

9th September 2022

Dear Fantastic Fadden Families

Thank you once more to our wonderful families for supporting our staff on this Staff Planning Day. Staff shortages are continuing to significantly impact our staff, who are taking extra students into their class on a daily basis to supervise their learning, which reduces their capacity to collaborate with their teaching teams. These days have been invaluable to allow staff to catch up on planning and programming which in turn contributes to quality teaching and learning for our students.

This week we had our Year 3/4 students attend camp at Birrigai Outdoor School in Tidbinbilla. Our students got to participate in team building activities which are not possible to experience in the normal school setting. Birrigai staff provided positive feedback on the behaviour and respect our students demonstrated during camp. Congratulations to the Fadden staff and families for supporting our students to be so successful on this camp.



Our parent responses to the **2022 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey** have increased slightly over the last week to 70 responses, representing 24.6% of our total parents and carers. However, this is still lower than last year. As the parent response rate is low in all schools across the ACT, the Education Directorate has extended the survey for an additional week. So, you still have time, as it will now **close at midnight on Friday 16th September 2022**. I remind parents to check their junk mail for the survey invitation if you have missed seeing it or email me if you are having problems.

Don't forget the P&C's Colour Explosion Fun Run is scheduled for Wednesday 21st September with Preschool in the morning and Kindergarten to Year 6 just before home time. Students will need to come to school wearing a white shirt on the day. There are loads of rewards for fundraising, so please get involved and start collecting today.

Have a great weekend, despite the rain.

Jo Jefferson
Principal

