

North Fremantle Primary School

A Small School with Big Ideas



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2024 TERM 1 WEEK 3

Hello Everyone,

Welcome to our first newsletter for 2024. It has been wonderful to see so many of our returning families and meet those families that are new to the NFPS community. We have had a great start to the year. Thanks to the dedication of our staff, the students have settled well into their classrooms, and I would like to acknowledge and thank them all for creating such a warm and welcoming start to the year.

To our wonderful students who make coming to school each day such a pleasure.



PARENT COMMUNICATION

Parent communication is important, and we would welcome you to talk with your child's classroom teacher at the end of the school day in person, by telephone or email. As you are aware, staff are face to face with the students during the day and have limited time to talk in the morning. They will reply to emails as soon as possible. If you need to communicate something urgently, please call the front office on 9432 1300 or email northfremantle.ps@education.wa.edu.au and we will get a message to the classroom teacher as soon as possible.

PARENT INFORMATION MEETINGS

All parents and caregivers are invited to attend our upcoming parent information meetings.

During these meetings teachers will present information about their teaching / learning program, class routines, expectations, and school policies. These meetings are to provide an opportunity to meet the classroom teacher and learn general information about classroom routines and the school. Within the meeting format teachers will be unable to appropriately address issues specific to individual children, so please make an alternative time with the teacher if required.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 19 February

Early Close 2.30pm

Tuesday 20 February

School Board Meeting 5pm

Wednesday 21 February

KINDY

Parent Info Meeting

Thursday 22 February

PP – Y6

Parent Info Meeting

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Assembly Room 3

Uniform Shop Open 8:15-9am

Friday 23 February

P&C Welcome Picnic

5pm – 7pm

Monday 26 February

Early close 2.30pm

KINDY DAY

Uniform Shop Open 8:15-9am

Tuesday 27 February

Parent Liaison Meeting

8.45am

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P&C AGM 7pm

Friday 1 March

Clean Up Australia

Monday 4 March

LABOUR DAY

Public Holiday

WEDNESDAY 21st FEBRUARY Week 4		
2.30 – 3.00pm	Room 1 - Kindergarten	<i>Students from this class will be supervised by Pre-Primary Staff.</i>
THURSDAY 22 nd FEBRUARY Week 4		
2.30 – 3.00	Room 4 – Year 2	Students at Specialist class - French
2.30 – 3.00	Room 5 – Year 3	Students at Specialist class – P. E
3.05 – 3.10pm	No Meetings – parent pick up	
3.10 – 3.40	Room 2 – Pre-Primary Room 3 – Year 1 Room 7 - Year 5/6	<i>Students will be dismissed from class at 3.05pm. If parents require supervision during the meeting, please take them to the Early Childhood area prior to your class meeting and pick them up directly after the meeting. Staff will be available in this area until 4.15pm.</i>
3.40 – 4.10pm	Room 6 – Year 4/5	

*Parent
Information
Meetings
2024 included
in this
newsletter.*

CONTACT DETAILS

It is important that families maintain accurate contact details with the school. Please ensure that you let our office know if there are any changes to address, telephone and emails for parents/carers and additional contacts that you have asked us to record.

School Board

This year we welcome four new members to our School Board. I look forward to working with everyone this year and thank our existing members and new members for their commitment as we work together to achieve the best outcomes for our school.

P&C

We are extremely fortunate at NFPS to have an active and dedicated team. Our first AGM is on 27 March, so watch out for more information coming soon. The P&C have also organised a Sundowner on Friday 23 February, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

PARENT LIAISON REPRESENTATIVES

Each class is asked to elect/self-elect a parent to take on the role of a representative for the class. Each term I meet with this group of people outlining school information and events that are occurring during the term. It is not the job of the representative to be involved and run all the class events, but we do ask them to be the co-ordinator and help all parents to be involved. Below is a description of the role and responsibilities of the Parent Liaison. It may include, but is not limited, to the following:

1. Represent and promote our school in a positive manner to existing and new families.
2. Maintain appropriate confidentiality of personal and official information.
3. Create class contact lists (and update throughout the year) and distribute.
4. Liaise with school administration, classroom teachers and P&C so that you are informed and can assist and encourage others to be involved i.e., parent helpers, serve on committees, participate in events.
5. Honorary P&C Member to enable you to receive P&C communication (Reps are welcome, but not expected, to attend meetings).
6. Help and support parents access Connect for electronic communication.
7. Contact the Principal or Deputy if you have questions specific to the needs of your child's class. This information can then be shared with other parents in a confidential manner.
8. Support parents to follow school procedures and policies e.g., Communication Policy.

If you would like more information about being a parent representative for your child's class, please talk to your child's class teacher.

To join our team, we are currently looking for a parent liaison rep in room 1, 5 and 6, and a P&C rep. Our first meeting will be held on Tuesday 27 February at 8:45 in the school staff room. Thank you to those parents/carers who have already joined us this year.

LIBRARY UPDATE

Our school library replacement building was due to be installed ready for the start of the school year. Unfortunately, that has not happened. I am currently in discussions with the Department of Education's Infrastructure Delivery and Maintenance Director and will keep you posted on the expected installation time.

CONNECT

Thank you to the many parents that have been accessing information via Connect. Connect is our main form of communication across the school community. Please remember that you will need to login to the internet or via the Connect app to click on the links and download the attachments that have been sent. Many of our classes also share learning experiences via photographs which can only be viewed through the app or via the website on the internet. We have already had some parents come into the office for assistance with setting up Connect, which is fantastic. Please contact the office if you have any questions or require support.



SCHOOL STAFF CARPARK

Please be aware that the staff carpark is for employee parking ONLY.

To keep everyone safe the car park is always a 'no go zone' for students, and for parent parking. Please use the pathways and refrain from using the staff car park as a walk through.

PHOTOGRAPHING STUDENTS AT SCHOOL OR DURING EXCURSIONS

Some families may be concerned about protecting the privacy of their child and may be uncomfortable about having their child's photo placed online without their permission. If you are going to share images of students from our school on social media, we request that you blur out their faces and the school logo.

Thank you for your understanding and respect for student privacy.

NFPS IS AN **ALLERGY AWARE** SCHOOL

We have students who have anaphylaxis to nuts and eggs and allergy to dairy products. Anaphylaxis is a sudden, severe allergic reaction that requires **immediate medical treatment and is potentially life-threatening**. We are seeking the cooperation and support of our NFPS families to minimise the risk of this student coming into contact with specific foods that contain **nuts** and **eggs**. Therefore, we request that you follow these simple steps:

- ✓ Please don't give your children foods containing **eggs or nuts** to bring to school, including boiled eggs or egg sandwiches. Cold meats, tuna, chicken, tofu, salad sandwiches are great alternatives.
- ✓ Be aware of foods that may contain nuts such as peanut paste, Nutella, muesli bars and crackers.
- ✓ If your child eats foods containing eggs or nuts for breakfast, please ask them to wash their hands and brush their teeth before coming to school.
- ✓ Please clearly label your child's lunch box and drink bottle with their name.
- ✓ I would ask that you let your child know a little about food allergies and ask them not to share food with other children.



As we educate our school community to help with the management of food allergy and anaphylaxis, the parents of the student with the allergy will continue to educate their child on self-management at a developmentally appropriate level. We ask you to support the school's risk minimisation strategies outlined so that we can increase safety and provide an environment that meets the needs of all our students.

School Student Leaders

All our Year 6 students are valuable role models and leaders across the school. Our younger students are continually looking to our senior students for leadership and assistance. Throughout the year there will be leadership opportunities, both formally and informally, for all students to continue to display and develop our school values.



Last week our fabulous Year 6 students presented their speeches for leadership roles in the school for 2024. I would like to thank them all for their interest in applying for a position. Everyone was very impressed with the quality of the speeches; we appreciated hearing about the school values and how students are demonstrating these both within and outside of the school. When the students were notified, I was very impressed with their responses, and in particular those students who did not gain a position. The care and camaraderie displayed by them all was exceptional.

For being part of the panel working through the selection process I would like to especially thank Mr Adams for organising and supporting the students through this process, Mrs Wilmott in her support role and Mr Charlie Firth who represented our School Board.

The students selected by our panel for 2024:

- Student Councillors: Olivia, Albert, Anastasia, Remy, Tully, Eve
- Warding Faction: Harper (Faction Captain) KK (Faction Vice Captain)
- Manatj Faction: Nate (Faction Captain) Flynn (Faction Vice Captain)
- Choir Captain: Peppa



Thank you for your ongoing support of NFPS.

Caroline Churchill
Principal



Art - Mrs Margie Campbell

Kong Hee Fatt Choy,

Happy Chinese New Year to all our families who celebrate Luna New Year.

Across the school students have been designing their own dragons and using wax crayons, edicol dye, collage materials, and wax resist to create incredible pictures. Keep you eye out as these amazing artworks pop up around the school over the next week.

Thank you to the parents who have volunteered to come in and assist with printmaking for the Room 6 Year 4/5 class and for the Room 7 Year 5/6 class, see the Connect notice for further information. We would love a helper for each table. If you are free please come along.



Mrs Margie Campbell

Room 6 dates helpers required

Dates and times;

6th Feb 11.00am - 12.40

20th Feb 11.00 am - 12.40

5th March 11.00 am - 12.40

19th March 11.00 am 12.40.



Alex Pre Primary

Room 7 dates helpers required

Dates and times

13th Feb 11.00am - 12.40

27th Feb 11.00 am - 12.40

12th March 11.00 am - 12.40

26th March 11.00 am 12.40.



Jeannie Pre Primary

Have a super term everyone and stay cool.

Mrs Campbell

Art Specialist



Their Care

TheirCare currently provide before and after school care.
Please [click here](#) for more information.



The banner features the TheirCare logo (a stylized 'T' and 'C' in a circle) and the tagline 'Where Kids love to be!'. To the right is the North Fremantle Primary School logo, which includes a bird and the text 'NORTH FREMANTLE', 'EN AVANT', and 'PRIMARY SCHOOL'. A blue box in the top right corner states 'Save up to 85% with the Child Care Subsidy'. The main image shows a group of children standing in front of a brick wall, holding large letters that spell out 'TheirCare'. A green banner above them says 'We're getting ready for FUN!'. At the bottom, a yellow box contains the text: 'TheirCare are proud to work in partnership with North Fremantle Primary School to provide quality Outside School Hours Care to your school community commencing in Term 1 2023. This program will be run from North Fremantle Primary School. Learn more at www.theircare.com.au or call 1300 072 410'.

A note from the Community Health Nurse

Welcome to the new school year. My name is Kristen Cousins, and I am the Community Health Nurse who visits your school.

Community Health Nurses work in schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing so students may reach their full potential. A major part of my work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program. Additionally, the nurse can be contacted at any time throughout primary school if you have concerns about your child's health, development, or wellbeing.

Community Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, providing information, assessment, health counselling and referral. They also work in partnership with schools to support teachers in health-related curriculum and can assist in the development of health care plans for students with complex and chronic health needs.

The services provided are free and confidential.

Please contact me via your school office or my Community Health Base on 9314 0100



The banner features the logo of the Child and Adolescent Health Service, which consists of three stylized figures holding hands in a circle. The text 'Child and Adolescent Health Service' is prominently displayed. Below this, a row of six colored boxes contains the values: 'Compassion' (green), 'Excellence' (orange), 'Collaboration' (purple), 'Accountability' (red), 'Equity' (blue), and 'Respect' (light green). At the bottom, a row of text lists the service areas: 'Neonatology | Community Health | Mental Health | Perth Children's Hospital'.



The Black Truffle – Updated School Menu

Thank you to The Black Truffle who supply our lunch to students on Wednesday and Friday.

Please click on the link below to view the 2024 lunch menu and online ordering form.

[The Black Truffle Lunch Menu 2024](#)

or Scan QR Code:



North Freo Primary School P&C

P and C News – Term 1, 2024



Welcome back! We hope the kids are enjoying **icy poles on Fridays** – great with the hot weather. Remember Icy Poles are **\$1 cash on the day**.

Thanks to everyone who has supported our Uniform Shop this term and an enormous thank you to our volunteers working in the Uniform Shop. We are really lucky that our small school is able to provide an onsite uniform service. A luxury many larger schools do not have! We have the school dresses back in stock, a fresh supplies of hats and LOTS of faction socks. The socks have been ordered in smaller sizes as some of the ones from last year were a little big for some of our little people. Remember Uniform Shop is open Kindy Mondays and assembly Thursdays (see term planner).

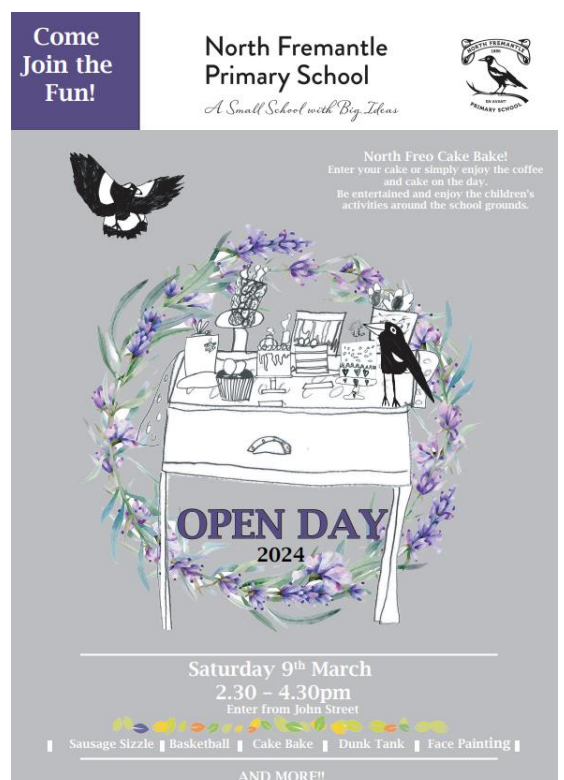
Our **Welcome Picnic** is to occur on **Friday 23rd February from 5pm** on school grounds on the grass at the front near the staff room. This a very low stress, BYO picnic event for families to get to know other families from the school. We don't let it go too late as it gets dark and we know everyone has tired kids on a Friday night.

Our AGM is currently scheduled to be held on **Tuesday, 27th February at 7pm**. We may need to adjust this date and if we do we will let you know as soon as possible. We are trying to arrange a more "fun" off school venue for this as we are really keen to secure more general members. We have a great team already with most executive roles continuing but we need general members. Being a general member means you have voting rights and a say in what the P and C do in terms of events and what initiatives for the school that the P and C support or fund. We have one general meeting per term and from term 2 we expect these meetings will all be held at the Bowlo.

OPEN DAY is coming soon – its **Saturday, 9th March** and there is a flyer included with newsletter. There will be more communication coming soon about how you can get involved in this day.

All events for the remainder of 2024 need to be confirmed post our P and C AGM but we can tell you that the short list of must do events includes tuck shops, the disco and family breakfasts. The Quiz Night may even make a come back in 2024.

Please get involved in your school P and C in any way you can.
Your School P and C.



FREMANTLE COLLEGE

Gifted and Talented Applications are now OPEN!

Applications for the Year 7 2025 Gifted and Talented intake are now open. Fremantle College offer an engaging and intellectually stimulating Gifted and Talented program. To find out more and/or apply, go to :

<https://fremantlecollege.wa.edu.au/programs/gifted-talented-program/>

or call us on 9338 8900 and speak with Ms Susan Fahey, our Gifted and Talented Coordinator.



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Be Quick! Applications for Year 7 2025 are now open.

Gifted and Talented education at Fremantle College enables children with exceptional academic ability to engage and flourish in a learning environment that is intellectually stimulating and rigorous. Learning programs are flexible and tailored to accelerate, extend and enrich the learning for each student. Classroom environments that are creative, promote divergent and higher-order thinking, as well as deliver an open ended approach to learning, will foster the continued emergence of students' gifts and talents, and growth in learning.

Find out more at :
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