

Fassifern Flyer

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Term 1 Week 6

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Calendar

Term 1 2016

Sport - Dance Friday's
**4th March Clean Up Australia Day
**9th March Premier's Sporting Challenge
**11th March Harmony Day
15th March Cross Country
**17th March P and C meeting @ LMHS
24th March Easter Assembly
**7th April Combined ANZAC Yrs 4/5/6 in Newcastle
8th April Makeup Dance Class PBL Awards Day

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS—Sue Gibson

A big thank you to Kobi Berry's Grandma for the lovely apples she donated to our school for distribution. They have certainly been a big hit!

Clean Up Australia

This Friday, as part of Clean Up Australia Day, our students will be cleaning up our school grounds. We are very fortunate to have such a lovely school site and expansive playing field. It is important for all students to respect and look after our school property. Each class group will be given a specific area to help clean up. If possible please send along some rubber gloves and plastic bag to keep your child's hands clean. All students will be supervised during this activity and we will ensure all students thoroughly wash their hands with soap and water after the activity.

Premiers Sporting Challenge

Next Wednesday 9th March our 4/5/6 students will travel by bus to Lake Macquarie High School to participate in a vital step of the Premier's Sporting Challenge. The students will have the opportunity to participate in 7 coaching workshops. The students will be picked up from Fassifern P.S in time for a 9.15am start at the High School. They will return to school in time for usual afternoon dismissal. Students will need to bring along their own lunch, recess and water. A more detailed note will follow with specific times.

Harmony Day

On Friday 11th March Fassifern P.S will celebrate Harmony Day. Students will participate in class activities to help promote understanding and acceptance of cultural differences. We ask that the students bring along a plate of food which either represents their own cultural background or that of a neighbour or family friend. The food will then be shared at our lunch break. Parents and friends are welcome to join us for this event at 11.00am. Any food items can be dropped off to the Staff room before 9.00am.

Small School's Cross Country

This year Speer's Point PS will be holding the combined School's Cross Country event on Tuesday 15th March. This is a whole school event and we will be travelling to this event by bus. A note is accompanying this newsletter.

Lake Macquarie High School Combined P&C Meeting

Brendan Maher the new Principal of Lake Macquarie High School has invited interested members of the public to join other network school communities in a combined P&C Meeting to be held at Lake Macquarie High School on Thursday 17th March at 6pm. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to our school office by Friday 11th March

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Office News!

Thankyou to those families that have returned their updates

Could all other families please return the updates as soon as possible.

*Absences are now being sent on a daily basis via Sentral. Please hit **REPLY ONLY** to return a reason as sending a message direct to the number will not work.*

Term 2

**10th May
School photos**

****1st July
Naidoc Day @ F.Bay**

Term 4

****25th-27th Oct
Years 5/6 camp**

****2nd-3rd Nov
Years 3/4 camp**



*Small Schools Are Fun
We Work As One*

PBL

Our PBL focus for Week 6 is "Right time- Right way". This is a very broad focus which covers every student, every day, everywhere. It covers students inside using classroom equipment and also outside in the playground when using sporting equipment. It is very clear to me as I walk around our school, that our students, whether in class or in the playground, are following the Right time –Right way rule.

Student of the Week

Sasha Gardner from Yr 2 is our 'Student of the Week' for Week 6 . Sasha is a very attentive student. She always does her best in class and is producing some excellent results in all areas. Below is an example of a recent piece of writing based around the book 'Fearless'.

Fearless

One day a family went to buy a dog. They found a puppy. It was a bulldog. The family bought him. His name was Fearless. He was a blue dog. He was 12 weeks old and nobody wanted him but the people who ran the place wanted to get rid of him.

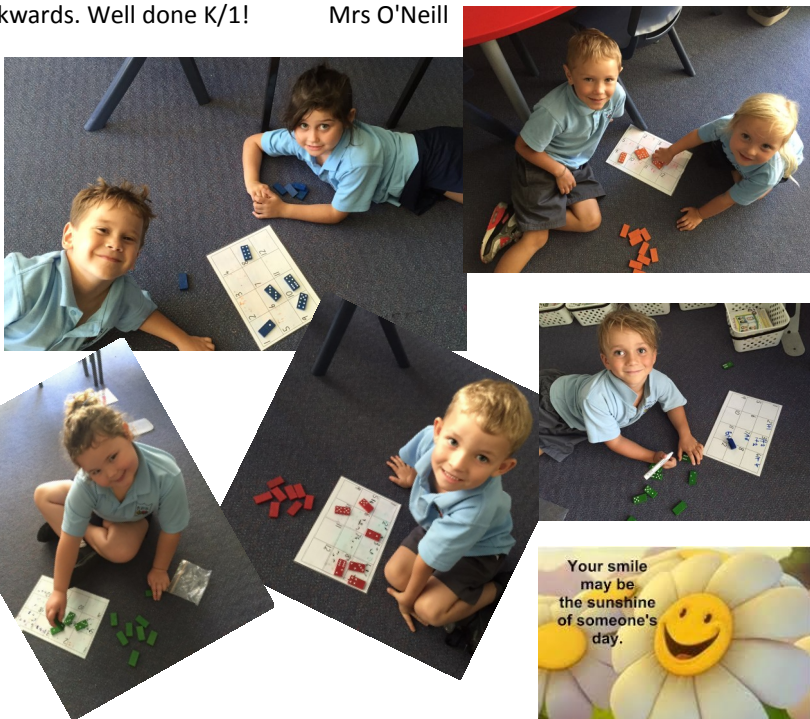
One night a robber broke into the house. Fearless woke up and started barking. Then the owners came out and Dad chased him away.

The next day Mum gave him a huge bone.



K/1 News

During Mathematics lessons last week K/1 were working with dominoes. One group of children were adding the dots on the domino and then sorting them according to the total. Others were finding the total and writing the number facts of that number. Another group turned over 2 dominoes, subtracted the smaller total from the larger and then recorded the sums. Our K/1 students are enjoying our Mathematics lessons and they are to be congratulated on their improving counting skills, both forwards and backwards. Well done K/1! Mrs O'Neill



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In 2/3 we finished narrative writing for the Term and have started persuasive writing. Today the children practiced making strong opening statements about a random topic.

Mrs Clarke



Weekly Awards



TERM 1 - WEEK 5

Class	Name	Award
K/1	Evangelina Lockett	Being a steady and reliable worker
K/1	Malavika Thornton	Working well in Mathematics.
2/3	Mia De-Miller	Working hard in guided reading.
2/3	Preston Como	Excellent effort in Maths Groups.
4/5/6	Abbey Scott	Great work in Mathematics.
4/5/6	Loclan Bonar	Displaying great research skills.



Netball recount: Participants : Abigail, Abbey and Lara W at Wangi Oval



At netball today we played a game which was really fun. Me and Abbey were on the same team (Gold team) and Lara was on the other team (Blue team). I was Wing Attack and Abbey and Lara were Centre. There were lots of tall girls on the blue team so it was hard for me and Abbey. It was super fun because Abbey and I got the ball a lot. We had a short break for 5 minutes then we kept playing. I was with a nice girl on Wing Defence, I don't know her name but she was nice and we wished each other good luck with the game. Before the game I of course wished everyone good luck in the game.

Abigail

At netball it was a hot day. The first game I played was Center. Abbey was holding the ball first. I was running as fast as I could to try and get the ball from the Yellow team. I was in the Blue team. Me and some other schools were warming up. The second round I was Wing Attach. It's really hard trying to avoid Wing Defence.

Lara

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION PLEASE READ

EMERGENCY MANGEMENT

Following Department of Education guidelines we have updated our Emergency Management Plan. The purpose of this plan is to ensure the health, safety and welfare of all staff, students and others at our School in the event of an emergency. This plan applies to all activities at the School and takes into account hazards that may occur within one kilometre of the school. The plan is subject to the actions and operations of emergency services on a larger scale in the event of a large scale operations such as major bushfire or train derailment.

Emergency Evacuation sites ON SITE :

AREA ONE: Bus shelter area located near the main school gate is the main assembly area for evacuation.

AREA TWO : The Adventure playground near the front vehicle gate.

Emergency Evacuation OFF SITE:

AREA ONE : Students / staff are to walk along the footpath to the Fassifern Railway Station . We will assemble in the park area to the right of the Station. Parents will be notified by SMS to collect students OR buses and staff will convey students to Toronto Workers Club or Fennel Bay Public School.

Parents / Caregivers are to understand that the staff and students in the event of an emergency may be under the instruction from Emergency Services and as such must do as requested

Susan Gibson

P and C - next meeting 10th March 5.30pm in the Library

Chocolate boxes- The Cadbury Koalas and Freddos were sent out on Monday. This is a great fundraiser that can go to the broader community and not rely on families so please source out the neighbours and other community members!

Silver Coin Challenge- All classrooms and staff are holding a Silver Coin Challenge where the classroom—or staff who raises the most silver coins (5c or 10c) will earn extra play time and ice blocks on Friday 1st April. So please help children find those lost 5c or 10c coins and place them in the “counter” in each classroom. Thankyou to Mr Greig who made them for us.

Canteen Support— A very big thankyou to the families of our school for supporting the canteen . On Friday we had 36 out of 54 students order. That’s fantastic! .

Healthy lunches go a long way in helping our children achieve academic fulfilment !!

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