



The School Report

Newsletter of Fernvale State School

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School Office Hours 8am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday

Dates to Remember

Dates are subject to change.

April

- 2 World Autism Awareness Day free dress
- 4 Cross Country
- 4 Easter Hat Parade 1pm in Hall
- 4 Last day Term 1
- 22 First day Term 2
- 25 ANZAC DAY**
- 29 Early Years Reading Parent Info 2pm

May

- 5 PUBLIC HOLIDAY**
- 8 Mother's Day Stall

Payments Due

Please note payment cannot be accepted after the due date.

Interscholar Netball and Soccer \$64
(including Finals)

From the Principal – David Raine

Welcome to the last week of Term One. This term has been an extremely busy one punctuated with some "stop and start" periods.

Thank you to the large number of parents and carers who took up the opportunity to meet with your child's teacher at the Parent Teacher Interviews last week. Staff worked extremely hard to ensure that all relevant information and recent student achievement was prepared ready for discussion.

Reporting Framework

Recently the systemic reporting framework has changed from Prep to Year 12 to now include Kindy to Year 12. As a result of the change, other elements have now also changed, and school communities have the opportunity to ensure that the reporting of student achievement in the form of a school report card can be modified with consultation. Please find below an opportunity for all parents and carers to offer their feedback on our school reporting.

Click on the link to take part in a very short survey
<https://survey.qed.qld.gov.au/n/azmh704>

The survey will close to parents on 4th April. Parent feedback is extremely important and will be considered alongside staff feedback in this reporting process.



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PCYC Partnership

We are extremely grateful to be able to partner with the Fernvale PCYC to deliver the "TEAM Up" program for our upper year students. A number of Year 6 boys completed the Term One program last week culminating in some special activities at the Fernvale PCYC Centre. Sergeant TJ and Jennifer also provided a healthy lunch for all participants. Many thanks are extended to Sergeant TJ and Jennifer for delivering this important program over the past eight weeks and Mrs Le Jeune for her assistance with the group.

We look forward to a new group commencing this wonderful program in Term Two.

School Cross Country

At this point our School Cross Country will proceed on Friday but will be dependent on the weather and ground conditions. Predicted rain throughout the week may impact our ability to undertake a full program on the day.

If the weather should be extremely wet, we may only "run" the older year students (Born 2015, 2014, 2013 and 2012 only) as these are the only students who are eligible to attend the next level of representation (Lockyer Zone Cross Country). If this were to happen then all other students would "run" their Cross Country in the first week back of school in Term Two. Monitoring of the weather throughout the week will occur and any changes will be communicated to the school community.

Facilities work

Damage from the recent weather event causing our school closure, is still being undertaken. I am pleased to report that the suspended tree limbs and some that had fallen through the markets shed roof have now been removed. The sports complex gate is now open due to the safety considerations being rectified. Thank you for your patience and understanding whilst this work was completed.

The shade cover replacement for the Prep/Year One playground should be installed over the holiday period.

Holiday wishes

On behalf of the staff of Fernvale State School, may I wish all our school community a relaxing and enjoyable Easter vacation. If you are travelling on the busy roads, please take extreme care.

I look forward to all staff, students and parents returning to school on Tuesday 22 April.

Regards

David



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From the Deputy Principal – Jodi Eugster

Welcome to Week 10

Caught in the Act - Year 2 Future Self-Portrait Project

This term, our Year 2 students have been exploring how photographic portraits capture moments in time and how technology can be used to manipulate reality in media artworks. As part of their learning, students planned, designed, and created self-portraits that represent their vision of the future.



This exciting project encouraged students to think creatively about what the future might look like and the roles they may play in it. They had a fantastic time imagining new possibilities and bringing their ideas to life through art and technology. We are so proud of their innovation and creativity!

A vibrant yellow poster for the FSS Easter Hat Parade. At the top, the words "You're Invited!" are written in a colorful, cursive font. Below this, "FSS Easter Hat Parade" is written in large, bold, green letters. The date "Friday 4th April" is in blue, and the location "School Hall - 1pm" is in pink. A note in pink says "(following the conclusion of the Cross Country)". The bottom of the poster features several colorful, decorated Easter eggs in shades of pink, blue, green, and orange, with some having patterns like polka dots and stripes. Green leaves and stems are scattered around the eggs.

You're Invited!
FSS Easter Hat Parade
Friday 4th April
School Hall - 1pm
(following the conclusion of the Cross Country)

Easter Bonnet Parade

Children from Prep – Year 2 will be invited to join in our **Easter Bonnet Parade** following the conclusion of the Cross Country Carnival this Friday. Whilst our actual start time will be dependent on the finish of the Cross Country, we anticipate that we will meet at the Hall at 1pm. Please look out for updates should we need to make any changes due to weather conditions.

Nature Play Spotlight – April 2nd – 13th



Nature play is a term used to describe the creation of simple play opportunities in the natural environment. Nature play encourages kids and parents to see the natural environment as a place to enjoy, play, imagine, relax and explore.

Getting kids involved in Nature Play doesn't have to be expensive or time-consuming, it can be as simple as a visit to the local park where the kids can roam free. Nature Play Week is a great place to get started. *Click on the image to learn more about Nature Play Qld.*

A logo for Wendt Electrical featuring a blue lightning bolt on a black background. The text "WENDT ELECTRICAL" is in white, bold, sans-serif font. Below it, a list of services is provided in white text: "For all your electrical needs including: - power poles - undergrounds installations and replacements - power lines - air conditioning". At the bottom, it says "NO JOB TOO SMALL" and "SERVICING ALL AREAS". The phone number "0409 097 847" and email "wendtelectrical@outlook.com" are listed. A small license number "Lic no: 86615" is also present.

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Why Nature Play?

Do you remember your favourite childhood place in nature? Where was it? How did you find it? How did you feel when you were there?



Over the past 30 years, we have moved indoors and screen spaces have replaced green places. Use of television, computers, the internet and smartphones, increased parental fear, poor urban planning and more highly structured play and supervision keep kids from playing outside.

This change in the experience of and exposure to nature has led to a gradual distancing between our kids and the natural world and has profound implications for the mental, physical, emotional and spiritual health of future generations – and for the health of nature itself.

A growing body of evidence suggests that, from backyards to streets, parks and gardens, from the beach to the bush, kids do better outside!

Thank you

It is hard to believe how quickly this term has passed. Whilst no two days are ever the same, we are grateful for the consistency of your trust and support and look forward to working with you again next term. We will hit the ground running with our Early Years Reading session for parents on Tuesday 29th April.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries or suggestions throughout the year. You are welcome to drop in, call or send an email to jeugs1@eq.edu.au.

Best wishes,

Jodi.



Is your child not at school today?

Whether they are sick, at an appointment or on a family holiday, we need to know!

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EARLY YEARS READING PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

Learn about how your child is being taught to read and what you can do to help.

**29 APRIL 2025
2:00PM**



School Holidays are almost here...

School holidays will see many families travel to visit family and friends. Mastering child safety on the road has never been easier! These easy-to-follow videos are here to assist you in ensuring your child's safety while taking the hassle out of this crucial task.

Booster seat

Designed for children who have outgrown their forward-facing restraint, a booster seat lifts your child up to allow the adult seatbelt to be positioned correctly across their hips and shoulder.



Adult seatbelt

Think your child is ready for an adult seat and seatbelt? Use this simple 5-step test to be sure.



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World Autism Awareness Day

April is Autism Awareness Month! We're inviting our school community to take action for True Inclusion.

Everyone is different, and that's amazing! We all have unique strengths and together, we can build a vibrant world where everyone feels valued and included.

All classes will receive an awareness lesson: Understanding Autism at School. Classes will be learning that autistic students may think, communicate, and experience the world differently. Classes will also learn about ways to be kind, inclusive, and supportive of their autistic peers. Please see your child's teacher should you not wish for your child to participate in the awareness lesson.

On World Autism Awareness Day, we are celebrating diversity. We look forward to all students and staff wearing their most colourful outfits to show their true colours on Wednesday, 2 April 2025.

Please note a donation is not required. All classes will receive an awareness lesson: Understanding Autism at School. Please see your child's teacher should you not wish for your child to participate.

FERNVALE STATE SCHOOL

Show your **true colours**

Free dress day

Celebrate diversity by wearing your most colourful outfits for World Autism Awareness Day

Wednesday, 2 April 2025

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Please remember if you need support or strategies for your child, don't hesitate to contact us.

Have a terrific Week 10.

Karen

The Performing Arts

Fernvale State School Choir

Thank you to all members of our 2025 Fernvale State School Choirs for your commitment to attending rehearsals every week.

In preparation for ANZAC Day, we have been practising the ANZAC Song that will be performed at Parade on Wednesday, 23 April 2025 and at the Fernvale ANZAC Service on Friday, 25 April 2025. Notes for the Fernvale State School Choir ANZAC Day Service Performance will be sent home this week. Please return completed notes by Wednesday, 23 April 2025.

Reminder:

Senior Choir rehearsals are held in the Music Room at Second Break 1.30pm to 1.55pm on Monday in school Term.

Junior Choir rehearsals are held in the Music Room at Second Break 1.30pm to 1.55pm on Wednesday in school Term.

Mrs Karen Mahon / Ms Chloe Williamson



If your contact information has changed,
don't forget to let us know!



Call the Office 54271333 or email
admin@fernvaless.eq.edu.au

Other School Matters

Year 6 Senior Shirts

All Year 6 Senior Shirt Orders need to be returned to the office before Wednesday, 2 April.

If you are not ordering a shirt, please return the order form stating no shirt required.

Interschool Sport

Netball

All Netball games are played at Ipswich Netball Assoc. Limestone Park, Ipswich.

Game times – Seniors and Boys 12:20pm and Juniors and Year 4's 1:10pm.

Soccer

Please see the Soccer draw below. Note subject to change.

Game times - Seniors 12:20pm and Juniors 1:15pm.




Date	A's Venue	B's Venue
May 2	Sutton Park F2 (creek end) v Mt Crosby SS	Leichardt SS v Leichardt SS
May 9	Sutton Park F2 (creek end) v Rosewood SS	Karalee SS v Karalee SS
May 23	Deebing Heights SS v Deebing Heights SS	Ipswich North SS v Ipswich North SS
May 30	Sutton Park F2 (creek end) v Karalee SS	Leichardt SS v Leichardt SS
June 6	Sutton Park F2 (creek end) v Rosewood SS	Karalee SS v Karalee SS
June 13	Sutton Park F2 (creek end) v Mt Crosby SS	Ipswich North SS v Ipswich North SS
June 20	Finals	Finals





**Mother's day stall
Thursday the
8th of May**



If you wish for you
child to participate
please send money on
the day



HAPPY
Mother's Day

2025 Representative Sports Calendar (as at 11/12/24)

SPORT	Lockyer (confirmed)	Western Ranges (confirmed)
Swimming	Nominations by: 4 Feb	13 February
Cross Country	7 May (Wk 3 – Term 2)	10-19 Yrs 15 May
Track & Field	25 July (Wk 4 - Term 3)	10-19 Yrs 14 & 15 Aug (UQ – St Lucia)
Rugby League (Girls)	11-12 Yrs GIRLS – Paper Nominations - Due: 4 June	11-12 Yrs 11 June (Brothers Ipswich)
Rugby League (Boys)	5 March (Wk 6 – Term 1)	10-12 Yrs - 19 March Noms Due – 12 March
Netball	19 February (Wk 4 – Term 1) 10-12 & 10-11 Yrs Girls	GIRLS 10-12 Yrs & 10-11Yrs 25 Feb BOYS 10-12 Yrs Paper Nominations Due: 19 Feb
Football (Soccer)	30 April (Wk 2 T2) 10-12 Yrs Boys & Girls	Boys & Girls 10-12 Yrs - 7 May
Basketball	Nominations by: 13 March	Boys & Girls 10-12 Yrs 21 March
Hockey	Nominations by: 18 March	Boys & Girls 10-12 Yrs 26 March
A.F.L	Nominations by: 25 Feb	Boys & Girls 10-12 Yrs 4 March
Softball	-	DIRECT NOMINATION Boys & Girls 10-12 Yrs 28 May
Touch	28 April (Wk 2 – Term 2) 10-12 Yrs Boys & Girls	Boys & Girls 10-12 Yrs 14 May
Tennis	Nominations by: 13 May	Boys & Girls 10-12 Yrs 21 May
Cricket (Boys)	Wed 28 May (Wk 6 - T2) Call for Nomination Prior	10-12Yrs 4 June
Cricket (Girls)	-	DIRECT NOMINATION 10-12 Yrs 4 June
Rugby Union	Nominations by: 22 April	11-12 Yrs Boys 30 April
Golf	-	DIRECT NOMINATION 10-19 Yrs Boys & Girls 18 March
Squash	-	DIRECT NOMINATION 10-19 Yrs Boys & Girls 4 March
Triathlon/ & Aquathlon	-	DIRECT NOMINATION Due: 21 Oct



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Forest Hill – Fernvale Road, Lowood – Embankment Stabilisation Resident notification: March 2025

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) will be undertaking embankment stabilisation works along approximately 100 metres of Forest Hill-Fernvale Road, Lowood. **The map overleaf shows the location of works.**

Key works:

- removal of vegetation to provide access to site and facilitate the works
- installation of geotextile and grouted rock to prevent further erosion
- stabilising the embankment around the culvert
- widening of 100 meters of pavement above the embankment
- extending the steel culvert
- construction of a new culvert headwall
- reinstatement of vegetation to prevent erosion
- replacing guardrail.

What to expect

- Works are expected to start **early April 2025** and will be during the day, **Monday to Friday between 6am and 6pm** for approximately three months, weather and construction conditions permitting.
- Nearby residents may experience some increased noise, dust and vibration while works are underway.
- Temporary traffic changes will be in place, including a lane closure through the work site for the full project duration. Temporary traffic signals will be in place 24/7 to manage traffic flow through the site.
- Roadworks speed limit reductions, signage and variable message signs will be in place to ensure motorist and roadworker safety.

Environmental impacts - Flying Foxes

- The culvert in the work site is adjacent to a Flying Fox roost and nesting location.
- Recent ecological inspections identified there are currently no nesting mammals and the Flying Fox pups are independent from their mothers minimising risk and allowing embankment works to commence.
- Residents are advised flying foxes may roost in nearby gardens and properties while works are carried out.
- All flying fox species are protected under the *Queensland Nature Conservation Act 1994*. It is an offence to kill or injure them or interfere with their roosts.
- To report a sick or injured flying-fox please contact Bat Conservation & Rescue QLD hotline on 0488 228 134 and Department of Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation (1300 130 372). Please do not touch or attempt to relocate the flying-fox, if scratched or bitten please contact Queensland Health (13 43 25 84).

TMR understands roadworks can be frustrating for nearby businesses, residents and road users and acknowledges the cooperation and patience of stakeholders while works are carried out.

For further information regarding these works please contact the project team

Phone: 07 5451 7055 Email: northcoast@tmr.qld.gov.au

All information contained in this communication is accurate at the time of distribution, however, works and dates are subject to change due to circumstances outside of TMR's control.



Forest Hill – Fernvale Road, Lowood, embankment stabilisation works



Culvert, slope and road repair works

Image of culvert on Forest Hill-Fernvale Road, Lowood

FREE

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Saturday 5 to Thursday 17 April

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PARENTS

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Parenting and Climate Change

Researchers from the University of Southern Queensland and The University of Queensland are conducting research into parents' opinions about parenting and climate change.

If you are the parent of a child between 0 and 12 years, you are 18 years and older, and live in Australia, we would love to hear from you to complete a short online survey.

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or scan the QR code



Participants who complete the survey will have the chance to enter into
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headspace QLD Parent/Carer webinar: Supporting children and young people after extreme weather events

headspace National are hosting a free online mental health education webinar for Parents, Carers and adult community members supporting children and young people who have been recently impacted by extreme weather events.

The session aims to:

- Provide information regarding children and young people's mental health.
- Increase awareness of strategies to support children and young people impacted by extreme weather events.
- Build awareness of local, state and national support services available to young people and carers.
- Introduce you to some of the skills and strategies to encourage and support help-seeking.

When:

Wednesday 02 April 2025
6.30-7.30 pm AEST

Where:

Online via Zoom

How do I register?

[Click here](#) to register via Eventbrite or scan the QR code below.



All those who register will receive a digital information pack after the session that includes key messages as well as links to resources and support services.

Contact:

For more information email:
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