

Ferntree Gully North Primary School



School Council Newsletter – 20th September 2017

EDUCATION AND PLANNING

- The School Council was presented with an amended draft for our school's "Statement of Values", the school will distribute this draft to all members of school community through Flexibuzz and FTGN school official website. Community members will have an opportunity to provide us with suggestion and feedback.
- We were also looking into developing a "School Captains Policy and Procedures". This policy should provide our school with a clear guidance on the processes surrounding the election of School Captains.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

- A lot of work has been done around our school including cleaning gutters, mulching, fence palings and others. Garden Club has also been busy with replanting around the astro turf and near Prep and 1/2 building. The school should be looking fantastic when we come back from holidays thanks to *Fiona Van Heeswyk*.
- The next working be would be on **Sunday, 29th October 2017**.
- We applied for a grant a few months ago to provide our EnviroCentre with shade sail for our students during summer time, unfortunately that application has been unsuccessful.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- We have been discussing and designing our *Sports Polo Top* for grade 3-6 students. Our school is interested in having sports uniform as part of school uniforms as many other schools have already introduced. We will ensure that the cost will be affordable to families. We understand that families may need time to purchase this top and this will be introduced gradually. Exemptions may also be given for those students nearing the end of their primary years.

This sports uniform will be worn during PE day weekly as well as other sporting events such as district sports to provide students presenting our school with matching uniform. This also means that our school can focus on replacing the specific sporting tops such as basketball and footy.

We will involve students to help us design the back of the polo top. Please see below for the front look of the top:



If you are interested in sharing your thoughts on this matter, please feel free to email the school at ferntree.gully.north.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

The School Council and sub-committee meetings (excluding Finance) are open to school community members to attend. If you would like to attend a meeting, please make contact with Sue or Priscilla.

We encourage anyone with concerns to come and speak to a staff member. Sue and Priscilla are happy to speak with you or alternatively you can contact Justine Jansz, our School Council Liaison Officer, via Flexibuzz or through the office.

Thank you and have a great break.

Pearl McMaster
School Council President
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