Congratulations to our Fernvale Kings team who were awarded first place at the Brisbane West Chess Championships last week. This is a fantastic result for all our students working hard in the current chess program under the tutelage of Mr Butler. Well done to all the students that competed at the tournament.

Thank you to the many parents and carers that attended Parent Interviews last week. Over 360 interviews were booked and this is an excellent response. Congratulations to all.

May I wish our students competing at the Lockyer Zone Cross Country this Friday all the very best as well as they look to secure a spot to attend the Western Ranges trial. Good luck to all!

May I once again remind all school community members that in the first week back of Term Two it will be extremely busy with a number of school activities.

The first day of Term Two is Tuesday 23 April. On Wednesday 24 April our 9 to 12 year old students will be participating primarily in most of their field events, 800m and 200m heats. ANZAC Day and the Fernvale School led Commemorative Service at Fernvale Park from 8:15am. On Friday 26 April the main Sports Day for all students will be held. A busy week to commence the Term for all.
From the Principal

ANZAC DAY Parade
This Wednesday there will be a special ANZAC Day parade. Miss Judith Schmidt from the Lowood RSL sub-branch will deliver a special message to all the students. Also in attendance will members of the Lowood Freemasons Lodge where they will be making an ANZAC Day donation to the school by the way of specific ANZAC Day books to the value of $100. We thank both the Lowood RSL sub-branch and the ANZAC Day donation from the Lowood Freemason Lodge. The school choir will also perform their "ANZAC Day" song to the audience to mark the special occasion. Parade will commence at 2:30pm. All are welcome.

Term One has been an extremely busy term. There have been many outstanding achievements and much learning occurring. Thank you to all the staff and students for your continued efforts to make our school a quality school with high expectations and quality outcomes. Thank you to the parents for your continued support of our staff and school.

May I wish you all a wonderful and relaxing Easter vacation. Please take care if travelling on the roads and I look forward to seeing everyone back safe and sound to commence Term Two on Tuesday 23 April.

Happy Easter to all.

Regards
David

From the Deputy Principal

Happy last week of Term 1!

Wow, that was fabulous and fast! The year has certainly got off to a great start. This week our teachers continue to come offline to plan with our Head of Curriculum for next term. As you know our school teaches content from the Australian Curriculum. To see what your child will cover this year click on the link and then your child’s year level: https://www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/parent-information
This week our Preps have been very busy learning about patterns. Patterns are at the heart of math. The ability to recognize and create patterns help us make predictions based on our observations; this is an important skill in math. Understanding patterns help prepare children for learning complex number concepts and mathematical operations.

The Australian Curriculum, from kindergarten to Year 6, identifies and describes the big ideas behind the tasks and activities students are engaged in and working on in their classrooms.
These big ideas are:

- We use patterns to represent identified regularities and to form generalisations.
- Patterns allow us to see relationships and develop generalisations.

Patterns are everywhere! From the very simple patterns that repeats with two or three elements, to repeating patterns with multiple elements and attributes. Students learn to identify and create increasing and decreasing patterns, to name rules for patterns with words, numbers, symbols, and variables. Older students learn to record and manipulate number patterns using tables, charts, and graphs. Learning about patterns provides students with an understanding of mathematical relationships, which is a basis for understanding algebra, analyzing data, and solving complex mathematical problems. And….it’s so much fun!

We have now enjoyed our 3rd week of Playgroup! Our ‘Little Explorers Playgroup’ intentionally plans using learning techniques from the Abecedarian Approach Australia (3a) to engage children and their families in play-based experiences. Each week age appropriate Learning Games are available for you to participate with your child (0-6 months, 6-12 months, 1-2 years, 2-3 years, 3-4 years and 4-5 years) these are playful fun adult-child interactions. These evidenced base games are designed to build connection between you and your child and enhance their development. They are fun, simple and designed to go back and forth between you and your child.

For more information on the 3a approach

https://3a.education.unimelb.edu.au/about-the-abecedarian-approach

Our Little Explorers also participate in arts, crafts and indoor/outdoor activities. We finish our fun session with intentional stories and songs planned by our fabulous facilitator, Helen Levitt, designed to enhance children’s literacy. We then enjoy a provided snack together.
From the Deputy Principal

Little Explorers is designed for you to interact with your child to support their development. We provide an opportunity for you to connect with other families and seek support if needed.
This week our Little Explorers will be expecting a special guest. One with big ears and a little surprise for all!
Everyone is welcome. We look forward to seeing you there!

The super Easter Hat planning and creating is happening across our Prep – Year 3 children this week. I look forward to seeing you at our P-3 Easter Bonnet Parade on Friday at 9am!
Have a wonderful and well-earned break!
Kylie

Other School Matters

**Year 1 History Incursion**
Year 1 History Incursion “Step into History” payment and permission form due to the School Office **Tuesday 7th May**. Please note that no payments will be accepted after this date.

**Year 3 Science Incursion**
Year 3 Science Incursion “Mad Microscopes” payment and permission form due to the School Office **Tuesday 14th May**. Please note that no payments will be accepted after this date.

**Year 6 Camp Fundraiser - Disco**
The annual disco raising money for the Year 6 Tallebudgera Camp is on Friday, 10 May 2019. Pre ordered admission tickets are $6 or $7 at the door. A raffle is being held in conjunction with the Disco with lots of exciting prizes to be won. Books of Tickets will be sent home with each Year 6 student. Extra books of tickets are available from the office for anyone wanting to help to sell in the community. Tickets are also on sale at the School Office. Tickets are $1 each.

**Year 6 Senior Shirt Orders**
Year 6 Senior Shirt Orders and payment are due back to the office by Friday 24th May. Please note that orders and payment will not be accepted after this date.
Mother’s Day Stall
Any donations of items for the Mother’s Day Stall would be greatly appreciated. Please drop any donations off to the School Office.

Fundraising Disco Raffle
Any donations of items for the School Disco Raffle would be greatly appreciated. Please drop any donations off to the School Office. Raffle tickets are available to purchase from the School Office. Tickets are $1 each.
**Dental News**

The Dental Van will be leaving the school shortly after the April School holidays. If you haven’t yet, but would like to have your children’s dental treatment completed, please read the details below and contact us ASAP to ensure we can see your children before the van moves. If you would like to make use of our service for your children there are a couple of options for you:

2. Phone the Business Service Centre on 1300 763 246 Monday-Thursday 8am-3pm
3. Drop into the dental van (sometimes we can be a bit busy though and you may have a short wait)

Please note:
To ensure you are fully informed of your child’s treatment, **a parent/legal guardian must attend** the first appointment to discuss your child’s **dental/medical history** and to provide **consent** for treatment.

We hope to see you soon!

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**Chess News**

Last week, on Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup> of March, 24 Fernvale students represented the school at the Brisbane West Zone Chess tournament at St. John’s Anglican College.

All the children enjoyed themselves and benefited greatly from the experience. It was pleasing to see how each child stepped back up after a loss and redoubled their effort in the next challenge. Their behaviour was, once again, a credit to their school and their effort throughout the day (playing 7 games over 5 hours) was commendable.

Overall, **Fernvale teams finished 1<sup>st</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>.** There were 29 teams with 97 children from 14 schools participating. What an awesome effort from the Fernvale Chess Stars!

Merit ribbons (4.5/7 or better) were earned by Jason L (tied 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>), Jack B, Oliver S, Ashton L, Benjamin P, Caitlin M and Hudson L. 17 of the 24 Fernvale students scored 50% or better… a great result!

Many thanks to Mr Leitch and Mrs Lucas who accompanied the group to Brisbane. Well done Chess Stars!

Chess Club has been a great success during Term 1 with approximately 25-30 children playing, learning and competing in a happy, supportive environment. **Congratulations to Jack B, Oliver S and Ashton L** who were our Term 1 point-score winners!
Next term we will welcome the Year 3’s… any Year 3 student who wants to have fun and improve their Chess is welcome to come to the Chess Club in Term 2 on Tuesday afternoon. There will be further information in the upcoming newsletter regarding this Club. It is anticipated that any interested Year 2 students will be invited to attend in Term 3… after 2 terms of Chess lessons.

AND… last Thursday 8 selected children visited Hatton Vale SS to assist them in the development of their Chess program! Mr. Butler provided some instruction to all the children and the Fernvale Chess Stars played against the Hatton Vale students… and made some new friends! Thank you to Mrs. Lucas for assisting with transport.

If you have any queries regarding Chess, please feel free to contact me through the school.

Thank you,
Mr Butler.

April is Autism Awareness Month. On World Autism Awareness Day, held each year on April 2, iconic buildings across Australia and the world will turn their lights blue for the entire month of April to promote autism awareness. Autism Queensland supports this global initiative, through its annual Go Blue for Autism campaign.

On Tuesday, 2 April 2019 Fernvale State School will be raising awareness and funds to support people living with ASD and their families by holding a Go Blue for Autism Day. All students and staff are requested to Go Blue and donate a gold coin for Autism Queensland.

For an additional gold coin donation students and staff will also have the opportunity to purchase a Go Blue for Autism wristband or tattoo or have their hair sprayed blue by the Inclusion Team in the Years 2-3-6 Undercover Eating Area.

Go Blue for Autism Merchandise will also be available to be purchased from the Office.

Thank you for your support.

Karen Mahon – Head of Special Education Services
Fernvale State School Temporary School’s Officer Position

15.5 hours per week (Monday and Tuesday only)

A Temporary vacancy exists at Fernvale SS for a School Officer from 23 April to 28 June with possible extension.

Applicants will need to be able to undertake the following role:

- Responsible for a range of day to day activities that include maintenance of school ovals through regular mowing, watering and soil maintenance (refer to Workplace Health and Safety (WHS) guidelines and procedures); lawn and garden maintenance, including regular weeding and the use of appropriate insecticides and fertilisers where necessary (refer to WHS guidelines and procedures); plant, water and care for trees, shrubs, gardens; and undertake general maintenance of grounds care equipment such as mowers, brush cutters, tractors (as per manufacturers’ service manuals) and arrange regular services.

- Assist with a range of duties that include clearing and hosing of drains and gutters; collection of waste, food and paper on school grounds as agreed by relevant staff and the Principal, Business Manager and/or nominated delegate; undertaking immediate action cleaning duties (outside the normal operating hours of the school’s cleaning staff); coordinating the removal and/or disposal of rubbish as required (does not include emptying of bins in agreed eating areas); assist with requirements for significant events such as fetes, plays and major sporting events.

- Support with a variety of security duties at the school that involve using and maintaining the school security systems; banking of school funds (this does not refer to the collection, receipt, or reconciliation of funds, but rather to the transport and deposition of funds at the appropriate bank institution); and locking and unlocking buildings (within core hours).

- Ensure compliance with workplace health and safety requirements including maintenance of a safe work environment; safe storage and handling of chemicals, fertilisers and fuels; bring to appropriate attention any safety hazards; manage equipment records; and maintain tools and equipment for repair services (as per manufacturer’s service manual). Responsible for a range of day to day activities that may include delivering and collecting mail, parcels and documents; recording and delivering of messages; printing and photocopying; preparing classrooms for examinations and preparing activity/assembly halls, including moving/arranging furniture and seating; removing and relocating furniture from room to room; general store duties including receiving, opening up, checking, storing and distributing school supplies and stocks; maintaining various registers; and stocktaking and recording/engraving of school equipment/furniture and assets.

- Attend to/or arrange repairs and maintenance within the school, including those which relate to fences, paving, gates and irrigation; swimming pools (e.g. maintaining proper water quality, testing water, keeping records of tests, adjusting/adding chemicals as consistent with occupational, health and safety (WHS) guidelines and procedures);

- Order and/or collect general grounds care/cleaning supplies and materials as authorised by the Principal, Business Manager or nominated delegate; undertake ground improvement and enhancement activities; and prepare, mark and take general care of all outdoor sporting facilities (e.g. basketball, netball and tennis courts, cricket pitches, track and field areas).

- Other duties, consistent with the duties and responsibilities of the position as directed by the Principal, Business Manager or nominated delegate.

Applications close with the Business Manager on 10 April. Applications should be sent to 1605 Brisbane Valley Highway Fernvale Q and include a resume and state experience with the key roles above and at least two referees.
## SPORTS DAY MENU
26th April 2019

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*Orders must be in by 9am*

- Parents/caregivers may purchase during the day
- No Ice Creams will be sold before 12 o’clock
- Online orders for “Special Event Menu” accepted
- Given the day’s timetable restrictions, students will be given priority service.
Hop Hop Hop into Easter!

Join us for a fun-filled afternoon of Easter activities

WEDNESDAY 17 APRIL | 3:00 - 4:30pm

Lowood Community Centre
1 Peace Street, Lowood

RSVP: 07 5426 3432
Class Availability: April 2019

Five Ingredients 5-week course:

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Now open online for bookings. Please visit our website listed below.

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Suitable for children aged five to 10

Movie
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Craft
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When
Monday, 8 April 2019
9.30am to 11.30am

Where
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Bookings
Close Thursday, 4 April 2019
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Activities
Exploring Nature Play
Colouring & Painting Activities
Physical Activity
Art & Craft
Indigenous Games & Sports

WEEK 1

Tuesday, 9th April
Playtime In The Park
Leichhardt Park
Old Toowomba Road, One Mile
10am - 12pm

Wednesday, 10th April
Wild Call Animal Show
Kambu Children & Family Centre
27 Roderick Street, Ipswich
1pm - 3pm

Thursday, 11th April
Switch Bricks
Sacred Heart
25 Cochill Road, Booval
Limited bookings available
10am - 1pm

WEEK 2

Tuesday, 16th April
“Hands On Technology”
Redbank Plaza Library
1 Collingwood Drive, Redbank
10am

Wednesday, 17th April
Playtime In The Park
Anzac Park
Patrick Street, Laidley
10am - 12pm

Thursday, 18th April
Ipswich Art Gallery
“Playing with light”
D’Arcy Doyle Place, Ipswich
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