

FOCUS NEWSLETTER

Wisdom, Respect, Courage



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Welcome to Freshwater Bay FOCUS Newsletter

*It isn't enough to think outside the box. Thinking is passive.
Get use to acting outside the box.*

Tim Ferriss.

Well here we are at the end of Term 3 and I am so grateful for the ongoing support of the community and the hard working dedicated staff here at Freshwater Bay PS. We have had an amazing term with many highlights. Term 4 looks to be equally full of exciting events;

- Intern swimming PP to yr. 4
- Graduation
- Awards night
- Book Fair

School Information

Staff movements Exciting times for some of our staff members;

Clare Brinsden – Clare leaves us to go on maternity leave to welcome their first child into the world. We wish her all the best and look forward to welcoming her back in to our school sometime in the future. At the same time we welcome Sophia Jones.

Kalina Avenell – Kalina will be leaving us at the beginning of week 2 next term to take up an exciting new position at Illawarra Primary School. This is a great opportunity for Kalina. She will be missed however we are all very happy for her. Kalina has made a significant contribution to our school.

Danielle Kroschel – Danielle will be leaving us at the end 2021. The Kroschel family will be returning to Victoria to be closer to extended family.

I know you will join me in wishing these wonderful ladies, all the very best.

Solar Panel Installation

We are very grateful for the hard work Matt Sikirich and Kalina Avenell have put in to ensure that the Solar Panel Installation Program has come to a fruitful conclusion. The Panels will be installed over the school holidays. The school will be very thankful to the P&C and all the contributions of the Freshwater families. The solar panels will not only reduce our carbon footprint but it will mean we will have more money to spend on student learning.

Pre-Primary Up grade

Recently we had a successful busy bee and a group of willing parents made some wonderful upgrades to the area. We are very appreciative of Jo Beaver in organising and co-ordinating the pre-primary outdoor classroom area. Over the holiday break new grass will be installed, along with two new trees in the nature play area. This will give the current pre-primary children something nice to play on whilst we work on additional plans during T4. The new grass will require an establishment period of 4-6 weeks. During this time sections of the grass will be roped off in rotation to allow it to bed in properly. This will be done by the school gardener.

2022 Classroom Structures

Based on our predicted student numbers our class structure will be:

3 classes of Kindy

3 classes of Pre-primary

3 classes of year 1

2 classes of year 2

2 classes of year 3

2 classes of year 4

2 classes of year 5

2 classes of year 6.

We will be finalising class lists for 2022 early in term 4. If there is any information about your children that you believe is important in helping us with our deliberating, please email me at

FreshwaterBay.PS.PrincipalContact@education.wa.edu.au

Lost Property

The lost property bins are overflowing in Cowan and Tangney Halls, if your child is missing their jumper, jacket or hat, please be sure to check all lost property bins. Items left in there at the end of Term 3 will be donated to the Second hand uniform shop.

End of Term Choir Concert

Our yr 3/4 and 5/6 choirs will perform at the last school assembly for Term 3. They have been practising hard and I know that their performance will be amazing to listen to.

Please make a note of the following upcoming events:

- CUBE 1 Assembly and end of term Choir Concert 24 September
- End of Term and beginning of School Holidays 24 September
- Freshie Farmers Market each Saturday 8am – 12noon
- Term 4 begins 11 October 2021
- Interm Swimming Lessons for Pre-Primary to year 4 – 13 October to 22 October
- Book Fair Week 7 Term 4 22 to 26 of November with a sneak peek on Friday 19 8am - 9am

You can find all these event listed on the COMPASS calendar

<https://freshwaterbayps-wa.compass.education/Organise/Calendar/>

I hope everyone has a wonderful break and enjoys a great deal of special family time.

Kind regards

Simon

