

FOCUS NEWSLETTER

Wisdom, Respect, Courage



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Welcome to Freshwater Bay FOCUS Newsletter



To take the time to see the world of wonder through the eyes of a child is to find real happiness and contentment in small accomplishments.

Parkes Robinson

Dear Parents and Guardians,

What a fantastic week we have had. It has been jam packed full of fun and activity.

Staff Appreciation Lunch

A huge thank you to all the parents who were involved in the Staff Appreciation Lunch held on Tuesday earlier this week. I want to on behalf of all the staff, offer our heartfelt thanks for the amazing lunch that was put on for all of us. We all felt so appreciated and immensely grateful for the spread that was laid out. We have a wonderful community and we feel very supported in our endeavours to provide the highest possible education for all the children.

Lemon Project

It was a wonderful afternoon watching all our budding entrepreneurs do their thing. There had clearly been a great deal of effort which had gone into the planning, design and implementation process. Thank you to all the students for their support in purchasing an item from the Lemon Project. It was a successful afternoon all round with \$857 being raised for a yet to be announced charity, one which has a connection with the school community.



P & C Sundowner Friday 9 December 5pm – 7.30pm

One of the true highlights of our school community calendar is the End of Year Sundowner. It is always a great night. It starts at 5pm ending at 7.30pm, bring a picnic or purchase dinner from one of the food trucks. Look forward to seeing you there.

Stationery Orders

Collection of 2023 stationery orders from Tangney Hall (except for Kindy and PP) from 10.15am – 11.15am on Monday 23 January 2023. Please make a note of this in your diary.

School Reports

End of Year School Reports will be distributed to families after school on Thursday 15 December. If your child is not returning and you have not advised the school your Compass access will be cut off, so please download by Friday.

End of Year Arrangements

If you have not informed the school that your child is departing at the end of 2022, please do so as a matter of urgency by completing a Student not returning form from the front office, as this impacts classes and your ability to access Compass reports after your child's departure.

Running Club Breakfast

Thank you to the P & C for their generous contribution to enable the Running Club to put on a breakfast for students who have worked hard all year. Thank you also to the parents who came down, cooked and prepared the yummy egg and bacon rolls.

Year 5 Sleepover

Thank you to Cindy Carboni, Ben Turner and Suzette Harding for working over and above to put on an exciting Year 5 sleepover. It was a fun filled evening, thank you also to Andrew Rhodes who came and supported the after dinner activities.

Drama Club

The students in the Drama Club have been working hard for some time and today they finally got to perform Cinderella for the year one and five students. Thank you to Ms Hodder for working with the students to enable them to have fun and to see it culminate into a wonderful performance.

Christmas Choir and String Ensemble Performance Friday 9 December 2pm Claremont Quarter

Thank you to the ongoing marvellous work of Madeline Hammond who has raised the profile of our choir. Madeline has organised for our choir to be singing a Christmas Concert at the Quarter tomorrow (9 December) at 2pm. Please make the time to go and support our children perform and provide some much needed Christmas cheer, they will be joined by our the String Ensemble.

Busy-bee

If you have an hour to spare on Saturday morning December 10th from 9 to 10am your support will be greatly appreciated.



Lost Property

On Monday afternoon, 12 December from 2.45pm all lost property and other items will be displayed on the 'D', the lawn area outside the rear of Tangney Hall. Please come and take a look as hopefully you may be able to be reunited with a lost item. All uniforms not collected will be donated to the second hand uniform shop and anything else will be binned, so please make it a priority to come and have a look.

Donation

A special thank you to David Free, a grandparent of a couple of our fine students, who generously donated a beautiful book of local birds, his photography is superb and the book is in the library for all to enjoy.

New Families

To support our new families and children at the beginning of the year our 2023 leadership team will be assisting in welcoming the new students / families to Freshwater Bay PS on Wednesday the 1st of February 2023. This is a wonderful new initiative and will be surely welcome for our 40+ new students.

Please take a moment to visit our Facebook page and see what our students have been up to

<https://www.facebook.com/freshwaterbayps/>

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,

Simon

Simon Reid
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