



FITZROY HIGH SCHOOL

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Carnival Wrap-up

At our first school assembly of the year, it was my absolute pleasure to hand out a plethora of awards to recognise the achievements of so many students in the wonderful carnivals that we had in first term. Engraved medallions were given to the Age Champions at both the swimming and athletics carnivals. Many students were away on the day, but below is the full list of students. Well done to all!

1994 Boys

- Swimming: Rex W
- Athletics: Gabriel N

1994 Girls

- Swimming: Caitlin Z
- Athletics: Jessie M

1995 Boys

- Swimming: Luke A
- Athletics: Mori T

1995 Girls

- Swimming: Bethany A
- Athletics: Megan W

1996 Boys

- Swimming: Stefano C
- Athletics: Andrew CC

1996 Girls

- Athletics: Indi V

1997 Boys

- Swimming: George I
- Athletics: George I

1997 Girls

- Swimming: Pippi E
- Athletics: Marina V

1998 Boys

- Swimming: Aaron T
- Athletics: Aaron T

1998 Girls

- Swimming: Christina K
- Athletics: Zsuzsa GM

1999/00 Boys

- Swimming: Thomas B
- Athletics: Joel H

1999/00 Girls

- Swimming: May S
- Athletics: Tahlia B



School grounds patrolled from 8:30am every morning

Due to traffic safety concerns, students are required to enter the school grounds when they arrive, and not wait in Falconer Street.

mark your calendar

Finance Committee meeting	
when	Monday 18 June 9:15am
where	Pauline's office
who	Antony McPhee

Year 10 Work Experience	
when	Monday 18 June - Friday 22 June
where	Various
who	Doris Pearse

Year 7 Sports day	
when	Tuesday 19 June 8:45am - 3:00pm
where	Various
who	Neil McLean

School Council meeting	
when	Thursday 21 June 6:30pm
where	Pauline's office
who	Virginia Swanton

Last day Term 2	
when	Friday 29 June 8:45am - 3:00pm
where	FHS
who	DEECD

First day Term 3	
when	Monday 16 July 8:45am - 3:00pm
where	FHS
who	DEECD

Swimming Age Champions



Introduced this year, House Awards were given to students who participated in 5 or more events. As you can see from the picture, there were many, many students - great job! Try to find the one person trying to relive his youth...

Finally, the big trophies had to be given out. Headed by Shannon Gration and Miranda Jenkin, Gold House dominated the swimming carnival having the most spirit. The senior students established this and I was very pleased to give this year's trophy to two fantastic year 12 students Izzy and Megan. Congratulations girls and well done to all of Gold House.

Athletics House Champions



Swimming House Champions



Having won both house plaques last year, Blue was a highly motivated group come the Athletics carnival. This resulted in a thoroughly dominant performance leading from start to finish. Cameron P has represented Blue House with pride throughout the years and wore his colours proudly on the day. A beaming Chris Millard has bragging rights again as the head of Blue House. Well done and what a great day for all.

A thank you must also go out to our wonderful MC's Christina, Ruby and Mia.

Neil McLean

House Award Winners



Visit to Sovereign Hill

A year 8 Excursion

On Friday 25th of May the year eights went to Sovereign Hill to learn about the Eureka Stockade. This tied into Protest in Community which is the topic for Inquiry this term.



After that we went to a play demonstrating the general hatred directed toward the Chinese miners shown by some of the other miners towards the end of the Gold Rush that had a title along the lines of "The Anti-Chinese League". The dialog was based on letters and transcriptions of meetings from that period.

Unfortunately it was biting cold all day and the rain didn't help matters. To start the day off we hid from the elements in a bowling alley while the "original" flavours of soft drinks were tasted. They taste decidedly different now days, and for example "kola" no longer tastes like modern day cream soda. Afterwards there was a gold smelting demonstration in which we learnt such important facts as Gold doesn't radiate heat (because so many people go near freshly smelted gold) and that pure gold is so soft you could bite through it without needing the expensive dental work related with eating other metals.





After that we had a bit more time in the lovely weather outside before our next scheduled event, an education session in which we learned how it most likely felt to leave England and come to Australia in search of gold, leaving everything you had ever known behind you on the premise of fame and fortune while the only thing you'll be certain to come away with is some kind of horrible disease.



Again we got to walk free among the near freezing puddles before we finally got to go down a mine. Briony later admitted she hated the mine, which was fair enough really, but we at least had Stephen's constant commentary to keep us entertained. There was also an audio visual display but it didn't say any really important/interesting facts because it was too busy trying to tell a story.

Angus - year 8, writer

Jorgina and Klari, photographers

FHS Building and Library Fund

Outdoor tables and benches under the shade cloth; plants and landscaping for the school's front garden...

just some of the plans we have for improvements to the school grounds.

We want your children to have the best environment in which to learn and feel supported. Help us create the kind of school environment that our whole school community can be proud of.

Making a tax deductible donation to our Building Fund helps us to do this.

Previous years' donations have helped us to afford the great outdoor areas under the fig tree and around the rock garden. They've also funded the outdoor gym and put up the shade cloth. Ask your children – I'm sure they'll tell you how much these improvements add to their enjoyment of being at school.

To make a donation to the Building and/or Library Fund please contact the school office on 9488 1900.

