

From our Principal

Dear families, friends and community members,



Look at this group of champions who represented our school at a local boccia tournament - they did us proud with their sportsmanship and their inclusivity! The excitement to actually go out on an excursion in our new bus was amazing. Thanks to all involved – a terrific day.

Sickness at school

We have done so well with our Covid safety at school but are currently managing influenza in our community. Please do not send your child to school if they have any flu-like or Covid-like symptoms. We all need to continue to look after each other and stay home when we are sick.

P & C

Thanks to the parents and staff who helped out at the Orchids Out West BBQ last weekend - about \$1200 was raised.

P&C is not only about fundraising at Fernhill School - it's about supporting each other and gaining insights from others as we navigate the journey of parenting! P&C would like you to join them on Friday, 24th June for a morning to chat and make resources for those Tricky Transitions - Betty our speech pathologist and Kyla our occupational therapists will also be attending to talk to you about any transitions (going to bed, coming to school etc!) that you may need help with. Even more importantly, it's a chance to start to come into the school and meet other parents. Covid has made this mingling of parents so difficult – so please come along – as long as you are feeling fine!

Orange Block Staff

Here are the faces of our Orange Block team.

Stay rugged up as winter has announced itself in a big way!

Warm wishes,

Julie



Shannon Orange 9



Courtney Orange 10



Kerry Q Orange 11



Nadine Orange 12



Lorette Orange 9

Riley

Orange 10

Amanda W

Orange 11

Howard

Orange 12



Friday 3rd June 2022

Rachael Orange 10





Naomi Orange 12



Kelly Orange 12



HOMEBASE YELLOW

Welcome to Yellow Block News

Look how busy we have been in Yellow block recently.....counting, learning about shapes, sequencing, cooking, shared reading, sensory play and acknowledging National Sorry Day

Charisse, Rianna, Krista, Kylie, Laura, Jess V, Lisa, Donna, Mandy, Tania & Taya





From our Office

REMINDER LATE STUDENT:-

Thank you to all the families who take the time to come into the office and advise your child has arrived for the day.

As the recording of all Attendance is a legal requirement we need a suitable reason for the late arrival. The word "LATE" or simply No Reason recorded is not accepted by Department of Education. As a gentle reminder can you please be mindful to complete the absence reason in full. Many thanks.

REMINDER STUDENT PICK UP TIMES during school times:-

A friendly reminder to our families who collect their children during school times, we ask your support in arriving for collection **5 MINUTES BEFORE** our breaktimes so that we can have transitioning staff bring your child to the office. This helps staff and playground rosters flow freely.

Break Times are as follow:-

10.30 am 10.45 am 11.00 am

12.30pm 1.00pm 1.30pm

Thank you for your understanding with this.

PRICE INCREASE:-

Unfortunately we have had to increase the price of our winter sloppy joes. They have increased to \$35 each. This was unavoidable from our supplier. They have advised the Zip jackets will increase on our next order. The stock we have at present will be sold at \$35 but will increase to \$40 per jacket on new delivery of stock. Don't forget—we happily recycle uniforms to our families wherever possible so please continue to send in unused uniforms.

ORCHIDS OUT WEST BBQ:-

We send a BIG THANK YOU shout out to the Orchids Out West organisers that generously hosted a BBQ and shared their profits with Fernhill School. They have generously donated \$1240 to Fernhill School. Many thanks to those involved and those funds will be used to purchase much needed resources for Fernhill School students.

Kisane, Elisha, Chris, April & Taylor





Welcome to Blue Block News



Hello everyone, we are very excited to tell you all the amazing things Blue Block students have been doing!

A real favourite has been weekly cooking sessions. This is a wonderful opportunity for all students to use their AAC in a meaningful way. Students have been using core-words such as 'need' 'give' 'different' and 'more' when making delicious treats!

All Blue Block classes combined for National Simultaneous Storytime and had a great time listening to the story in Blue 6. We also observed Sorry Day and each student made an artwork for a whole school collage which should be displayed shortly.

Another favourite activity has been weekly library visits. All classes in Blue Block spend a session where students get to choose a book and engage in self-selected reading. We have seen a real increase in students sitting and flipping through their chosen books in these sessions!

Talk to you next time,

Danielle, Jo, Kimberley, Natasha, Rebecca L, Elisa, Belynda, Julie E, Nathan, Vicki, Kayla, Chloe and Maddie.











NADO July School Holiday Program

NADO will be running their school holiday program from Monday 4th July - Friday 15th July 2022 (excluding weekends).

Bookings are essential, please contact them directly for further information and bookings on 1300 738 229 between 9am - 4pm or email jspiteri@nado.org.au



KIDSZONE

HOMEBASE ORANGE



Welcome to Orange Block News

Wow! Can you believe we are over half way through Term 2? Whilst the weeks have flown, Orange Block have had a few busy weeks!

All Orange Block students have been busy learning about money during our math lessons. Whilst each class has been participating in a variety of money activities - the highlight for our students has definitely been exchanging money in our class shops! High school students have been exploring materials in science. They have been using lots of different materials, such as food, to see what happens when we mix them! In Music, students have enjoyed engaging with bucket drumming and body percussion. They also got the opportunity to go to an incursion in the hall and learn about the history of radios where we got the chance to look at some cool artefacts!

Our primary students have been busy learning about 2D shapes and have been using lots of different materials to make these shapes - such as pastry! We also got a new swing in our block which has been tonnes of fun. Orange 9 will begin swimming in the upcoming weeks. The teachers and students are very excited! Please ensure all swimmers and towels are labelled.

Bye for now!

Shannon, Lorette, Kelly, Rachael, Courtney, Riley, Kerry Q, Tara, Amanda, Nadine, Naomi and Howard.



HOMEBASE GREEN



Welcome to Green Block News

The concepts of history and family through story telling have been a focus in Green Block and we had a wonderful incursion where Alison Moore came and spoke to us about her father Graeme Moore who designed and built some of the earliest radios and televisions for AWA. She had three of her father's radios with her so we could look at and touch them. It was great to hear some oral history about media and family.

We participated in National Simultaneous Storytime and enjoyed the book 'Family Tree' by Josh Pyke. This gave us another time to discuss the concept of family and how important it is.

The students in Green Block have also marked National Sorry Day and the impact on families by shared reading of the book 'Sorry Day' by Coral Vass. We then joined together to create a collaborative artwork using chalk shading.

We have been having a great time during sport and played a variety of ball games and this culminated in a group of students taking out the new school bus to compete in a boccia tournament. Our boccia team is comprised of Ethan L, Annelise, Alannah, Lachlan W, Arin, Arron, Andy and Ryan.

We wish them good luck and big Fernhill Cheer – Go Team Fernhill!









Meredith, Olivia, Olga, Katie, Kerry G, Julie B, Hazel, Sophia, Leanne, Jodie C & Julie E









HOMEBASE RED

Welcome to Red Block News

Our Red Block classes have all been very busy with lots of learning and fun. Every student has participated in a conversation using a Talking Mat that will give a student voice to school reports. Teachers are very busy completing school reports that will be sent home by the end of term.

Photograph Day saw all students getting their individual photographs in the library or kitchen and hopefully we caught some happy smiles. Even Quinnella got up on the seat and smiled for the camera.

We all participated in activities to acknowledge Sorry Day. All students have coloured in a part of a picture that we will put together to form an Aboriginal mural.

In mathematics we have done some work around different 2D shapes and multiplication/division. Students are learning to sort items evenly and one at a time using concrete materials and on paper. We have also been looking at length and how it can be measured using formal and informal units.

Remember to test us out on our rhyming words. We continue to enjoy the shared reading texts, songs and poems that give examples of rhyming. A firm favourite of some of the older staff is Puff the Magic Dragon (some younger staff did not know it – but they do now!)

Students enjoy spending time together on all types of different activities. Red Block and Blue Block students get to spend every morning tea and lunch play time together in Adventure Play, trampolines and the basketball area. It is great to see the interactions and friendships that are on display.

Bye for now!

Deb, Kim, Daniel, Ben, Rebecca C, Chenelle, Jen, Jess M, Tania, Jasmine and Linda















2022 Employment Life Skills & Leisure Expo

If your child is leaving school and looking for post school options then check out the *FREE* Employment Life Skills & Leisure Expo in Blacktown.

If you are interested you wil need to RSVP vis the link below:

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/copyof-western-sydney-employment-lifeskills-leisure-expo-tickets-318634483317





DELIVERY ONLY

Check out these cool costumes available to purchase from Big W!!



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A safe and friendly community for children with a disability

Rainbow Club welcomes children with a disability for individualised swimming lessons to learn to swim, be safe in the water, interact, feel included, play and have fun.



Swim the Rainbow

- Our unique Swim the Rainbow program has been specially designed to teach children with a disability
- The swimming goals are aligned to the seven colours of the Rainbow to help build confidence
- Individualised swim lessons are delivered by qualified and dedicated swim teachers

Register your interest

- Vacancies arise at short notice, so we recommend you register and be ready to start swimming with a Club that understands and supports children with a disability (regardless of the type of disability)
- There is an expectation that a parent or guardian will remain close by during lessons to assist if required

About Rainbow Club

- We provide a membership for the duration of a school term (9 weekly half hour lessons)
- Our social calendar has something for everyone
- Club Committees are run by volunteers
- We can't wait to see you at Rainbow Club soon!

Rainbow Club is a network of social swimming clubs for children with a disability

Join us! Sign-up online at myrainbowclub.org.au/register/

myrainbowclub.org.au

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Come and Try Golf for FREE!!

Any person over the age of 8 with an intellectual disability is invited to Werrington Golf Course on Saturday 16th July 2022.

You will need to RSVP by Saturday 9th July 2022 if you wish come along and join in the fun!

ĥ	Special Olympics Australia Sydney West						
	COME AND TRY GOLF WITH SPECIAL OLYMPICS						
	ecial Olympics Sydney West Club invites people with an intellectual disability to a Golf Come & Try Day						
Who:	Any person over the age of 8 with an intellectual disability is invited to participate.						
Where:	Colonial Golf Course 1 Werrington Road, Werrington NSW						
When:	Saturday 16 th July						
Arrival Time:	1.00pm						
Finish Time:	3.00pm (A BBQ sausage sandwich will be provided for all participants)						
Equipment Required:	Participants can bring their own or we will have plenty of clubs and balls available.						
RSVP before: To:	9 th July 2022 Dianne Butler 0419 290 826 or Roy Martin 0406 719 456						

About Special Olympics:

Special Olympics provides sports training and competition for people with an intellectual disability including those with autism. Sports programs are designed to ensure all levels of ability are catered for.

The purpose of the Come & Try day is to gauge the interest in the Sydney West area in establishing an ongoing golf program to develop skills and ultimately participate in competitions provided by Special Olympics.

Experienced Professional golfer Jeff Mansfield will facilitate the Come & Try activities and subject to the interest shown conduct a regular weekly program.

The aim is to make it a fun and positive experience for all involved.

Are you a participant, carer or family member looking to understand how to navigate the NDIS?

If you are one of New South Wales' 150,000 NDIS participants, how do you find or connect to the right provider to make the wisest choices for your allocated funding?

By heading to one of our FREE national 2022 Disability Connection Expos is how!

If you are interested in attending the expo you will need to register via the link below: https://au.eventscloud.com/ereg/newreg.php?eventid=100210760&categoryid=1015612 97



Sydney Disability Expo

Friday 5th & Saturday 6th August 2022

The Sydney Disability Expo is a *FREE* event that will link thousands of people with a disability with hundreds of product and service providers as well presenting a range of informative and interactive presentations delivered by industry experts.

If you are interested in attending the expo you will need to register via the link below:

https://www.sydneydisabilityexpo.com.au/attend-expo/



Kylie's Kitchen Budget Tips

Nutrition Snippet

PUMPKIN



Pumpkins are in season in autumn and winter.

Try these recipes kids will love:

- Pumpkin and Sweet Potato Scones
- Pumpkin and Cheese Pikelets
- <u>Roast Pumpkin and Tomato Pasta Sauce</u>
- For more recipes and to find out about the different types of pumpkins read our blog: <u>healthylunchbox.com.au</u>

Cancer Council

Healthy Lunch Box

healthylunchbox.com.au

Here are the links for the healthy lunch box recipes:

Pumpkin and Sweet Potato Scones

https://healthylunchbox.com.au/recipes/pumpkinand-sweet-potato-scones

Pumpkin and Cheese Pikelets

https://healthylunchbox.com.au/recipes/pumpkin-and-cheese-pikelets

Roast Pumpkin and Tomato Pasta Sauce

healthylunchbox.com.au/recipes/roast-pumpkinand-tomato-pasta-sauce





Scholastic Book Club 2022

Scholastic Book Club Brochures will be sent home regularly throughout the year. There is no obligation to purchase. The school does receive points from your purchases we can use to obtain resources. If you are interested in purchasing *please order online as no cash or orders will be taken through the school.*

With compliments Leanne Hayes Book Club Co-ordinator.



	FERNHILL School - Term 2 2022						
Term TWO	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		
7	6 th June	7 th June	8 th June	9 th June	10 th June		
8	13 th June PUBLIC HOLIDAY QUEENS BIRTHDAY	14 th June	15 th June	16 th June	17 th June		
9	20 th June	21 st June P&C MEETING 9.30AM COFFEE & CHAT	22 nd June	23 rd June	24 th June PYJAMA DAY FOR QUINNELLA'S BIRTHDAY P&C CHAT &		
10	27 th June	28 th June	29 th June	30 th June	1st th July LAST DAY TERM 2		
	Hols	Hols	Hols	Hols	Hols		





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