm	SCHOOLWEAR MANDPACTURING CO.	Friday	31 January 2019	8:00am - 12:00pm
Wednesday	22 January 2019	8:00am - 1:00pm		THEN EVERY MONDAY: 8:00AM- 12:00PM		
Thursday	23 January 2019	8:00am - 1:00pm		WEDNESDAY: 8:00AM - 12:00PM For purchases online: daylightsportswear.com/fairvale		

YEAR 7 VISUAL ARTS FAIRVALE ARCHIBALD PRIZE 2019

As a foundation to study the portraiture and prestigious Archibald Prize exhibition, Year 7 Visual Arts painted a portrait of a randomly selected Fairvale teacher. The Fairvale Teacher Portrait exhibition took place on Monday 28 October.





Fairvale students and staff were invited to view the exhibition and anonymously vote for their favourite portrait. Thank you to everyone who came to view and vote. We will be announcing the winners in the next coming weeks. Ms Aprea - Visual Arts







DARE TO RIDE A ROLLER-COASTER?

Students from stage 4 had to utilise their engineering skills to create a roller coaster that will take a marble for a 5 second ride. This project required students to think critically about structural support and obstacles for time delays. There were lots of successful designs including the best recorded time of 12 seconds! Well done everyone!

Ms Zhang - STEM











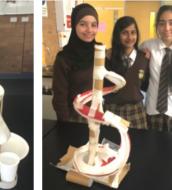






















YEAR 9 MAD NIGHT CONCERT

On Wednesday 4

December, Year 9 Elective Music students had their 'MAD NIGHT' Concert on stage involving band performances. These performances were rehearsed during the term where students had to write chord charts and communicate with each other on a weekly basis. The night was fantastic as there were 15 performances across the two elective music classes. It ran smoothly because of our MC for the night, Valentina Silva. The music teachers worked hard in preparing and organising the concert with our backstage crew, consisting of students helping as well. Student peers and family joined us in the audience to encourage student performances.

Well done to Year 9 Elective Music 2019 and a big thank you to Mr Calder, Mr Anou, Mr Leadbeater and Mr Hart.

















SCHOOL SPECTACULAR 2019

On Friday 22 November, a number of students represented Fairvale High School at the 2019 Schools Spectacular at Qudos Bank Arena, Sydney. It was an amazing and magnificent sight to experience with the company of music elective students, Mr Anou, Mr Calder and Mr Leadbeater. We are proud to say that we had an engaging and wonderful time amongst the other schools in the audience. We all witnessed amazing choreography and lovely performances that awakened many emotions. We all had such a wonderful time and made it home safely. The performances inspired us in our creativity and we hope to be able to see this again in the future. Edwina Areai - Year 10







AA MENAI SPORTS DAY



On Monday 21 October. 10 students from Diverse Learning were invited to participate in the Menai Multi Sports Dav for students with disabilities. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a range of individual and team sports including hockey, tennis, basketball, rugby union and soccer. The students had a great

> Mr Repousis -Diverse Learning

SCIENCE GIFTED AND TALENTED DAY AT WESTERN SYDNEY UNIVERSITY

day

On Friday 6 December, 8X attended a day of experiments in the new labs in the Science building at Western Sydney University, Parramatta. The day comprised of 3 different labs: Cool, Colour and Create.

In the Colour lab, we used different experiments which focussed on Colour, including colouring carnations with different colours and saw a reaction that caused different colours, heat and fire. In the Cool lab, we got to use Liquid nitrogen and made ice-cream which was yum. In the Create lab, we made an interesting cornflour experiment which turns liquid into solid by just touching it - it was amazing and made slime. We had an awesome day!



AD SLR EXCURSION

On Wednesday 6 November, Diverse Learning students in the Senior SLR class participated in an end of year hike. This excursion was to promote and continue the study and practice of living an active and recreational lifestyle. Students were given the opportunity to participate in travel training via train from Fairfield to Wentworth Falls and participate in an outdoor hike at a popular and safe tourist destination. the James Darwin. It was a fun day had by all.







MATHEMATICS LUNA PARK EXCURSION



On Monday 11 November, students 9Y, 9X, 9A and half of 9B went to Luna Park. We travelled by bus to the theme park and we got to enjoy rides such as the Moon Ranger, Coney Island, the Ferris wheel and many more thrilling rides. We could roam the Park with our own friendship groups while completing a mathematics booklet with questions relating to each ride. We were given an unlimited pass and could go on as many rides as we desired. The experience was very memorable, tonnes of fun and the highlight of my year.

Helena Exequiel - Year 9

Going to Luna Park was an amazing experience and is sure to be a cherished memory I will hold onto for years to come. Even the bus ride was considerably exciting as my



friends and I were talking about what rides we would go on first and what order of rides we should go on next. Throughout the day my friends and I



went on many of the rides that the park offered, some of my favourite rides were the Tumble Tug and the Moon Ranger these rides were thrilling and hair-raising. It was great to learn about the mathematics associated with Luna Park for example how to be the last person remaining on the Joy Wheel. *Amir Rahmany - Year 9*

SOCIAL GOOD SUMMIT

An excellent volunteering opportunity arose for Year 11 students at the annual Social Good Summit, Six others and myself spent the day assisting in areas of technical support, workshop assistance and even washing up! This event, hosted by the United Nations brought to light arising environmental issues. Some speakers introduced innovative gadgets such as sea bins which collected litter and cups made from the coffee husks. It was quite an experience, not only did we volunteer in an unfamiliar setting, we left with a newfound understanding in a sustainable future.



YEP PROGRAM

Year 9 Yep students have been involved in a series of workshops focusing on male health and well-being over last 5 weeks. Students learned how to create and prepare healthy meals to share, participated in meditation and presentations conducted by FLYGHT who tackled mental health issues and how to access local health services and were treated to



a Sports Gala day where they played Soccer, Basket Ball, Oz Tag and Cricket refining their skills and game strategies.



YEAR 7 AND 8 WELLBEING PERFORMANCE

During the first few weeks of term 4 as part of Mental Health month, which is celebrated nationally in October, we ran a series of activities for students to participate in at lunch time. Activates aimed to raise awareness about mental health and wellbeing, help students connect with others, participate in activities to help look after themselves, learn how to relax and look after their wellbeing. On Friday 15 November, as part of Fairvale's Mental Health month activities, Year 7 and 8 attended a 1 hour interactive wellbeing performance in the Bini Shell. One of our school counsellors. Ms Hoarau. helped arrange the funding for this performance so students were not required to pay anything to attend. There were three performances held on the day.

The students watched a performance - The Story of Danni by Mind Blank. It was about Danni a young girl who had to move to a new town and was confronted with a series of challenges that she needed to face and overcome, such as issues with making new friends, her grades, her home life and getting involved in the wrong crowd.





Students watched the performance and then took part in discussions and made suggestions to help Danni the main character through the various difficult periods in her life. Their suggestions for better pathways were then acted out for them to see the more positive outcomes when wise choices are made. Some very brave students, Mr Hart and Ms Hoarau joined the actors to bring the new scenes to life.

Students learnt skills such as:

- problem solving
- how to look after their own wellbeing
- how to support others in time of need and
- how to seek help for themselves and others.

Year 7 and 8 are to be congratulated on how they conducted themselves throughout the performances. The Learning and Wellbeing team and the counsellors hope that students will reflect on what they learnt and use the information throughout their lives.

Ms Efthymiades - Welfare

SCHOOL UNIFORM - SOCKS AND SHOES

It is important that parents and carers provide students with the correct school uniform elements through out the students school years. Below is a friendly reminder of the types of socks and school shoes Fairvale students need to wear to school on a daily basis.

SOCKS: Boys must wear GREY fold down ankle socks. White and black socks are no longer allowed to be worn.

Girls must wear white fold down ankle socks or chocolate brown tights.



SHOES:

All students need to wear school shoes. School shoes must be plain laced leather enclosed shoes.

Girls need to wear brown plain laced leather school shoes.



Boys need to wear black plain laced leather school shoes



Slipper style shoes are banned for safety reasons and sports style shoes and sports shoes are not acceptable. Boots or shoes with steel caps are not allowed.



Students are also reminded to polish their school shoes on a regular basis. This shows pride in appearance and also helps to protect the leather, helps to keep the shoes waterproof and makes the shoes last longer.

If parents / carers / students have any questions regarding the School's Uniform requirements and policy, please contact Ms Efthymiades on 9604 3118.



Fairvale High School

Project update

Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is investing \$6.7 billion over the next four years to deliver 190 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. In addition, a record \$1.3 billion is being spent on school maintenance over five years. This is the largest investment in public education infrastructure in the history of NSW.

Fairvale High School

A project is underway to upgrade Fairvale High School. The project will increase the school's capacity and includes:

- 30 permanent teaching areas including science, technology, food tech and other specialised classroom spaces
- replacing the Bini Dome structure with a multipurpose facility.

Progress summary

The contract for main works went out to tender in late October 2019.

November 2019

Next steps

The tender will close in late November and we anticipate that the contract will be awarded in the summer holidays followed by site establishment. Work is expected to commence before the start of Term 1 2020.

Keeping you informed

School Infrastructure NSW will continue to keep the school community updated as the project progresses.

For more information contact:

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DATES TO REMEMBER TERM 4 2019

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY				
Term 4	4 November	5 November	6 November	7 November	8 November				
Week 4	 Yr 10 Nursing Home Visits 		 Yr 12 Div. Learners excursion 	 VALID Science ends 					
	11 November	12 November	13 November	14 November	15 November				
Week 5	 Remembrance Day HSC 2019 Examinations ends Yr 12 Sign Out Day Yr 9 Maths excursion Yr 11 English Adv. excursion Yr 10 Nursing Home Visits 	 Yr 12 Sign Out Day Yr 8-9 Girls STEM incursion SRC excursion Parent Lunch - Refugee Program 	• Year 12 Graduation	Zone Blues	 Zone Blue Awards Welcome Program Whole school assembly - rollover 				
	18 November	19 November	20 November	21 November	22 November				
Week 6	Commence rollover			 Year 12 Formal Year 9 STEM excursion 	 Yr 11 Music School Spectacular 				
	25 November	26 November	27 November	28 November	29 November				
Week 7		 Yr 9 Commerce excursion 							
	2 December	3 December	4 December	5 December	6 December				
Week 8		 Year 6 Orientation Day 		 Work Ready Day 	 Yr 8X Science excursion 				
	9 December	10 December	11 December	12 December	13 December				
Week 9					 Fairvale High School's Sports Excellence Assembly 				
	16 December	17 December	18 December	19 December	20 December				
Week	 Fairvale High School's 	 Reports Issued 		 Staff Development 	 Staff Development 				

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



DECEMBER 2019 - JANUARY 2020 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS — HAPPY NEW YEA Holidays: Thursday 19 December 2019 to Tuesday 28 January 2020 Monday 27 January 2020: Australia Day Holiday Staff Development Day: Tuesday 28 January 2020 (No students to attend school) Wednesday 29 January 2020: Years 7, 11 & 12 Start School Thursday 30 January 2020: Years 8, 9 & 10 Start School

> 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.fairvale-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/

SEA LIFE AND WILDLIFE EXCURSION

Friday 6 December we visited Darling Harbour's Sydney aquarium and the Wild life Park. We had an amazing time. At Sydney's Wildlife Park, we saw many Australian animals. It was awesome because we were very

close to the animals. We saw snakes, birds, kangaroos, reptiles and we could pat the koalas and the emu. There was a giant crocodile which was great to see. At Sea life, walking under the giant arch aquarium was quite a treat. The new penguin display was the best. We got to go on a small boat and floated around the enclosure. It was very cold! Everybody had a areat time!



Sher Ne Ta Sher Ne Ta - Year 12

