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#### Principal's Message

\*\*Important Staff Announcement\*\*

Dear Frankston East Primary School Community,

We would like to inform you that Karen McDonald will be leaving Frankston East Primary School. We are grateful for Karen's contributions and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

We are pleased to announce that Alicia Rolfe will be replacing her as the new Auslan teacher. Alicia brings with her a wealth of experience and passion for teaching, and we are excited to welcome her into her new role.

In Alicia's absence, Mrs. Renee Watt will be filling in her role in 56A, ensuring a smooth transition for our students. We are confident that Renee will continue to provide exceptional support to the class.

We look forward to the positive changes these staff transitions will bring to our school community.

Warm regards,

Warren Bull

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## **Important Dates**

Thur 06/03 Wheeltalk 5/6

Mon 10/03 Labour Day - Public Holiday

Tue 11/03 Pupil Free Day - No School

Wed 12/03 - Fri 14/03 NAPLAN 3's & 5's

Mon 17/03 - Fri 04/04 Smile Squad

Mon 17/03 - Fri 21/03 Harmony Week

Thur 20/03 Harmony Day

Fri 21/03 CARP Incursion P-2

Tue 01/04 District Athletics (Selected Students only)

Wed 02/04 Foodbank Food Fight

Fri 04/04 Last day of Term

#### HARMONY WEEK

#### 17th-23rd March

At Assembly on Monday 17th of March the choir and band will be performing the song, We Are One which classes have reviewed during music lessons.

During the week, all students will be given an opportunity by their class teacher to talk about their cultural heritage or country of birth or parents/grandparents' country of birth to their class. If you are able to support your child in this by talking to them about it beforehand that would be wonderful. If you have children in the Junior grades and would like to support your child by emailing information to your class teacher or writing it down on paper for your child that could be helpful.

#### Harmony Day - Thursday 20th March:

On this day all children are encouraged to wear clothing or items of clothing that represent their cultural heritage or wear orange clothing or items of orange.

At I am all students will have recess together on the oval where they can meet and mingle with children from other classes.

Michael Ennis & Jill Stanszus



We are looking for parents who are interested in being a part of our Fund Raising Group. The first meeting will be held on Wednesday March 12th 2025 at 3pm.

If you would like to attend, the meeting will be held in the Wellbeing Room in the main building up the stairs from the Main Office.

Regards,
Alicia Rolfe
Acting Assistant Principal



#### **Student Attendance**

Percentage of students at school 90.6 %
Percentage of students on time 89.9 %





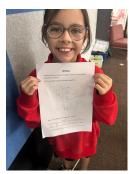
All students must wear their hats during recess, lunch and all outdoor activities from now until 1st of May.





## **CLASS NEWS**









#### 12B & 12J

Last week, 1/2B and 1/2J have been learning about emotions, with an emphasis on stress and ways to manage it. Stress is the feeling a person experiences when they are worried or uncomfortable about something. People often feel stressed when there is too much to do, or when something is difficult, scary, or new.

Students created their own "Wibbly" character, identifying things that could make Wibbly feel stressed and brainstormed coping strategies. Additionally, students designed their own feelings monster, which represented different emotions and the ways to cope with them.

Furthermore, students learned about mindfulness, which is the practice of paying full attention to the present moment and being aware of thoughts, feelings, and surroundings.









We warmly invite all family and friends of our junior school classes (Prep M, Prep 1/W, 1/2B and 1/2J) to attend our Open Morning. Students will be excited to share their workbooks, classroom, and the topics they've been learning in Term 1. From 9am - 9:30am, you can tour the classroom, meet with other families, and chat with your child's teacher to celebrate their achievements this term. If possible, it would be wonderful if each student could have at least one representative to attend the open morning.

RSVP: Return slip by Thursday the 27th of March 2025

RSVP: YES/NO NAME OF CHILD/ CLASS:

**NUMBER OF ATTENDEES:** 

## FEPS CLUBS

**MONDAY** 

Breakfast Club
(Baked Beans and Toast)

When: 8:15 - 8:45Where: In the cafe

Choir Club (Grades 3 – 6)

When: The first half of lunchtime Where: In the music room

Dress Up Club (Prep - 2)

When: The second half of lunchtime
Where: In the BER

**TUESDAY** 

**Running Club** 

When: 8:40 - 8:55

Percussion Club (Grades 3 – 6)

When: The first half of lunchtime
Where: In the music room

Fitness Club (Prep – Grade 4)

When: The second half of lunchtime
Where: On the basketball court or
the oval

WFDNFSDAY

Breakfast Club (French Toast)

When: 8:15 - 8:45Where: In the cafe

**Boardgames Club** 

When: The second half of lunchtime Where: In the Wellbeing Office

Fitness Club (5/6)

When: The second half of lunchtime
Where: On the basketball court or
the oval

**THURSDAY** 

**Mindfulness Club** 

When: The second half of lunchtime Where: In the library **FRIDAY** 

**Breakfast Club – (Pancakes)** 

When: 8:15 - 8:45Where: In the cafe

Lego Club

When: The second half of lunchtime Where: In the Wellbeing Office

# LOCAL COMMUNITY

# The Smile Squad free school Dental program is coming to our school

Dear Frankston East P.S families,

The Smile Squad team from Peninsula Health are coming to our school soon.

Smile Squad is the Victorian Government free school dental program.

This means ALL students can get a free dental check-up, preventive services, and treatment at school.

How to access free dental care:

We need your consent before we can provide services. Consent is usually provided by a parent or guardian.

Sign up to Smile Squad at: https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic OR use the below OR code:



Please complete and submit the consent form by 7th March 2025









# COMMUNITY

### **Our Purpose:**

To provide the Frankston East Community with a friendly and dynamic learning environment that engages students who work to achieve their personal best in an atmosphere of mutual respect and cooperation.

Frankston East Primary School promotes itself as 'An established school with 21st century teaching and learning practices, based on values of integrity, respect and kindness'

## Our commitment to child safety

Frankston East Primary School is committed to child safety. We want children to be safe, happy and empowered. We support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers. We are committed to the safety, participation and empowerment of all children.

We have zero tolerance of child abuse, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated very seriously and consistently with our robust policies and procedures. We have legal and moral obligations to contact authorities when we are worried about a child's safety, which we follow rigorously.

Our school is committed to preventing child abuse and identifying risks early, and removing and reducing these risks. Our school has robust human resources and recruitment practices for all staff and volunteers. Our school is committed to regularly training and educating our staff and volunteers on child abuse risks.

We are committed to the cultural safety of Aboriginal children, the cultural safety of children from a culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds, and to providing a safe environment for children with a disability.

We have specific policies, procedures and training in place that support our leadership team, staff and volunteers to achieve these commitments. If you believe a child is at immediate risk of abuse phone 000.

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