

24th June 2022

Dear Fabulous Fadden Families

Thank you once more to our amazing Fadden Community for your support during the Staff Planning day on Tuesday this week and also the many volunteers and supporters at our Athletics Carnival at Woden Park on Wednesday. We must have had some clairvoyant skills when we happened to pick the sunniest day of the week to hold our carnival.



A special thank you to the wonderful Year 9 and 10 students from Caroline Chisholm, their teacher, our parent helpers and last but not least the organisers of the day Mr Matthews, Mrs Bass and Mrs Tozzi. I hear that our student House Captains and Vice Captains did a fabulous job in whooping up team spirit with their houses. Nice work all.

Yesterday the ACT Education Directorate announced that they are continuing to support ACT public schools to manage their extra workloads with two staff planning days in term 3. Attached is a letter with more information, including the dates which this time will be consistent for all schools across the ACT, unless specific schools have exceptional circumstances that they are unable to align to these set dates.

This week we welcomed a new member of our team to our Front Office, who I am sure you will get to know. Genelle replaces Sally as our Excursion and Enrolments Officer.

welcome



Hello Fadden community

My name is Genelle Carter. I started in the front office at Fadden Primary School on Monday 20 June as the Excursion and Enrolments Officer. For the last 12 years I have worked in the administration area of the primary school at Orana Steiner School. I am looking forward to working closely with the community, families and students at Fadden Primary School.

Some of my interests are hiking, reading and spending time with my family.

This week we started our focus on positive behaviours in the 'Front Office'. All classes have engaged in an explicit PBL lesson designed to support students to understand our positive behaviour expectations in this space. We have seen an increase in students displaying our expected positive behaviours after each lesson has been taught

	BE SAFE	BE RESPECTFUL	BE A LEARNER
Front Office	We have a front office pass We line up at the window	We say 'please' and 'thank you' We wait quietly	We are ready to communicate

Our students are doing a fabulous job of displaying our positive behaviour expectations and are earning lots of acknowledgements through our token system. We have now written 16 Gold Certificates for being a learner and 7 for being respectful. Gold Certificates and colour coded wristbands are presented to students who have earned 100 tokens in one specific area and are awarded during our assemblies.



If your child has earned a Gold, you will receive an email inviting you to attend the relevant assembly (Junior or Senior). At this stage parent attendance at assemblies is through invitation only. We are eagerly awaiting our first Gold for being **safe** with a number of students close to the 100 mark.



Today's Gold **learner** award recipients!

Next week we will learn which will be our winning house for Colours Day! Each PBL token corresponds to a sporting house point, and these are tallied across the term. As a reward for the sporting house with the most tokens in a term, the students in that house will be invited to wear their house colours to school on the last day of term. A letter will be sent home to the winning house's parents on Tuesday, to inform them that their child will be able to come to school in their house colours on Friday. I look forward to hearing who the winning house will be for Term 2!

Just a reminder that reports will be going home on Wednesday next week. Kindergarten to Year 6 students will get an email, as per our test this week and Preschool will get their reports as a hard copy in an envelope from Preschool staff.

Whilst these reports won't include the detailed teacher comments that we usually supply, you are welcome to speak to your child's teacher(s) if you have any questions or concerns about your child's progress. Our teachers will also continue to communicate directly with you when there are any concerns about student learning or other classroom updates. You will also have an opportunity to come into school in Term 3 week 4 to participate in a 3 Way Conference with your child and their classroom teacher to review past goals and develop new learning goals for Semester 2.

Enjoy the sunshine and have a great weekend.

Jo Jefferson
Principal