Dear Parents,

Welcome back for Term 3. We have started the term with extremely cold weather and ask that parents make sure your children are dressed for the cold conditions. At Recess and lunch times we encourage children to be outside playing even though it is cold. We believe that children need to run around and be active while also learning to adapt to the 4 seasons that we experience. The children stay indoors if is raining or if we believe it is too hot, too cold or if we believe it could be dangerous outside (eg. too windy) but our preferred option is for the children to be outside playing, so they need to have warm clothing to cope with the weather.

Term 3 is a very busy one so please check out all that is happening from the list below.

Staffing. We welcome back Ms. Goula Fenech who is a regular replacement teacher who is teaching Grade 5/6 D while Mrs. Darmanin, teacher of Grade 5/6D, is taking the first 5 weeks of Term 3 as part of her Long Service Leave, to travel overseas.

We also welcome back Mrs. Belinda De Propertis, who is returning to work with us on Tuesdays. Belinda has been on Family Leave for approximately 7 years while she had her own children. Belinda who will be working with a number of grades and children on Tuesdays.

We also welcome back Miss Holly Russell who has been teaching in country Victoria for the first half of this year, but Holly will be back working with us for the rest of this year. Holly will be working across a number of grades throughout Term 3.

What's happening in Term 3?

AFL clinics, Grades 1/2 will each have a coaching session with AFL Victoria staff as part of their Phys. Ed. program

AFL mixed competition. As part of the AFL awareness program, a mixed gender competition will be run in conjunction with local schools at Mutton Reserve on August 4 and 11. We expect to have approximately 12 students participating.

School dental visit, Monday August 8. More details to be sent home closer to the date.

Hoop Time. Basketball competition, Grade 5/6 chn. Thursday August 11.

St. Johns First Aid training sessions for children, August 15 and 17.

Australian Centre for the Moving Image (ACMI) excursion Grades 3/4 (August 18) and 5/6 (September 6)

Parent Cyber Safety session, with Joe Mills, our ICT teacher. Wednesday August 17, 2.30 P.M.

Grade 5/6 excursion to the Shrine of Remembrance, Friday August 26.

Literacy and Numeracy Week. Week 8, Aug. 29 - September 2.

Glenroy District Athletic Sports. Wednesday September 7.

Grade 3/4 local excursions to Merri Creek, September 8 and 15.

Breakfast Club. continues on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Any child can come along to the staff room, where we will provide a choice of vita brits and milk, toast and vegemite, toast and jam or toast and margarine, fruit salad. Children are welcome to come to the staff
room between 8.30 and 9.00. **There is no cost for this.** Children are supervised eating breakfast and are able to go out to play or go straight to their classes after they have eaten (and helped clean up).

Important notes:

**School terms 2016**

Term 3: July 11 – September 16 (2.30 finish)
Term 4: October 3 – December 20 (1.30 finish)

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**ESSENTIAL EDUCATION ITEMS**

For those families who chose to pay in four instalments the third instalment for your child’s Essential Education Items Charge is now due.

For those families who chose to pay in half yearly instalments the second instalment for your child’s Essential Education Items Charge is now due.

For those families that are yet to commence payment please contact the office to discuss payment options.

Essential Education Items are essential items which are necessary to support the delivery of our programs at school and **parents are required to ensure their children are provided with these, either by paying the school to provide them or by purchasing the items themselves.**

A detailed list of these items is available from the school office and includes (but is not limited to) stationery, software licences and photocopying in lieu of purchasing text books.

Fawkner primary school makes every effort to keep the cost and the number of items that needs to be purchased to a minimum.

The cost for 2016 has been set at $170.00.
Student Sustainability Team 2016

Over the past 2 terms, the Sustainability Team has been conducting HandsUp surveys to learn more about how students are getting to school.

Here’s what we have learnt and achieved so far!

**Active travel at Fawkner Primary School**

Currently, about 34% of students are walking or riding to school

- **28%** walk
- **6%** ride, skate, scoot
- **66%** car
- **0%** public transport

**Congratulations!**

Our school has won $5,000 to put towards active travel initiatives!

We can’t wait to tell you more about this project in the coming weeks.

Our school is currently ranked 30th against other Victorian schools.

Help us get to 1st place by leaving the car at home and walking or riding to school!

This helps us win prizes for the whole school like bike storage or gift vouchers.

**What is 'active travel'?**

Active travel is where you move from one place to another using a form of physical activity, like:
- walking or running
- riding a bike
- skating or scooting
- combining any of the above with public transport or driving

**60 active minutes!**

Do you get yours every day?
ART CLASSES for KIDS

Pre-schoolers (3-5 yo)
Tuesdays 10:30-11:30am
$180/term

6-12 year olds
Tuesdays 4:00-5:00pm
$180/term

CASUAL Saturday classes
10:00-11:00am
$20 per class

These hands-on classes are designed to help children understand the tools, skills and techniques used in art. In each class, art material is provided and kids are given demonstrations on how to use an art medium. Most classes include a visual presentation about historical and contemporary art and artists from around the world. Classes are run by practicing artists experienced in art education.

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