Dear Families,

Welcome back to term 4.

I trust you all had a relaxing holiday and are ready for the rush to the summer holidays with lots of exciting happenings along the way including Bike Ed, Swimming week, School Concert and Year 7 Graduation. Transition visits for our new 2016 receptions and pre-schoolers will also occur this term.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Melissa Evans and I consider myself to be fortunate in having been appointed to Fairview Park Primary School. I come to you from Fulham North Primary School having worked there for nearly 7 years as Assistant Principal and Acting Principal and am excited to be taking on this new role and working with the school community to continue its journey of excellence.

My initial impressions of the school are extremely positive. The atmosphere is vibrant and supportive with a strong sense of school pride, all of which are very important aspects of a very good ‘Learning Community’. The students are polite, engaged and obviously enjoy being here. The staff are professional, engaging and committed to ensuring positive learning outcomes for all children. It is obvious that the school is high functioning and the staff has done a very good job of building the learning culture. I would like to thank Tania Dodd and Fiona Martin for their positive leadership whilst Vanessa was undertaking a different role. I am confident that Tania and I, as a team, will work closely with the school community to continue to ensure Fairview Park Primary School is a high quality place of learning.

Staffing Update.

We also welcome Chris Bailey into Area 6 to replace Bev McLeod who is taking Long Service Leave during term 4. Chris has many years of experience in the primary years and a particular interest in digital technologies which we look forward to her sharing with us.

Class Placement

Last week notices were sent home with regard to class placement. Staff will start working on this difficult exercise in week 3 and therefore we really need your completed forms returned so that we can consider your requests. Sometimes the information we need to share can be quite sensitive and therefore you may wish to return your note back to school in an envelope addressed to myself or Tania Dodd marked confidential. We will then be able to consider your requests, although I am not able to guarantee that your wishes can be met as we need to consider all factors when placing students into classes. Sometimes what you request may be in direct opposition to what someone else requests and therefore we need to work together to find a resolution which best meets the needs of the student and school.

Hats

Last week I visited classes reminding the students of the importance of wearing a hat whilst outside. I would ask for your support in ensuring that your child has a clearly labelled school hat for them to wear outside during the warmer months as part of our school uniform and unsafe policies.

Feedback

As part of a new leadership team I have been collecting feedback from staff and students about what they value about Fairview Park and things they would like to see further developed. If you have any feedback you would also like me to be aware of please feel free to send me a letter or an email (Melissa.evans753@schools.sa.edu.au). I will be collating this information and using it as part of our review and planning for 2016.

I look forward to getting to know the school community over the coming term and sharing a successful term 4.

Warm regards

Melissa

Melissa Evans
Principal
Congratulations!

Congratulations to Tianah (A7) who has been selected to participate in the South Australian State Athletics Team.

Congratulations to Billy Graves our OSHC Director who was awarded the FFSA Coach of the Year Division 2.

Canteen

Please be advised there have been some price changes to our menu. New Term 4 Menus have been sent home with students if you require a new one please visit the canteen.

**** note when ordering pastries with sauce please add an extra 10c ****

Athalie Webb
Canteen Manager

Fundraising

Fundraising are looking for input for 2016. We need to have clear ‘projects’ in place and approved by the Governing Council prior to beginning any fundraising event, your opinions and suggestions are very important. This is your chance to have a say and help shape the future of our school and your child’s learning environment. No matter how big or small your suggestion, all feedback is welcomed and presented to the governing council for consideration. Please don’t pass up this opportunity. Suggestions can only be considered once a year. For your ideas to be considered forms will be available at the Front office.

Kind regards
Kel Wegener
Governing Council - Fundraising

Loud Shirt Day

Friday 23rd October

Gold Coin Donation

Wear your brightest and loudest shirt to support the Cora Barclay Centre

Dear Families,
We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. We are proud to announce we earned enough points to buy a Road signs kit for our Wheele Day to be held this Term, four sets of cultural games for the Junior primary and some sandpit toys.
Community News

For more information please contact the front office or view our Notice Board located in the Northern Unit

Bush fire Pane - Discussion - Tuesday 27th October from 6:30-8:00pm, Tea Tree Gully Uniting church. The CFS are running a Sampson Flat Bushfire panel-discussion night for the community. It will be an opportunity for the whole community to ask questions and give feedback, on what was learnt during the January bushfires in the local area. Come along and hear from those who were actively engaged in protecting our lives & property.
RSVP required. Thank you. Supper will be provided. Tea Tree Gully Uniting church 592-600 Milne Rd, Banksia Park (between Hancock Rd & Elizabeth St)
www.ttguc.org.au office@ttguc.org.au ph: 8396 3252

Kids Taekwondo - Greenwith Community Centre for more information please contact Tel: 0412 909 500 or 0411 265 023 (Inst Michael McVeity) www.worldtaekwondo.com.au

Bring the World Home - We are looking for willing families to host international high school students commencing their studies in a South Australian government school in Term 1, 2016. Please visit our website for more information or to complete an application form to register your interest or forward this email onto interested family and friends.

Natural Maths Parent Evening - Mathematician in Residence Ann Baker

Parents of Year 7 students who will be attending Banksia Park International High School in 2016, are invited to attend (with their child) a hands on workshop with Ann Baker – Mathematician in Residence and members of the Banksia Park International High School maths team. Only 70 places available – make sure you reply early as it will be on a first come basis.

When: Monday 26th of October
Where: Banksia Park International High School Resource Centre
Time: 6pm – 7:30pm
RSVP: Friday 16th October 2015 dl.1117.info@schools.sa.edu.au (Attention: Roley Coulter)
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