Principal's News

Last week, Associate Professor John Munro from the University of Melbourne worked intensively for four days with three of our teachers, Miss Allen, Mrs Busk and Mrs Sampson. His work focused on high reliability literacy teaching practices to promote further development of our students’ ability to comprehend texts and build vocabulary. Dr Munro modelled the literacy strategies with a class of Year Six students at Frenchville. In addition, all of our teachers attended a two hour professional development session after school to further develop their knowledge and skills around comprehending texts at the sentence level, paraphrasing and visualising. This is the second time that our school has worked with the external consultant as part of a project involving Lakes Creek State School, Berserker Street State School and Mount Archer State School. Associate Professor John Munro will return in Term Four to continue working with teachers in order to maximise literacy outcomes in our students.

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data: School Students with Disability

All Australian governments have agreed to work together to implement a new annual national data collection on school students with disability. This data collection process is being phased in over a three year period in 2013-2015. **Our school has been selected to participate in the trial collection in 2013.**

Why introduce a national collection of data on school students with disability?

Better information about school students with disability will assist teachers, principals and education authorities to support their participation in schooling on the same basis as students without disability. The information provided by this new national data collection will enable all Australian governments to better target support and resources.

The following information will be collected annually at the school level:

- the level of adjustment provided; the number of students receiving each level of adjustment to enable them to participate in education on the same basis as other students; and where known, the student's type of disability.

A student will only be included in the data collection if he/she meets the definition of disability under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the school has evidence of this. As parent, you can decide whether you want your child’s information to be included or not in the national reporting activity. If your child has been identified, you will be notified in the near future so that you can make an informed choice regarding involvement in the national data collection.

For further information about the national collection of data on Australian school students with disability and how you can support it, please visit [www.deewr.gov.au/students-disability](http://www.deewr.gov.au/students-disability).

Remember, school finishes on 20/09/13 for two weeks holiday and recommences on Tuesday 8 October due to the Labour Day public holiday on Monday 7 October. Please note that there is a pupil free day on 21/10/13 in Week Three of Term Four.

This will be the last newsletter for the term. There will be no newsletter in Week 11.

Reading Knights read every night!

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Our P&C meets the 2nd Thursday of each month. All welcome.
P & C Email: pandc@frenchviss.eq.edu.au
Enrol Now for Prep 2014
If you have a child born from 1 July 2008 – 30 June 2009 he/she is eligible for prep enrolment in 2014 at Frenchville State School.

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- Please complete an enrolment form and return it to Frenchville State School. Your early notification of your intention to enrol your child in prep at Frenchville in 2014 is appreciated as it will assist us greatly with our staffing and facilities planning. Frenchville catchment restrictions will apply.
- FOR ENROLMENT FORMS: [www.frenchviss.eq.edu.au](http://www.frenchviss.eq.edu.au).
- Click on Our Enrolment Pack from the main menu to download forms. For more information please call the school on 49315333.
- Our website contains more information about the enrolment management plan.

2014 Laptop Program
An information night for current Year 4 parents will be held in the School Activity Centre on Tuesday 15 October from 6.30pm.

Linda Allen – State Finalist in Excellence in Teaching Awards
It is with great pleasure that we share some very exciting news. Linda Allen, Year 4A teacher, has been named as one of seven state finalists in the 2013 Queensland College of Teachers Excellence in Teaching Awards. This award recognises Miss Allen’s outstanding contribution and dedication to the teaching profession. State winners will be announced at a special World Teachers’ Day celebration at Parliament House on Friday 25 October. We are extremely proud of Miss Allen and wish her every success at the award ceremony.

Book Week
As part of this year’s Book Week, Frenchville State School’s Prep – Year 2 students were lucky enough to receive a visit from the High Street Veterinary Surgery. As the children had been reading about animals in many Book Week books, Christie (Vet nurse) and Jocelyn (Vet) brought in animals such as a lizard, cockatiel, dog, and baby chickens. Christie spoke to the children about how to care for these animals and the importance of regular veterinary checkups for their pets. We wish to thank Jocelyn and Christie from the High Street Veterinary Surgery for their valuable time during Bookweek.

Miss Kirk

Choral Festival
Every year the Frenchville Senior Choir joins with other Rockhampton State Primary Schools to present the Choral Festival. This year’s concert will be on Monday 16 September at the Pilbeam Theatre. Our guest conductor for 2013 is Paul Jarman.

Workshop
- Students are required to be at school by 7.50am to depart Frenchville by bus at 8.00am.
- Rehearsals at the theatre from 8.30am to 11.30am.

Afternoon Rehearsal
- Students are to meet in the back lane at 4.45pm.
- Please ensure children have eaten BEFORE they come back to the theatre at 4.45pm.
- Rehearse at the theatre from 5.00pm to 6.30pm.
- Children then sit in the theatre.
- Children are not allowed out of the theatre at any time.

Dress
- Blue school shirt
- Blue shorts (boys)
- Blue skirts / skorts (girls)
- Black shoes
- Long white socks
- Hair ribbons (if worn) royal blue
- Girls – long hair should be worn in ‘Pollyanna’ style (half up / half down) (No butterfly clips and no jewellery please)

Audience tickets to the festival are available from the Pilbeam Theatre. Adults $12, all concessions $10, family (2 adults & 2 children) $35.

Year 7 Canberra Camp
Australian Government Assistance for our Canberra Camp
Year 7 students from our school are currently undertaking an education tour of the national capital. While on this tour they participate in a variety of educational programs focused on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of their civics and citizenship education. To assist parents in meeting the cost of this camp, the Australian Government is contributing funding under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) programme towards the travel expenses incurred. This contribution will be paid directly to the school upon completion of the camp.

Our school would like to formally thank the Australian Government for their support of this program. We are sure the camp will be a rewarding experience for all students.

Year 7 Camp Bags
Our year 7s are in Canberra and enjoying their Year 7 camp. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Fogwell and the Frenchville Falcons for their generous donation of the Canberra Camp bags. These bags help the campers with all their gear while we are travelling around Canberra and they are very much appreciated. Once again a huge thank you to Mr Fogwell and the Frenchville Falcons.

Karen Shanks, Canberra Camp Coordinator

Student Council News
The Footy Colours Free Dress Day held last Friday raised $907.50 to support young people fighting cancer.

Thank you for your support.

Lost Property
Please check the lost property collections Under C Block and opposite the Tuckshop. The number of lost items is rapidly building up.
North Rockhampton State High School Bursaries

North Rockhampton State High School will be awarding Year 8 Bursaries in the following areas: academic, cultural, sporting and all rounder. Applications are available from the office and should be submitted by Friday 11 October 2013. For more information please contact the Principal North Rockhampton State High School 49247888 / fax 49247800.

2013 Falcons Footy Photos

Order forms for this year’s Falcon team photos have gone home. Please ensure ALL orders are given directly to Mr Fogwell by Friday 20 September.

WIN A MARQUEE

The Morning Bulletin is currently running a competition for schools, sporting groups or community organisations to win a marquee. Help our school win a marquee by collecting as many tokens as possible and bring into the office please.

Tuckshop Roster

Roster commencing Monday 16 September 2013

Monday: A Zahra, J Connolly
Tuesday: T Robson
Wednesday: J Pennell
Thursday: Y Taylor
Friday: J Connolly
C Hills (Convenor)

Keep a watch on our school these holidays

Parents and students can help take care of our school by reporting any suspicious after-hours activity to School Watch 131788. By keeping an eye out we can work together to create a safer school community and help to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in our school. If you see something suspicious, please don’t intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

School Watch 13 17 88

Promoting Healthy Weight in Children

Want to get your kids active and eating well?

• The free ‘PEACH’ program can help. ‘PEACH’ stands for Parenting Eating and Activity for Child Health.

• It is a free nutrition and activity program available to Queensland families.

• It is a family-focused program that helps parents and carers make healthy lifestyle choices.

• It has been developed by dietitians and is delivered by trained facilitators.

If you:

• have a child aged 5-11 years,

• are concerned they are above the healthy weight range,

• are willing to attend 10 fortnightly group sessions over a six-month period, then the program might be the answer you have been looking for.

For more information free call 1800263519 or visit www.peachqld.com.au.

Water Polo Queensland Free Come & Try Day 15 September 10am Rockhampton Grammar School Pool, Archer St, Rockhampton. For more information email thejepos@bigpond.com or www.waterpoloqld.com.au.

Rockhampton Futsal (indoor soccer) club are holding sign-ons online at www.australianfutsal.com. The new season starts in mid September for age groups from 8 years old to seniors (Men and Women), boys and girls. Please go to this website to sign on for new season. Any enquiries email gall@australianfutsal.com or ring 0408780612.

‘Parenting in Today’s World’ Rockhampton Regional Council are offering a series of informative talks covering a wide range of topics from the digital world to living with teens and other areas that parents often struggle with. All sessions are free and open to any interested person. For more information contact Community Development 49368569.

JDPRF Yeppoon Walk to Cure Diabetes Sunday 10/11/13 at Merv Anderson Park, Yeppoon. Register yourself or your team at http://walk.jdrf.org.au/events.asp?eventID=117 or donate to Team T1DCC at http://walk.jdrf.org.au/events.asp?eventID=117 & click on “Donate to a Walker”. For more information contact Katie Mitchell 0429015454 or email t1dcc@yahoo.com.au.

Looking for Volunteer Host Families World Education Program (WEP) is inviting you to experience another culture in your own home by becoming a volunteer host family to an international student arriving in January 2014. Our students from Italy, Belgium, France, Norway, Canada and South America are looking forward to experiencing life in Australia, making new friends and becoming a member of an Australian family soon. Find Out more! Getting to know your student before he or she arrives brings fun and joy to everyone involved. To help you make this important decision, contact WEP today to receive a full information pack for your family. www.wep.org.au or 1300884733.

NIDA short courses at Walter Reid Cultural Centre, Rockhampton 1-6 October. For information call (02) 96977626 or NIDA Open open@nida.edu.au.

Emu Park Surf Lifesaving Club Season 2013-14 Sign-on day Sunday 15 September 11.00am to 2.00pm at Don Ireland Pool, Emu Park. Bring your togs and goggles to do your pool swims. Sausage Sizzle.

Puddle of Fun Swimming Academy is offering an intensive program over the September school holidays. An intensive program for special needs children is also offered. Mr Greg Rogers, who is a Master Coach over the September school holidays. An intensive program for special needs children is also offered. Mr Greg Rogers, who is a Master Coach and also an ex Olympian himself will hold a holiday intensive program for elementary squads through to a competitive level. Booking is essential. For more information please contact Sonn or Shelly 0418 708 426.

Rockhampton Basketball Holiday Camp Hegvold Basketball Stadium Huish Drive 24-26 September 10.00am-3.00pm. Contact Rockhampton Basketball 49225544.

Rockhampton Regional Council School Holiday Activities

Rockhampton Zoo 49368083 open daily 8am-4.30pm
Botanic Gardens 49368083 activities 24-26/09/13 & 02-03/10/13.
Heritage Village 49368688
Rockhampton Art Gallery 49368248
Archer Park Rail Museum 49368191 activities 23/09 & 30/09 9am-1pm
Mt Morgan Rail Museum 49382312 activities 27/09 & 04/10 10am-2pm
Youth Programs 49368569
Regional Libraries 49368043 Free writing workshops with children’s author Royce Bond at several locations during the holidays. Contact your local library for more information.