

Fassifern Flyer

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Term 1 Week 7

13/3/2018

Calendar 2018

Term 1

Wednesday
Week 2
7th February
to Week 9
28th March
Dance

Tuesday
13th March
Small School Cross
Country

Thursday
22nd March
Responsible Pet Visit

Friday
23rd March
Harmony Day

Thursday
29th March
Dance Concert

*Please add any dates
marked with an asterisk to
your Term Calendar*

MOBILE

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Principal's Message

2018 Premier's Reading Challenge

It is that time of year again – the Premier's Reading Challenge has started for 2018! Student records opened on Monday, 5 March 2018, and we already have some students who have begun their online entries – well done! Staff will be checking all student records to ensure that everyone has the correct information recorded, and will be showing our Year 3-6 students how to place their online entries. Our K-2 students will be completing the challenge as a class activity and are already enjoying some wonderful stories. The Premier's Reading Challenge website has full information available. Students have until the end of August to complete this year's challenge.

EASTER RAFFLE & EASTER DONATIONS

We are hoping parents are also able to make a donation of Easter eggs or other Easter related goods to be included in the prize packs. Thank you to those who have already made donations. There is a basket in the office where donations can be left (we promise not to eat them, no matter how desperate we get!)

Easter Hat Making

We will be making our Easter hats at school soon. Please find note attached.

LMAC Sport

Fassifern Public School is part of the Lake Macquarie Area Collegiate (LMAC). This includes Teralba, Boolaroo, Speers Point, Booragul and Fennell Bay Public Schools and of course Lake Macquarie High. We meet often and plan for activities that enhance our schools. In 2018, our schools will be combining for some sporting opportunities for our 3-6 students. Each term we will be looking at a different sport, picking teams and having some fun, learning and participating in some new sports. Lake Macquarie High will be assisting with refereeing and organising.

Tell Them from Me Survey

This survey gives students and parents a voice in their school. The Tell Them from Me student survey provides school principals and school leaders with insight into student engagement, wellbeing and effective teaching practices at their school, from the perspective of students. This is our second year and it opens for students in the next few weeks. The survey is completed on the computer and is fully confidential. If for any reason you do not want your child participating, come and see me, then return the form in the newsletter.

Local Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (LAECCG)

I had the pleasure of meeting the new president last week, Toni Heard. The Mankillikan group works closely with our schools supporting and advising. They meet monthly and all are welcome to attend.

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Office News!

Money Due:

- ◆ 2018 School Fees
- ◆ Outstanding Dance Note and Money

Stewart House

Donation envelopes are coming out today with this newsletter. Please send your donation back to the office.

Book Club

Issue 2 due back 23rd March.

Moving into year 7 in 2019 - EOI Forms

Any outstanding EOI - Progression into year 7 2019 forms, need to be handed into the office by Friday, 16 March 2018.

Attendance

Fassifern is a wonderful, caring and inclusive school. Our children are engaged in the classroom in interesting lessons from our concerned conscientious teachers. However, there is room for improvement. Our attendance is not good enough.

Your child's daily, on-time attendance is critical to their success in school. While some challenges to your child's school attendance are unavoidable, it's important to understand the impact of each absence.

A student is considered chronically absent if they miss only two days of school per month (18 days in a year), whether the absences are excused or unexcused. This is true for children as early as primary school, when they are at a higher risk of falling behind in reading. Even one year of chronic absence can cause a child to fall behind academically and decrease a child's chances of graduating from high school, which can have long-term consequences on their financial independence, physical well-being and mental health.

The good news? Attending school every day increases a child's chances of success in school and in life.

As we write the school plan for 2018-2020, attendance is going to be a major area for improvement.

Let's start now on that improvement.

Playground

Our playground is a lot of fun. We have lots of equipment to play a variety of sports. We try to shake it up. And thanks to some wonderful donations, we now have duplo, prams, dolls and fancy dress outfits. We also have some miners in the making!

Regards
Relieving Principal
Karen Baker

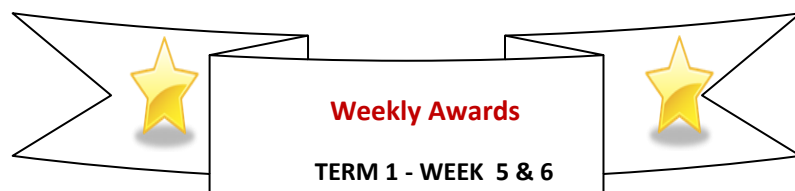


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Star of the Week - Sam Connors

Our Star of the Week for Week 6 is Sam Connors. Sam is always giving his best in class and his behaviour is excellent. I've been particularly impressed with his imaginative writing and he is currently producing a narrative called "The Nine Aligning Planets." Well done Sam, keep up the great work!



Wilai	Alex Murray-Young	Demonstrating a focused approach to his work.
Wilai	Evie Patrick	Great effort in dance lessons.
Wilai	Connor Hickey	Great concentration in maths.
Wilai	Max Punton	Excellent progress in spelling.
Pirama	Xavier Chambers	Great effort during art lessons.
Pirama	Eva Pope	Always being on task during learning time.
Pirama	Lillian McKenna	Being a helpful class member.
Pirama	Jacob Carrall	Listening well to teacher.
Makoro	Mia De-Miller	Great effort in writing instructions.
Makoro	Lara Watson	Showing great movement skills in dancing.
Makoro	Lillian Solomons	Great effort in maths.
Makoro	Tia Jeffery	Improved listening skills.

**The P&C
Annual
General Meeting
will be held on Friday
23rd March
at 9am in the
Library
ALL WELCOME!
Followed by the P&C
meeting.**



P&C News

Easter Raffle

Any donations of Easter Eggs or Easter items for the Easter Raffle would be greatly appreciated. Please hand all items into the office.

Raffle tickets will be sent home at a later date.



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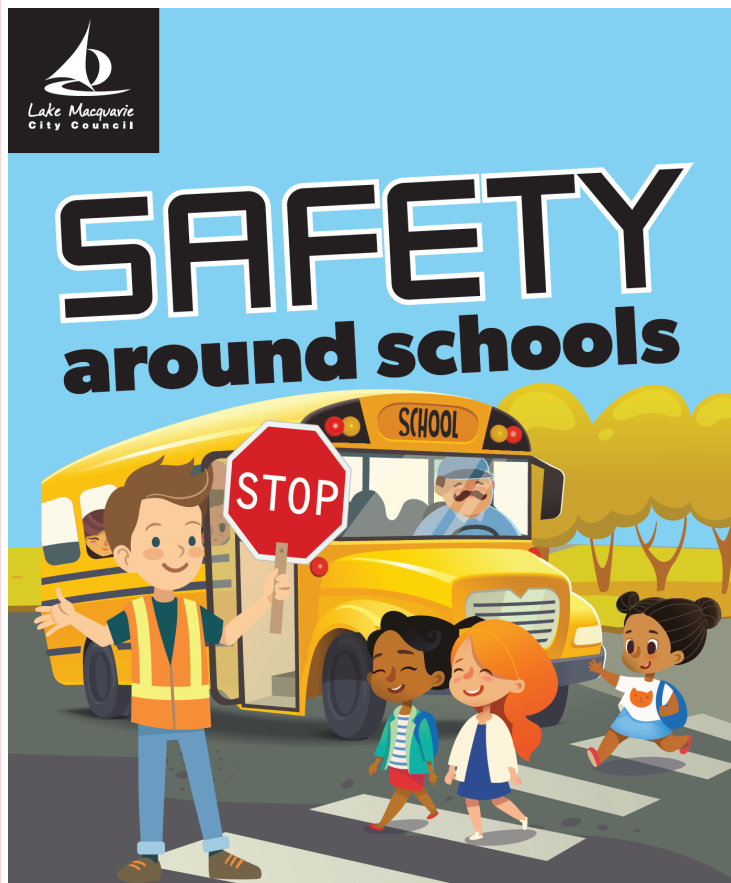
CANTEEN ROSTER Term 1 March

WEDNESDAY

14th March	Deb
21st March	Deb
28th March	Deb

FRIDAY

16th March	Dallas & Teleia
23rd March	Hayley & Ashley
30th March	Closed/Easter Friday



ROAD RULES IN SCHOOL ZONES:

Pedestrian crossings

You cannot stop within 20 metres before a pedestrian crossing or 10 metres after a pedestrian crossing unless there is a control sign permitting parking.

Maximum penalty: \$439 and two demerit points

Double parking

You may not stop on the road alongside to another vehicle at any time even to drop off or pick up passengers.

Maximum penalty: \$330 and two demerit points

Parking on a verge

You cannot stop or park on a verge area (footpath, nature strip, dividing strip or kerb).

Maximum penalty: \$183 and two demerit points

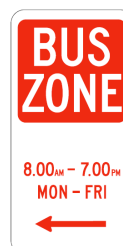
PARKING RESTRICTION SIGNS



You cannot stop here

Unless there is a medical or other emergency

Maximum penalty: \$330 and two demerit points



You cannot stop here

You are not allowed to stop your vehicle unless you are driving a bus.

Maximum penalty: \$330 and two demerit points



You can stop here for two minutes only

You have no more than two minutes to drop off or pick up passengers or goods and the driver must stay within three metres of the vehicle.

Maximum penalty: \$183 and two demerit points



You cannot stop here

Unless a current Mobility Parking Scheme (MPS) permit is displayed.

\$549 and one demerit point

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