Principal’s message
Dear parents, students and staff

Well done to Rio, yr6 for representing both FSPS & Balmain PSSA in the zoom at the Sydney East carnival @ Homebush last Wednesday. A great experience!

Brilliant work from all the students and teachers for last Friday’s special assembly celebrating Literacy & Numeracy week. It was great to see the dance team performing their Rock ‘n’Roll number! 2/3 really entertained us with a fabulous cross curricula item displaying their Asian Study unit with dance, music, art and story, followed up with their imovies. 4K then provided a screening of their digital stories. All the display boards are filled with quality work, from K to 6, around the text ‘Sunday Chutney’. The excellent works include visual arts, stories, data, graphs and letter writing. Pop into the Hall to enjoy the displays.

Thank you for the positive feedback we have received for our refreshed newsletter and the school Enews app. We appreciate your responses.

Finally, I will be on Long Service Leave for the next 2 weeks and Mrs Julie Solomon will be relieving Principal. Hoping all the dads enjoyed a great Father’s Day and happy holidays and safe travels to all our families over the term break.

Warm regards ☺
Michele

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@ FSPS Reminder
Don’t forget to add School Enews to your phone to stay in touch with the latest updates from FSPS. Visit our school website (http://www.fortstreet-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/) and click ‘Newsletters and notes’ in the top menu for more information. If you can’t add the app to your phone, please subscribe to the appropriate email lists to keep track of your child/ren into the future.
Andy Griffiths @ Customs House

Liam and Tim, 5/6L

On Monday, Years 3 to 6 walked to Customs House to meet ANDY GRIFFITHS! We took our old books and bought copies of his new book too, The 52-Storey Treehouse. Andy talked about The Bad Book and The Treehouse series. He shared some funny parts from the stories and the one and only NINJA SNAILS from The 52-Storey Treehouse.

After the talk, Andy Griffiths drew tickets for a raffle. Mike (Year 5) and Mia (Year 6) won tickets to see a preview of The 26-Storey Treehouse play. We weren't so lucky.

Andy signed our books by drawing us falling into a pool of man-eating sharks and swimming with them. I (Tim) was second to last to get my book signed. I (Liam) showed him a funny face.

Afterwards, we headed back to school. Andy said school is boring. He’s right!

Visit Andy Griffiths online @ http://andygriffiths.com.au

Notes sent home this week

K-2 speech reminder

If you missed a note, please check School Enews or talk to your child’s teacher.

Healthy Harold

Miss Farrow is good friends with Healthy Harold and she has organised for him to visit FSPS on 15-16 September! Here’s what each class will be studying:

KF and KR: Clued Up
1K: Harold’s Mystery Tour
2H and 2/3L: All Systems Go
4K: Mind Your Medicine
5/6D: It’s Your Call

For more information, please visit Harold @ www.healthyharold.org.au
What’s happening in 2H?

We’ve had two new students enter our class this term – Josh and Alexus. They are great friends and enthusiastic learners, so we are over the moon to have them join us in 2H. We’ve been enjoying our weekly art lessons with Mrs Nicotra.

We have also completed writing about Pearl Barley and Charlie Parsley. Here are some sentences:

“While Pearl is as loud as an elephant stomping, Charlie likes being quiet and sensible.” – Abi

“Charlie likes reading books and Pearl prefers to play the drums.” – Salinger and Yoahn

SPORT REPORT

BPSSA Athletics Carnival

Cherry and Rio, 5/6L

There were lots of competitors at the ES Marks Oval for the Balmain PSSA Athletics Carnival. All the competitors from Fort Street were really nervous about competing, but we went well. It was pouring down and the wind blew the rain to where everybody was seated.

Rio had our best result of the event. He came second in the 200m, which meant he represented Balmain in the Sydney East PSSA Athletics Carnival, which was this Wednesday. He finished in the middle of the pack at the SEPSSA Carnival, but we’re still proud of him for making it so far!
HAPPY 170TH ANNIVERSARY, SUSANNAH PLACE!

In 1844 a row of four terraced houses were built in Susannah Place in the heart of The Rocks. With their tiny backyards, basement kitchens and outside washhouses, these small houses have been home to more than 100 families.

Join us in celebrating the 170th anniversary of Susannah Place at our special community event. Bring your family to meet ours and enjoy the day, with free admission to the museum, old-fashioned games in the laneway and a slice of birthday cake. Tell us your memories of The Rocks while discovering what life was like for the families who called Susannah Place home.

Formal welcome at 2pm, followed by afternoon tea

SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2014 • 11AM–5PM

SUSANNAH PLACE MUSEUM
68–64 GLOUCESTER STREET, THE ROCKS

sydneylivingmuseums.com.au
Would your child like to learn Guitar or Keyboard?

Aria Music is enrolling for Term 4 at Fort St Public School
Please email: ariamusicschool@gmail.com
Ph: 0402 780 190

Qualified, friendly teachers encourage serious musical skills in a fun learning environment.
Group classes at school, $23.10 (incl gst) per lesson.
Individual tuition is also available.

Keyboard & Guitar Classes!
Days: Thursdays & Fridays
Location: The School Hall

Music lessons have the Power:
Develops musical talent
Develops self-discipline
Encourages self-esteem
Enhances co-ordination & Concentration
Is lots of fun!!!

Www.ariamusic.com.au
Swim School Membership
Points and Dates to remember

Our Learn to Swim Program runs for 48 weeks of the year, consists of four 12 weeks teaching blocks. The membership includes:

- One lesson per child per week for 48 weeks
- $36.00 per fortnight
- Free unlimited use of aquatic facilities all year round for the student with 1 parent/carer free spectator entry.
- Automatic 4 week payment suspension for Christmas holiday period with FREE member entry (excluding Family Members)
- An additional two weeks suspension at any time of the year
- Direct Debit payments are collected fortnightly on a Friday
- Lessons do not run on public holidays.
- Make up lessons are not allowed
- Cancellations are only accepted at the end of a 12 week block; with 2 weeks notice.

Block Dates 2014:

Block 1  Monday 20 Jan - Sunday 13 April 2014
Block 2  Monday 14 April - Sunday 6 July 2014
Block 3  Monday 7 July - Sunday 28 September 2014
Block 4  Monday 29 September - Sunday 21 December 2014

Block 3 Debit Dates:

- 11 July  2014
- 25 July  2014
- 08 August  2014
- 22 August  2014
- 05 September 2014
- 19 September 2014

End of block 3 cancellations will be accepted until Monday 15 September 2014.
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INFORMATION MORNING
Prospective Year 7 students 2016
Tuesday 7 October 2014
at 9.15am in the School Auditorium

Sydney Technical High School, established in 1911, has a proud tradition of student achievement. The school prepares young men who are scholarly and socially responsible. Features of the school include languages, music, visual arts, debating, public speaking and sport. Teaching and learning programs feature higher order thinking and are recognized as best practice in gifted education. The school actively promotes an environment in which student welfare, tolerance of others and strong community values support each student reaching his potential.

Enrolments: Students seeking entrance into Year 7 must participate in selection procedures organised by the Department of Education and Communities. For further information contact the High Performing Students Unit on 1300 880 367 or email: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au.

Enquiries to the School: 9587 5899
Director-General’s Award for Gifted and Talented Education
**Holiday Program Information**

Please be aware that the holiday program will be in effect as of Monday 22nd September and school will return Tuesday the 7th October. Please remember to book in advance to save yourself the extra fee. The children will need to bring their morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea, water bottle and hat. On days we have an excursion it is also a good idea to pack an extra snack for the day as the children are usually a bit hungrier. Please also note that breakfast and afternoon tea is not supplied by OSHClub during the holiday program.

**Recycled Play**

If you have any old trash that could be our treasure, we will gratefully reuse and recycle them. We are hoping to build a collection of costumes and props to extend the wonderful imaginative performances the children have shown a real passion for. Board games and sports equipment are always popular as well, and any donations small or large will be dearly loved and greatly appreciated by both staff and students. Thank you for your generosity if you are able to help us out!

**Recent Program Photos**

OSHClub Fort Street continued our arts and crafts activities. Isabel, Lea and the other girls participated in making a flip person book and paper chain caterpillar. They really loved how the Flip book turned out to be and also enjoyed making expressions on their caterpillars. And last Friday in after school care, Jasmine, Lillian, Melissa and Alisha performed a role play which they called “The School”. They act out the life of 3 sisters who go to school every day and were tied with lots of activities (inside and outside school).

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**Parent Information**

OSHClub program phone: 0408 276 937
Coordinator: Stephanie Kristian and Eleanor Whale
Assistants: Laura Malcolm (Before School Care) / Matt Gates and Matt Willmott (After School Care)
OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000
All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.