

FOCUS NEWSLETTER

Wisdom, Respect, Courage



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Welcome to Freshwater Bay FOCUS Newsletter

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Compare yourself to who you were yesterday, not to who someone else is today.

Jordan B. Peterson, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

What a year 2021 has been! Our dedicated teachers have worked hard and our students are testament to Freshwater's focus on both academic and social outcomes. We thank you for supporting us to inspire the best in your child, and the school community through fundraising efforts and the Freshwater Markets to name a few!

UPDATE ON SIMON REID

Mr Reid's health is going from strength to strength. The Year 6 students were thrilled by his surprise visit last week! We look forward to welcoming Mr Reid back as Principal in Term 1, 2022.

CLASS TEACHERS 2022 – subject to change

Kindy Pav 2 – Alex Soutar and Ashe McKinnon
PP Hughes 1 – Jessica Markou
PP Hughes 2 – Jayde Lindley
PP Cowan 1 – Celine Kassab
Year 1 Cowan 5 – Courtney Woodward and Tara Grant
Year 1 Cowan 4 – Deidre Clarke and Deborah Barham
Year 1 Cowan 3 – Shannon Kendall
Year 2 Cowan 6 – Jennie Sutherland
Year 2 Cowan 7 – Terry Platts
Year 3 Tangney 7 – Julie Brown
Year 3 Tangney 5 – Annika Chesny and Beth Chesny
Year 4 Cube 1 – Kim Watson and Nancy Sirohi
Year 4 Cube 2 – Jarrod Dougan and Nancy Sirohi
Year 5 Tangney 3 – Andrew Rhodes
Year 5 Tangney 4 – Arthur Clarke
Year 6 Tangney 1 – Cindy Carboni
Year 6 Tangney 2 – Ben Turner

HPE – Tara Grant
French – Jo Gibson
Music & Science – Scott Trenorden
Art – Billy Calvert

Deputy Principals - Lisa Mitchell and Matt Pinkard

You will receive an email confirming your child's 2022 classroom and teacher today via Compass.

STAFF LEAVING IN 2021

We farewell the following teachers and education assistants who have been such incredible contributors to our Freshie team and will be sorely missed:

Ellen Allely – Ellen has supported teachers of students with disability and learning disability from Pre-primary to Year 6. Her collaborative, calm and can-do approach have ensured the best outcomes for our students. Congratulations to Ellen who has won a permanent position at Rosalie Primary School.

Dianne Baxter – An integral part of our early childhood team, Dianne mentored our teachers and inspired our young students, instilling in them a love of learning and a joyful school experience. We wish her all the very best on her permanent appointment to Yuluma Primary School where she takes on the Kindy role.

Sara Brazier – Sara joined Freshwater Bay PS at its inception. She has retired this year.

Sheila Brown – Sheila was part of our Pre-primary team this year and we congratulate her on winning a permanent Kindy position at Karrinyup Primary School.

Paul Butler – Paul has been a fantastic addition to our staff, contributing professional knowledge and building respectful relationships with the upper primary cohort. His support of our neuro-diverse students has been exemplary. Paul is returning to his substantive position at Yokine Primary School.

Maria Hollis – Maria has taught our middle school students over the last four years and has been a warm and friendly team member. She leaves us to lead literacy intervention at Honeywood Primary School.

Sophia Jones – Sophia filled Claire Brinsden's shoes admirably whilst she was on maternity leave. We thank her for fitting right in and we wish her the very best teaching Year 2 at Warriapendi Primary School.

Danielle Kroschel – Danielle is returning to her home state of Victoria after six years in our early childhood team. Danielle shaped our youngest students' hearts and minds with her clear, consistent approach and warm and friendly nature. She was an incredible role model for both students and colleagues.

SEMESTER 2 2021 REPORTS will be published and can be accessed via Compass today at 3pm.

LOST PROPERTY – all lost property left on school grounds after 3.15pm today will be donated to the Uniform Shop and drink bottles and containers will be disposed of.

VALUES AWARDS – a huge thank you to Peter Clements of MINT Real Estate for his continued support of our literacy community through the fortnightly sponsoring of the Values Awards.

IMPORTANT DATES TERM 1 2022

Pop-up Second hand Uniform Shop Monday 24 January 10am to 11am Tangney Hall (items can also be dropped off)

Stationery Collection Monday 24 January 10.15am to 11am Tangney Hall

Pupil Free Days Thursday 27 and Friday 28 January

First Day of School Monday 31 January

OTHER PUPIL FREE DAYS FOR 2022

May 27 2022, 18 July 2022, 19 July 2022

Enjoy a safe and happy holiday break and don't forget to support the Freshie Farmers Market this Saturday, being the last market for 2021. They will reopen on Saturday 29th of January 2022.

Lisa Mitchell and Matt Pinkard
Principals