

# Fountain Gate Primary School

*A community of focused learners who share their curiosity, voice and expertise with others.*



## Principal's Report

### Celebrating Our Education Support Staff- May 16th

On behalf of the school community I would like to acknowledge and thank all of our wonderful and talented ES staff. We recognise and are grateful for their commitment and dedication in making this school a great place to be. The proverb, it takes a village to raise a child always resonates with me and we're all aware it takes an entire community to raise a child. Our students have the best ability to become healthy adults when the entire community takes an active role in their educational and social needs. We celebrated our ES Staff this week by having students make personalised cards along with a special morning tea provided by all the teachers. Each and every ES staff member makes a huge difference not only to the lives of all the students and families but of course to the teaching staff who are so well supported by them and their efforts each and every day. Thank you for your work!

### Respect

Valuing others

### Trust

Having faith in ourselves

### Care

Looking after yourself and others



### Calendar Dates

#### May 2022

**20/5** - Curriculum Day  
Student Free Day

**22/5 - 28/5**  
Education Week 2022  
Celebrating 150 Years of  
Public Education

**24/5** - District Cross  
Country  
Students from Gr 4-6  
that qualified attending

**25/5** - Grade 1 Bunjil  
Place Visit

**25/5** - 'Old School Style'  
Dress Up Day

**26/5** - Sorry Day

**27/5 - 3/6**  
Reconciliation Week  
30/5 - Welcome to  
Country & Smoking  
Ceremony  
3/6 - Mabo Day

# EDUCATION Week, 2022!

Fountain Gate Primary school is celebrating **150 years** of public education! Education Week is being celebrated during the week of the 23rd – 27th May (Week 5). We have some exciting activities planned for the students this week to celebrate education and learn about the history of schools and 'what school was like 150 years ago!'

On **WEDNESDAY THE 25TH OF MAY** - students are encouraged to dress up "old school style" as if they were coming to school 150 years ago. Some ideas could be:

dress shirt  
tie  
blazer  
high white socks  
dress shoes  
OR  
dress or skirt (knee length)  
tie  
blazer  
high white socks  
dress shoes

Narre Warren State School - 1914



Fountain Gate Primary school in 1914.

Fun fact: F.G.P.S was called Narre Warren State when it first opened.



\*As **Grade 1** students are attending an exciting excursion on this day, they will not be able to dress up in 'old school style' clothes. All Grade 1 students must come to school wearing their regular school uniform.

# Celebration of 150 Years of Public Education in Australia!

## Fountain Gate Primary School

# ART COMPETITION

Foundation - Year 6 Students

**It's about creativity and imagination!**

To celebrate we are inviting you to participate in an art competition! Selected artworks will be displayed around school. It can be presented in any media and no larger than A3 size. Artworks are to be submitted by 26<sup>th</sup> May! No works will be accepted after this date!

Each entry will be individually judged based on its message, uniqueness and art characteristics.

Please choose from **ONE** of the topics below:

1. Works that focus on the anniversary
2. What learning means to you
3. What would a classroom look like in the future?

For further details please contact: Ms Kathy Mottahedin



This is what school was like 100 years ago

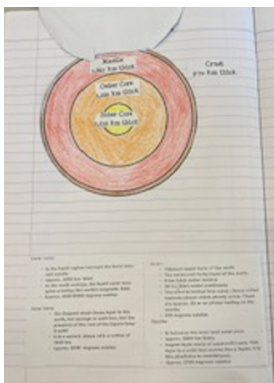
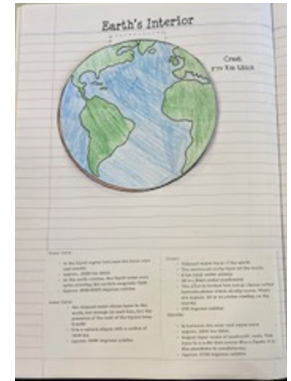


# SPECIALISTS

## Term 2

### SCIENCE

This term in Year 3 and 4 we are learning about earth and space. The students are investigating the earth, moon, and sun. They are learning about earth's rotation on its axis causing regular changes including day and night and seasons. Students will also be learning about phases of the moon and other planets in our solar system.



Students in Year 5 and 6 are currently learning about our changing earth, investigating the layers within the earth and the earth's atmosphere. They will be exploring how changes in the atmosphere and movement in the earth's crust and mantle impact our world. Students will also be learning about natural disasters such as earthquakes and volcanoes.



# JUNIOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION

This term, Prep and Grade One students have been continuing to develop fundamental motor skills. We have been focusing on throwing and catching while also having lots of fun playing ball games. Students have learnt underarm and overarm throwing. They have been developing their hand eye coordination using bean bags and balls. The Prep and Grade One students are enjoying participating in games. Their favourite game is Fruit Salad! Students have been learning about fair play and rules when participating in physical activities. They have also been enthusiastically participating in the Hokey Pokey song this term!

## MUSIC

In Music this term, the Preps are continuing to learn about beat, pitch, dynamics and will be introduced to the tempo. The students will also be introduced to some well-known nursery rhymes. In Grade 1 we are continuing to learn about beat and rhythm, with an introduction to some new rhythms. Later in the term, the students will be introduced to pitch and melody. In Grade 2, the students are continuing their learning about beat and rhythm with an introduction to tone colour, dynamics, melody, texture, and form.



The students will also be writing their own song, using notes C and D, and playing the song on a glockenspiel. Students in grades 1 and 2 will be studying Aboriginal legends and Aboriginal songs. All classes sing, play instruments, and play musical games.

# PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Our students have all been extremely active this term in sport. Our cross country team have been training hard to represent FGPS at the district cross country on Tuesday 24th May. Grade two have been excited to learn new running games and practising their catching, overarm throwing and kicking. Grade three and four have been learning new warm up games such as 'memory tag' and 'super fruit-head'! They have also been practising their soccer skills like dribbling, passing, shooting and modified indoor soccer. Our grade five students have been learning soccer rules and tactics and applying their skills in competitive games. Grade six are training for their 'Lightning Premiership' held on Wednesday 8th June. We wish them the best of luck representing FGPS.

# MATHS IN ACTION

This term in Year 3 and 4 we are learning about units of measurement involving length, mass and capacity. We are comparing objects by making reference to these units. Later this term we will be learning about time and the AM and PM time system. In Year 5 and 6 we are learning about area and perimeter of rectangles and solving worded problems involving length. We will then move onto comparing 12 and 24 hour time systems and interpreting time tables.

# DRAMA

In Drama the students have had a very positive start back to Term 2. In Foundation we have been looking at using the voice and body while acting. We will also be learning about puppets, dreamtime stories and mime. In Level 1 and 2 we have been learning about how to alter our voice when we are acting. For the rest of the term, Level 1 will have a focus on puppets and fairy tales. Level 2 will be looking at Indigenous performances and fractured fairy tales.

# VISUAL ARTS

The Term 2 focus for Visual Arts, across years Foundation – 6, will be on model making, construction and painting activities. The goal is to

continue to teach, develop and nurture student's ideas, imagination, creativity, technical, critical and problem-solving skills that will enable them to further their own artistic potential. All students across the year levels will have a tactile and hands-on experience with clay as well as designing and creating their own 3D models. The students' beautiful artwork is always displayed in our school art gallery in front of the office as well as in the newsletters.



Ayah G - 3H



Brodie C - 5B



Brett D - 6P



Nick R - 5M

# S.R.C NEWSLETTER

We are the SRC. SRC stands for student representative council. Our job is to be the students voice in the school. We organise special days and fundraisers, collect opinions from students in the school and come up with ideas to make the school a better place. The SRC captains are:



Odeta B

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Mahdi T

Iraj H

Sana A

Farin R

Simin N

Kaden I

## OUR SCHOOL AFFIRMATIONS

### WHAT IS AN AFFIRMATION?

Glad you asked, an affirmation is a sentence that is like a success criteria. It is a short sentence that gives the school ownership over our school promise and is quick and easy to remember. We will be doing it at assembly by showing a video for the AUSLAN sign language.

Our school affirmations are:

- I am **respectful**
- I **believe** in myself
- I **value** my friends
- I can be **positive** when things get hard
- I can **support** the people around me
- I bring **joy** to this community.

We made the new affirmations because the school promise was ignored and outdated.

### AUSLAN SIGNS

Fountain Gate Primary School has chosen AUSLAN as the language that we learn at school. The SRC wanted to make sure that we included the AUSLAN signs in our school promise. We chose to sign the key words in the affirmations to make it easier for everybody to say.

The process:

The SRC worked towards the new schools affirmations to help make it simple and easy to read for all ages. Most classes got a chance to give advice that we added on to our ideas. The SRC used the feedback to make it even better and show that all students have a voice

### PRACTICE AT HOME

You can get involved in AUSLAN signs by practicing with your family at home. The SRC will do the AUSLAN sign for the words 'Respect, Believe, Value, Support, Positive and Joy'. The link to our YouTube video is here:

<https://youtu.be/Qm513te-nYo>



## Attendance

Daily school attendance is important for young people to succeed in education and to ensure they don't fall behind both socially and developmentally. Young people who regularly attend school and complete Year 12 or an equivalent qualification have better health outcomes, better employment outcomes, and higher incomes across their lives.

School participation is important as it maximises life opportunities for young people, by providing them with education and support networks. School helps people to develop important skills, knowledge and values which set them up for further learning and participation in their community.

The school places great importance in all students being at school on time, every day the school is open for instruction.

We understand that sometimes getting your child to school may be difficult and we are very happy to work with you to improve your child's attendance. If you would like to discuss this further, please contact us on 9703 1187.



**EVERY DAY COUNTS**

# **HOMEWORK CLUB**



**3:15 - 5:00pm**  
**\$10 per session, paid via Qkr App**

# ARTIST OF THE MONTH

MAY 2022



**Artist:** Mark W

**Grade :** 6P

**Title:** Man with the duck

**Medium:** Clay

"Art has the role in education of helping children become like themselves instead of more like everyone else."

Sydney Gurewitz  
Clemens

Mark is one of my talented art students who enjoys art very much. His effort and enthusiasm during clay sessions was outstanding. Well done, Mark!

## Interview with the Artist:

**Q:** What title would you give to your clay sculpture?

**Mark:** Man with the duck

**Q:** Where did you get your idea from?

**Mark:** I love birds specially ducks and then I used my imagination to create my sculpture.

**Q:** If you were doing this clay sculpture again what would you change or do differently?

**Mark:** I would make the man look different maybe with more detail.

# 25 WAYS TO ENCOURAGE

Thank you for helping with...

It makes mornings/dinner/outings easier when you.... thank you.

I really appreciate it when you...

Thank you for doing that... it means I/we can now...

We did it together!

Wow! You made a building/drawing/etc.

You did it on your own!

You did x and then y and worked it out.

You used lots of red paint/blocks/tape/etc.

You made it really big/small/colorful/complicated/etc.

That took you a long time, and you did it!

How did you do that?

You did x, what will you do now?

Can you tell me about it?

What is your favorite part?

How did you think of that?

I really enjoy doing this with you.

I love watching you create/help your sister/play soccer/ etc.

I'm so proud to be your mum, every day, no matter what.

Look how happy your friend is when you share/help/smile/etc.

You kept going, even when it was hard.

You look so pleased to have done that!

You made x feel so pleased when you did that.

It makes you feel good when you do x.

Say nothing - just smile.

# Student Achievements

**Fareed M**    **Prep U**    For stretching out the sounds when reading.

**Rokhsar A**    **4C**    For organising and being part of an informative presentation about pandas during our class meeting.

**Gracie T**    **4C**    For organising and being part of an informative presentation about pandas during our class meeting.

**Fardia A**    **4H**    For always showing great determination to complete her work to the best of her abilities.

**Zohal E**    **4H**    For showing great ability to self-correct when working on her vertical multiplication.

**Zayd A**    **2C**    For knowing that there are 2 tens and 5 ones in 25 and showing thus number with MAB. Well done!

**Evan Z**    **1S**    For showing great writing stamina. Well done, you're a star!

**Nathan A**    **5/6W**    For demonstrating excellent measuring skills when calculating the perimeter of non standard shapes.

**Zahra B**    **4S**    For always having such a positive attitude and trying hard with her learning. You are making huge improvements every day!

**Farin R**

5M

For always trying her best in everything she undertakes. She is very focused and concentrates well at all times. Well done!

**Lucas T**

3/4B

For applying his knowledge of times tables to help solve 3 digit multiplication problems. Keep up the fantastic effort!

**Savannah G**

3H

For working hard to improve your handwriting. You are making fantastic progress! Well done Savannah.

**Sarah M**

2S

For sharing her wonderful thinking about the text during her Book Club.

**Yosuf J**

2S

For great use of his class time to write his narrative.

**Whole Class**

3M

For demonstrating resilience, concentration and punctuality during NAPLAN week. Well done!

**Aditya P**

1K

For being an enthusiastic writer and always trying your best. Keep up the great work Aditya!

**Julia T**

5A

For being a responsible learner, taking ownership in your classwork and overcoming challenges with a positive mindset.



# Free

## REGISTRATION SESSION

## ENGLISH AND CITIZENSHIP CLASSES

DATE: FRIDAY 20TH MAY 2022  
TIME: 10:00 AM TO 1:00 PM  
LOCATION: COMMUNITY HUB

FOR MORE INFO  
CONTACT NAZ ON  
0435 178 936



### 24/7 Mental Health Services

#### Beyond Blue

*Anyone feeling anxious or depressed*

1300 22 4636

[beyondblue.org.au](http://beyondblue.org.au)

#### Kids Helpline

*Counselling for young people aged 5 to 25*

1800 55 1800

[kidshelpline.com.au](http://kidshelpline.com.au)

#### MensLine Australia

*Men with emotional or relationship concerns*

1300 78 99 78

[mensline.org.au](http://mensline.org.au)

#### Open Arms

*Veterans and families counselling*

1800 011 046

[openarms.gov.au](http://openarms.gov.au)

#### Lifeline

*Anyone having a personal crisis*

13 11 14

[lifeline.org.au](http://lifeline.org.au)

#### Suicide Call Back Service

*Anyone thinking about suicide*

1300 659 467

[suicidecallbackservice.org.au](http://suicidecallbackservice.org.au)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>English Class</p> <p>9:00am to 11:00am</p> 	<p>English Class</p> <p>9:00am to 11:00am</p> 	<p>English Class</p> <p>9:00am to 11:00am</p> 	<p>Little Cuties Playgroup</p> <p>9:15am to 10:45am</p> 	<p>Citizenship Beginner Class</p> <p>9:00am to 11:00am</p>  <p><b>RSVP</b></p>
<p>Sewing class Intermediate</p> <p>11:00am to 1:00pm</p>  <p><b>RSVP</b></p>	<p>Conversation English Class</p> <p>11:00am to 12:00pm</p> 	<p>Coffee &amp; Chat with Beauty and healthy lifestyle tips</p> <p>11:00am to 12:00pm</p> 	<p>English Class</p> <p>9:00am to 11:00am</p> 	<p>Citizenship Intermediate Class</p> <p>11:30am to 1:00pm</p>  <p><b>RSVP</b></p>
<p>Sewing class Beginner</p> <p>1:30pm to 3:00pm</p>  <p><b>RSVP</b></p>	<p>Drop in to Meet Naz</p> <p>2:00pm to 3:00pm</p> 		<p>Coffee and Craft</p> <p>11:15am to 12:30pm</p> 	



**Naz**  
Community Hub Coordinator





# Give life. Give blood in Narre Warren Nth.

30 May to 10 June



**Narre Warren Nth**  
Pop-up Blood Donor Centre  
Old A'Beckett Rd  
Narre Warren North, VIC 3804  
Open 8am until 8pm







SCAN ME



FOUNTAIN GATE  
SECONDARY COLLEGE



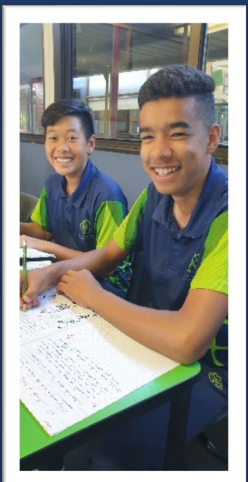
# High Achiever Program 2023

If you are a student with high academic aptitude and high academic aspirations, then you might be suited for the High Achiever Program at Fountain Gate Secondary College. The program seeks to enrich and challenge students through classes that are aimed at encouraging and inspiring a motivated group of students to become innovative, independent and abstract thinkers.

If you are currently in Year 6 (Year 7 in 2023) and are interested in joining the High Achiever Program, you are encouraged to apply.

The application process, along with information on the program, can be found on the Fountain Gate Secondary College website or alternatively you may contact Ms Irving ([Belinda.irving@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Belinda.irving@education.vic.gov.au))

Applications open 14<sup>th</sup> of March, 2022 and close 6<sup>th</sup> of June, with the entrance examination held mid-year.



Students are to apply ONLINE through the high Achiever page on the Fountain Gate school Website. Applications, school reports, NAPLAN results and payment of \$40.00 for exam testing is due to the College finance office by 3:30pm on 6<sup>th</sup> of June, 2022



# Detox your Home and Paintback are coming to your area

Dispose of paint and everyday household chemicals such as bleach, pesticides, weed killers, cleaning products, cosmetics and cooking oil without harming your health or the environment.

A free Detox your Home and Paintback event is coming to your area soon.

## Why recycle household chemicals?

Paint and household chemicals can be dangerous. They can harm your family and pets, add extra fuel to a house fire, release toxic fumes and pollute the environment now and into the future. Disposing of these items responsibly will:

- reduce the risk of poisoning, keeping your family and pets safe
- keep toxic chemicals out of waterways, and
- minimise environmental pollution and fire hazards.

**Detox your Home events are now drive-through and contactless, supported by a COVIDSafe plan.**

Detox your Home is a free service for all Victorian householders. It is administered by Sustainability Victoria in partnership with local councils and is funded by the Victorian landfill levy.



## Detox your Home accepts:

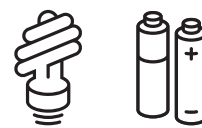
- ✓ Acids and alkalis
- ✓ Aerosol cans
- ✓ Anti-freeze
- ✓ Brake fluid
- ✓ Car body filler
- ✓ Car wax
- ✓ Cleaners – ammonia based
- ✓ Cooking oil
- ✓ Coolant
- ✓ Detergents, disinfectants and drain cleaners
- ✓ Fertiliser
- ✓ Fire extinguishers
- ✓ Floor-care products and waxes
- ✓ Fuels – petrol, diesel, kerosene, other
- ✓ Glues – water-based and solvents
- ✓ Herbicides and weed killers
- ✓ Insect spray and pesticides
- ✓ Nail polish and remover
- ✓ Oven cleaner
- ✓ Thinners, turps and paint stripper
- ✓ Paint (at joint Paintback events)
- ✓ Pool chemicals
- ✓ Rat poison
- ✓ Solvents
- ✓ Transmission fluid
- ✓ Wood preservatives and finishes (oils and varnish)
- ✓ And other items found at home with these symbols:



For safety reasons we can't accept containers of more than 20 litres or 20 kilograms. Please bring paint and chemicals in their original packaging or in disposable containers.

## Detox your Home does not accept:

- ✗ Fluorescent tubes
- ✗ Compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs)
- ✗ Batteries – car and household varieties
- ✗ Ammunition or firearms
- ✗ Asbestos
- ✗ Chemicals used by businesses
- ✗ Farm chemicals
- ✗ Gas bottles
- ✗ Motor oil



Batteries and Compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs) can be disposed of at a permanent drop-off site.

For information on where to dispose of the above products, contact your local council.



## Register Now

To register for an event near you, simply scan the QR code or visit [sustainability.vic.gov.au/detoxyourhome](https://sustainability.vic.gov.au/detoxyourhome) or call 1300 363 744.

Please note that events are held regularly at locations around Victoria.