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Principal’s News

Today a Channel Ten film crew visited Frenchville to film a trailer for our Showcase finals. Students were filmed in the TWIST with their teachers, showing how we run our reading hour, the types of strategies we use to reinforce reading comprehension and understanding, and to showcase some of our teaching strategies. The junior choir was also filmed singing our new promotional school song ‘Together We Shape Tomorrow’. Classes from 3W and 6E were filmed, along with all teachers from the year four team, Mrs O’Hanlon and Mrs Sauer, Mrs Sampson and Mrs Esdale with the choir. Mrs Driscoll also participated, showcasing the TWIST Centre and choosing dressed up students from Book Week to show our Frenchville students love reading. Our Showcase shortlisting is a team effort and one of the reasons our school has been chosen for this honour relates to how our staff team works together to use similar teaching strategies to reduce confusion for students. By agreeing to common pedagogical models such as ‘reading on the lines’ between the lines/beyond the lines’, using our inferencing equation (text clues + background knowledge = inference) and skimming and scanning for example, students can build year after year on what they know, even as the texts become harder. In addition, our consistent five weekly data cycles using our Activ Expression devices to collect data about student performance in reading comprehension areas (such as finding the main idea, identifying author’s purpose, distinguishing fact and opinion, understanding words in context) helps draw student attention to their individual and class strengths and weaknesses. Using data as a focus for further improvement is a powerful tool. Our teachers work hard to ensure this is a feature in every classroom.

We’ve also had a great week with Book Week activities. Our teacher librarian Mrs Driscoll and our library aide Mrs Rosenberg planned some very exciting activities to promote reading. It was great to see staff and students getting into the spirit of Book Week and having fun dressing as their favourite book characters. We had fun too. We believe it’s good for kids to see adults having fun – it gives them a reason to grow up. So often children hear us complaining about how busy we are, how hard our jobs are, how tired we are as adults. We should always remember that we are role models for kids and this includes not only their academic development, but their health and well being too. This week we’ve had fun and laughter, along with learning, and the students seemed genuinely excited to see their teachers and admin team getting into the spirit of Book Week.

Don’t forget to follow us on Twitter: http://twitter.com/frenchvilless
When you ‘follow’ you receive our tweets and can respond to what is being tweeted. To access our tweets you will need to develop an account. To do this, provide your name, email address and create a password on the Twitter site. You can access the link to our Twitter site directly from our school webpage: www.frenchviss.eq.edu.au.

Once you click on the link on our school webpage that says ‘follow us on Twitter’ you will be asked to set up your own account or sign up. There is no cost associated with this service.

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Walk to School – IWALK, IBIKE, IPAD
Walking plan for Frenchville Road - Friday Walk to School.
- 8:20am Depart Eichelberger Park
Don’t forget to get your tickets for walking, riding or bussing to school each day. Tickets are usually at the administration gate and pick-up zone gate at 8:15am. If you arrive earlier than 8:15, or the tickets aren’t there when you arrive, please see Mr Smith to obtain your ticket. After you have glued 21 tickets into your ticket book, place your ticket book in the box at the office.

Grand Final Results – Some wins, some losses, some draws but great experiences.

Rugby League
12/13C Falcons defeated Gracemere Giants Man of the Match Z Roebig
12/13A lost to the Gracemere Giants Man of the Match (FSS) L Hubner
Soccer
Frenchville Open Boys / Heights College were awarded Joint Premiers
Tennis A Division Frenchville 1 lost to RGS 1
Tennis B Division Frenchville 2 defeated The Hall 2

Bookweek
This week at Frenchville State School we celebrated Book Week in a BIG way. Preps to Year 3 each had a day in the TWiST rotating around shortlisted book activities, listening to story-tellers and meeting an author, Samantha Morris. Children dressed up and we were visited by all sorts of princesses, animals, ninjas and cowboys, not to mention special appearances by Cruella De Ville, Mary Poppins and Elmer the Patchwork elephant. All of the children...... and staff looked fantastic. This event celebrated Book Week, The International Year of Reading, commemorates the first anniversary of the opening of the TWiST. Thank you to all involved for making this a great day for all of our children.

Congratulations to Colouring-In Competition Winners – Beauty & the Beast
Winner: Navreet Parmar 4L
Runners Up: Connor Hutley 3KS, Keenan Pendlebury-Bone 2CJ,
Taylah Burtt 1MC, Kahlen Barrett 1MC

Want to see a Special Movie with your Kids?

Special Movie Fundraiser
Madagascar 3: Europe’s Most Wanted
Sunday - 16th September

Frenchville State School and their families have a very special opportunity to see Madagascar 3 together. Funds raised will assist the P&C with continued improvements at our school!

Please complete and return the form (previously sent home) including money to the office by Friday 7th of September at the latest. Seats are limited for both a morning and afternoon session of the movie and all tickets (adults and children’s) are $12. Tickets will be issued on a first come first served basis so to avoid disappointment, please return the form ASAP.

Why not also pre-purchase Combo’s from the candy bar at a discounted rate and just collect them when you arrive? Everyone is welcome, Mums, Dads, brothers, sisters, cousins, friends. However, this is not a school excursion. It is a family event and your supervision is required for your child. Don’t forget to collect your dot to dot colouring in reminder from the TWiST.

We’ve sold over 100 tickets already. Will you join us at the cinema? Mums and Dads, this is a great reward for your children if they have been completing homework, doing their chores at home and making you proud of them.

Prep 2013 for Your Child?
If you have a child born from 1 July 2007 – 30 June 2008 he/she is eligible for prep enrolment in 2013 at Frenchville State School.

Birth date: Eligible for Prep Year in: Eligible for Year 1 in:

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 2013 is appreciated as it will assist us greatly with our staffing and facilities planning. All enrolments will be accepted. FOR ENROLMENT FORMS: www.frenchvss.qld.edu.au. Click on Our Enrolment Pack from the main menu to download forms. For more information please call the school on 49315333.

Prep 2013 Information Night
Wednesday 29 August 2012
6pm - 7pm
School Activity Centre

Needed in Prep to year 3 – whiteboard markers - please purchase for your child/children

We are asking all parents of students in prep to year 3 to purchase a whiteboard marker for their child to use on the new ‘show me boards’. Next year this will be added to the booklist but we are keen to start using this wonderful resource now. Please label your child’s marker with their name. If you would like your child to have a few colours, feel free to purchase more than one pen.

ARL Development Cup Feedback from Bowen Trip

“Hi Paul, Just a quick note to say it was a pleasure to have you and your team stay with us. The neighbours mentioned to me that the boys were very polite and a great bunch of kids. Maybe see you again next year with a new bunch of U/12 boys. Thanks, Glenn. PS GO FALCONS.” This great feedback was sent on a postcard from the manager of the Horseshoe Bay Resort.

School Opinion Survey 2012
Each year, Education Queensland undertakes a survey of parents, staff members and students to gauge their satisfaction with important aspects of schooling. The surveys are being undertaken in the week beginning Monday 13 August 2012.

If you received a parent survey last week, please complete the survey and return to the school by Friday 24 August. This year the survey can be completed online or in paper form. Students and/or parents are asked to return the survey to the front office.

A new crane is helping with construction at Rockhampton Hospital and it needs a name. Visit http://www.health.qld.gov.au/cancer/ to download an entry form, then colour in the picture of the crane, give it a name and tell us why you chose that name. Entry forms are also available from the Information Desk at Stockland Rockhampton.

(Must be aged 3-14 to enter). The winner will receive an iPad donated by Managing Contractor Hansen Yuncken. Entries close at 5pm on September 17, so get colouring! Nb. This is not a Frenchville Competition.
2012 Science Results

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Great Work Students!

Fathers Day Stall – Time to send in gifts – Sorry Dads – wrong date in last week’s newsletter. Mums, this means less time to get organised!

FATHERS’ DAY STALL - URGENT
On Friday 31 AUGUST
BRING & BUY

Only children who donate a gift may buy one
Children are asked to donate a gift valued at approximately $2.00.

If your child does not wish to purchase a gift from our stall, you may still wish to donate one in support.

Please do not send dangerous items such as lighters, razors, pencil/craft knives or unsealed food (ie loose lollies).

Children please bring in your gifts NOW!
Gifts are required by Wednesday 29 August so we have time to sort them on Thursday before the stall.

Please wrap gifts in clear (non-coloured) cellophane

If you have any spare plastic shopping bags at home could you please send them into the office for the Fathers’ Day stall.

Help Needed

- Assistance is required to help run the stall on Friday 31 August anytime between 8.00am and 1.00pm. Any period of time that you can assist would be greatly appreciated.

- Help required to sort gifts on Wednesday from 2pm in the SAC

Thankyou for supporting this successful fund-raiser and special activity provided for the children.

123 MAGIC BOOSTER SESSION

All families that have completed the 1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching Parenting Program are invited to attend a booster session at Frenchville State School on Monday 10th September from 5:30-6:30pm.

It is understandable that some families may not have fully implemented the 1-2-3 Magic program, though I would like to encourage you to come along regardless of how far you got with it. This session will be very informal and will give you an opportunity to discuss any concerns or ask any questions that you may have. It will also be a great time to share experiences and learn from each other, as there is nothing as powerful as sharing stories and advice with other parents.

Places may be limited so please R.S.V.P by Thursday 6 September by phoning me on 4999 0333 or email dwebb58@eq.edu.au .

Debbie Webb or Greg Muller gmu12@eq.edu.au.

Ecumenical Religious Instruction – WEEK 8

On Thursday 30 August, Joh Klinjenburg will be visiting the school to speak to the Ecumenical religious instruction students only. Joh has pastored and ministered for over 25 years. He has worked in a variety of organisations including World Vision, School Chaplaincy, Qld University, Brisbane Youth Detention Centre Education Unit and Long Term Residential Care. Joh is a seasoned performer, songwriter and musician. He is passionate about engaging people to know God and grow in faith. The guest speaker has been organised by the Ecumenical religious instructors.

All Ecumenical students will attend the 30 minute session with Joh Klinjenburg, unless you withdraw permission for your child/ren to attend. To withdraw permission for your child, please communicate your request to the school office by 3:00pm Wednesday 29 August.

Walking Club

HEALTHY BODY = HEALTHY MINDS

Year 4 to 7 children meet Miss. Stokes and Mrs. Hewitt on the steps of the top oval on Tuesdays and Thursdays at second lunch play to walk the oval to enjoy the fresh air and sunshine – and each others’ company while gaining some fitness!

Remember to wear your hat and bring your water bottle.

Tuckshop Roster

Roster commencing Monday 27 August:

Monday: J Connolly, N Vea
Tuesday: K. Charlesworth, S Marsh
Wednesday: P. Simpson
Thursday: HELP NEEDED
Friday: J. Connolly, K. Boyland

Tuckshop Bags – Please make sure your child’s name and class is written on the bag. Big Lunch or Little Lunch must be indicated or the order will go out at Big Lunch.

C Hills (Convener)

Community Notices

Frenchville Falcons Cricket Club: Junior Sign on Frenchville Sports Club Clifton Street, North Rockhampton. Sign on will be held on the oval from 10am to 12noon Sunday 26 August 2012.

Rockhampton Cycling Club Inc. Come and Try Day Saturday 8 September - Kenrick Tucker Velodrome Berserker Street. For more information call Brett 0413089974 or Adonna Ruff 0412320139 Register online: www.rockhampt0ncyclingclub