Friends Learning Together

# NEWSLETTER

Term 4 Week 5 Friday November 6th 2026

## Working Towards 2027

Our teachers will soon begin the important process of developing class structures for the 2027 school year.

Class formation is a carefully considered, collaborative process involving teaching teams from across the school, with the aim of creating balanced and supportive learning environments that best meet the needs of all students.

A range of factors are considered when forming classes, including gender balance, previous class placements, individual learning needs, student behaviour, social development and friendship groups. Both individual student needs and the best interests of the whole school community are considered throughout this process.

As part of this process, students will be given the opportunity to nominate five special friendships they would value maintaining in 2027. Teachers will consider these nominations when developing class groups. We recognise the importance of friendships in supporting students' sense of belonging and wellbeing; however, we are unable to guarantee that all nominated friendships can be accommodated.

We have great confidence in the professionalism and commitment of all our teachers and believe every teacher at Frankston Primary School provides a caring, engaging and appropriately challenging learning environment. For this reason, requests for specific teachers will not be considered as part of the class formation process.

Should you have any significant concerns relating to your child's medical needs or particular family circumstances that you believe warrant consideration, please submit these in writing, addressed to Renée Kennedy (Principal). Requests can be emailed to the school via the Frankston Primary School email account and should clearly outline the circumstances and reasons for your request.

While we cannot guarantee that all requests will be accommodated, we will carefully consider relevant information provided by parents and carers as part of the class formation process.

For further information, our school Class Formation Policy can be found on our school website - Class Formation Policy.



## 2027 Year 1 – 6 Intra-School Transition Program

Supporting students as they prepare for the next stage of their learning journey is an important priority at Frankston Primary School. We recognise that a successful transition involves more than simply moving into a new classroom. It is about building familiarity, confidence and positive relationships to ensure every student feels comfortable, connected and ready for the year ahead.

Our whole-school transition program provides students with opportunities to become familiar with their new learning environments, establish social connections with their future classmates and begin building positive relationships with their next year's teacher.

This year, we have extended our intra-school transition program to provide additional time and a greater focus on building these important early connections. We recognise that feeling familiar, comfortable and connected within a new learning environment for students plays a significant role in supporting their confidence, wellbeing and sense of belonging.

By providing more opportunities for students to meet their future classmates, connect with their next year's teacher and become familiar with their new learning spaces, we aim to ensure every student feels supported, settled and excited as they prepare for the 2027 school year.

Session One – Up DayTuesday 1st December 9.15 – 11am
During our Up Day, students will spend a session in the classroom area of their next year level. This provides an opportunity to become familiar with their new learning spaces, connect with students in their future cohort and participate in circle time discussions and activities focused on connecting to the year ahead.

Session Two – Meet the Teacher Tuesday 8th December 9.15 – 11am
The first Meet the Teacher session provides students with an opportunity to meet their teacher for the following year, where possible. Students will participate in activities designed to establish positive connections with their new teacher and classmates, helping to build a sense of belonging and confidence ahead of the new school year.

Session Three – Building Teacher Class Connections Thursday 17th December 9.15 – 12.30pm
This additional and extended session provides a further opportunity for students to strengthen the connections established during our earlier transition experiences. Through a range of purposeful activities, students will continue to build relationships with their future classmates and teacher, develop a sense of belonging within their new class group and become more familiar with the routines and expectations of their new learning environment.

Our focus is for students to feel comfortable, confident and connected, helping to establish positive relationships that will support a smooth and successful start to the 2027 school year.

We look forward to providing these valuable transition experiences and ensuring our students feel supported, confident and excited as they prepare for the next stage of their learning journey at Frankston Primary School.

**2027 Student Free Days**

From 2027, Victorian government schools will have eight student-free days throughout the school year, an increase from previous years.

These days provide valuable opportunities for our teachers to engage in professional learning, collaborative planning and curriculum development, as well as reviewing student learning data and assessment.

At Frankston Primary School, these additional days will support our continued focus on strengthening teaching and learning and student wellbeing teaching practice, ensuring we are meeting the diverse learning needs of all students to support strong student learning outcomes for all students.

The additional time is intended to enable strong focus on further professional learning, to strengthen teaching quality and provide staff with greater opportunities to plan effectively, develop their professional practice and work together to improve outcomes for students.



# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

In 2027 our student free days are:

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| Term One | · Week 1 - Wed 27th, Thurs 28th & Fri 29th January |
| Term Two | · Week 1 – Monday 12th April<br>· Week 3 - Wed 28th April<br>· Week 8 – Tues 1st June |
| Term Three | · Week 3 – Tues 27th July |
| Term Four | · Week 7 – Mon 15th Nov |

Hoping everyone has a lovely weekend.

Renée Kennedy
Principal

## Protecting against mosquito-borne diseases

Warm and wet weather can result in greater numbers of mosquitoes and an increased risk of illness from mosquito bites. While the overall risk in Victoria is currently low, some mosquitoes may be carrying diseases that make people sick.

The best protection against mosquito-borne illness is to avoid mosquito bites.

Families can protect against mosquito bites by:

- making mosquito protection part of getting ready to go outside, just like sunscreen and a hat
- covering up as much as possible with long, loose-fitting, light-coloured clothing
- applying insect repellent that contains picaridin or DEET on exposed skin when outdoors
- limiting outdoor activities at dawn and dusk when mosquitoes are often most active
- cleaning up and removing containers and items around the home that may hold water where mosquitoes may breed.

Families with any health concerns should see their doctor or phone Nurse-on-Call: 1300 606 024 (available 24 hours).

## Free Japanese encephalitis vaccines

Japanese encephalitis virus is spread to humans through bites from infected mosquitoes. It can cause a rare but potentially serious infection of the brain.

A free vaccine is available to eligible Victorians at higher risk of the virus.

For more information, including vaccine eligibility, refer to the Department of Health's Japanese encephalitis webpage.

## Find out more

For more information on protecting against mosquito-borne diseases, families can refer to the following Better Health Channel pages:

- Mosquitoes can carry diseases
- Protect yourself from mosquito-borne disease, including a handy checklist to help reduce mosquito breeding sites at home and resources translated into other languages.
- Japanese encephalitis virus.



# FOUNDATION TRANSITION




## Parent Information Night

**Wednesday 4th November**

Meet with our team for some important information on starting Foundation in 2027.

Time : 7pm

Location : Frankston Primary School Foundation Classrooms

## Parent Teacher Phone Interview

**Thursday 12th & Friday 13th**

15 Minute parent teacher phone interviews for Foundation. Bookings will open later this week.

Time : As booked

Location : Phone

## Foundation Transition

**Thursday 19th November**

**Thursday 26th November**

**Thursday 3rd December**

These sessions are to help transition your child from Kinder to Foundation. Each session showing them what life will be like at Frankston primary School. Parents to stay at school for their own Parent Trasitions sessions.

Time : 9:30-10:45am

Location : Frankston Primary School Meet at the Office

## 2027 Foundation Class Orientation

**Thursday 10th December**

Final Foundation transition session, time to meet your class for 2027. Parents no need to stay for this one, please drop off and pick up your child from the office.

Time : 9:30am-12:30pm

Location : Frankston Primary School Meet at the Office

# TERM 4 CALENDAR

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| Monday 9th November | Whole School Assembly 2:40pm |
| Monday 23rd November | Whole School Assembly 2:40pm |
| Tuesday 1st December | General Up-Day Transition 9:15am-11am |
| Monday 7th December | Whole School Assembly 2:40pm |
| Tuesday 8th December | Year 1-6 Orientation Transition Session 9:15am-11am |
| Wednesday 16th December | Year 6 Graduation 5:30pm |
| Thursday 17th December | Year 1-6 Orientation Transition Session 9:15am-12:30pm |
| Friday 18th December | • Final Assembly 9:15am<br>• Last day of term - early finish 1:30pm |




## why learn Robotics with us?

**Build, Code, and Discover with Robotics!**

**Our program helps kids:**

- Explore the world of robotics using LEGO Spike and WeDo.
- Build and program real robots in a fun, team-based environment.
- Learn how things move, work, and interact through guided discovery.
- Ask questions, solve problems, and think creatively every step of the way.
- Led by enthusiastic and experienced coaches who make learning fun.
- Boost your child's confidence while preparing for a tech-powered future.

**HURRY! Spaces are limited.**

**Book A Trial**
How? Call or Email us!

## Robotics

**Day:** WEDNESDAYS
**Time:** 3:30 – 4:30PM
**Cost:** $170 for 6 weeks
**Starts on:** 21 Oct
**For Years:** Preps - Year 6
**Location:** Library

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# Carwen Calisthenics

## *Open Nights*

Want to try a different style of dance filled with so much fun, while expressing yourself and build long lasting friendships along the way? Then come to our open nights and meet current members and our coaches for a free class!

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| **Tinies**<br>Ages 3 - 7 years | Saturday 7th Nov<br>9:00 AM - 10:30 AM |
| **Sub Juniors**<br>Ages 10 years and under | Tuesday 10th Nov<br>4:30 PM - 6:00 PM |
| **Juniors**<br>Ages 13 years and under | Thursday 12th Nov<br>4:30 PM - 6:00 PM |



All classes held at Frankston Heights P.S

Contacts:
carwencc@gmail.com
Insta: carwencalisthenics

FB: Carwen Calisthenic College

# Dad Time 2026

Frankston City

**Bring your kids and connect with other dads for this fun and exciting event!**

Designed for dads and father figures with children aged 8 and under, it's all about creating a supportive environment and strengthening bonds through a range of engaging activities.

- **Sport Games**
- **Photobooth**
- **Crafts**
- **Face Painting**
- **Balloon Twisting**
- **Plus, much more!**

The event will feature **FREE coffee** from Frankie's Training Cafe and a **FREE sausage sizzle** to keep everyone satisfied.

Bring your kids, enjoy the activities and leave feeling more connected.

**Date**

**Saturday 5 December**
**9:30am - 11:30am**

**Location**

Frankston South Community and Recreation Centre,
55 Towerhill Drive, Frankston South

**Cost**

FREE

Please let us know you are coming, scan below or call: 9293 7122






# MELBOURNE SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMPS!

## PROGRAM INCLUDES

01 9am-3pm, elite facilities

02 AFL, Basketball, Cricket, Netball, Soccer, Tennis, Pickleball and more

03 Ages 5-14, all skill levels

04 Guest appearances at most camps

05 Over 40 years of inspiring the next generation through sport

## CAMPS IN YOUR AREA

Find the perfect camp for your child on our website: australiansportscamps.com.au

"My daughter absolutely loved it...all of it...the coaches, learning new skills, meeting other kids. She will definitely be back in the future."
Leah W., Melbourne Parent

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OR CONTACT US AT

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Suitable for all ages and accessible to people with diverse abilities and backgrounds, to those who require a more flexible and inclusive environment, and to those facing hardship and without the opportunity to access live theatre.

Enjoy a relaxed theatre experience with a casual attitude toward audience noise and movement, where everyone is welcome and free to be themselves without restriction or judgement.

**Featuring moving and flashing lights, and upbeat, sometimes dramatic music.*

**Scan the QR Code to visit the shows website and watch highlights from previous shows...**



**ALL TICKETS ARE COMPLIMENTARY**

**Including parent, sibling and carer tickets. Thanks to the support and sponsorship from local businesses.**



## THE CENTRE IVANHOE-THE GREAT HALL

## 275 Upper Heidelberg Rd, Ivanhoe, VIC

| 2026 SHOW DATES | #1 SHOWTIME | #2 SHOWTIME | #3 SHOWTIME |
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| SATURDAY, 21ST NOVEMBER | 11.00 AM | 1.30 PM | 4.00 PM |
| SUNDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER | 11.00 AM | 1.30 PM | |

***ONE-HOUR SHOWS. NO INTERVAL. **WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE.**

**For all ticket enquiries and bookings, please email**

**meredithnewman@showintent.com.au**

**or call/text 0404-367-782**

**Information Required:**

1. **The date(s) and show time(s) you want ticket for.**
2. **The total number of tickets required (one ticket per person)**
3. **The organisation or school that referred you (if applicable).**

We welcome ticket orders from organisations and staff, as well as direct orders from families and carers.