

FAWKNER PRIMARY SCHOOL Newsletter

AUGUST 2026



Principal: Carly-Marie Clark
Assistant Principal: Rose Arena

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER

- 1 DISTRICT ATHLETICS - SELECTED STUDENTS
- 3 FATHER'S DAY STALL
- 4 FATHER'S DAY MORNING
- 10 YEARS 4/5/6 MARKET DAY
- 14 DIVISIONAL ATHLETICS - SELECTED STUDENTS
- 17 F/I EXCURSION - BUNDOORA FARM
- 18 LAST DAY OF TERM 3 - 2.30PM FINISH

Our school values underpin everything that we do at Fawkner Primary School and are part of everyday life for the staff, students and families.

We promote the school as a safe, fun learning environment where every child is valued and all children are challenged to achieve their best. Our values uphold everything we do at Fawkner Primary, and help to maintain our integrity for being the best school members we can be.



REMINDERS

Dear Families,

Please ensure you promptly action any notifications that appear on your Compass feed, such as late notices, absence notifications, or upcoming excursions.

If you are having trouble logging into Compass or need assistance with actioning any notifications, please contact the office.

Fawkner Primary School has a facebook page! We want to share with the wider community all of the great things our school offers.

Jump online and give the page a follow!



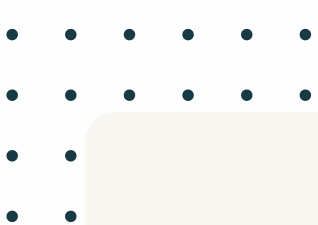
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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

August has been a fabulous month of experiences and celebrations throughout the school!

As a school, we are delighted to provide our students with unique **excursion** opportunities to enhance the learning students are doing in their Integrated Units. Thank you to the staff who work to get these events up and running for our students- you can read about the highlights in this month's newsletter.

Another annual highlight on the calendar is the **Dress Up Parade** to celebrate Book Week. It was AMAZING to see so many of our students dressed up as a book character- the effort and creativity was impressive! The dance party at the end of the parade was also a highlight!

September is another busy month, with the Year 4/5/6 classes busily preparing for their upcoming **Market Day Stall**, as well as our Year Foundation/One students going on their excursion to Bundoora Park Farm.

We will also be celebrating Fathers and Special People at our **Fathers Day Open Morning and Morning Tea** on Friday 4th September- we hope many of you are able to attend.



Our **2027 Foundation Students** have been visiting our school as part of our transition program. This is a great way for students to become familiar with the school and our staff.

To help us with planning for grades in 2027, we would appreciate families who will not be at our school next year to let the office know. A google form will be shared via Compass for families to indicate their **2027 intentions**.



Carly-Marie Clark
Principal

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Congratulations to the students who have received an Achievement Award this month. We are proud of you showing the school values in all you do. These awards are presented at assembly each week.

All of the students who receive an award in Term 3 will go into the draw to have lunch with Ms Clark in Week 10 this term.

Week 3 Term 2

	Student	Value/s Demonstrated		Student	Value/s Demonstrated
F/1A	Ayeza	Responsibility	4/5A	Zoe	Effort, Kindness, Respect
F/1B	Fatima A	Effort	5/6A	Chelsea	Effort
1/2A	Zarrah	Effort	5/6B	Umar	Effort
1/2B	Joshua	Effort	Italian	Saeed 56A	Effort
1/2C	Evan	Effort	The Arts	Nour 12B	Effort
3/4A	Taseen	Effort	Phys Ed	Jacob 56A	Effort
3/4B	Imani	Effort	ES Team	Kaan F1A	Kindness

Week 4 Term 3

	Student	Value/s Demonstrated		Student	Value/s Demonstrated
F/1A	Farheen	Responsibility	4/5A	Abdul	Responsibility, Effort
F/1B	Kiyarya	Effort	5/6A	Ehan	Effort
1/2A	Ayesha	Effort	5/6B	Fatima B	Responsibility
1/2B	Matilda	Effort	ES Team	Nimi	Effort, Responsibility
1/2C	Ava	Effort			
3/4A	Arish	Respect			
3/4B	Riza	Effort			

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Week 5 Term 3

	Student	Value/s Demonstrated		Student	Value/s Demonstrated
F/1A	Moosa	Effort	4/5A	Liam	Kindness & Responsibility
F/1B	Ameena	Effort	5/6A	Adam	Kindness & Respect
1/2A	Ayzah	Kindness	5/6B	Alec	Effort
1/2B	Aaliyah	Effort	Italian	Maeve	Effort
1/2C	Umaina	Responsibility	STEM	Saad Ava	Responsibility & Effort
3/4A	Yousuf	Respect	ES Team	Aiza	Kindness
3/4B	Hilya	Responsibility			

Week 6 Term 3

	Student	Value/s Demonstrated		Student	Value/s Demonstrated
F/1A	Fatimah A-Z	Responsibility	4/5A	Eva	Responsibility & Respect
F/1B	Leon	Effort	5/6A	Penny	Effort
1/2A	Mirha	Kindness	5/6B	Rayan	Effort
1/2B	Syeda	Effort, Kindness	ES Team	Zuhra 12B	Effort
1/2C	Arthur	Effort			
3/4A	Qaswa	Respect			
3/4B	Mustafa	Effort			

COUNTRIES CELEBRATED IN AUGUST ASSEMBLIES

Fawkner Primary School is a very multi-cultural school community. Commencing this year, at each assembly, our Student Leaders have been sharing information about a country that students and staff from our school have a cultural link to. We have learnt where the countries are located, what the most spoken language is, and the country's population. We have also displayed a copy of the flag in our BER building where we host our assemblies, and in our school office area. We look forward to learning about the many countries throughout the year. These are the countries we celebrated in August.



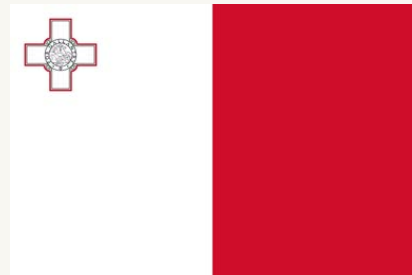
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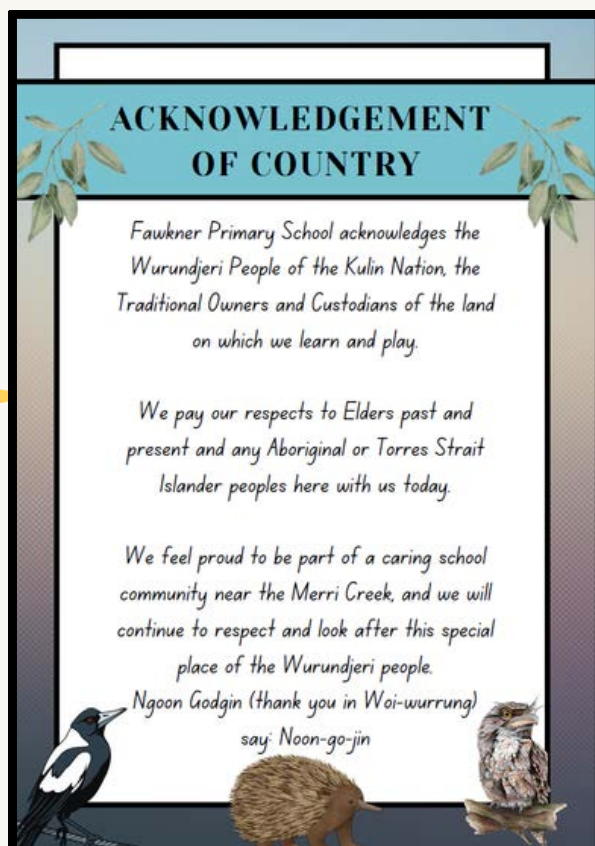
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ENGLAND



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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

As part of our commitment to the Marrung Education Plan, we are enhancing our practices to develop our school community's knowledge of the rich and thriving culture of First Nations peoples.

Our Acknowledgement of Country reflects the traditional owners of the land, and our proximity to Merri Creek.

You will hear this Acknowledgement of Country read out at our weekly assemblies by our student leaders.

BEFORE SCHOOL SUPERVISION

Please note that outside play spaces are supervised by staff between 8:45am–9:00am each day.

If your children are at school earlier than 8:45am, please ensure they are being supervised.

PROACTIVE POLICE PROGRAM

On Monday 10th August, students in Years 3–6 participated in the Proactive Police program. Police officers from the local community came to the school to teach students some important lessons about how to stay safe in the community and online. Students learned about the differences between rules and laws and the importance of following road rules as a passenger in a car, pedestrian or when using a bike/scooter.



1/2 EXCURSION – BOTANICAL GARDENS

The 1/2 students had a wonderful time on our recent excursion to the Royal Botanic Gardens! The children thoroughly enjoyed exploring the beautiful gardens and learning more about the plants, trees and natural environment around them. It was a fantastic opportunity for them to connect their learning in the classroom with the world around them. We were so proud of the children's enthusiasm, curiosity and positive behaviour throughout the day. They enjoyed spending time outdoors, discovering new things and sharing the experience with their friends.



YEARS 4/5 MATHS & DT OLYMPICS AT GLENROY COLLEGE



Several grade 4 and 5 students were invited to participate in the Maths and DigiTech Olympics, hosted by Glenroy College. This exciting event brought together students from local schools to take part in a range of mathematical challenges, problem-solving activities and hands-on challenges.

Students worked in teams to design and build a LEGO bridge, with one FPS team creating a bridge strong enough to hold an impressive 11kg!

"We had to design a bridge and work as a team to make it strong. Ours held 11kg!"
— **Mamoor, 45A**

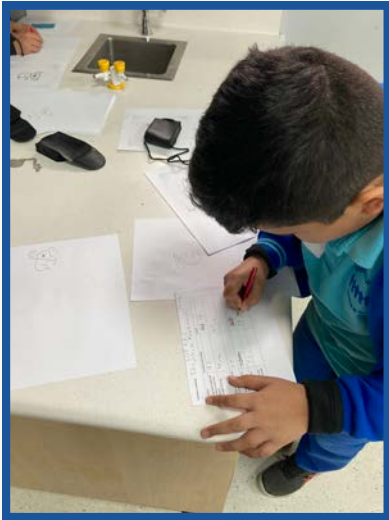
Students also used coordinates to draw a fox on a computer graph, tested their estimation skills at a range of stations and designed balloon rockets while estimating how far they would travel.

"My favourite was the estimation challenge. There were a bunch of stations around the room. We made an estimation and then worked out the actual answer." — **Izzy, 56A**

The students had a fantastic time challenging themselves, working collaboratively and putting their mathematical thinking and problem-solving skills to the test. A big thank you to Glenroy College for hosting such an engaging and exciting event!



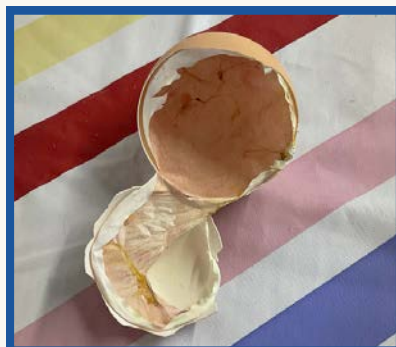
YEARS 4/5 MATHS & DT OLYMPICS AT GLENROY COLLEGE



HENNY PENNY PROGRAM

As part of our Integrated Studies topic **Living Things**, our Foundation students had the exciting opportunity to experience the Henny Penny chicken hatching program!

Students watched with anticipation as the eggs developed and eventually hatched into fluffy little chicks. This hands-on experience helped students learn about the **life cycle of a chicken** and what living things need to grow and survive. It was a wonderful opportunity for our students to observe, wonder, ask questions and care for living things firsthand!





3/4 EXCURSION – EDENDALE FARM

On Friday 14 August, our year 3/4 students visited Edendale Farm!

The students have been learning about sustainability and the impact our choices have on the environment. The excursion provided a valuable opportunity to explore these concepts in a real-world setting.

Students enjoyed three activities during the day –

FOOD FOOTPRINT – An exploration of food production

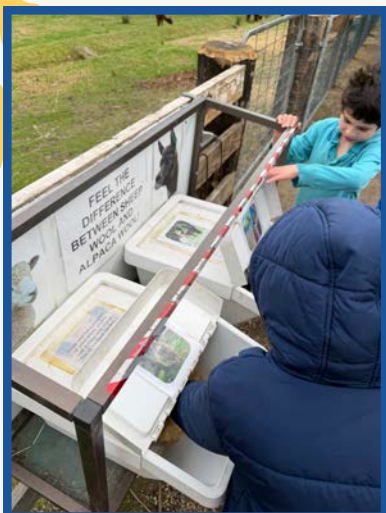
CONSUMPTION DOWN – A waste reduction workshop

SUSTAINABLE FARM TOUR – With animal interaction

Students learned about ways to reduce waste, they investigated the environmental impact of the food we eat, and discovered how food is produced. They also participated in a Sustainable Farm Tour, where they meet and interacted with farm animals while learning about the many ways Edendale Farm operates sustainably.



3/4 EXCURSION – EDENDALE FARM



HOOP TIME

Our selected Grade 5 and 6 students recently had the exciting opportunity to take part in Hoop Time, a fantastic basketball event that brought together schools from across the local area.

The students represented our school with great enthusiasm and sportsmanship, competing against a range of other local schools throughout the day. They showed impressive teamwork, determination and respect both on and off the court.

Hoop Time was a wonderful opportunity for our students to develop their basketball skills, challenge themselves and build confidence while enjoying the experience of playing in a competitive environment.

We are incredibly proud of all the students who participated and thank them for representing our school so positively. Well done to our Grade 5 and 6 basketballers!



BOOK WEEK

What a wonderful Book Week 2026 it has been!

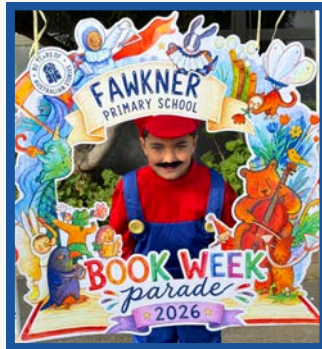
Our Book Week Parade was filled with colour, creativity and so many amazing characters. It was wonderful to see our students dressed up as their favourite book characters and sharing their love of reading with such enthusiasm.

Thank you to all of our families for supporting Book Week and helping our students create such fantastic costumes. It was lovely to see so many families joining us for the parade and celebrating this special occasion with our school community.

We hope everyone enjoyed the magic, fun and excitement of Book Week as much as we did!



BOOK WEEK



FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

FATHER'S DAY Stall

THURSDAY 3 SEPTEMBER

Students will be able to purchase a gift for their Dad (or special person) on this day.

On **this day** students are to bring their money & a bag to take home their purchases.

NOTHING OVER \$10

FATHER'S DAY (and Special Person's Day) MORNING

FRIDAY 4 SEPTEMBER

9.00am - 10.00am - Visit your child in their class and take part in an activity with them.

10.00am - 10.45am - Feel free to join us in the middle of the BER building to share morning tea.

Please bring along a plate of food to share at the morning tea. Food can be dropped off outside the BER Building before 9am.

*Unfortunately, we are unable to heat food.

** We ask that you do not bring anything containing nuts.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

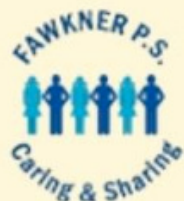
Clarity was requested regarding the colours allowed for leggings and long-sleeve tops worn underneath uniform items, and hijabs- royal blue, navy and white are allowed.

It's important that we are wearing the correct items.

If students need uniform items, they can be purchased from our supplier FCW. We also have some donated items that can be purchased at a reduced cost.



ATTENDANCE NOTES



IMPORTANT

Dear Parents,

Please ensure you promptly action the notification on your Compass news feed. It is essential that you click the link provided and update your child's attendance by explaining any lateness or absence from school.

Attendance Note Required

Jennifer was recorded as 'not present' without explanation.

[Click here for more information](#)

Attendance Note Required

Marcus was recorded as 'not present' without explanation.

[Click here for more information](#)

The Department of Education's School Attendance Guidelines and our school attendance policy require that we address non-attendance. The unexplained absences to date may also mean that you may not have met your obligations under the Education and Training Reform Act 2006.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact the office on 9357 3579.



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SCHOOL TOUR DATES

Term 3

~~Monday 27th July 2026, 9.30am~~

~~Monday 17th August 2026, 9.30am~~

Monday 14th September 2026, 9.30am

Term 4

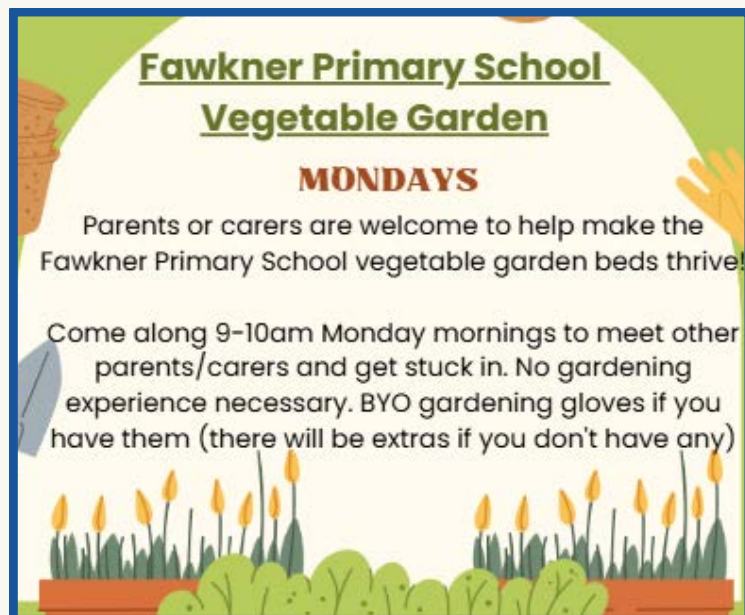
Monday 12th October 2026, 9.30am

Monday 9th November 2026, 9.30am

[BOOK A TOUR HERE](#)

Ways to be Involved at FPS

MONDAYS



Fawkner Primary School
Vegetable Garden

MONDAYS

Parents or carers are welcome to help make the Fawkner Primary School vegetable garden beds thrive!

Come along 9-10am Monday mornings to meet other parents/carers and get stuck in. No gardening experience necessary. BYO gardening gloves if you have them (there will be extras if you don't have any)

WEDNESDAYS



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WALKS



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WELLNESS



Simple wellness tips to support your mind, body and energy.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT



Practical ideas and activities to support your child's learning and growth.

DROP OFF YOUR CHILD AND JOIN US!

STARTING WEDNESDAY 29 JULY 2026 TIME 9.00 AM FAWKNER PRIMARY SCHOOL 19 McBryde Street Fawkner 3060

Followed by **Morning Tea!** Share, relax and build friendships.

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MORNINGS



Read With Me

Volunteer 1 hour a week to help children learn to read.

All training provided.

week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	JULY First Day of Term 3 For Students & Staff 13	14	15	Brainstorm Productions 16	17
2	20	21	Parent Teacher Interviews with Students 22	4/5/6 Victoria Market Excursion 23	24
3	27	28	Whole School Incursion NED PERFORMANCE 29	30	31
4	AUGUST 03	04	05	06	07
5	Proactive Police Program Grades 3-6 10	11	Years 4/5 Maths & DT Olympics at Glenroy College - Selected Students 1/2 Botanical Gardens Excursion 12	Hoop Time - Selected Students 13	3/4 Edendale Farm Excursion 14
6	Henny Penny Arriving - Foundation Students 17	CURRICULUM DAY - No Students Required At School 18	19	20	21
7	24	25	Merri-Bek Children's Reference Group - Selected Students 26	Book Week Day/Parade 27	28
8	31	SEPTEMBER District Athletics - Selected Students 01	02	Father's Day Stall 03	Father's Day Morning 04
9	07	08	09	4/5/6 Market Day 10	Divisional Athletics - Selected Students 11
10	14	15	16	F/1 Bundoora Farm Excursion 17	Last Day of Term 3 2.30pm Finish 18



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REPRESENT YOUR SCHOOL THIS TERM!

Victorian Primary School League (VPSL) – Term 4, 2026

Strike Soccer School is excited to enter school representative teams into the Victorian Primary School League (VPSL) this Term 4!

This exciting 10-week Saturday competition gives players the opportunity to:

- Represent their school
- Play against schools from across Victoria
- Continue developing their football skills during the off-season
- Make new friends and enjoy a fun, competitive environment

Competition Information

Competition Dates

10 October – 12 December 2026 (10 weeks)

Location

Manningham Reserve, 80 Manningham Street, Parkville VIC 3052

Suitable For

Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced players

What's Included

- Weekly matches in the Victorian Primary School League
- Qualified Strike Soccer School coaches
- Accredited referees at every match
- School representative teams
- Team WhatsApp group for fixtures, updates and communication
- Players whose school does not have sufficient numbers will be placed into another representative team to ensure they can participate

Register Your Interest

To register your interest, simply scan the QR code and complete the Expression of Interest form.

Expressions of Interest are now open. Once completed, you will be invited to join a WhatsApp group with registration information.





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