

Newsletter

Friday 20th February 2026

Principal's Report

It has been amazing to hear how well Acting Principal, Hazel Barker fitted into Frankston PS whilst I was on leave - I have heard wonderful things about her work from students, staff and parents during her time joining the Frankston PS Team. It is lovely to know that our school was in such good hands!

Thank you to all of the wonderful warm welcomes on my return this week— especially hearing from many students who talked about the photos they saw of my trip and what they thought of seeing all of the snow.

It is certainly great to be back and see everyone again!

Acting Assistant Principal

Due to Assistant Principal, Jo Booth, taking extended leave for the remainder of this term, we have appointed an Acting Assistant Principal to the end of Term One.

It is with great pleasure that I share that Caitlin (Caity) Visser has been the successful applicant and will commence this Monday 23rd Feb in this position.

Caity is a strong and experienced leader, with extensive experience leading student wellbeing in her years teaching at an International school in Dubai. Caity was a previous teacher at FPS and moved home from Dubai last year, returning as a member of our FPS Team.

We are thrilled and look forward to Caity's strong leadership across our school in this role.

Caity knows most of our students already, and many families, making this a very smooth transition into the Student Wellbeing Assistant Principal role.

2026 School Council

As communicated through Class Dojo, our School Council process has been underway. I look forward to working alongside our 2026 School Council:

- Jeremy Martin
- Kylie Stillman
- Tracey Thompson
- Kimberly Conway
- Abbey Rentoul
- Scott Manuel
- Jason Clapp
- Bonnie Smith

And staff:

- Jo Booth
- Janelle Doyle
- Michelle Rudolph
- Renée Kennedy (Executive Officer)

School Council's first meeting of the 2026 year is Tuesday March 17th 7pm.

Parent and Carer Association

Our Parent and Carer Association's first meeting for 2026 is Friday 27th February 9am - 10am.

We would really love more parents and carers joining us for our meetings - we hope to see you there!

Prep 2026 Parent Feedback Survey

We are collecting Prep Parent Feedback on our Prep Transition and Orientation process in supporting your child for their successful transition from kinder to school.

Please take the time in filling in this quick survey to help us provide the best transition program.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XNWWQQ8>



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Student Leadership Presentation Assembly

This Thursday 26th 9.30am we have our School Captain, SRC and Year 6 Leadership Presentation Assembly, and are welcoming local State MP, Paul Edbrooke, to our school community to assist in these presentations.

Our school leaders have commenced all of their roles with passion and integrity over these weeks and we are very pleased it is time to 'officially' present them with their certificates and badges.

All welcome to join us in this very special occasion!

Our Year 6 students are also loving their brand-new styled Year 6 uniform shirts - they look amazing!

Labor Day Public Holiday

Monday 9th March is a public holiday. No school or Camp Australia operate on this day.

Enjoy your long weekend coming up everyone!

Revised Policy - Statement of Values and School Philosophy

Our school policy, [Statement of Values and School Philosophy](#) as recently been revised and approved by School Council following revised behavioural expectations as established within Education Department Policy.

Key information includes:

Frankston Primary School acknowledges that the behaviour of staff, parents, carers and students has an impact on our school community and culture.

We acknowledge a shared responsibility to create a positive learning environment for the children and young people at our school.

Shared expectations of staff, parents, carers and students to support positive student are set out in the [Respectful, safe, engaged: shared expectations to support student behaviour statement](#).

Students

Are supported by school staff to meet expected standards of behaviour as outlined in our Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy, Inclusion and Diversity Policy, Bullying Prevention Policy.

Staff

Must follow our school and department policies and the Victorian Public Service Code of Conduct and Values. Teaching staff also adhere to the [Victorian Teaching Profession's Code of Conduct](#).

Parents and Carers

Play a vital role in helping their child understand and meet shared behaviour expectations.

Additionally, information about the expectations of parents and carers to ensure schools remain respectful and inclusive places is outlined in the department's [Respectful Behaviours within the School Community Policy](#), and our Respect for School Staff Policy.

Unreasonable behaviour includes:

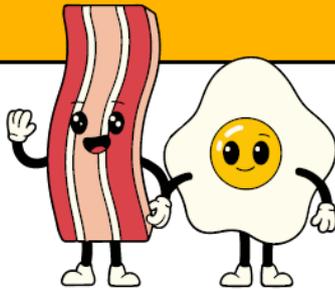
- being violent or threatening violence of any kind, including physically intimidating behaviour such as aggressive hand gestures or invading another person's personal space
- speaking or behaving in a rude, aggressive or threatening way, either in person, via electronic communication or social media, or over the telephone
- sending demanding, rude, confronting or threatening letters, emails or text messages or through school communication platforms
- discriminatory or derogatory comments
- the use of social media or public forums to make inappropriate or threatening remarks about the school, staff or students.

Thank you for ensuring our school remains a positive and respectful place for all students, parent, carers and our staff.



DADS/ CARERS & FATHER FIGURES BREAKY CLUB

23 FEB 2026 | **MONDAY** 7:50AM-8:50AM | Frankston Primary School Hall



MEET OTHER SCHOOL DADS

4 TIMES A YEAR

FOR DADS & KIDS

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FREE DENTAL



We are thrilled to be announcing that Smile Squad is coming to Frankston Primary School from Monday 4th May through to Friday 22nd of May.

What is Smile Squad

Smile Squad is the Victorian Government FREE school dental program. Smile Squad provides free dental services to students at school, during school hours and at local community dental clinics. This includes any general treatment that is needed.

Do you need to pay anything?

No. This is a free service for ALL students, provided by the Victorian Government.

Translations

The Smile Squad consent form uses a machine translator to provide information in different languages. Because the translation is done by a computer, some parts may not be perfect. If something doesn't make sense, please ask a Smile Squad team member for help before you sign in.

Who can provide consent?

Parents, legal guardians may complete

this form and provide consent for examination.

For more detail:

Please visit the Smile Squad website and read the detailed information sheet.

<https://www.health.vic.gov.au/sites/default/files/2024-08/smile-squad-information-sheet.pdf>

Needing assistance?

For more information, or if you need help filling in the form

Email: smilesquad@dhsv.org.au

Phone: 1300 503 977

Visit: <https://www.health.vic.gov.au/smile-squad>



FREE DENTAL



We need your consent!

Before Smile Squad can provide the free dental service to your child/ren we need your consent.

Consent needs to be provided by a parent or legal guardian by scanning the below QR code before **9th May 2026**



Welcome Prep 2026 Students and Families

We are so excited to begin another wonderful year welcoming new and returning families and are thrilled to have you as part of our school community. Prep is such a special year, filled with discovery, friendship and learning and we look forward to working in partnership with you all to support your child as they start their school journey. We can't wait to get to know you and your child and create many happy memories along the way!



Breakfast Club

SCHOOL BREAKFAST CLUBS PROGRAM



Breakfast Club Reminder!

Our Breakfast club has started back and runs on **Monday's through to Thursday's** between 8.30am—8.50am in the Dolphin Centre. It's been great to see some new and familiar faces joining us already! All students are welcome to come along and enjoy a healthy breakfast and a relaxed start to the day.

This is run by one of our fabulous Education Support staff—Emma Marshal with the assistance of our wonderful parent/career volunteers.

Food Bank Victoria

In 2016, the Victorian Government partnered with Foodbank Victoria to establish the School Breakfast Clubs Program.

It has been shown, through interviews with staff and an evaluation by Victoria University that students who participate in the School Breakfast Clubs Program are better able to concentrate, have improved social skills and are more punctual to school. The program encourages a whole-of-school approach to healthy eating and builds an inclusive, supportive school community.

Can you help?

If you are interested in volunteering some of your spare time to help out in the breakfast club program, please email





Just a friendly reminder that all children are required to wear a school broad-brimmed hat during the months of August to the end of April.

August to end of April the following year is Sun Smart time - and a school broad-brimmed hat is a compulsory part of school uniform - keeping our students (and staff) safe from harmful UV rays through this high UV index period

Please remember to name your child's hat so that we can get it back to them in a timely fashion.

We all want our students to be able to learn and play outdoors, but as educators we need to support children and families to know the risk of UV. By teaching sensible sun protection habits from an early age and implementing sun protection measures, schools and early childhood services can play a significant role in reducing skin cancer risk.

[Sun-Smart-Policy-2022.pdf \(frankstonps.vic.edu.au\)](https://www.frankstonps.vic.edu.au/Sun-Smart-Policy-2022.pdf)



Leadership & SRC Ceremony

Dear Parents and Carers,
Our 2026 Leadership and SRC Presentation Ceremony will take place on Thursday 26th February commencing 9.15am (sharp) in the school hall.

Please be seated by 9.10am
We look forward to seeing you all and celebrating our 2026 leaders!



Friends Learning Together

Canteen—Fundraising Weeks 5 & 6

Chicken Nuggets



Recess

Tuesday 24th February

3 for \$2.00

Cheese Toastie



Recess

Wednesday 25th February

\$3.00

Pancakes



Recess

Tuesday 3rd March

2 for \$2.00

Mini Hotdogs



Recess

Wednesday 4th March

\$3.00

Friday's Canteen—Fundraising



FRIDAY LUNCH TIME ICE CREAMS & ICY POLES!

Zooper Doopers \$1.00 Each

Ice Creams \$2.00 Each



****** Please note only 1 ice cream or zooper dooper per child******





FPS Calendar Term 1

WHAT'S ON

Monday 23rd February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fathering Project 7.30am School Assembly
Thursday 26th February	Year 6 Leadership Badge Assembly 9.15am
Friday 27th February	Parent and Carers Meeting - 9am All welcome
Monday 9th March	Labour Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 11th March - Monday 23rd March	NAPLAN Assessment - Year 3 and Year 5 students
Tuesday 17th March	School Council Meeting
Monday 23rd March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> District Track Event - selected Year 3 - 6 students 2nd Hand Uniform Shop - 3pm Assembly 2.40pm
Wednesday 25th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Harmony Day Morning Tea 10.15am Harmony Day Activities 11.30 - 1.30pm
Parent Teacher Interviews	Parent Teacher Interviews <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mon 30th - Specialist Teachers Tues 31st - Prep - Year 2 Wed 1st April - Year 3—6
Thursday 2nd April	Last Day of Term 1— 2.30pm Finish <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Colour Run
<u>Monday 20th April</u>	<u>Fist day Term 2</u>
Monday 27th April	ANZAC Day Assembly 2.40pm
Monday 28th April	School Photo Day
Monday 4th May—Friday 22nd May	Smile Squad Dental Visit



Auslan Storytime



Marrington Peninsula Shire

Library

Join us for Auslan Storytime presented in partnership with Deaf Children Australia. A Deaf storyteller will present a story in Auslan, alongside an English speaking storyteller.



Recommended for ages 3+

This special Storytime aims to provide children with deafness or hard of hearing access to Auslan, but also raise awareness and celebrates Auslan as another language used within our community.

**11am - 12pm
Thursday
19 March**

Hastings Library

Free, bookings essential
library.mornpen.vic.gov.au/events
or call 5950 1710



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**11am - 12pm
Wednesday
18 March**

Mornington Library

Free, bookings essential
library.mornpen.vic.gov.au/events
or call 5950 1820



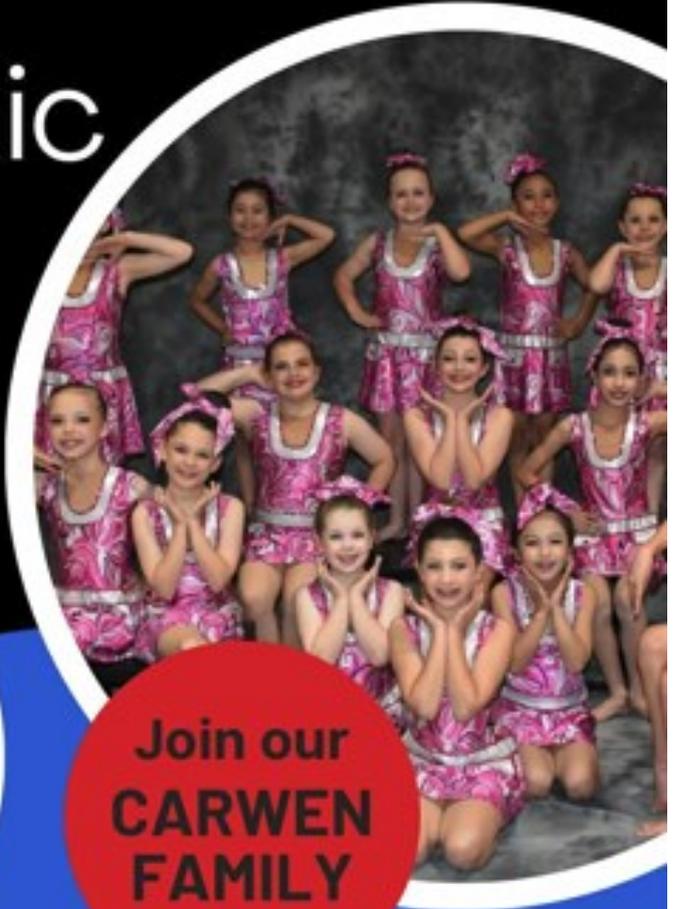
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Carwen Calisthenic College

Come and try a unique style of dance that blends gymnastics, ballet and more! Our Open Nights are free!



Join our
**CARWEN
FAMILY**

AGES AS OF 31ST DEC 2026

- Tots/Tinies ages 3-7 Thurs 4th Dec 4:15 - 5:30pm
- Sub Juniors ages 8-10 Tues 2nd Dec 5:00 - 6:30pm
- Juniors ages 11-13 Thurs 4th Dec 5:30 - 7:00pm
- Inters/Seniors ages 14+ Tues 2nd Dec 7:00pm

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST
BY FILLING OUT OUR EOI
FORM FOUND IN OUR
INSTAGRAM BIO

 [CARWENCALISTHENICS](https://www.instagram.com/carwencalistenics)

For further information, email
us on:

carwencc@gmail.com



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Dads Chat

This four week workshop series is being facilitated by Tony Vallance from Building Better Brains. It's for dads, step-parents, grandfathers or male carers who want real talk and practical tools to help give your kids the best shot at thriving.

This free 4 week workshop series will cover:

- Building stronger connection with your kids and other Dads
- Understanding your child's brain, behaviour and world
- Handling tough talks with confidence
- Using play as a superpower

Tony is a dad, therapist and experienced educator who knows first hand how tough and rewarding fatherhood can be. He has years of experience working with families and creating supportive spaces for meaningful conversations.

For further information, refer to the FAQ page or email cfc_southern@anglicarevic.org.au

DATES: Wednesday 22nd April 2026
 Wednesday 29th April 2026
 Wednesday 6th May 2026
 Wednesday 13th May 2026

TIME: 7.00pm - 9.00pm

WHERE: Frankston North Community Centre
26 Mahogany Avenue,
Frankston North

BOOKING ESSENTIAL
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Hot food provided.



CFC is funded by the Australian Government, Department of Social Services. See www.dss.gov.au for more information.

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BETTER TOMORROWS

Community Aspire Optimism Respect Resilience Empathy Inclusion

Frankston Primary School: Term 1 Week 4 2026



Frequently Asked Questions

Who is Dads Chat for?

If you're a dad, step-parent, grandfather or male carer who wants to build stronger bonds with your kids and give your kids the best shot at thriving, to feel more confident in your caring role, or simply connect with other dads on a similar journey- Dads Chat is for you.

When does it run?

The Dads Chat program runs from 22nd April 2026 to 13th May 2026, there are four sessions.

Where are the sessions held?

Sessions are held in person at Frankston North Community Centre, 26 Mahogany Avenue, Frankston North.

What will we actually do in the workshops?

Each session will start with hot food and will offer practical tools, real-life strategies, and open conversations around:

- Communicating with your kids (and keeping your cool)
- Dealing with emotions- yours and theirs
- Understanding the developing brain
- Parenting styles and how they impact connection
- Using play to build trust and resilience (even when time is short)

How much does it cost?

Nothing! Dads Chat is completely free to attend.

Do I need to attend all the sessions?

Yes, we encourage you to attend all four sessions to get the full benefit. Each week builds on the last, and being there consistently helps you connect more deeply with the content and the other dads.

Can I bring my kids?

This one's just for the grown-ups. We want to make sure you have the time and space to focus fully, connect with others, and take care of you. Because when you fill your cup, it's easier to pour into your kids.

What's Tony like?

Tony is down to earth, funny, innovative and skilled at creating spaces for connection. Some recent feedback: *'Tony was amazing, thorough and interactive'* and *'I enjoyed Tony's delivery style and practical strategies'*

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