FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS STATE SCHOOL

YEAR TWO

Activity Dates Cost Comments (approx) **TERM 1** 9 swimming lessons at Glennie Pool. Learn to Swim \$75.00 Students are transported by bus to and from the venue. School Photos-Basis Pack \$27min TERM 2 Life Education \$10.00 Learn about living a healthy lifestyle with Healthy Harold. Footsteps \$20.00 Dance program run by trained dance teachers. Lots of fun on the oval – visit from fire Under 8 / Sports Day \$2.00 brigade, police, games, craft and lots more including sprints and other sports. **TERM 3** Police Child Protection Play NIL Performance put on by Qld Police to teach the children about child safety. \$20.00 Amaroo School Musical Matinee \$10.00 Musical at Highfields Cultural Centre **TERM 4** School Performance Tours \$8.00

Listed below are the approximate costings for the school year:

Words Their Way Spelling

At Fairview Heights we use the spelling program Words Their Way to teach spelling in years 1-4. This program was devised to help children understand how letters go together to make sounds and why certain words are similar in sound, even though they use different letters to make the sound. It is a research and classroom based program used in many schools. *Words Their Way* is used in



conjunction with Jolly Phonics, daily writing, literacy groups and whole class instruction on basic spelling rules.

Teaching strategies are based on **sorting** pictures and words according to sounds, similarities and differences. Children are **grouped into ability levels** and move through the concepts according to their level of understanding. All sounds are sequential and build upon each other. **Children must master a stage before going onto the next stage**. They may also repeat a stage until they achieve mastery.

Reading

Every day in every class across the school students are reading to: improve reading stamina, practise reading skills, encourage reading of 'books' and develop a love for reading.

Parents play a vital role in the teaching of reading. Children need to read (and be read to) daily.