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Dear Fabulous Fadden Families

We've had a fantastic week, including today which was action packed with assembly and our Colour Run prizes going home. We also shared with students the exciting news about the P&C's Winter Disco at the assembly and via a flyer that has gone home to each family this afternoon.

The flyer that went home also includes information on the school's communication channels and the opportunity for parents to change their primary email address for receiving email updates, including this Weekly Wrap Up.

Last night I had the pleasure of welcoming our new parent board representatives: Chairperson: Daniel Ng, Deputy Chair: Kate Gascoyne and Member: Beth Chapman. The Board is looking forward to getting their hands dirty and mucking in on building our next 5-year School Improvement Plan. This will be a very exciting opportunity for our whole school community. Coming soon we will be adding photos to our website of our School Board members, so that you know who they are and can seek them out if you have any questions or suggestions for them to consider.

Directly after the board meeting, I attended our Fadden P&C Meeting. It is worth noting that we had more members online participating than at the school. There was a parent on holidays, one putting her children to sleep and others that could multitask online as well as contribute to important conversations. I took a quick snap of us all.



The P&C also had a new parent attend, who sent me her experience so that I could share her story with other parents and encourage them to attend, either in person or via Zoom.

"I just wanted to say a big thankyou to the P&C. Last night I decided to go to the meet-up and have a look at what this thing is all about. I thought well it's my child's school and maybe I could add some value as a non-committee member, even in my busy lifestyle. I was welcomed by our Principal Jo and a lovely lady Beth, whilst online was maybe 4 others on Zoom with kids in backgrounds. It was flexible to people's lifestyles and I got to hear all the things they organise around our school that I must say I have taken for granted. They were so open to ideas and all they truly want is for other parents like me to come along and listen or contribute in any way that suits us. At just 2 meetings a term I will be back 😊" Belle

Finally, on Tuesday we sent home permission notes for students to begin to access SeeSaw. Please be on the look out for this and send it back to school as soon as possible. Once we have your note and permission, we will send home a unique QR code for you to scan, which will then connect you to your child's classroom SeeSaw account. I am very excited to see this begin and would like to thank the Fadden P&C who has paid for the 2-year subscription of SeeSaw, as they are passionate about parents connecting to their child's learning and partnering with teachers in their child's education, in an authentic way.

This week and next, classes will be learning about National Reconciliation Week and how *'we all have a role to play when it comes to reconciliation, and in playing our part we collectively build relationships and communities that value Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, histories, cultures, and futures.'*

I encourage families to take the opportunity to attend some of the reconciliation activities that are on this weekend, whilst they enjoy a long weekend. [Web link to ACT Reconciliation Week activities.](#)

See you all on Tuesday next week. I hope you have a glorious long weekend.

Jo Jefferson

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