Dear Families,
Wow I can’t believe how quickly the year has gone and I am writing my final newsletter for the year. I would like to thank the whole school community for working together to make improvements to our school.

School Concert
What a great night! The student comperes worked hard to learn their introductions and all the students did a great job with learning their choreography and songs. A big thank you to all the volunteers who helped us pack up the stage, mats and chairs ensuring a quick pack up and the volunteers on the BBQ. We had many parents view the work the students had contributed to the new time capsule as well as look back on items from the 30th Birthday, past photos and memorabilia.

Reports will be going home next Wednesday and are a new format which includes a student reflection. Please send me any feedback you may have about the format via email.

Class Placements are being finalised and Tania or I will be making contact with any parents whose requests we were not able to met. Next Wednesday students will have the opportunity of having a visit to their new class and meeting their teacher and peers. We will have 9 classes next year.

Area 1 R/1
Area 2 R/1
Area 3 1/2
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Area 8 6/7
Area 11 5/6
Area 12 5/6

Class placements will go home Wednesday Week 9 with the student reports and the teachers name if known. At this point in time we will have the following vacancies to fill:

Preschool – 2 x 0.6 vacancies. Year 6/7 – 1.0. Year 3/4 – 0.8 vacancy with Tania Dodd 0.2
Performing Arts – 0.5, Spanish – 0.6, PE – 0.5

Site Review and Planning
On our Pupil free Day we reviewed our Site Improvement Plan and looked at the analysis of a variety of data sets.
Plans for development in 2017 – 2019 include:

Literacy – implement whole site agreements, introduction of Jolly Phonics and Grammar in all classes, Val Hunter’s Spelling Continuum across 3-7 (a phonic approach), a focus on writing
Numeracy – develop whole site agreements around Ann Baker strategies, focus on algebra and continued focus on problem solving, investigation of PATM resources
Student Wellbeing – continued implementation of school values and awards, continued implementation of Building Learning Power, review of behaviour management strategies including focus room, Setting up for success program to include explicit information to students around policies for homework and uniform. Buddy classes to have a focus including a whole school excursion. Leadership program for year 7s to continue and SRC to continue.

Review of Sports day from feedback given by parents
We hope you all have a terrific summer holiday break with your families, stay safe and we look forward to seeing you back at school on Monday the 30th of January.

Warm Regards,

Melissa
Melissa Evans
At this time of year we need to say our thank yous and farewells to staff who may not be with us next year.

Bev McLeod has decided to continue her leave with the thought of retiring at the end of her leave. We wish her all the best and thank her for her long service with the Department and in particular within our school. She is well thought of by our students and especially liked for her outdoor PE and games.

Rachael Olafsen (A 3) has accepted a position at Trinity. We wish her well in her new school and thank her for all of her work at Fairview Park Primary School over the years.

Leah Watkins (SSO) will be moving to Western Australia with her husband’s work. She has been an asset at our school with her work in Quicksmart, photographer and computing skills as well as supporting our students.

Cheryl Whitmarsh (SSO) is also relocating homes and will no longer be working with us. We thank her for her terrific patience and persistence with our students.

Contract teachers for next year are still unknown and therefore we take the opportunity to thank the following contract teachers and wish them well in winning an appointment in a school.

Priscilla Harris (A10) Priscilla replaced Bev McLeod at short notice and we thank her for the contributions she has made to our school.

Shellee Craig (A 3) Shellee replaced Tania Conradi when Tania reduced her time. She worked well with Rachael and ensured a smooth transition for our students and consistency across the class.

Jaime Schultz (Spanish) Jaime has done an excellent job at introducing all of us to Spanish and has studied hard to ensure she was able to provide us with a strong Spanish program.

John Malisons (PE) John had big shoes to fill in replacing Noel Bray half way through the year and being the only male teacher on staff. The students really enjoyed his PE lessons.

Veronica Gossink was a quick appointment to replace Susan in the preschool who was successful in winning a leadership position. We thank her for her work on our QIP.

Nicole Faulbaum had a successful short term contract in year 6/7 at a busy time of year.

2016 Reminder Annual General Meeting

Closely linked to our term 4 review structures is our Governing Council Annual General Meeting. This is scheduled for the 8th December at 7:30pm in the Resource Centre.

There will be vacancies on our Council for 2017 and I encourage you to consider nominating for one of these positions. Nomination forms are available from the Front Office and current Governing Council members will be happy to discuss what is involved.

If nominating we ask you to write a short blurb about yourself, interests and connection to the school to help other families learn a little about yourself before they vote at the AGM. If you are unable to commit to membership please come along to our AGM and vote so that the 2017 Governing Council represents our Fairview Park community.

Remember Nomination Forms available from the Front Office.

Members of the School Community are invited to attend the Governing Council Meeting before the AGM to vote on the 2017 Materials & Services Charge

Thursday 8th December 2015 at 7:15pm in the Resource Centre.

Terrific Kids Awards

Each term the Kiwanis Club of Tea Tree Gully present two of our Year 7 students with Terrific Kids Award for outstanding achievement.

We would like to congratulate

Tahlia Winrow - Area 7

Jake Hanley - Area 8
**Powerful Learning Awards**

**Term 4**

Congratulations to the following students:

Rebekah (A1), Sharni (A2), Bailey (A3), Jaymin (A4), Lily (A5), Jasmine (A6), Judd (A7) Rory (A8), Bayden (A9), Marley (A10), Lachlan W (Spanish)

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**Year 7 Graduation**

Our Grade 7s will have their Graduation Presentation in the Gym on Wednesday 14th December from 5 pm. They will then have the Party Bus take them to Glenelg for dinner and a celebration with their friends.

At the Presentation the students will be recognised for their achievements at Fairview Park Primary School.

We wish our students and families leaving the school all the best for their future and know that the skills and values they have learnt whilst at Fairview Park will set them up for success in their future schooling.

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**Volunteer Morning Tea Thank You**

On Tuesday 13 December at 10.30 - 11.10 we will be holding a morning tea to thank our wonderful volunteers for all of their hard work over the year. Our school highly values the support given by those who volunteer their time and skills to fill roles within the school. These include Governing Council members and their various committees, canteen helpers, library helpers, parents and carers who volunteer to transport our students to various events, helpers on excursions, parents who listen to students read, our busy fundraisers, parent helpers with the grounds and others who help with organizational matters.

Our school is not as effective without your continued support.

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**Christmas Gift Stall**

Christmas Gifts will be on display in the Health and PE room

Preschool and Primary School Students are invited to purchase gifts on **Monday 12th December**

Price range $2 - $10

Please bring a bag to place gifts in.

See you there!
**Community News**

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

**Christmas Tree Festival** - “Christ Makes All Things New” Creating new trees from recyclable items.
Tea Tree Gully Uniting Church 592-600 Milne Road, Banksia Park. Thursday 24th - Saturday 26th November
Thursday and Friday 9:30am - 8:00pm Saturday 9:30am - 6:00pm. Come and see decorated trees, Nativity Scenes, Wall Hangings and Floral Arrangements. Biscuits, cakes, plants, produce and handmade gifts and crafts for sale. Enjoy morning / afternoon teas and light lunches. Entry $2 donation, children under 12 free. A joint presentation by churches of Tea Tree Gully, in support of local Pastoral Care Workers (PCW’s).

**Soccer Players wanted for the 2017 Season** - The Tea Tree Gully City Soccer Club is taking registrations for the 2017 soccer season and we still have available spots. We are looking for players in the all age groups ranging from U/5 to U/18. We are also looking for players in our all-female teams in the age groups of U11, U13 & U15. Experienced and non-experienced players welcome. If you or someone you know is interested please contact Rachel Robbins on rachrobb@bigpond.net.au

**Modbury Vista Soccer Club** - invites new players for the 2017 season Vacancies for Development Squad Under age 3-5 on Thursday nights or Saturday mornings. Also Under 6 competition players required. Visit www.mvsc.com.au All phone enquiries to the club Registrar on 0431 366 241 for more information.

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**Fairview Park Primary School**

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**TWILIGHT COMMUNITY Carols**

Sunday 11th Dec
6:00pm BBQ; 7:00pm Carols begin
@ Banksia Park International High School

Featuring:
BPHS musicians
with the TTGUC Band

A showcase of community singers and performers

Proudly supported by Tea Tree Gully Uniting Church