Welcome back Ms Harvey, we all hope that you have had a wonderful time whilst on leave and we look forward to hearing about your travel adventures.

We celebrate the news that Mandy Corcoran has received her long awaited lung transplant. We believe that the operation has been successful and we send her our very best wishes for a speedy recovery. Happy birthday to Evie whose birthday it is today!

What a great time we all had at the Book Parade on Friday. Almost every child and staff member was dressed up and in such inventive costumes! Well done to all! We did have a few problems with our photographs, so if you have some great photos, please email them to the school. Thank you to Mr and Mrs Wanstall for being judges.

“Books light up our world”
This year Book Week’s theme is “Books light up our world”, a concept that has been understood since ancient times. The symbol of darkness has stood for ignorance and light has stood for knowledge and truth. For thousands of years, books and libraries have been like lighthouses for learning and for preserving knowledge from one generation to the next. Ancient examples were the Ancient Library of Alexandria, the Imperial Library of Constantinople, or the House of Wisdom in Bagdad. This is still true today however technology is vastly changing the way people read access and use knowledge, learn and create. But books are still critical to our world. (taken from Mrs Evan’s Book Week address).

Thanks to Mrs Evans for the huge amount of work she puts in to ensure that our Book Week Parade is such a special event at our school.

K-2 Mini Olympics
This Thursday we will be conducting our K-2 sports carnival for all students aged 7 years and under. Events will begin after recess, starting at approximately 11:45am and will conclude at the end of the day. All parents, grandparents and friends are welcome to attend the carnival.

Father’s Day
We would like to invite our dads, granddads and uncles for a picnic lunch at school on Thursday. We are hoping dads might make a special effort to attend the Mini Olympics as there may be a couple of events for dads to participate in! Dads of primary aged students are invited to attend for lunchtime. Perhaps you would like to order a Chicken and Mushroom Pie (our special this week) from the canteen for lunch. Orders need to be at the canteen before 9.30am on Thursday 3rd September.

FPS Fun Run
Any students who have not yet returned their sponsorship form need to do that ASAP. We would also appreciate all sponsorship money being brought in ASAP as well. All students who raise $10 or more will receive a 200g tin of milo. Other prizes will be awarded based on the amount of money raised. Please note that prizes will only be given out after the pledge sheet and the pledged money is returned to school.

Thanks to MILO for their sponsorship of this event.

Staff news
On Thursday of last week, Mr Ashley visited me to inform me that he was submitting his retirement papers. His retirement will be effective from October 5th. He will remain on leave until this date. Mr Ashley has requested no special event to mark his decision to retire. Families might like to send a card or letter to Mr Ashley, we would be happy to collect them on his behalf and ensure that they are delivered to him.

We wish Mr Ashley all the very best in his retirement.

Mrs Dickenson begins her Long Service Leave this week. She will be on leave from Friday 4th September until 21st October. Mr Ingram will teach Kindergarten in Mrs Dickenson’s absence.

I will be on leave from Thursday of this week until the end of the holidays. I will be travelling to Canada as part of the LEAP Program. Mrs Evans will be Relieving Principal in my absence and Mrs Henderson will be Relieving Assistant Principal.
Canteen Specials this week

CHICKEN AND MUSHROOM PIE $4.00
CHICKEN AND MUSHROOM PIE WITH SALAD $6.50

Communication APP

We have had a few communication issues regarding sending SMS’, and parents not receiving the newsletter and other notes via students.

We are considering the different options available to assist in our communication between parents and our school. There are a number of APPS that have been developed especially to address this perennial problem. To be able to make an appropriate decision regarding this option, we need to know whether there are enough parents with SMARTPHONES to warrant the investment in setting this up. This would be a free APP, but may impact your downloads. We are currently considering SKOOLBAG, which we could upload newsletters and permission notes onto, can provide alerts for upcoming events, can be used to notify the school of absences etc. Please complete the tear off slip and return it to school this week.

Mrs Debbie Bradshaw
Principal

KD News

Thanks to all the families who prepared their child for our performance last Friday at the School Assembly. I hope everyone enjoyed the paintings, stories and song.

Today your child will bring home a copy of the lyrics to 'Everything is Awesome' which will be performed at the 'School Spectacular' on Wednesday 16th September. Your child will need to be dressed in clothes that are a primary colour (red, blue of yellow). Hopefully, they will already have something at home so that you don't need to go out and buy something especially for the performance.

This is my last week before I start my leave. Blake Ingram will be looking after Kinder whilst I'm away. He has worked closely with kinder since the beginning of the year, so I know there will be a smooth transition for the children.

I hope all our families have a wonderful Father's Day and enjoy the special gifts that your children are making for you. (If anyone is willing to wash the Kinder Hats during the holidays could you please let Blake or I know so that we can get this organised). I look forward to seeing everyone early in Term 4.

Mrs Rose

SCHOOL CHOIR NEWS

All students that are in the school choir and rehearse on Tuesday lunch times, need to bring in as soon as possible, black tights/trousers/jeans and a plain white t-shirt for our Fredo Spectacular items. We are preparing two items and we are also on the lookout for berets and Russian type clothing the children could wear, like from the movie Anastasia.

Mrs Rose

Infants Mini Olympics

Our Mini Olympics are on this Thursday 3rd September! All students who are in the 5, 6 or 7 year age groups for athletics will be participating.

Activities will include long jump, discuss, shot put and relays. Children are encouraged to come in their house colours and parents are invited to attend. The games will begin at 11:45am and break for lunch at 1:20pm. The games will resume in the afternoon session at 2:10pm. Parents are welcome to stay and have lunch with their children. We look forward to seeing you there.

Ms Ransom

Rock Star Award” in the canteen. Students who order something new and fresh off the blackboard will be in the running to receive a canteen voucher to be used the following week off the blackboard menu. Last week’s winner was JORDAN CLARKE.

Jordan, please see Tracey in the Canteen.
Frederickton School Spectacular

Our much anticipated annual school spectacular is fast approaching. Doors will open at 6:00pm on Wednesday 16th September and the show will begin at 6:45pm. This year’s theme is a “Night at the Movies” and will include 2 performances from each class in addition to an appearance from the dance groups, choir and band. Tickets are now available at the office at a cost of $2 per person. **Seats are limited and tickets are strictly pre-purchase only.** Teachers will inform parents of any costuming requirements.

Dinner will be available from the canteen from 5.00pm. Orders must be submitted and paid for by **FRIDAY 11th SEPTEMBER** (no late orders will be accepted after this date). On offer is a delicious Indian Curry plate, consisting of three curries, rice and pappadums, and a stunning homemade bolognaise. Order forms will be sent home on Wednesday. Please read carefully & order by Friday 11th September. N.B. NO LATE ORDERS TAKEN

We are also seeking donations of cakes, slices and sweet or savoury treats to sell at intermission. We appreciate your generosity and support of our school and look forward to a spectacular evening.

Ms Ransom

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**Library days are as follows:**
- Monday: 2/3W
- Wednesday: 3/4R and 1/2O
- Thursday: 5/6H and Kinder
- Friday: 4/5A

**1/2 O NEWS**

**Spectacular** – please ensure that your child has all black to wear for both our performance item. They will need to be sent in by Wednesday of Week 9 (9th September).

A HUGE **Happy Birthday** to Evie from our class and thank you to Miss Tracey for the yummy cake we had to share.

We are revising nouns, proper nouns and verbs. We have been learning about pronouns.

In maths we are exploring fractions.

**MECS Debating Challenge**

The MECS debating challenge concluded for the year with a grand final debate between Aldavilla and Stuarts Point held on Friday. Congratulations to Stuarts Point on their win.

Congratulations also to our debating team on their efforts throughout the season. We will commence debate training again during lunchtimes in Term 4.

Ms Ransom

**Kindergarten 2016 Transition Program**

**Save the Date**

The Kindergarten transition program will be held on Tuesday 3rd to Thursday 5th November.

A parent information session and morning tea will be held on Wednesday 4th November.

All sessions will run from 9.20am to 11.20am.

An information letter will be sent home shortly to those parents who have contacted the school.

If you have not contacted the school regarding enrolment of your child please do so as soon as possible so that you do not miss out on this information.

**Chicken & Mushroom Pie & Salad $6.50**
3/4R News

Congratulations to all students for a wonderful effort and outstanding Book Week Parade costumes. We had a fun day and thoroughly enjoyed the Book Fair and the five shortlisted stories we read during the week. I do emphasise reading in our classroom and encourage with the pupils that **Read and You will Succeed** as well as **Readers make good leaders.**

Mr Hoelzl will be on the class this Tuesday, whilst I work with Mrs Donnelly, as a follow-up to our course at Cundletown P.S

In Week 9 we have our class assembly item. We will be performing our Lava song. So that parents can be well organised beforehand, it would be greatly appreciated if all the boys, in our class, could bring in a pair of boardshorts. It doesn’t matter what colour or style. Please send these in as soon as possible. All boys also need a Hawaiian shirt or beachie t-shirt, this needs to also be sent in. The girls only need to bring in a plain coloured singlet, or one piece swimmers or a leotard. Please only use something they already have at home, you do not need to go and buy anything new. This is our costume for our item. These items can be sent in as soon as possible. We will be keeping these items after our assembly item as we need to use them for our Spectacular item.

Many of the students are enjoying learning their lines for the play and please encourage your child to continue practising the **Lava and Backson** song lyrics.

We are continuing our numeracy learning in subtraction with trading, learning to read digital and analog (clock face) time as well as fractions and decimals this week.

A class note is being sent home today, to ensure parents know what their individual child needs for our assembly item and Fredo Spectacular.

Homework is due this Friday 4th September. Have a happy Father’s Day and Grandfather’s Day to all our special dads and pops.

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**WHAT’S HAPPENING AT FREDERICKTON PUBLIC**

**Term 3**

**Week 8**

3rd September – K-2 Mini Olympics

4th September – Father’s Day Picnic

**Week 9**

11th September – Star Badge Assembly

**Week 10**

14th September – P & C Meeting

16th September – School Spectacular

18th September – Last day of Term 3

**Term 4**

**Week 1**

6th October – Students and Staff return for Term 4

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**Book Parade 2015**

**The Most Creative Costume Winners**

Pre-school - Sylvia Rose

Kindergarten - Thea Masters

Class 1/2O - Killara Winiarczyk

Class 2/3W - Daniel Baker

Class 3/4R - Billie-Jo Smith

Class 4/5A - Torri Thurgood

Class 5/6H - Jakob Collins

**The Most Creative Costume Runner-Up**

Pre-School - Maya Mottee

Kindergarten - Cassidee Fernando

Class 1/2O - Taryn Martin

Class 2/3W - Montana Thompson

Class 3/4R - Jazmin Collins

Class 4/5A - Lucy Bruce-Smith

Class 5/6H - Brooke Russell

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**CANTEEN NEWS**

Don’t forget to order your birthday cupcakes - $25 – from Tracey in the Canteen.

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**HOUSE TICKET TALLY**

Congratulations to the following students for winning last week’s PBL draw Zac L, Byron C, Rylan M, Danielle B-E, and Sienna G – The winning class was 2/3W; the winning houses were Taylor & Phillips. The winning students were:

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**PLAYGROUP EVERY MONDAY MORNING FROM**

9.30AM – 11.00AM

Pre-school children are most welcome – cost is free – just need to bring something for morning tea to share e.g. fruit, vegies etc
**16th September 2015 – Fredo Spectacular**
**Save the date**
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**Tickets on sale NOW**
**$2 each**

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**Frederickton Sport Club – Cricket Season**

Frederickton Sports Club Inc. is calling for registrations for In2Cricket/Junior and Senior B grade teams.
Registration day 9/9/2015 at Frederickton Sports Fields 4:30-5:00 pm.

Any queries please phone Sandy 65668307.

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**SOUTH WEST ROCKS NIPPERS NEWS**

The season is fast approaching and the following dates are ready for you to get super organised.

There will be two sign on and registration day. You can purchase your compulsory high-vis tops, grab your swimwear, get your calendar and find out any much needed information. These will be held in the back room at the SWR Surf Club - these will be the ONLY two days to do this.

For all new comers please bring your birth certificate to ensure we have you in the correct age group.

**Dates as follows for Sign on Days, POOL SWIM and first day of Nippers.**

FRIDAY 11th SEPTEMBER 4 till 6pm: sign on day
FRIDAY 9th OCTOBER 4 till 6pm: sign on day
FRIDAY 16th OCTOBER POOL SWIMS 4pm at SWR Pool. Under 8's and up ONLY.
SUNDAY 18th OCTOBER FIRST DAY OF NIPPERS.

We still need **age managers** for the new UNDER 6's and the UNDER 8's please, if we do not get help these age groups won’t go ahead. Nippers requires a huge amount of help from our parents, your kids will love seeing you involved. You do not need any formal training...so please help us help your kids.

For anyone new to town or with kids that have turned 5 nippers is a great way to build confidence in the aquatic environment with your friends, it is on every Sunday morning from 9am sharp, you need to be there earlier to ensure your name is marked off from your age manager. There are carnivals for the under 8's and up, and for those who don't compete or are not old enough...well you get to have a sleep in that Sunday.

For any additional information please email me at mrsaskew@hotmail.com
Come and join

Hat Head Surf Life Saving Club

Nippers for 5-14 year olds. Season starts 11/10/15

Hat Head SLSC is a family orientated club in which children can:
* make new friends * learn new skills * gain confidence * have fun

Registrations
* Sunday 30th August back of back of Hat Head Bowling Club 10am-12.30pm
* Saturday 19th September Kempsey Pool 10am-12.30pm (all age water safety/proficiency swim & registrations)
* Saturday 10th October Kempsey Pool 10am-12.30pm (all age water safety/proficiency swim & registrations)
Further information

MEMBERSHIP FEES
$50 nipper (includes free rash shirt)
$20 Associate Member (each child must have an adult associate member)
$40 Active Member

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