Term 3 – Week 4

Principal’s Report

Thank you to everyone who helped us celebrate Education Week last week. It was fantastic to share some of our activities and show off our school throughout the week.

Our garden is looking fantastic thanks to everyone who came in to help us out on National Tree Day. Our Tree Day activities were held off from Friday 24th July to Wednesday last week due to the lovely rain, giving us more time to decorate our pots for our amazing tree day pot sculpture. Although we were still awaiting on the arrival of some new fruit trees for our tree planting we still managed to make great use of our time in our garden. We not only created our pot sculptures but also worked on some garden maintenance, especially with our strawberries and started a potato growing experiment, growing potatoes using a variety of growing techniques. We are very eager to see how many potatoes yield from each type of potato growing.

I am very excited to announce that our trees have now arrived and we will be planting them on Friday. These trees have been kindly donated to our school through the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation Flemmings Trees for schools grant. We are very excited to have some new and exciting fruits growing in our playground! Thank you Flemmings and Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation!

Our Garden art project is also coming along beautifully with our mosaic tables beginning to take shape. We had a lovely afternoon looking at shapes and patterns, creating two unique designer table tops for our garden. Thank you to everyone who was able to come in and help us out, especially the clean up! We will continue working on the tables later this week.

Our Education week assembly and grandparents day lunch was the perfect way to finish off a wonderful week. Thank you to our grandparents and parents who were able to join us on Friday, a huge thank you to those who were able to help us out on the day with our lunch, the tidy up and our creative design challenge in the afternoon. It was a wonderful day, we were all eager to check our cleverly crafted bug motels to see if many new guests had checked in over the weekend, we are all hoping that they encourage lots of good insects to visit our school to help us out in our garden. A huge thank you to our clever super hero students who created a delicious menu for our luncheon, it is exciting seeing how we use produce that grows in our garden and create fresh and tasty meals to share with our families. Anyone who would like a copy of any of the recipes we used please let us know in the office!

Thank you again to everyone who helped us out during education week, it is highly fitting that the 2015 theme for Public Education Week was Celebrating our Local Heroes, it gives us the opportunity to say thank you to all of those in our community that help out in the many different ways people can. We have also enjoyed learning about heroes and the qualities that make up some of our wonderful community members. Thank you to all of our Mums and Dads, Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles, Friends and Neighbours that support us here at Fairfax, your ongoing support is highly valued and appreciated.

We have another busy week planned with our tennis program starting again on Wednesday afternoon, anyone who is available to come down to the tennis courts from 3 – 4pm this Wednesday is most welcome to give us a hand with our tennis activities.

Mrs Rebecca Langdon, Director Public Schools NSW will be visiting our classroom on Thursday to catch up with our students and see some of the wonderful things we have been up to.

Friday this week is Jeans for Genes Day, everyone is encouraged to wear their jeans and bring in a gold coin donation to donate to the Jeans for Genes research foundation. Jeans for Genes research genetic diseases and look at ways to assist and help stop some of these debilitating diseases. We will be donating our milo money to Jeans for Genes this term. Friday is also the Narrabri Zone Athletics Carnival. All students attending will need to wear their full sports uniform on the day. Permission notes are attached to this newsletter and will need to be returned by Thursday 6th August. Good Luck to Will, Jordy, Erin, Dusty and Max. Thank you to Mr Wood and parents for assisting on the day.

Our Reading Buddies mornings will continue on Monday 10th August from 9 – 9:30 am, everyone is welcome to attend.

Enjoy the rest of your week, Rebecca Smith
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Calendar

Date Event

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Wednesday 5th August After school Sport – Tennis

Friday 7th August Jeans for Genes Day
Narrabri Zone Athletics Carnival

SAKG Gardening

Monday 10th August Reading Buddies
Ooranga Play Group

Wednesday 12th August After School Sport – Cycling

Friday 14th August SAKG Cooking

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After School Sport Afternoon Tea Roster

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