

# FOCUS NEWSLETTER

*Wisdom, Respect, Courage*



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## ***Welcome to Freshwater Bay FOCUS Newsletter***

*What are some of the choices that you have made, that have made you the way you are?*

*Tim Ferriss*

18 June 2020

### **Principal's Report**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Here we are week 8 of Term 2. These challenging times have brought out the best in our community, students and staff.

**COVID-19.** We will continue to follow the directions provided to us by the Premier, Health and Education Departments. I will inform you of updates and any changes that are required. We recently had the change to Phase 3, allowing 100 people in one location. As a result, we held our first on site Assembly with some parent and student participation. We are hopeful that some of our normal events will resume in the second half of the year. We are planning for that eventuality. In the meantime, we are ensuring all preventative measures currently in place continue.

**This week's Assembly.** Thank you to Mrs Kroschel and her talented Cowan 6 class who presented a very polished and wonderful Assembly. I am looking forward to sharing it with all of you tomorrow. Thank you to Ms Lisa Mitchell for pulling it all together.

**Thanking our Cleaning Staff.** Last Monday was International Cleaner's Day. We held a breakfast for our terrific team of cleaners. They have done such an amazing job. We are all immensely grateful for all their efforts and attention to detail.

**Student Reports.** Student reports will be sent electronically on Thursday 2 July. They will have a written component that will detail your child's progress and engagement in their learning. There will be no Grades attributed to Learning Areas, these will be in the end of year report.

**Parent Survey.** Thank you for your responses to the survey. The information will be analysed by the School Review working party. I will publicise a summarised report of the survey in the next Newsletter.

**Athletics Carnival.** We have begun preparation for the House Athletics Carnival. The carnival is in Week 4 Term 3. We hope to still go ahead with the Interschool Carnival and training of teams will commence at the beginning of Term 3.

**Home Reading.** We will commence home readers again. The Early Childhood Team will inform parents of the process. I am sure everyone will understand that the new process will be different from how we have previously implemented it. Thank you for your support.

**Beginning of Term 3.** Term 3 will commence on Wednesday 22 July. Monday 20 and Tuesday 21 July are Pupil Free Days for staff to undertake planning and Professional Learning.

**Hilaire Lyon.** Hilaire is retiring at the end of this term. The Freshwater Bay community and wider school communities Hilaire has worked in will, like me, want to show appreciation for her unabated passion, enthusiasm and dedication to student learning and teaching. Hilaire is a consummate professional who has inspired students and colleagues alike. We will miss having her here at our school and I invite you to recognise and thank Hilaire and wish her well for the next exciting chapter of her life.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Kind regards

*Simon*

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