

From our *Principal*

Friday 10 August 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Term 3! Special welcome to our 12 new students, spread across our two new classes, Orange 11 and Yellow 3, and in Green 13. We are enjoying getting to know our new students, families and staff, Fernhill is such a growing community. Our staffroom is buzzy with the noise of interactions and there are students filling the playgrounds. 18 months ago, we seemed to rattle around open spaces, now the school is full of the sounds of learning. We're loving it and we still have room for more!

Parent Teacher Meetings

I hope everyone enjoyed reading the student reports and managed to meet with the teachers for more information. Thanks to Kylie on Blue 6 who stayed so long at school to ensure a smooth transition to a new teacher for her class, handing over programs and PLPs for Kirsty. We are waiting excitedly to hear about Kylie's new addition to her family!

Please remember that mornings and afternoons are not times for detailed discussions about student progress, all staff are on duty ensuring that students arrive and depart safely. Thank you.

Car Park

It has been brought to my attention that the car park is becoming quite full. I need to stress that ALL drivers have to drive at 10 km per hour at ALL times, we have seen drivers zoom down the far road at well over this speed, without thought to pedestrian safety.

From our Office

SUPERHERO DAY: Thank you to all the families who supporting our most recent gold coin donation day. In total we **raised \$115.30** which is AMAZING! We wanted to beat our record of \$99.50 so well done to you all and I'm sure Bear Cottage will very much appreciate our donation.



P&C Fundraiser: We still have a number of boxes of chocolates left to be sold. If you would like to a box

In the mornings and afternoons we have siblings and students who are learning to be safe around cars. Please have care for safety when driving and parking.

Therapy

I am receiving therapy requests directly from therapists at the moment – all requests need to come initially from families, as per the Department guidelines. A therapy request form for this purpose can be found on page 9 of this newsletter.

Finally

The P&C will be holding its AGM on 29th August at 9.30am in the Hub – all welcome. Morning tea will be enjoyed afterwards. Please come along to meet other parents, share ideas, and be part of this wonderful group!

Looking forward to a terrific term – welcome to Shayal, Danielle, Lorette and Kimberley our new staff members.

Have a great weekend,

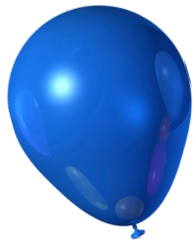
Julie

at home or your workplace , please see the ladies in our front office .

SKOOLBAG APP: If you have an **ANDROID** phone and having issues downloading the app, we have asked Skoolbag to rectify the problem. Page 11 has the new instructions for you to follow.

Have a happy and safe weekend.

Kisane, Elisha & Angela



HOMEBASE BLUE

Welcome to Blue Block News

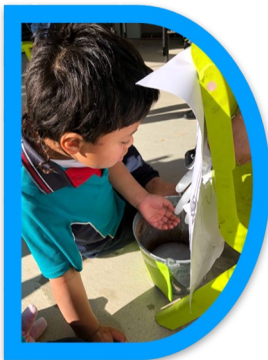
Welcome to Term 3! What an exciting start Blue Block have had to the term. Between milking cows, reading fairy tales and putting on our superhero capes, it has been busy!

Blue Block have started a Science and Technology unit called "From Paddock to Plate", in which we learn all about where our favourite foods come from. We began by discussing where milk comes from, with many students amazed to discover that we get it from cows! Blue 6 made a pretend cow for all of us to have a go milking - it was lots of fun! We can't wait to find out what other foods come from the farm!

Imagination has been a key focus for us all in Blue Block, with this semester seeing the beginning of our fairy tale English unit. We are all enjoying reading some well-known fairy tales, with many students choosing to look through fairy tale books in their free time. This is wonderful to see! We also let our imaginations run wild with our superhero day last Friday. Many students and staff got dressed up in their superhero best, and together we raised an amazing amount of money for Bear Cottage. Well done, everyone!

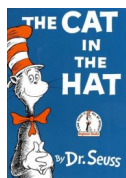
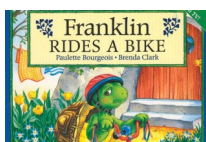
Last Friday also marked Kylie's last day as Blue 6's teacher. We had a small party to bid her farewell, with the students all making a special card wishing Kylie all the best for the birth of her first child. We can't wait to meet Kylie's little bub when he or she arrives! We are excited to welcome Kirsty to Blue Block as Blue 6's new teacher, as well as Vicki N (Blue 6's new SLSO) and Kimberley C (Blue 8's new SLSO). With such a wonderful start to Term 3, we can't wait to find out what excitement the rest of this term holds!

Deb, Kimberley R, Kirsty, Jess, Vicki N and Kimberley C



Book Week

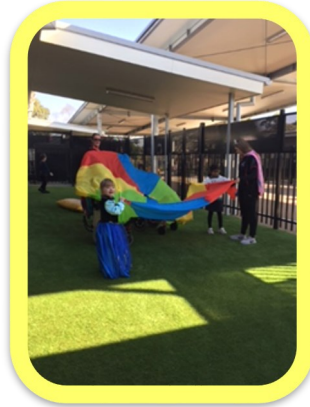
On Friday 24th August we will be having our Book Character Dress Up Day where students and staff are welcome to dress up as their favourite character from their favourite book!





HOMEBASE YELLOW

Welcome to Yellow Block News



Welcome back to school for Term 3. Yellow Block are excited to have a new class and welcome Danielle (teacher), Kerry G (SLSO) and five new lovely students making the fourth class in our block! They are settling in nicely and we are all enjoying making new friends.

Exciting things are coming up in Semester 2 with our new topics including music, learning about where our food comes from, the history of transport and strategies for keeping ourselves safe. We will be exploring Fairy tales in English and focusing on time and Money in mathematics while keeping up the great work we are doing on our PLP goals. It looks like a busy but fun term ahead.

The fun started on Friday 3rd August with Superhero Day!



Julie, Meredith, Sam, Danielle, Leanne, Donna, Kerry H, Kerry G and Vicki





HOME BASE ORANGE

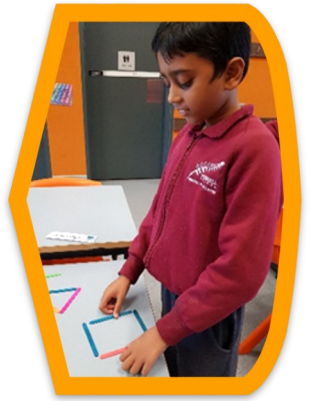
Welcome to Orange Block News

Welcome back for Term 3! It has been a busy but fun start to term including a few changes in Orange Block with movement of staff and a new class Orange 11. We say a big welcome to our six lovely new students and new teacher Shayal. Tania has moved from Orange 9 to Orange 11, and we welcome Lorette to Orange 9, and Linda to Orange 12 but we will miss Vicki N who has moved over to Blue Block.

To start the term off with a bang we celebrated 100 days of school with a party at the end of week 1. We had fun making and eating fairy bread with 100's & 1000's, building with 100 paper cups, 100 blocks and 100 paddle pop sticks, and painting 100 dots. Superhero Day was lots of fun too with lots of staff and students dressing up and raising funds for Bear Cottage. Thank you to everyone for your support.

In class we have started the science unit 'From Paddock to Plate' and we are discovering where our food comes from. In history we are learning about past and present family life and in PDHPE we are practising strategies to keep ourselves safe. We will be reading and exploring a range of indigenous stories in our literacy unit and focusing on money and time skills in maths. We are looking forward to a busy but productive term of learning.

Alison, Meredith, Shayal, Naomi, Tania, Lorette and Linda





HOMEBASE GREEN

Welcome to Green Block News

Wow, Term 3 already? This year is flying by! Welcome back to all our wonderful students. We've hit the ground running in our block as Green 13, 15 and 16 have all been doing some incredible work!

All three classes have been practicing our money skills. We are learning to identify the different coins and notes and are using money in real-situations. Green 13 have continued to make maths fun by studying measurement by measuring ingredients for cooking. Awesome stuff, Green 13! Green 15 have been putting their knowledge to the test by our weekly outings to Glenmore Park Shopping Centre. It's been wonderful to see students gain in confidence on excursions and build skills that will help them throughout life.

Green 15 and 16 have started swimming for the term! It's definitely a highlight and an activity to look forward to each week. On Monday, Green 15 will be visiting Penrith library, we are all super excited!

Speaking of super, last Friday was Superhero Day. It was incredible to see all the awesome costumes worn by staff and students. The fact that we raised money for such a great cause in Bear Cottage made the day even better!

We've also welcomed a lovely new student into our block. He joins Green 13 and we are all really happy he has settled in so well to Green Block.

Have a great week everyone!

Rachael, Meredith, Alyssa, Nathan, Shania, Natasha, Tyrone and Jenny



FERNHILL SCHOOL P&C



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Dear Parents and Carers,

The Fernhill School Parents and Citizens Association would like to take this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to all new students, their parents and carers. Our School Community is continuing to grow and it's always exciting to see the happy faces of our new students.

The success of our P&C relies on the support of our families and the wider community. With so many new Parents and Carers, we were hoping some of you may be able to join us at one of our meetings.

The P&C meetings are a friendly family like forum, where we can get to know each other, share ideas and tips on topics like the NDIS and collaborate to help meet the needs of the school community and contribute to decisions about the school.

We are about to hold our **Annual General Meeting at 9:30am on Wednesday 29th August** followed at 10:30 by Morning Tea. We hope to see you there.

At present our meetings are held every second Wednesday morning at 9:30am and usually take an hour. As we have many new families in our school community we wanted to give everybody the opportunity to have a say in when the meeting is held. If you could please fill out our small survey below and return to the school office by Monday 13th August it would be very much appreciated.

Coleen Perrott.

Please complete the section below and return to school

P&C Meetings

Are you able to attend P&C meetings?

- ☐ No I am unable to attend.
- ☐ Yes I on occasions can attend.

If yes please circle which days would suit you best.

Monday 9:30am

Tuesday 9:30am

Wednesday 9:30am

Thursday 9:30am

Friday 9:30am

Other (please specify) _____

Optional

Parent Name: _____ Student Name & Class: _____

FERNHILL COMMUNITY NOTICES

NEPEAN DISABILITY EXPO

Friday 14th & Saturday 15th September 2018

9am—3pm

**Exhibition Marquee, Penrith Panthers
123 Mulgoa Rd, Penrith NSW 2750**



Expo Guide

The Nepean Disability Expo is run by the community for the community. It is the leading opportunity to connect with people with a disability in the Nepean, Hawkesbury, Blue Mountains, Western Sydney and broader Sydney area.

Now that the National Disability Insurance Scheme has become a reality, almost 14,000 Nepean residents with disabilities will gain greater control over their lives and the services they choose.

The keenly anticipated, biennial Nepean Disability Expo offers a crucial opportunity:

- For people with a disability to find out about the latest products, services, technology, aids and equipment
- For service providers to build networks and find out about the latest products, services, technology, aids and equipment
- For product and service providers to share what they offer with people with a disability, their families and other services

The Expo brings together service providers and specialist businesses with consumers and their families, case workers, teachers and carers, and aims to enhance the lives of people with a disability.

Ferny and Hilly have been found!

Thank you so much for the great entries we had in our search for our school mascots! We are pleased to announce that Marijann has found them!



Below are our other fabulous entries!



Parent Therapy Request Form

Appendix 1

REQUEST FOR NDIA SERVICE PROVISION TO BE CONDUCTED DURING SCHOOL HOURS

This form is to be completed by parents or carers in advance of any NDIS service provision commencing in school. Information should be completed after reading the Fernhill School – Guideline for the Provision of Therapy Services in School document. One form may be used for multiple service requests.

Student Name:		Class Teacher:	
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Service Provision Requested:	Organisation Delivering Service:
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<input type="checkbox"/> Speech Therapy	
<input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Therapy	
<input type="checkbox"/> Physio Therapy	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hydro Therapy	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	

Expected outcome or goal of therapy service.
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Frequency of Service	Session Time	Duration of Service
<input type="checkbox"/> Weekly	<input type="checkbox"/> 30 minutes	<input type="checkbox"/> Term One
<input type="checkbox"/> Fortnightly	<input type="checkbox"/> 60 minutes	<input type="checkbox"/> Term Two
<input type="checkbox"/> Monthly	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	<input type="checkbox"/> Term Three
<input type="checkbox"/> Once or twice per term		<input type="checkbox"/> Term Four

Will there be a clear link between the therapy service goal and a PLP goal?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
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Will the therapist be available to attend a Learning Support Team Meeting?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
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<input type="checkbox"/> I understand that a decision will be made regarding the provision of therapy services during school hours after a Learning and Support Team Meeting for my child. <input type="checkbox"/> I understand that should no suitable times or learning spaces be available in my child's class the service cannot commence. The request will be placed "on hold" and reviewed at the end of each semester.	Parent Signature
	Date

Approved	Declined	On Hold / Review	Principal Signature / Date
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FERNHILL COMMUNITY NOTICES

The **Werrington Festival** is an annual event run by Community Junction Inc at the Namatjira Neighbourhood Centre in **Werrington** County. The 2018 festival is a family fun day and all activities are completely free. There will be market stalls, petting zoo, face painting and much more so come and join in the fun!



COMMUNITY JUNCTION INC

Werrington Festival

SATURDAY 18TH AUGUST 2018
11:00AM - 3:00PM

NAMATJIRA NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE
JOHN BATMAN AND HENRY LAWSON AVENUE
WERRINGTON COUNTY

Petting Zoo
Face Painting
Visit from Rooby Roo
Kids Activities

Market Stalls
Fundraising BBQ
Coffee Van

For more information please contact Nicole on 9673 6133 or email nicole@communityjunction.org.au

Community Junction Inc. gratefully acknowledges support received from Department of Family and Community Services - Community Builders Funding

www.communityjunction.org.au

Kylie's Kitchen

Cancer Council NSW Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to stock lunch box basics.

Stocking the fridge, freezer and pantry with lunch box staples really helps with preparing quick and easy healthy lunches. It can also help save time during the morning rush!

Suggested lunch box staples include:

- Dried fruit – apricots, banana chips, currants, sultanas, raisins, dates
- Canned fruit in natural juice
- Baked beans
- Canned cannellini beans, chickpeas and lentils
- Peppitas
- Canned tuna or salmon
- Cheese block – cut into cubes or slices.
- Wholegrain crackers
- Crispbread or corn thins;
- Long-life milk poppers;
- Cottage cheese
- Hummus
- Natural yoghurt tubs
- Boiled eggs
- Healthy baked snacks from the freezer
- Wholegrain pasta
- Wholegrain/wholemeal bread and wraps.

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit

Eat It To Beat It

Fun easy recipes & tips to follow at home for all the family

Cancer Council NSW Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to help your family eat well.

At Cancer Council NSW we're passionate about helping families eat well!

Sign up to one of our **FREE** Fruit & Veg Sense workshops for parents at your local school.

In our free 60-minute sessions, you will learn:

- How to save money.
- How much is a 'serve' of fruit and veg and how many serves do we need?
- How to save time with easy, family-friendly recipe ideas.
- Strategies to manage fussy eaters.
- How to improve the long-term health of your family... and much, much more!

Register at eatittobeatit.com.au – if there aren't any sessions scheduled at or around your school, put your name on the waiting list and we can schedule one.

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit

Eat It To Beat It



INSTRUCTIONS FOR ANDRIOD USERS

For our parents/carers who are having difficulty finding FERNHILL SCHOOL from an Android phone, Skoolbag App have assured me they have rectified the problem.

Please use the link below: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.skoolbag.singleapp>

Once you have downloaded the app and logged in follow the below steps:

- go to “MORE” Tab
- Click on “CHANGE SCHOOL”
- Click on “ADD”
- Search for your school– Fernhill School

Stay informed with the SkoolBag App



The SkoolBag app is the easiest way to stay up-to-date with school events, last minutes notices, newsletters and **all** school communications.

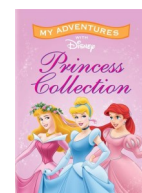
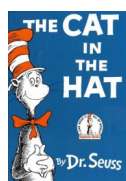
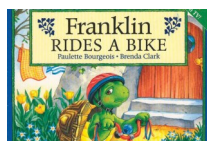



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Book Week

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 FERNHILL School - Term 3 2018					
Term 3	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
4	13 th Aug	14 th Aug	15 th Aug P&C MEETING 9.30	16 th Aug VACCINATION DAY YEARS 7, 10 and 11	17 th Aug
5	20 th Aug BOOK WEEK	21 st Aug BOOK WEEK PARENT WALKTHROUGH 11AM	22 nd Aug BOOK WEEK	23 rd Aug BOOK WEEK	24 th Aug BOOK CHARACTER DRESS UP
6	27 th Aug	28 th Aug	29 th Aug P&C MEETING 9.30	30 th Aug	31 st Aug
7	3 rd Sept	4 th Sept PARENT WALKTHROUGH 11AM	5 th Sept	6 th Sept	7 th Sept
8	10 th Sept	11 th Sept	12 th Sept P&C MEETING 9.30	13 th Sept	14 th Sept
9	17 th Sept	18 th Sept PARENT WALKTHROUGH 11AM	19 th Sept PIRATE DAY	20 th Sept	21 st Sept
10	24 th Sept	25 th Sept	26 th Sept P&C MEETING 9.30	27 th Sept	28 th Sept
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