Principal's News

We enjoyed a terrific dance party on Friday night with students and parents going ‘all out’ to reflect the ‘Let’s Get Ridiculous’ theme. I’ve never seen so many colourful wigs, odd socks and sunglasses in one location! Special thanks are extended to our DJ Lofty and our hard working P&C as well as Frenchville staff members who gave up their Friday night to supervise. Student behaviour was excellent, making it a fabulous night for all!

Remembrance Day fell on Monday this week. This year marked the 95th anniversary of the armistice on 11 November which ended the First World War. As per the protocol, we observed a minute’s silence at 11.00am to respectfully remember all Australians who have died or suffered in war. Lest we forget.

The Australian Curriculum
As you are aware, Australia is gradually moving towards a national curriculum to achieve consistency in curriculum, assessment and reporting from Prep to Year 12. Australian Curriculum subjects are being phased in over a number of years. Currently we are implementing the national curriculum for English, Mathematics, Science and History. Geography will be introduced next year. We are currently updating our curriculum plan to reflect this addition.

Before School Supervision Reminder
Please remember that no rostered supervision is provided before school for students. School instruction commences at 8.40am each day and a warning bell goes at 8.35am. We expect that parents remain with students or that you set clear boundaries about where the children are to wait for the start of instruction at 8.40am. Admin members do roam through the grounds in the morning but sometimes we are delayed due to parent meetings or staff meetings before school. Only senior students are allowed on the oval. No big balls (eg basketballs, footballs) are to be thrown around the buildings by our younger students before school as this is a very congested time of day and there is a risk of injury. Over the years, our students have managed to play sensibly, to make good sensible choices about activities before school (reading, chatting with friends, playing handball or skipping, playing hopscotch) and to respect our school rules before school. We expect this standard to continue. Climbing on the bracing under buildings, running on the cement or standing on chairs is not acceptable.

Don’t forget to follow us on Twitter: http://twitter.com/frenchvilless
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.
- 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.

Leaving Frenchville in 2014?

If your child will not be with us for the 2014 school year we would appreciate a call or note to our office so that we are able to accurately plan our 2014 classes.

Need new uniforms in 2014?

Why not order now? We have an order form available on the home page of our website. Simply print, complete the form and return to our tuckshop either in person or by emailing a scanned copy to pandc@frenchviss.eq.edu.au. We will fill your order and advise you when it is ready for collection.

Senior School Camp Meeting 2014

Tuesday 19 November from 7pm in the TWiST Theatre.

Parents of current year five and six students are encouraged to attend to learn about camp 2014. As both year six and year seven students will graduate in 2014, this camp is for both groups as this will be their last opportunity to attend school camp as primary school students before both cohorts commence high school in 2015.

Year 7 Camp Fundraising

A big thank you to all parents and students who helped to sell glow sticks at the disco, as well as the parents who helped with the sausage sizzle. Thank you also to Kelly Mills for organising the sausage sizzle, and Mrs Briggs and Mrs Cunningham for supervising the students selling the glow sticks. I would also like to thank everyone who purchased sausages and/or glow sticks at the disco on Friday. This raised $939 for Year 6 & 7 camp.

Miss Shanks

Instrumental Music News

Current first year music students will be required to purchase their own instrument to continue in the program next year. A letter will be going home this term regarding instruments, with sizes included for string students. Please start researching instruments and prices. Most music stores will be very helpful with advice when you start looking for an instrument. When purchasing an instrument, please do think about quality rather than just price. Just like anything, there is a difference in the quality of instruments. There will be students upgrading their current instruments, so you might be able to purchase one of these second-hand instruments.

Recruiting for 2014 – Thank you to all who have expressed an interest to commence lessons. Instrumental Music Teachers will be starting the selection process in the coming weeks. Final decisions with acceptance notes will be handed out during week 9.

Sports Parade Years 3-7 11 December 2013

On this parade, students who represented Rockhampton, Greater Rockhampton or Capricornia for school sport receive a special Frenchville pennant. Trophies are awarded for players of the year for cricket, netball, softball, tennis, soccer and rugby league.

Year 7 Award Applications are due 22 November 2013.

Information about the application process was sent out at an earlier date.
**Tuckshop Roster**

Roster commencing Monday 18 November

Monday:  A Zahra
Tuesday:  K Askew, J Edwards
Wednesday: J Pennell
Thursday:  Y Taylor
Friday:  R Grant, J Connolly

Pre-ordered uniforms are now available for collection. Frenchville State School bags are now available at the Tuckshop for $45.

Christine Hills
Tuckshop Convenor

**SPORT FIXTURES**

15 November 2013

**Cricket**

- Senior (Yr 7) Div. 1 v RGS
- Senior (Yr 7) Div. 3 v Park Avenue
- Junior (Yr 6) Div. 1 v Mt Archer
- Junior (Yr 6) Div. 2 v St Joseph’s PA
- Minors v RGS

**Softball**

- Yr 7A v Mt Archer
- Yr 7B v Allenstown
- Yr 6 Girls v RGGS (Forfeit)
- Frenchville A v Frenchville B

**Hockey at Kalka Shades**

- 1.00-1.15pm: Frenchville 1 v Crescent Lagoon
- 1.00-1.15pm: Frenchville 2 v St Joseph’s Wandal 2
- 1.20-1.35pm: Frenchville 3 v Rockhampton Grammar 1
- 1.20-1.35pm: Frenchville 4 v St Joseph’s Wandal 4
- 1.40-1.55pm: Frenchville 1 v Glenmore
- 1.40-1.55pm: Frenchville 2 v St Joseph’s PA 1
- 2.00-2.15pm: Frenchville 3 v St Joseph’s Wandal 4
- 2.00-2.15pm: Frenchville 4 v St Joseph’s PA 4

**Basketball at Hegvold Stadium**

- 12.50pm: Frenchville Blue v RGS Red
- 1.35pm: Frenchville White v RGS Jardine

**Firestorm 2013**

The “Firestorm” is off to the printers and we have requested a print run of 300 copies, which means if you would like to order one for your family, you need to do so ASAP. The “Firestorm” has over 80 pages of annual highlights from Frenchville, including a page for every class. The photographic and editorial content has largely been done by our junior Firestorm reporters. The final copy will be professionally printed. The cost for the magazine is $10 due to the fact that we have sourced a cheaper supplier. Once the 500 copies have been sold, there will not be any further opportunities to purchase this great magazine. Please preorder on the form below.

**FIRESTORM ORDER FORM**

NAME: .................................................................
CLASS: ..................................................
NUMBER TO BE ORDERED: ......................
PAYMENT ENCLOSED: .................. ($10 per magazine)

Parent/Guardian Signature

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**Student Banking**

The Bank has a competition this term. For your chance to win an Apple iPod Touch or DVD packs, simply make 2 or more deposits at school between 21 October and 30 November. More information at commbank.com.au/adventureisland

Last banking day for 2013 is Thursday 5 December. Please redeem as many tokens as possible before then as you will only be able to carry over up to 9 tokens next year. Available reward items are money boxes, handball, knuckles, torch, calculator, headphones and USB stick – 10 tokens each.

**Emmaus Orientation Day**

Emmaus Orientation Day for current year 7 students entering year 8 in 2014 is Thursday 21 November from 8.45am to 2.30pm. For more information contact Emmaus College 49235700.

**North Rockhampton State High School Transition Day**

The Year 7 Transition Day will be held on Tuesday 3 December from 9.00am to 1.15pm. For more information contact Lisa Donohue Year 8 Coordinator 2014 on 49247888 or by email ldono28@eq.edu.au.

**Community Notices**

Have you heard ... about eKindy?

eKindy is a Kindergarten program for children in rural and remote areas. It is a flexible ‘at home’ program supported by qualified teachers equivalent to a centre-based program. eKindy is FREE for families who meet the eligibility criteria. (eKindy places are funded through a National-State government agreement.) Registrations for 2014 are NOW OPEN.

To find out more contact the Brisbane School of Distance Education 3727 2421. Visit the Brisbane School of Distance Education website – eKindy page http://brisbanesde.eq.edu.au/wcms/index.php/ekindy

**National Australia Qld naqnutrician** invites parents of young children and educators to attend a FREE Food and Behaviour Workshop Thursday 28 November 2013 at Mt Archer State School 3.30-5.00pm. Help raise awareness of healthy eating and support parents with information, policies and resources. For more information phone 32574393 or go to the website www.naqld.org.

**Bluebirds Softball Sign-on Day**

19 January from 12.00-2.00 at Bluebirds United Sports Club, Richardson Road, Nth Rockhampton. Season goes from March through to September. Men, women, girls and boys, whether you have played all your life or whether you would just like to join in the fun, all welcome. Any queries please call Julie 0417 639619.

**Frenchville Junior Football (Soccer) Sign on Day**

Sunday 2 February 2014 Frenchville Sports Club Function Rooms. Ages 3 and up. Male & Female. New players welcome. Registration Cost: Squirts (3-5 years) $50, U6 – U11 $95 ($100 less than 2013!!) U12 - U18 $220. Discounts apply for 3rd + child. All players receive a training strip and socks!! Register from January 2014 - Register early to ensure place in a team. For further information contact: Junior Football (fscjuniorfootball@gmail.com)

**Holiday Fun @ Vici Park**

Monday to Friday 16-20 December Victoria Park is offering the popular “Holiday Fun @ the GYM” school holiday program for kids. Participants dress-flexible, sporting but not baggy – no skirts. Clean socks. Morning tea required, water bottle. $15/session or $65 for five sessions same child. For more information contact Victoria Park Gymnastic & Trampoline Club Inc, Hall Street Wandal 49225866 or email vicipark@cqnet.com.au.