PRINCIPAL’S NEWS—Sue Gibson

Principal’s Message

Welcome to Book Week 2015!
As mentioned last week, we had a fantastic response to our Book Fair. It was great to see so many students bringing their parents into our Library to enjoy the Fair. This has made it possible for us to buy some much needed books to add to our Library collection. Thank you to all parents for making our Book Character Parade such a huge success. A special thank you must go to the P&C for their very successful cake stall which just topped off a great day!

Maths Activities
Thank you to all the parents who were able to visit our classrooms last Thursday to participate in our Maths activity afternoon. It is always a treat for children to show their parents what they are doing at school and it is also a great way to help parents understand how their children are learning.
PBL
This week our PBL focus is ‘Follow Game Rules’. I believe that this is important to most areas of our lives. If we all play by the rules, there is fairness and everybody is able to enjoy games and activities. It also ensures safety in our games. Very soon we will be handing out invitations to our Term 3, PBL Reward Day which is booked for Friday 18th September. Records to date show that this will be the largest group all year which shows we are definitely on track to success.

SASS (School Administrative and Support Staff) Recognition Day
This week is SASSW recognition week. On Thursday 3rd September Fassifern P.S will recognise the excellent work our SASS staff do in our school. Thankyou Mrs Broome, Mrs Greig, Mrs Strange, Mrs Lawson and Mr Norrish for all the great things you do for our staff and students at our school.

Year 5/6 Excursion
Friday 11th September is the final day for numbers for the 5/6 Excursion planned for early November. We have had a very small number of students advise that they will be attending, which is jeopardising our participation as a school. If you wish for your child to attend or for further details please contact Mrs Gibson or Miss Dedman ASAP.

Father’s Day BBQ and Stall
A quick reminder about our Father’s Day breakfast and Stall next Friday 4th September. Please see P & C News for further details. Also don’t forget to return your raffle tickets.

Student of the Week
This week our ‘Student of the Week’ is Malavika Thornton from Kindergarten. Malavika has shown fantastic progress in all areas in her first year of school. An example of her writing shows she is using many correct conventions. Well done Malavika and congratulations on such a great achievement!

K/1 News
From Friday 4th September, Mrs O’Neill will be on Long Service Leave until the end of term. K/1 will be taught by Miss Rogers and Mrs Clarke during this time.

Year 6 Fundraiser
Thank you to all who supported the Lolly Guessing competition, we raised $41.40! Congratulations to Abbie G, with a correct answer of 263 lollies! Jake, Bethany and Miss D.

Office News.
Working with Children Check Declaration for volunteers.
Dear Parents and Caregivers, the Department is requesting that we have all volunteers fill out a new mandatory form with a 100 point identification checklist. If you volunteer in the school or transport children could you please come into the office with your 100 points of identification and fill out the form as a matter of urgency.
Many thanks for your time.

J Broome

Book Covering
Thankyou so much to Caroline Redding for covering the classroom reader books!
**Weekly Awards**

**TERM 3 - WEEK 7**

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**P and C News**

**Fathers Day Breakfast and Raffle**
Could you please bring in Fathers Day breakfast notes and money by tomorrow morning!
Don’t forget Fathers Day Raffle Tickets need to be brought back as whoever raises the most money wins a $20 Itune Voucher!

**Cake Stall**
A huge thankyou to all the families that brought in cakes for the cake stall, we raised $120.00!

**Canteen News**
Slushies will be available from this Friday 4th September!
The Canteen will also be having a hotdog day Friday 11th September. A note will be sent home early next week!
 Would Canteen Volunteers please contact Kaylene or leave your name at the Office regarding availability for the Canteen in Term 4!

**P and C**

Monthly on the 2nd Thursday at 5.30pm in the Library

*The community acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which the school is located.*

*We are a proud Pondee Konara Community.*
This is the last week for you to return EARN & LEARN Stickers!
Could you please place them in the box near the office!

SunSmart Snippet

The simplest way
...to protect your skin at the snow!

Did you know that you can almost get a double dose of ultraviolet (UV) radiation at the snow?

Snow and water increase your risk of sun damage as they reflect up to 90% of UV radiation on a clear day. Are you heading for the slopes? Check out these SunSmart tips:

✓ Slap on a winter hat, such as a balaclava, hood or a beanie with flaps to cover your ears
✓ Slide on goggles or wrap-around sunglasses
✓ Apply SPF30+ or higher, broad spectrum and water resistant sunscreen and lip balm at least 20 minutes before going outside
✓ Reapply sunscreen every two hours – put a small tube in your jacket pocket
✓ Take a break from the slopes during the middle part of the day.

Be SunSmart and your children will follow your lead. Enjoy the winter!

To help keep your kids safe, check your schools SunSmart status by heading to www.sunsmartnsw.com.au