

Welcome to Freshwater Focus Issue 29

[View this email in your browser](#)



FRESHWATER BAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

**CALL US** [\(08\) 9384 0293](tel:(08)93840293)



Facebook



Website



## FRESHWATER BAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Freshwater Bay Primary School has a high level of academic achievement, a vibrant co-curricular program and an emphasis on community involvement. Formed in 2011, the Freshwater Bay values are defined in our school motto: wisdom, respect and courage.**



Dear Parents

### **The Importance of Establish Learning Habits**

In the last newsletter I spoke about our whole school approach to the teaching of Literacy. In that article I stated the importance of establish positive habits around literacy. The establishment of positive habits for schooling is has been demonstrated to have a profound impact on student achievement at school. Students with habits around consistent behaviours lead to them being more efficient and effective in the classroom and in general life.

These habits are everything from regular bedtimes and wake up times, getting themselves dressed for school each day, reading every night, walking to school the same way, using the crosswalk and knowing the attendant and saying good morning to people. They may be little

things, however, they are pattern setting behaviours that have been shown to make a real difference to learning.

The child's brain thrives on structure and predictability. Structure and predictability provide safety in decision making and interestingly it is also the starting point for creativity because they love to work from the known to the unknown. Just a thought for all our families have a look at your daily routines and ask yourself 'How consistent and predictable are they to our children?'

You may find the following video interesting. The sentiments in the video are being used by your teaching team for themselves and their teaching of the students at Freshwater Bay.

### **Why Habits form and How to build them**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ls\\_VFIU1Dv4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ls_VFIU1Dv4)

### **STEM**

We have a vibrant STEM program in the school which is being led by Tara Grant and fully supported by the whole staff. It is not new to all of us that the world has a changed considerably in relation to technology in our lives and will continue to do so at an ever increasing rate. Until recently, the strong focus in schools and education systems has been to ensure that students have access to technology and Western Australia has been no different. Our real challenge is to create a learning environment where children use technology creatively to enhance student thinking rather than as a substitute for what we have always done. This is what Tara is successfully doing in STEM.

We are integrating our new Technology plan across our school. Our plan and approach means our students will continue to have access to and use technology in creative ways to support their learning and understanding in all subjects. One of the many focus points of our plan is to teach our students to type especially the students in year 4, so they are prepared for NAPLAN next year and then our year 6 students so that they will be ready for high school. Our Year 4 students have been learning to type this term and the average speed for students is now over 17 words per minute which is faster than writing. Impressive! At the same time we are also having the students learn about coding, building on what they learnt last year.

### **What is cyberbullying?**

Cyberbullying is bullying using a mobile phone and/or the Internet, for example, when a person:

- Sends nasty or threatening emails or messages on the Internet or via mobile phone
- Sends mean or nasty comments or pictures about others to websites e.g. MySpace; Facebook; MSN or to other students' mobile phones
- Deliberately ignores or leaves out others over the Internet
- Pretends to be someone else online to hurt them or make them look foolish

Cyberbullying can happen through text messages/pictures/video-clips/emails etc being sent to you, but also when these things are sent to others, about you.

We take cyberbullying very seriously as it is an insidious part of our social fabric now. The ramifications can be very daunting. We need to do two things in this space; one teach children about being respectful, how to resolve issues meaningfully and use technology appropriately as a cyber-citizen; and two, give our children strategies to stop themselves being bullies and what to do if they are bullied. Families and the school have to work in both the proactive and reactive space to protect our children.

### Useful Websites

<http://www.freshwaterbayps.wa.edu.au/>

<https://bullyingnoway.gov.au/>

<http://www.cybersafetysolutions.com.au/>

---

Principal Simon Reid

## Calendar of Events



**Tuesday 19 June**

Tuesday Treat

**Friday 22 June**

Assembly T7

**Tuesday 26 June**

Tuesday Treats

## 2018 Term 2 Planner

## School News

### Year 2

On Wednesday the Year 2's took the bus to the Perth Hills Discovery Centre for the Busy in the Forest nature excursion. They solved clues about Australian flora and fauna to find a hidden treasure chest. Then, they got to meet some rehabilitated Australian wildlife including a very hungry echidna, a rare woylie, a red tailed black cockatoo and a joey. To finish the day, the years 2's were blindfolded and had to rely on their other senses to navigate their way through the bush safely. What an amazing day!




---

**Tuesday 26 June (Week 9) is Freshwater Bay PS's French Day for 2018.**

*A reminder that French Day is Tuesday 26 June (Week 9).*

*We will begin the day with a whole school parade. All students, including PPs, are encouraged to dress up in the colours of the tricolore or as a famous French person or character.*

*At lunchtime, students from PP - Year 6 will watch the 4th edition of the Tour de Freshwater.*

*Participating students will be notified in Week 8.*

*Year 1 - 6 students should have already returned the permission note with their morning tea preference. Year 1 - 6 students will also participate in a French Dance workshop during the day. Merci!*




---

**\*FREE\***

**PROTECTIVE BEHAVIOURS WORKSHOP for Parents and Carers**

At Freshwater Bay PS, we believe that **all children have the right to feel safe at all times** but we also know as parents, carers and teachers we cannot be with each child every minute of the day.

The physical and emotional impact of bullying, cyber bullying, child abuse and family and domestic violence is now much better understood. Research consistently shows that teaching children preventive ways of staying safe, such as those described in the protective behaviours program, is an effective way of strengthening children's ability to recognise danger, seek help and minimise risk.

Freshwater Bay PS is committed to teaching every child the protective behaviours program in partnership with you. Parents and carers play a vital role in helping children develop personal safety and resilience skills and it's very important children hear the same messages at school and home. Working together, we can help our children to recognise unsafe situations and be proactive and confident in their response.

By attending this workshop, you will:

- **learn the key principles of the protective behaviours program**
- **understand the positive impact of the protective behaviours program for children**
- **discuss how the protective behaviours program is being taught at school and**
- **practise activities and ways to speak with your child at home about personal safety that aligns with what they have learnt at school**

**DATE:** Thursday 21 June  
**TIME:** 7:00 – 9:00pm  
**VENUE:** Tangney Hall  
**PRESENTER:** Julie Gower, BA, MSW  
Principal Consultant, Student Wellbeing (Child Protection)  
Department of Education

**Please note:** Because of the content of this workshop it is not suitable for children to attend. Thank you.

### To Register

---

**Check out What's On in the Town of Claremont** @ [www.claremont.wa.gov.au](http://www.claremont.wa.gov.au)

Thursday 12 July 10am-11:30am

Have fun with worms – a fun activity to introduce you to the benefits of worm farming to transform household scraps into garden food Presented by Western Metropolitan Regional Council

Book at <https://www.trybooking.com/389864>

Free event

Primary School aged children

Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Friday 13 July 1:00pm -3:00pm

What can you do with an empty 3 litre plastic milk bottle and old newspapers? Join Wilma Van Boxtel to find out how using your imagination and experimenting you can create a mask to take home. Maybe add horns or use plastic shopping bags to create a hairdo for your mask.

Book at <https://www.trybooking.com/389872>

Free session

Primary school aged children

All children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

All sessions held at the Claremont Community Hub and Library 327 Stirling Highway Claremont

### **Freshwater Bay Primary School is raising funds. Here's how you can help...**

Entertainment Books for 2018/2019 will be available from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018, the Entertainment Digital Memberships are here now. Instantly access hundreds of valuable offers OR pre-order your Entertainment Book today and receive over \$180 worth of Early Bird offers.

The books are full of value and pay for themselves in no time.

The digital membership is amazing as it means not carrying the book and you always have it with you.

To support us please purchase with the below button.

[fundraising.fwb@gmail.com](mailto:fundraising.fwb@gmail.com)

### **2018 | 2019 Entertainment Book**



### Let your imagination take you somewhere unexpected

Sharpen your pencil and let your imagination run wild because the [Tim Winton Award for Young Writers](#) is back.

The City of Subiaco is proud to present the twenty-sixth annual award providing a platform for young authors to share their creative writing.

All Western Australian school students in years one to twelve are invited to submit an original piece of prose writing up to 2000 words in length. Our judges are looking for creative entries with original themes, good story development and a high quality of writing.

**Entries open at 9am on Tuesday 5 June.**

For award information, entry requirements and terms and conditions visit [www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/timwintonaward](http://www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/timwintonaward)

Good luck!

### Excursion Notes

All current excursion and permission notes are available on the school website by clicking on the link below.




---

### Chess Term 3 Form

[Read More](#)

### P & C News



### Tuesday Treats

The P&C is pleased to invite all students and community members to Tuesday Treats. Held after school on Tuesdays, the afternoon provides families with an opportunity to catch up and chat. The Tuesday Treats Coordinators have decided that for Term 1

and 4, they will only be selling Ice Creams and parents will not be required to cook. In Terms 2 and 3, Tuesday Treats will run as normal. The dates and classes have been added to the term planner. The next Tuesday Treats is:

5 June - HI

12 June - C5

### Second Hand Uniform Shop

Thanks to all the parents for there donation. We will be updating you next term on the next secondhand uniform shop day.

Donations can be made to the front office.



[Read More](#)

## Community News



### Community Noticeboard

Please remember to check our Community Noticeboard outside Tangney Hall for information about sporting club registrations and community events.

## Uniforms

EmbroidMe are our sole school endorsed uniform suppliers. They are located at 1/205 Stirling Hwy, Claremont WA 6010. Parents can go directly to the store and have their orders filled while they wait. For further enquiries please call the store on 9286 2600.

The logo for EmbroidMe, featuring the brand name in a bold, italicized, sans-serif font with a registered trademark symbol.

[Read More](#)



**School Lunch Online**

[Read More](#)



**Bright Beginnings**

[Read More](#)



**Camp Australia**

[Read More](#)

*'Believe, inspire, and strive for a successful learning community'*

We believe In inspiring a passion and curiosity for lifelong learning.

**Contact Us**

**Address :** Bay View Terrace, Claremont, Western Australia 6010, Australia

**Phone Number:** (08) 9384 0293

**Email**

: freshwaterbay.ps@education.wa.edu.au

This email was sent to <<Email Address>>

[why did I get this?](#) [unsubscribe from this list](#) [update subscription preferences](#)  
Freshwater Bay Primary School · Bayview Terrace · Claremont, WA 6010 · Australia

