



FAIRVIEWS

I Learn to Live

Term 2 Week 9 Thursday 23 June 2022

INTRODUCING THE LEADERSHIP 2022

Our SRC team is made up of students from all year groups who are passionate, dynamic and focused on the betterment of our school and their fellow students time at Fairvale High School. So far this year, the students have raised \$650 for Lismore Floods, represented our school at ANZAC day services in our local community, raised awareness for a variety of charities, filmed Fairviews stories for L2L on school updates and current events happening around the school, organised activities for students to celebrate Refugee week, and participated in leadership activities. The SRC are also working, with the fellow students of Fairvale, to improve and develop ideas surrounding student wellbeing, the environment and education.

Congratulations to the following students, who are part of the leadership team 2022. We are excited to be working with you all in the coming year.



Back row:

Sama Al Hadaya, Jade Hill, Loluama Amituana, Ali Oun, Valentina Silva, Alyssa Luhr, Judy Phan.

Middle row:

Lachlan Ly, Sama Roy, Stephanie Tran Vo, Alysha Phung, Meleana Fenunuti, Isla Ngo, Kevin Phan, Luke Mai, Mohammad Qays.

Front row:

Sherobeth Bhurra, George George, Helena Exequiel, Grace Dinh, Tina Tran, Yi Wen Chen, Grace Kouch, James Nguyen.

(Other members not in photo)

Jack Maguire, Katelin Trinh, Shwan Amin, Jarrell Timoti, Tabarek Al Sudania, Cherisa Zhang, Ramina Youkhanna, Marrisa Arunothay, Samantha Jap, Steven Trinh, Le Dang Khoa Tran (Sam).

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome back to Term 2 and to all our new students we welcome you and your families to Fairvale High.

Term 1 went by very quickly and the weeks were consumed with settling our students back into the routine of learning along with the issuing of face masks and Rapid Antigen tests.

Hopefully, Term 2 will be of a more moderate pace and the impact of COVID-19 will decrease. That being said, it looks like we will be in for a spike in influenza cases, so the school would strongly recommend to all our students, staff and families to receive their free flu shot in the month of June. Common viruses such as influenza, rhinovirus and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) have made a rapid comeback after plummeting to record lows during the pandemic.

Fairvale High teachers were very happy with the 2021 HSC results with our students performing above state average in a number of Key Learning Areas, despite the hardships of lockdown and learning from home. Congratulations to the following students who achieved 90 plus ATARs:

Tiffany Quach - 99.4 School Dux

Daania Alameddine - 1st in the State for Community & Family Studies

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| • Kamel Atto | • Morrisa Hong |
| • George Au | • Jayden Lay |
| • Mia Djekic | • Tommy Luu |
| • Mary Do | • Richard Ma |
| • Dionn Duong | • Sarah Tran |
| • Kirsten Eap | • Natasha Tran |
| • Lloyd Herwig | |

Well done to the 2021 cohort on achieving these outstanding results during the pandemic/lockdown and the associated stresses of the last two years.

New Staff/Permanent appointments to the school are:

- Ms Rump – School Counsellor
- Ms Mehta Tran – School Counsellor
- Ms Ho – Home Economics
- Ms Rossiter – Diverse Learning
- Ms Marshall – CVTC (temporary appointment)
- Mr McConnell – English
- Mr Huynh – Social Sciences

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT CONTINUED...

Congratulations to Ms P Husari on her attainment by merit to the position of Deputy Principal, Inclusion and Support, and to Mr P Repousis on his attainment by merit to the position of relieving Head Teacher Diverse Learning.

Farewell to Mr Gentle, Ms Hablos and Mr Atkins as they transfer to different schools from the start of Term 3. We wish them all the best in this new chapter of their professional journey.

Regards,
Dr K. Seto



DEPUTY PRINCIPAL INCLUSION AND SUPPORT

As Deputy Principal Inclusion and Support I am confident that every student will have access to a FAIR education here at Fairvale High School. A safe place where students feel known, valued, and cared for. A place where all students belong.

Our school has outstanding programs that can be accessed by all learners, and I am confident that adjustments can be made to ensure that every student has the best opportunity to succeed on their educational journey. As DP Inclusion I will support the wellbeing of our students through emotional, social and intellectual engagement and by fostering positive relationships across the community.

I am looking forward to working with the staff, students, and community in the coming months.



**Ms Husari - Deputy Principal (rel.)
Inclusion and Support**



Dear Colleague,

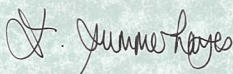
The pandemic of 2020-2021 changed the world as we know it and resulted in unrivalled challenges for students, parents/carers, teachers, support staff and school leaders. None of us could have foreseen the extraordinary measures required in NSW public education to support our school communities to stay safe, well and provide continuity of learning.

I wish to acknowledge each of the 265 schools in Metropolitan South and West School Performance Directorate for their ability to be agile, responsive and determined in meeting the challenges of 2021, and ask that, on behalf of your school community, you accept the attached award.

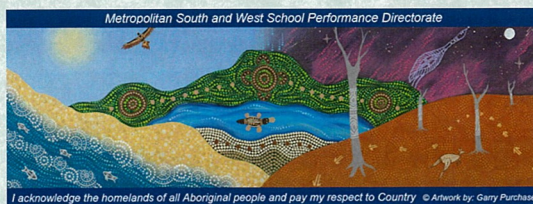
Please share the award proudly with your school community and pass on my sincere thanks for their exceptional contribution to Metropolitan South and West schools and NSW public education throughout 2021.

I would also like to take this opportunity to personally thank you for your leadership, commitment and grit in leading your school community in 2021. You continued to keep students at the centre of decision making and ensure their best interests were considered at all times.

Yours sincerely



Deb Summerhayes
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SCHOOL PERFORMANCE
METROPOLITAN SOUTH AND WEST
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LIBRARY

The Library is excited to have its front door open once again! Our new path means that students can come freely in and out of the library during recess and lunchtime. Students are again enjoying borrowing, studying, working on the computer, reading and playing chess.

Ms Cathie - Library



YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

On Thursday 16th June, the Mayor of Fairfield, Frank Carbone, recognised young people who demonstrate excellence through their leadership, passion, commitment, and enthusiasm. Three Fairvale HS students, Laleiah Tauemua Lakisoe-Mapuna, Jade Hill and Arianna Roberts-Ruwoldt, were all nominated in respective categories by school staff to receive the prestigious Mayor's Youth Achievement Awards for 2022.

Laleiah Tauemua Lakisoe-Mapuna received the Phoenix Award in demonstrating resilience and perseverance. Laleiah continues to inspire those around her through her passion for dance and creative arts.

Jade Hill received the First Nations Youth Award for her commitment to cultural initiatives and programs that promote cultural awareness. She has been featured in videos to promote Harmony Day, National Reconciliation Week and NAIDOC Week. The runner-up and the highly commended for this category was Arianna Roberts-Ruwoldt, who similarly demonstrates a passion for First Nations people and cultural diversity.

Congratulations to these students!





Recently, I submitted a poem to **The Nan Manefield Young Writers' Award**, an open-theme writing prize presented by Stanton Library and North Sydney Council.

My poem began as a free-form writing activity, where I put thoughts on paper and explored where they would go. Eventually I succeeded in finding my concept, though I'm not the only one who deserves credit. Luckily, I have a vibrant English class that constantly inspires my ideas.

Eventually, I completed my poem that's titled "*Elegy for the Unseen*", and it's certainly a favourite of my writings. I was in our car, driving back home from school, when I received the email telling me that I had won best poem for my age group. My Dad was surprised as to why I was suddenly beaming with excitement.

Elegy for the Unseen

Andy Elias

Do not become an expectation,
do not become
the sand that rests
on the beach, waiting
for the wind.

Do not become a memory,
do not become
the light that wanes
off the curtain, slave
to the sun.

Do not become an expectation,
do not become
the raindrop perched
on its green leaf, preparing
for fall.

Do not become a memory,
do not become
the sound that echoes
in the vastness, eternally
forgotten.

Do not become unseen,
do not become
the painting veiled
By Time's cruelty, tugging
On departed thoughts.

DIVERSE LEARNING

Science:

This term students in Diverse Learning have been learning about Rocks and Fossils. They have learnt about the different types of rocks and how different minerals and rocks come together to make landmarks around the world. Students had the opportunity to grow their own crystals.

Work Education:

This term AA has started community access in which students have the opportunity to learn valuable life skills in different settings. This involves students walking to the shops or catching a bus to the shops and completing assigned tasks every week. Students in AA have been purchasing ingredients and supplies so that they can cook simple recipes and learn a variety of application life skills. So far this term AA have made fairy bread and chocolate crackles.

Reconciliation Week – Diverse Learning:

Diverse Learning have commemorated Reconciliation Week in various ways. Miss Tammy has spoken to all classes about the importance of Reconciliation Week as well as the theme for 2022, which is Be Brave. Make Change. Students in AB, AC and AD have created different artworks and AA also decorated cupcakes, using the colours of the Aboriginal Flag, to show their understanding of Reconciliation Week.



Ms Ashleigh - Diverse Learning

FIRST NATIONS YOUTH CULTURAL WORKSHOP

On Tuesday 10 May 2022, Fairfield City Council organised a First Nations Youth Cultural Workshop for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students within the community. Aim of the day was for young people to gain a greater understanding of connecting with country and local leadership opportunities. Students from all over Fairfield were invited to participate in traditional practices such as wood-crafting, basket weaving, painting, dancing and a yarning circle.

Ms Sekuloski - HT Administration



YEAR 10 UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY



Students were invited to attend the University of Sydney as part of the Future Focus program. They participated in various future career workshops and were able to have a tour of the campus including the graffiti wall which dates back to the 1970's.



Ms Higgins - Careers Adviser

YEAR 10 CAREER DAYS

Over the past month, Year 10 students have had the opportunity to attend several career days.

My Strengths

All students in Year 10 participated in the My Strengths program where each student completed a computer-generated program to find out about their top five strengths. Hopefully as parents/carers you have had the opportunity of having a conversation with your child about their strengths.

Careers Day

The Annual Year 10 Careers Day held at school gave students the opportunity of hearing from David Saliba, Youth Connections Network speak about career pathways. Students then choose and attended four career pathway workshops on travel & tourism, nursing, psychology, business, design, health & wellbeing, event management, apprenticeships & traineeships, building & carpentry, early childhood & childcare, computer science and social work & youth work. In the afternoon, The Careers Department gave a demonstration of the new website available to Fairvale students. Four ex Fairvale students – Dunya, Aliyah, Alina and Jayden gave insights into their career options and strategies for choosing subjects and coping with the demands of the senior years and the importance of having a balance.



Ms Higgins - Careers Adviser

YEAR 10 - WESTERN SYDNEY UNIVERSITY

Students attended the WSU, Campbelltown campus as part of the continuing Fast Forward program. Students attended various workshops including their key work styles and reflecting on their skills before presenting a role play to students from other schools.

Ms Higgins - Careers Adviser



SCHOOL TO WORK PROGRAM



The school to work program, is a government funded program run by the NRL, for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) students in years 11 and 12. The aim of the program is to support ATSI students under the guidance of project officers, explore pathways into future careers. Arianna and I were selected to be part of the School to Work program this year. The School to Work program will help us through years 11 and 12, as well as supporting us for 6 months after we have left school. The Project Officers will be guiding us to successfully transition into employment opportunities beyond school.

In addition to the School to Work program, we were also given the opportunity to participate in the annual Indigenous Youth Summit. The application process for the Indigenous Youth Summit consisted of meeting a lengthy criterion in various stages. However, I was fortunate enough to be selected.

I was one of 64 ATSI students to be selected. The Indigenous Youth Summit ran from 24th - 28th May 2022. It was a full social and cultural experience absorbed by all. There were many cultural activities such as spear throwing, traditional fire-making, storytelling, and weaving. There were many inspiring and heartfelt stories shared by Indigenous NRL and NRLW players on their background, challenges, and individual journey to the NRL.

Overall, the School to Work program, as well as the Indigenous Youth Summit provided me with excellent opportunities to embark upon and consider alongside my schooling and future work career.

Mr Vaisagote - Student Support Officer

CONGRATULATION TO TIFFANY QUACH

There's no real secret to achieving good results in the HSC - simply following the cliché advice of completing homework and doing regular revision goes a long way. Some of the most important things are to seek help from teachers if you're struggling with content and regularly humbling yourself by attempting more challenging questions. During my HSC, I also kept a spreadsheet of the questions I got wrong and a notebook with annotations of what my mistakes were. You should be ideally revising all your content, however, focusing your revision on your weaknesses allows for the greatest improvements, especially when you're short on time.



Tiffany Quach – Dux 2021

My year was the first to have been impacted by COVID-19 in both our senior years. With the majority of our classes being held online, discipline and organisation became more crucial than ever. Personally, this included sticking to my face-to-face class timetable, even when there was no Zoom meeting, and using the breaks to step away from my screen. Aside from studies, make sure you take care of your physical and mental wellbeing - you can't study if you're sick! So remember to reach out to your support network when you need it.

I am now studying a Bachelor of Applied Science (Diagnostic Radiography) at The University of Sydney with an E12 scholarship. This scholarship involves a simple application of answering three questions, \$5950 and an early offer. The peace of mind this provides definitely makes it worthwhile. After putting off my application until days before it was due, thinking I wouldn't receive an offer and hence shouldn't try, I now encourage everyone to at least try applying for any scholarships they're eligible for, and to start doing so early. Don't forget to ask for help with scholarships from Ms Higgins in the Careers Room.

Ms Higgins - Careers Adviser

UTS

On Friday 10 June, Fairvale High School students travelled to UTS in Ultimo to attend a YEAR 12 UTS information day. The students met the UTS ambassadors in the main building and were taken to a tutorial theatre where they were given information on the opportunities provided when studying at UTS. They were also given extensive information on the variety of courses available at UTS.

After the information session the students were given a tour of UTS and the many innovative labs and facilities accessible to UTS students.



YEAR 12 UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY

A group of Year 12 students went to the University of Sydney to help them gain tips and tricks about completing the HSC. In the first session we talked about all of the different pathways there were for Year 12 students to choose in order for them to get into their dream course. Students had a tour of the Engineering Faculty and learned there are many pathways. The last session was about scholarships that many students can apply for. This was a relief for many of the students, knowing there are many opportunities and pathways to university. Liana Hor, Dux 2020 and Jasmine Due also gave some tips about university life.



Ms Higgins - Careers Adviser

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Student attendance and punctuality is a high priority at Fairvale High School.

Parents and carers must ensure their children attend school on time every day.

All students must arrive at school by 8:40am.

School attendance rolls are marked at roll call at the start of each school day (8:40am). Students arriving after 8:40 am, parents will receive a notification via SMS to indicate a late arrival.



School Absence

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Parents/ Carers must provide an explanation for absences to the school within **7 days**.

These explanations can be by any of the following methods:

- Phone
- School visit
- Email
- Reply to school SMS text messages

Parents / carers will receive an absence notification via SMS on the day of their child's absence from school. It is important to respond to the text message to explain the child's absence for the absence to be recorded as an "explained absence".



ONLINE PAYMENT

Did you know that you can make payments to your child's school online?

We have launched an online payment portal linked to your school's website to make it easier for you to pay for school related payments. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac.

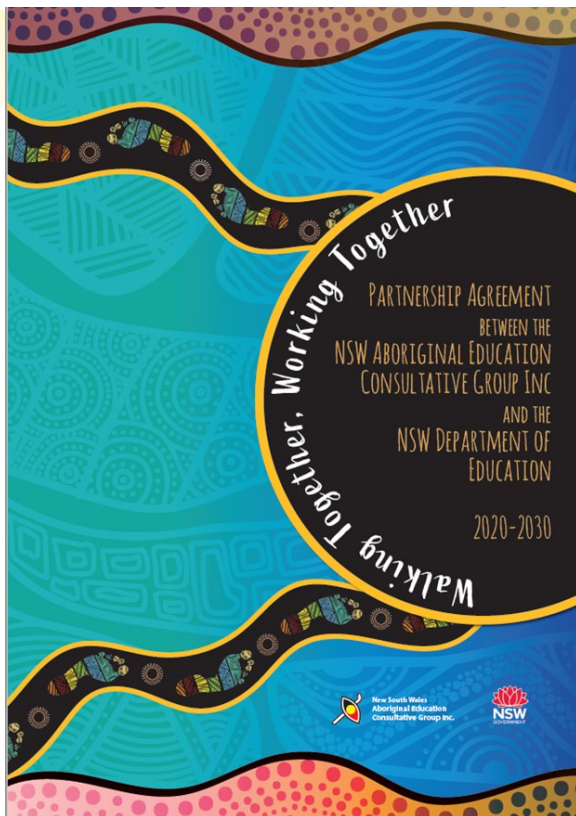
What expenses can be paid online?

- Voluntary School Contributions
- Subject Contributions
- Excursions
- Sport
- Creative and Practical Arts
- Sales to Students
- Other

How?

Log onto School site at <https://fairvale-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/>. Click on "Make a Payment" and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or MasterCard.

PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT



ANZAC DAY

On the 25th of April, 2022, members of our SRC, proudly represented our school and attended various ANZAC services, in our local community. ANZAC Day is a special day when we remember and commemorate the sacrifice of the young men of Australia and New Zealand who fought for the rights and freedom we enjoy today. We also remember all the men and women who served and died in all wars.

Lest we forget



DATES TO REMEMBER TERM 2 & TERM 3 2022

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Term 2	13 June	14 June	15 June	16 June	17 June
Week 8	• Public Holiday				
	20 June	21 June	22 June	23 June	24 June
Week 9				• HSC SDD Major Project Task 2	• HSC IPT Major Project Task 2
	27 June	28 June	29 June	30 June	1 July
Week 10		• Parent & Teacher evening		• Year 10 Vaccinations	• Year 12 Western Sydney university LMC Chemistry Day
JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2022 Monday 04 July to Friday 15 July Beginning of Term 3 Monday 18 July - Staff Development Day Tuesday 19 July - ALL STUDENTS RETURN					
Term 3	18 July	19 July	20 July	21 July	22 July
Week 1	• Staff Development day	• Year 12 Trial Examinations	• Year 12 Trial Examinations	• Year 12 Trial Examinations	• Year 12 Trial Examinations
	25 July	26 July	27 July	28 July	29 July
Week 2	• Year 12 Trial Examinations • Year 10 Excursion	• Year 12 Trial Examinations	• Year 12 Trial Examinations	• Year 12 Trial Examinations	• Year 12 Trial Examinations
	1 August	2 August	3 August	4 August	5 August
Week 3		• SSW Athletics Carnival			
	8 August	9 August	10 August	11 August	12 August
Week 4			• Year 12 Visual Arts Exhibition		

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/