

16<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Dear Funtastic Fadden Families

Today we had the pleasure of hosting the Year 5 Combined Band with Gowrie Primary joining us. Students had the opportunity to play within a larger group which was an exciting opportunity.



Next Wednesday will be our long-awaited Colour Explosion Fun Run. This is a P&C fundraiser where students get to choose their prizes, depending on the amount of money they collect. If you have not made an online profile, that's ok, students can drop in their money and Claim My Prize page to the front office.



### Colour Explosion Fun Run

<b>Preschool</b>	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> September 11.30am – 12.00pm	Preschool Playground	<b>Students must wear a white shirt to participate.</b> Students will be supplied protective sunglasses and a head band. Coloured chalk will be thrown onto students as they participate in an outdoor obstacle course.
<b>Kindergarten to Year 6</b>	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> September 2.30pm – 3.00pm	Oval	

#### Colour Explosion Fun Run update from the P&C



Currently 42 students have made a profile, with a \$4 880 raised so far. Thank you for all your support. **Remember only students who are wearing a white shirt will be able to participate in the colour run.** We are still seeking volunteer support from Parents/Guardians for only an hour and its lots of fun!! 2pm to 3 pm on Wednesday the 21st of September. Please email [faddenpc@gmail.com](mailto:faddenpc@gmail.com) if you can help out.

Students still have time to create their online profile at [www.australianfundraising.com.au](http://www.australianfundraising.com.au). The money raised from the colour run will go towards an end of year fun community event for the students, keep your eyes posted early next term for details.

#### Positive Behaviours for Learning (PBL) Update - **Be safe**, **Be respectful**, **Be a Learner**

Over the last two weeks of school, we have been focusing on positive behaviours in the 'Bag Areas'. All classes have engaged in an explicit PBL lesson designed to support students to understand our positive behaviour expectations in this space.

	<b>BE SAFE</b>	<b>BE RESPECTFUL</b>	<b>BE A LEARNER</b>
<b>Bag Area</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We zip up our bags</li> <li>We stay on the playground during break times</li> <li>We keep our belongings in our bags</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We touch our own bags only</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We leave the bag area quickly</li> </ul>

Our staff continue to acknowledge positive student behaviours through our colour coded token system. Staff hand the token to the student and clearly state what the student did to achieve the token. We are pleased to share with you



that this week we have had our first student achieve a **Platinum Certificate** for being respectful. Platinum Certificates can be achieved for each expectation: be safe, be respectful and be a learner, when a student earns 200 tokens in that area. Stay tuned for a photo to celebrate this achievement after our next Senior Primary assembly.



Next week we will learn which house gets to wear their colours 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 23rd September. I look forward to hearing who the winning house will be for Term 3!

As part of the ACT Governments and ACT Education Directorates ongoing commitment to reduce teacher workload, reporting for Semester 2 will be the same as Semester 1. Once again, we will be providing students with an overall A-E grade, and an assessment of achievement standard statements on a 5-point scale.

While semester 2 reports won't include detailed teacher comments, parents are encouraged to speak directly with their child's teacher(s) if they have any questions or concerns about their progress. Our teachers will also continue to communicate directly with you when there are any concerns about student learning or other classroom updates. It's that time of year again when we start to plan for and look at our classes for the new year. At Fadden we have a very careful process that we follow to ensure the best possible environments for our students to thrive and learn. This includes seeking input from teachers, students and families.



Therefore, please see attached to Weekly Wrap Up email AND as a hard copy which went home today, a 2023 Class Intentions – Letter to Parents. We ask that all families fill out one form per child, to let us know if your child is returning to Fadden in 2023 and also provide us with any other information which will help us determine the best possible environment for your child to learn in, in 2023. Unfortunately, we do need to balance the needs of all students, so we can not promise that requests will be possible. But we do seriously consider all the information provided.

On the last day of term, we will also see the Student Leadership Council run a 'Popcorn Day' for students, raising money for playground improvements. Students from Kindergarten to Year 6 will be invited to bring in a gold coin donation for a cup of popcorn at lunch (K-2) and recess (Yr 3-6). I hope you will support our SLC and their fundraiser.



Also just confirming for our Fadden Families that following the passing of Her Majesty The Queen, Australia will observe a National Day of Mourning and **National public holiday on Thursday, 22 September 2022.**

Enjoy your weekend.

Jo Jefferson  
Principal