

FHPS NEWSLETTER

Issue 30, Term 4, Week 8
Friday 29th November, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wed 4th Dec	Volunteer Thank You Morning Tea
Fri 6th Dec	Rotary Assembly & Afternoon Tea
Tue 10th Dec	State-Wide Transition Day
Wed 11th Dec	Year 6 Graduation
Thu 12th Dec	End of Year Activity Day
Fri 13th Dec	Final Whole School Assembly
Mon 16th Dec	Christmas Carols Concert
Fri 20th Dec	Last Day of Term 4 (1:30pm finish)



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

BRIEF GROUNDS UPDATE

Our new log seating will be arriving early in 2025.

Our new water feature is officially taking centre stage at the main reception area.

We have some preliminary plans for artificial turf: a mini soccer oval, to the south of the blue playground (corner Robinia St & Heatherhill Rd).

Our new goal posts (Robinia End) have been installed.

The new irrigation system instalment has commenced and will be finished next Wednesday.

Our new oval grass will be laid on Monday 9th & Tuesday 10th December

Our new granitic sand path will be installed over the Christmas holidays.

A new outdoor learning space in the Prep area will be completed during the school holidays.

Our new bike racks for the bike shed will be installed during the school holidays.

A note from Dimitri Dimakopoulos - Project Manager at Evergreen Turf

"The resurfacing of the sports oval will provide the school with a more resilient and safer turf surface. The works shall involve:

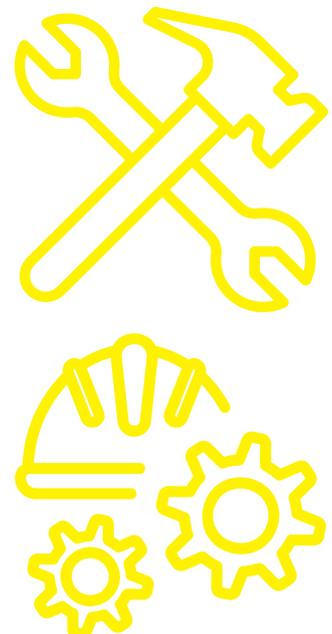
- Clearing of weeds/undesirable grass types
- De-compaction of surface and re-levelling
- New automated irrigation system
- Re-surfacing with a more drought tolerant warm season grass variety
- Replacement of AFL goals at the western end

New turf is due to be laid on the oval by early-mid December to maximise grow in/establishment over the Christmas holiday period. It is expected that the oval will be ready for use around the start of Term 1.

Whilst the works should provide significant improvement to overall conditions, the new oval will still require ongoing turf management moving forward to ensure that the surface is not overused beyond repair and the oval is giving every chance to recover."



Have a great weekend,
Ricky Joyce
Principal



TERM 4 ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	YEAR LEVEL
Friday 6th December	1:25pm	Rotary Awards & Year 3 - Year 6
Friday 13th December	2:45pm	Whole School

ENROLMENT UPDATES SIBLING ENROLMENTS FOR 2026

Enrolments are now open for 2026 Prep Siblings. We are wishing to confirm Sibling enrolments by the end of this term as this assists us in determining placement availability for our 2026 Prep Cohort. Our enrolments for 2026 will open at the beginning of 2025. Therefore, we ask all families who will have a Prep child in 2026, to please contact the school office to obtain an enrolment form and secure your child's place for 2026.

FAMILIES LEAVING FHPS AT THE END OF 2024

If your child will be leaving FHPS at the end of the year, please contact the school office as an administrative transfer is required from school to school. This information greatly assists us in our planning for grades for 2025, which has already commenced.

SCHOOL SAVINGS BONUS PENINSULA UNIFORMS

We have received a notification from Peninsula Uniforms regarding the application of the School Savings Bonus for uniform purchases. The School Savings Bonus can only be allocated and applied **IN STORE**, not online. This is due to Peninsula Uniform's capacity to process orders. Please contact Peninsula Uniforms directly if you have any further questions regarding this process on 9775 1777.





FHPS CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Bells will be ringing and children's voices singing at the FHPS Christmas Carols evening on **Monday December 16 from 5:30pm.**

All families are invited to come along and enjoy this school community event. Bring your Christmas cheer, as we celebrate an end to another year.

Children can dress in their favourite Christmas attire, whether it be a touch of creative flair or a festive outfit they want to wear.

Students will be seated under the shade sail area on the synthetic turf throughout the evening. This student only area will be sectioned off to facilitate smooth transitions on and off the stage.

Families are to bring their own picnic blanket and/or chairs to sit on. Seating areas for families will be on the basketball court and synthetic turf area beyond the large shade sails. All areas will be clearly marked. A map will be provided closer to the event.





FHPS CHRISTMAS CAROLS PROGRAM

- **Choir**
- **Year 1** – Six White Boomers, Santa Claus is Coming to Town
- **Year 3** – Twas the Night Before Christmas, Deck the Shed
- **Year 6** – Happy Christmas, Rocking Around the Christmas Tree
- **Year 2A & 2D** – Santa Wear Your Shorts, Aussie Jingle Bells
- **Prep** – Must be Santa, Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer
- **Year 2B & 2C** – Oh Christmas Tree, Santa Claus is Coming
- **Year 5** – Jingle Bell rock, You're a Mean One Mr Grinch
- **Year 4** – Run Rudolph Run, Summer Wonderland
- **Choir**



Volunteer Morning Tea

We're hosting a special **morning tea** to celebrate and thank our amazing volunteers who have supported FHPS school programs, events and activities throughout the year.

The time, energy, and care you have invested is greatly appreciated!

Date: Wednesday 4th December

Time: 11:45am - 12:30pm

Location: School Hall

Come and enjoy a warm cup of tea or coffee, delicious treats, and great company. It's our way of saying a heartfelt thank you for all that you do.



We can't wait to see you there!



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2024/25 Christmas Holiday Dates

2024 Conclusion:

Term 4 finishes: Friday 20th December

Dismissal Time: 1:30pm

Please note: our school office will also be closed from 1:30pm on Friday 20th December

2025 Commencement:

FHPS Staff and Office start: Tuesday 28th January

Grade 1 - 6 Students start: Wednesday 29th January

2025 Prep Students start: Monday 3rd February

From all the staff at FHPS, we wish you a Merry Christmas, and a safe and happy holiday season. We look forward to seeing your smiling faces in 2025!

