



Friends Learning Together

Newsletter

Friday 10th February 2017

Principal's Report

Welcome Back

Welcome back to all our wonderful students and families. We hope you all had a good holiday, a good rest and your children are ready to launch into the 2017 school year. We have had a sensational start with all students settling in to school routines very quickly. I have visited each class several times since the first day and I am proud to say that all of our students are settled and working really well in class. Most of our students said they had a fabulous holiday. I had a restful holiday this year. My wife and I had a week away at Byron Bay and spent the days on the beach, enjoying the warm weather.

It is lovely to see the way each class has begun their work, and I am sure the smooth start can largely be attributed to the work our staff have done in preparing for the year. I am sure that 2017 is going to be a wonderful and successful year for all. On a special note I would like to welcome all this year's new families to our Frankston Primary School community. We are a school that takes pride in having a close knit community that works closely with us to support the education of our students. At present we have 39 prep students and several new enrolments in other levels throughout the school. We welcome you all and hope that you have a fabulous journey at our school.

Welcome back to our Staff

This year we welcome back our staff from 2016. We also have two new teachers. Eliese Catterick is teaching in Prep and Caitlin Visser is teaching year 3/4. We have an extremely dedicated and talented group of teachers here at Frankston Primary School, who I am sure, will achieve the best results possible with each individual student. Many of our teachers spent several days at school preparing for the year prior to the first "official day" last Monday and I would like to thank them for their ongoing dedication to our school and to their students.

School Council

Our School Council is made up of 8 parents from our school community and 4 staff members. Being a member of school council gives parents a chance to become involved in important aspects of school organization which could include; developing and monitoring the school's Strategic Plan, reviewing School Policies, raising funds for school related purposes and helping maintain the school's grounds and facilities. This year we have 5 parents whose two year term has been completed and we are seeking nominations for these positions. The "Notice of Election and Nomination" form will be available at the office from today.

Meet the Teacher Interviews

Forms for the "Meet the Teacher" interviews were sent out this week, giving you the opportunity to come and have a chat with your child's new teacher, either on Monday 13th February for our Year Prep to Year 2 students, or Monday 20th for those in years 3 to Year 6. Many of you of course, know your child's teacher very well, especially those who are having a second year with the same teacher in a 1/2, 3/4 or 5/6 class. If you are in this situation, don't feel compelled to have an interview unless you feel it is necessary. At Frankston Primary School we have an open door policy which means our teachers are always available to have a chat with during the year if you have any concerns, all you need to do is see the teacher to make an appointment.

Camps Sports and Excursion Fund - \$125

If you are eligible for the CSEF fund, please fill in the attached form in this week's newsletter and return it to the school office ASAP. This will allow us to process the payment for you to use for upcoming school excursions and camps.

Essential Education Items Charge - \$130

Thank you to all parents who have already paid their Essential Education Items fee, either with their booklist or at the office. I would like to remind all of you that this fee is now due and can be paid at our school office. This can be paid in full, or on a payment plan if you wish to pay an amount each term. We have an eftpos facility to make this easier for you. Our Essential Education items include things such as special art materials / cover paper, photocopying, items of stationary not included on the booklist and sports equipment.

Year 5/6 Urban camp

All the best to our year 5/6 students who will be attending the Urban Camp next week. The three day program is full of exciting activities such as a visit to the MCG, the Old Melbourne Gaol and the Sports and Aquatic Centre.

Morry Rubinstein (Principal)

Congratulations to our 2017 Preps on a Wonderful Start to the Year

