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Principal's Message

Leadership at Frankston East Primary School: Nurturing the Leaders of Tomorrow

Dear Parents and Carers,

At Frankston East Primary School, we believe that leadership is a vital skill that can be developed from a young age. Leadership isn't just about being in charge or taking the lead in front of others. It's about the ability to make thoughtful decisions, work well with others, and solve problems with empathy and integrity. These are qualities we aim to nurture in our students to help them become confident, resilient, and positive leaders in their own communities.

As parents and educators, we play an essential role in guiding children to discover and develop these important leadership traits. Below are some practical ways we can encourage leadership in children both at school and at home:

I. Get them involved in teamwork.

One of the most effective ways to foster leadership is through collaboration. Encourage your child to participate in team sports, clubs, or community activities. Working together towards shared goals helps children develop essential teamwork skills, learn to respect others, and recognise the value of collective effort.

2. Encourage responsibility.

Leadership involves taking responsibility for one's actions and those of others. By assigning age-appropriate tasks at home—such as looking after a pet, setting the table, or planning a family outing—you can help your child develop a sense of responsibility and ownership. These small tasks teach them to manage their time, make decisions, and contribute to the family unit.

3. Involve them in discussions and decision-making.

Let your child know their opinions matter. Involve them in family discussions and decision-making processes, whether it's choosing a holiday destination or solving a problem around the house. This encourages them to think critically, express their ideas, and understand the importance of making informed decisions.

4. Be a good role model.

Children often look to adults for guidance, so it's important to model positive leadership qualities. Demonstrate patience, effective communication, strong organisational skills, and a collaborative mindset. By showing how you approach challenges and work with others, you teach your child the value of these qualities in everyday life.

5. Help them develop problem-solving skills.

Leadership often involves tackling challenges and finding creative solutions. Encourage your child to think critically and guide them through problem-solving processes by asking open-ended questions. Instead of always providing the answer, help them explore possible solutions on their own.

6. Teach resilience.

True leaders are resilient in the face of setbacks. Teach your child how to handle mistakes with grace, learn from them, and continue striving towards their goals. Resilience is a crucial leadership trait that will help them in all areas of life.

7. Encourage initiative.

Allow your child to take the lead on small projects, whether it's organising a family event or leading a group activity. Giving them the opportunity to take initiative helps build their confidence and shows them that their ideas and efforts matter.

At Frankston East Primary, we are committed to fostering these leadership qualities in our students. By providing them with opportunities to work with others, take on responsibility, and learn good communication skills, we are helping them develop the ability to lead with empathy and integrity.

Together, we can create an environment where our children feel confident to step up, take responsibility, and make a positive impact. Leadership isn't just about titles—it's about the actions, values, and character we develop along the way.

Thank you for your continued support in nurturing the leaders of tomorrow.

School Council

I welcome Jonathan Peters, Diana Donaldson and Michelle Fisher to the Frankston East Primary School Council for 2025/26. Our next school council meeting/AGM is next Tuesday I 8th March where we will discuss this years Annual Implementation Plan and upcoming School Review.

Dad joke of the week: Why was the leaf collector wealthy? He was raking it in....

Chat soon,

Warren Bull

WaBill

Principal



Important Dates

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

Wed 02/04 Prep-2 Open Morning

Fri 04/04 Last day of Term 1

Reading Awards

Well done to the following students for reaching **25** nights of Reading:

Frankie P
Minnie A
Robin M

Keep up the great work!



Student of the Week

Monday 17th March

PM Liam H

For being a thoughful & kind friend.

PI/W Christina H

For always contributing to classroom discussions.

I/2B Robin M

For his enthusiastic attitude towards reading. Great job Robin!

I/2J Ava D

For her continual hard work in Phonics.
Well done Ava, keept it up!

3/4C Tyler T

For trying his best & working hard in Maths.

3/4M Garang N

For his ongoing efforts to improve in all areas of his learning.

5/6A Raven V

For your ongoing persistence to try your best, even when faced with challenges.

5/6R Cooper H

For being a responsible leader.

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 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

Student Attendance

Percentage of students at school 91.1 %

Percentage of students on time 90. 9 %



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



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 QR code:











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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