

Fremantle Primary School



Dates to Remember

20 June - Assembly Room 6

22 June - Movie Night

26 June - School Board Meeting

27 June - Winter Sports Carnival Yrs 4 - 6

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Update from the Principal's Desk

Dear families and friends,

Yesterday, Mr Sachse and I spoke with all the primary students about cyber safety, social media and text messaging. It was a really informative session for me to see how much students interact online, through games, texts messaging or social media. It was at the same time comforting to hear the students understanding of some of the risks. Our role is to educate students about the risks associated with online activities and communication technology, and how to adopt protective online behaviours. But of course, the pervasiveness of technology means that this message of safety, privacy and respect needs to be communicated in different ways. The school's influence will be limited as socialising happens all the time. I promise not to overuse this (fantastic) saying, but it really does take a village to raise a child. In today's connected world, that wise quote has never been more pertinent. So, we will be organising some cyber safety sessions for our older students and families, to complement the learning that happens around the use of ICT. I know you'll be having those safety conversations with your child, and there are some resources online from the Department of Education that you might find of interest to keep those conversations going in different ways:

<https://www.education.wa.edu.au/cyber-safety>

Back to the more tangible matters of life: the perils of parking. Please remember to park along the Alma and Brennan Streets as much as you can. We also urge safe, curb-less and considerate parking, so that Attfield Street is clear for prams, and so parents and carers can be seen and cross safely. Also, please go online and see our [Annual Report](#) on our website, which summarises the school's operations over 2018.

You may also have noticed a new configuration and front desk in the admin area allowing more space and more immediate service from our wonderful School Officers. More signage will be installed to direct visitors to the front office more efficiently. So far, feedback has been great, but if you have any thoughts, please let us know.

Finally I must thank the Early Childhood Busy Bees for creating a beautiful learning area out the back to complement the worm farm experience. You can find passion fruit vines and lavender nestled in hand made troughs which are cared for by the students. A truly beautiful addition to the school grounds.

Thank you to all our parents, carers, students and staff for the efforts to which you go to make our school a safe, fun and fabulous learning environment.

Go Freo (PS), Mr T



Please remind students who bring a mobile phone to school the need to hand it in at the office each morning for safe keeping and collect it at the end of the school day

Thank you

FRIENDLY REMINDER

If students arrive at their class after the siren has gone at 8.50am, they need to ask at the office for a late note so their attendance can be updated on our system.

Many thanks!

Do you like the new format of the Newsletter?, If so please let the office staff know.

Assembly News - Thursday 6 June 2019

Congratulations to the following students who received merit awards at the last assembly.

PP1	-	Archie D	Yr 3/4 Rm 5	-	Samu M and Laney S
PP2	-	Gabriel G, Mia S, Louis D	Yr 3 Rm 6	-	Kira K and Angelica C
Yr 1 Rm 11	-	Alana K, Leo T	Yr 4/5 Rm 7	-	Lola B and Samuel L
Yr 1 Rm 12	-	Amy G	Yr 5/6 Rm 8	-	Caed L and Beatrix S
Yr 1/2 Rm 1	-	Phoebe W	Yr 5/6 Rm 9	-	Odetta J and Evan C
Yr 2 Rm 2	-	Leo M	Virtues Award	-	Penny J in Room 9

School Board Update

Hi everyone – Laura Pengelly here, parent to Delilah (year 1) and Alfie (year 5), member of the P&C and a parent representative on our School Board. This month I have the task of providing you all with the “Update from the Board”.

At our last Board meeting, we welcomed one of our newly elected parent representatives to the Board, Martin Forsey, and extended that welcome to fellow parent representatives Janine Aird and Ariel Bastien who we all look forward to working with for the benefit of our school community.

There was much to discuss in the last meeting including an overview of an Occupational Health and Safety review that took place at school recently; the final Report from our 2019 Public School Review; and consideration of recent developments in our priority areas (from Our Plan 2020).

With regards to the recent Occupational Health and Safety, one particular area discussed related to the need for improved signage around the school to improve visibility of our school and our boundaries. Concerns for student and community safety crossing Attfield Street between the two school sites and parking issues were also discussed. This was connected to feedback from board members (myself, Henry Jackson and Adriano) who met with Council staff and local Councillor Rachel Pemberton in May around these issues. At that time, traffic slowing solutions were discussed to make the crossing between the two sites safer and councillor Pemberton agreed to continue the discussion with the City of Fremantle and to continue to work with the council staff on possible solutions. We look forward to hearing more about this as a proposal develops.

The Public School Review 2019 report is available to download on our school website. The report will be used to refine Our Plan 2020 and will be the foundation for our next business plan along with new strategic documents coming from the Department of Education later this year.



BE YOU

One of our three priorities in Our Plan 2020 is to “Foster student learning and wellbeing”. Key strategies for this are “to identify and implement a wellbeing/mental health framework” and “incorporate creative means that advocate the importance of wellbeing to the whole school community”. Work has continued in this area with the school signing up to the national Be You initiative. You can find out more about Be You here: <https://beyou.edu.au/about-be-you>

As an initiative, Be You supports school communities to work through a cycle of change based on the school community's needs to create a learning community that is “positive, inclusive and resilient – a place where every child, young person, educator and family can achieve their best possible mental health” (Be You, 2019). Currently, Fremantle Primary School is moving from Stage 1, into Stage 2 of this process. We have a Be You action team in place that includes member of the school admin team, members of the school board, parents, teachers, support staff and office staff. It is also important that the students themselves have a voice as part of this action team. Over the next few weeks of term, students and families will start to see our Be You Statement of Commitment on display around the school, to show that we are committed to all members of our school community achieving the best possible mental health. This commitment will involve a cycle of continuous improvement in our school policies and practices. There will also be a link provided to families to complete an anonymous survey to seek family perspectives on the wellbeing of our learning community. Similar surveys will also be completed by students and educators. As a member of the Be You action team, I will do my best to answer any questions you may have so please, don't hesitate to ask.

A mentally healthy learning community

Our Statement of Commitment

We are committed to supporting the children, young people, staff and families within our learning community achieve their best possible mental health. Through our focus on continuous improvement and our policies and practices, we work towards building and maintaining a positive, inclusive and resilient learning community for all.



Our wonderful choir performing Space Odyssey by David Bowie at our assembly last week.



IT'S TIME TO ENROL!

We are now taking applications for enrolment. You need to enrol for:

Kindergarten - four years old by 30 June 2020

Pre-primary (first year of compulsory school) – 5 years old by 30 June 2020

Or if you are changing schools.

Applications for Kindergarten close Friday 26 July 2019.

Visit the school office now to enrol your children for 2020.

YEAR 6 STUDENTS - ENROL IN SECONDARY SCHOOL

Now is the time for Year 6 students to enrol for Year 7 at their local secondary school.

Visit your local secondary school's website for more information.

All children from Pre-primary to Year 12 are guaranteed a place at their local public school.

SAT 22 JUNE
Free Primary
MOVIE NIGHT

ENTRY BY DONATION
HOT CHOC & POPCORN FOR SALE
PLUS RAFFLES!!
Please support our P&C!

DINNER @ 6PM DURING INTERMISSION
Happy Lunch Box
Order at quickcliq.com.au or place paper order in the box located at the canteen.

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All children must be accompanied by an adult.

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Italian News

Ciao a tutti!



Italian Festival 2019

Results are in!



The Italo Australian Welfare Association of WA have once again inspired Italian language students from across the education sectors to participate in the 2019 Italian Festival primary school student's competition. Over 30 of our students from years 3 to 6 choose to submit their work on the theme of Leonardo da Vinci's amazing achievements and I am absolutely delighted to announce that 9 of our student's received finalist awards with one being awarded a certificate of merit!

Congratulazioni to all the studenti who participated in this year's festa – You each represented Fremantle Primary School proudly – AUGURI!!!

Our Finalists for the Italian Festival 2019

Anno 3	Laney Smith	Scarlett Andrews	Samu Moraro
Anno 4	Allegra Gatti	Emmanuelle McArdle	Lola Button (Merit)
Anno 5	Phoenix Ewen	Daisy Clark	
Anno 6	Gabriel Rose		

The WA Association of Teachers of Italian (WAATI) will be providing an opportunity for interested Italian students to participate in a poster contest later on this term linked directly to the new themes/topics of the new WA curriculum Languages so stay tuned for further details of this exciting inaugural event.

Alla prossima volta – Saluti!

Local Matters at Grill'd

It's Fri-YAY!!!

If anyone out there can't be bothered cooking any time over the weekend (like me), don't forget that you can grab a burger from Grill'd and raise money for our fantastic school at the same time!



Round Up to Make a Difference at Officeworks

Throughout the month of June, Officeworks Fremantle customers shopping in-store can support Fremantle Primary School by simply rounding-up the value of their purchase to the nearest dollar. Funds raised will be used for our STEM Garden and Outdoor Classroom (which is part of a bigger grounds project. Stay tuned....)

So, please tell everyone you know (especially those who have businesses) to buy up big and round up for us!





Uniform Shop

I'm sure you all appreciate the convenience of having a Uniform Shop on the school grounds.

In case you weren't aware, this fantastic service is run by a team of wonderful volunteers – Carlene Smith, Cathrine Putland and Kirsty Hendry. After many years of assisting our school community with their uniform purchases, Carlene and Catherine would like to step aside. Kirsty, however, will be staying on.

So, we need two equally wonderful people to take over and help Kirsty continue run our Uniform Shop.

How much time will you need to give? The busiest time of year is the beginning of the school year but once this is out of the way, it's about 2 hours a week.

What will you need to do? Maintain stock levels, man the shop front (you get to choose when), fill orders from TidyHQ and bank any proceeds.

If you think you this is do-able for you, please contact Carlene, Catherine or Kirsty or e-mail us at freopri-marypandc@gmail.com.

And if you see Carlene and Catherine (and Kirsty) around the school, please don't forget to say a great big "Thank You!".

Grounds Sub-Committee

Is gardening your calm place?

Think you could spare a few hours here and there to help keep our school grounds neat and tidy?

If so, please, please, please introduce yourself to the amazing Brook Yaeger or e-mail us at freopri-marypandc@gmail.com.

If you're not sure what's involved – even more reason to get in touch. We'd love the chance to tell you what we're up to.