

FHPS NEWSLETTER



Issue 2, Term 1, Week 3

Friday 16th February, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon 19th Feb	Year 1-6 Student Leaders Assembly - 9:00am	Tue 12th Mar	Division Swimming Sports
Wed 21st Feb	District Swimming Sports	Fri 15th Mar	Prep-2 Assembly - 1:20pm
Thu 22nd Feb	Year 2 Coal Creek Year 3 AIS Incursion	Wed 13th Mar - Fri 22nd Mar	Year 3 & 5 NAPLAN
Fri 23rd Feb	Year 3-6 Assembly - 1:20pm	Thu 21st Mar	Student Free Day
Mon 26th Feb	Year 3 Body Education Year 3 AIS incursion	Fri 22nd Mar	District Athletics Year 3-6 Assembly - 1:20pm
Wed 28th Feb	Year 4 Body Education	Tue 26th Mar	Italian Day
Mon 4th Mar - Mon 18th Mar	Smile Squad Dental Van	Wed 27th Mar	School Fun Run Regional Swimming
Mon 4th Mar	Year 3 Body Education	Thu 28th Mar	Easter Hat Parade Last Day of Term 1 (2:30pm finish)
Tue 5th Mar - Wed 6th Mar	Meet the Teacher - 3:50pm-6:50pm	Mon 15th Apr	First Day of Term 2
Wed 6th Mar	Year 4 Body Education		
Mon 11th Mar	Labour Day Public Holiday		
Fri 1st Mar	Prep-2 Assembly - 1:20pm		
Tue 5th Mar	Year 1 Activate Excursion		
Fri 8th Mar	Year 3-6 Assembly - 1:20pm		

UPCOMING STUDENT FREE DAYS

- Thursday 21st March
- Tuesday 28th May
- Monday 26th August

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

YEAR 1 – 6 HOUSE ATHLETICS

Congratulations to everyone who participated in or supported our Year 1-6 House Athletics Carnival today. It is another fantastic opportunity to utilise our house system at FHPS and to continue to build ties between teams in our school community. Well done to all participants for giving it your best effort and to all our parents and staff for your wonderful support. I look forward to handing over our Athletics Trophy to the winning House Captains once a winner is announced.

SIBLING ENROLMENT – PREP 2025

Thank you to our parents who have notified the office of another child in their family starting Prep in 2025. This greatly assists us in our planning, even at this early stage in the year. Even if you are unsure of whether you child will be joining us next year or the year after, please contact the office to ensure we have your details recorded. There is still a lot of development for each child over the year, and we know some decisions are left till Term 4. We already have several enrolment forms handed into the office, which is terrific.

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS – 5TH & 6TH MARCH

Our teachers are looking forward to our Parent Meetings scheduled at the beginning of March. Online bookings through our Sentral Portal will open shortly and you will receive a notification when the Portal is accepting bookings. Please follow the instructions that will be sent out to all families via Sentral to book a convenient time to meet with your child's teacher. These meetings are a great way to set your child up for another successful year. Whilst important information is shared, it is also a great way to build a strong and supportive home/school partnership through promoting positive and respectful communication with your child's teacher.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Just a reminder that School Council nomination forms can be collected from the office. We have 3 parent vacancies for 2024. Nominations must be handed to the office by 4pm – Friday 16th February.

PHOTOS FROM LAST WEEK'S SWIMMING





TERM 1 PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS

Close communication between home and school optimises the learning opportunities for all students.

All parents are asked to make a time to meet with their child's class teacher to share information relevant to the learning and general well-being of their child.

Meetings of 10 minutes duration will take place on:

- **Monday March 4 (Mr Juleff, Mr Herley & Ms Jenkins only)**
- **Tuesday March 5 (All class teachers & Ms Braun)**
- **Wednesday March 6 (Mr Juleff & Mr Herley not available)**

It is important that every family is represented at these interviews.

Your information and interest supports our ability to cater for your child's learning needs.

A student information form was sent home this week. Parents are asked to complete the form and return to their child's class teacher by Wednesday February 28.

Bookings OPEN on Sentral from 9am MONDAY FEBRUARY 19th.

Bookings CLOSE at 9pm on SUNDAY MARCH 3rd.



BOOKING YOUR PARENT-TEACHER MEETING

Follow the steps below to book your parent-teacher meeting.

- Go to the FHPS website and click on the **SENTRAL** link at the bottom of the home page
Log onto the **FHPS Parent portal** using your user name and password.

OR

From the **Sentral for Parents app** select the **INTERVIEWS** tab

- Click on the **PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEW** tab on the home page or the **INTERVIEW** tab on the app.
- Select the tab titled '2024 Term 1 Parent-Teacher Meetings'
- Select **TIMESLOTS**
- Select the **time** you would like to schedule your parent teacher meeting (available times are in black, unavailable in grey). If no times display when you select a certain date e.g., Monday March 4, it means the teacher is not available.
- A message will appear confirming your booking. Select **SAVE BOOKING**.
- Your appointment time will be displayed. Please take note of the date and time.

In the event that you **DO NOT** have access to the internet, please contact the school office and we will enter a booking time for you.

Michelle Smith
Assistant Principal

BACK TO SCHOOL WORKING BEE



Thank you to the families who came along to the January 'Back to School' working bee. A small, hard working group took to the grounds with gusto, shaping and preparing them for the start of the 2024 school year. Hedging, weeding, edging, mulching and mowing were all on the agenda. What a task! What a team!

Thank you to the following people for their commitment and support.

- Adam Carli and his business partner David, from Leaf Environmental Services, who volunteered hours to whipper snip edges and mow lawns.*
- Vera Eate, Mel Eate, Penny Giblett, Simon Laverick, Jess Heale and David Smith for garden and grounds maintenance.*
- David Hasell, our school maintenance person, for the hours of work put into getting the school ready for the start of school.*

Michelle Smith



FRIENDS OF HEIGHTS FIRST MEETING FOR THE 2024 SCHOOL YEAR

Monday February 26 at 9am in the Staffroom

All FHPS parents and friends are invited to attend. New faces are most welcome.

Friends of Heights (FOH) is a great opportunity to meet other parents, share ideas and become involved in school life.

Our Term 1 fundraising events are the School Fun Run and Easter Raffle.



FREE DENTAL

For all Victorian public school students

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

The Smile Squad team from Peninsula Health are coming to FHPS from Monday February 19.

How to access free dental care:

Smile Squad need your consent before they can provide services. Consent is usually provided

by a parent or guardian.

Sign up to Smile Squad at: <https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic>

Please complete and submit the consent form by Friday February 16.

Smile Squad dental packs

All children received a free dental pack containing a toothbrush, full sized toothpaste, and an

oral health brochure this week. Please take the time to read the brochure. It's full of helpful hints and tips to help your whole family eat well, drink well and clean well – for life.

Need assistance?

For more information, or if you need help filling in the form:

Email: smilesquad@dhsv.org.au

Phone: 1300 503 977

Visit: www.smilesquad.vic.gov.au

The Peninsula Health Smile Squad will be at FHPS from next week.

FHPS 2024 School Fun Run - Wednesday March 27



Our Year 6 student leaders will launch our 2024 School Fun Run on Monday February 19.

This exhilarating and vibrant event, held on Wednesday March 27, promises fun, fitness, and a kaleidoscope of colours. Students will navigate their way around the course through the large inflatables making memories with their friends, while they run, laugh, and get drenched in a spectrum of colours!

Funds raised will go towards **bike racks in the bike shed and beautifying the school grounds for students to enjoy and play.**

An information flyer and sponsorship booklet will be sent home on Monday February 19. Setting up your child's online account is easy:

- Head online to schoolfunrun.com.au
- Click on the student sign-up link to create a fundraising page
- Share your unique link with family and friends via text, email and social media.

Students who raise \$10 or more get to choose from a range of prizes. The more money raised, the better the prizes. The sponsorship booklet details the prizes available.

Looking forward to your support with this major fundraising venture.

Michelle Smith
Assistant Principal

FHPS 2024 TERM 1 ASSEMBLY ROSTER

ASSEMBLY AT FHPS LOOKS A LITTLE DIFFERENT THIS YEAR!

P-2 and Y3-6 student assemblies will alternate each week, with a whole school assembly held once a term. The change allows the assembly content to be tailored to the specific year levels, providing a more engaging experience for the students.

Assembly time has moved to 1:20pm on a Friday afternoon. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Students spend the last session of the school week engaging in learning activities and celebrating achievements with their class teacher, ending the week in a calm and positive manner.

DATE	TIME	YEAR LEVEL
Friday February 16	1:20pm	• Prep - Year 2 Assembly
Friday February 23	1:20pm	• Year 3 - 6 Assembly
Friday March 1	1:20pm	• Prep - Year 2 Assembly
Friday March 8	1:20pm	• Year 3 - 6 Assembly
Friday March 15	1:20pm	• Prep - Year 2 Assembly
Friday March 22	1:20pm	• Year 3 - 6 Assembly
Thursday March 28	9:00am	• Whole School Assembly

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Y3 & 4 BODY EDUCATION WITH KELLY NASH

Sexuality education is an essential component of the Victorian Curriculum. Primary school age students are expected to participate in a comprehensive and age appropriate sexual health education program.

Frankston Heights Primary School has been fortunate to engage the expertise of Kelly Nash to deliver 'Body Education' to our Year 3 and 4 students in Term 1. Kelly is a highly skilled, sought after educator. She creates a relaxed, inclusive and respectful learning environment to empower students with knowledge and understanding about their bodies.

It was great to see so many parents join the Body Education Parent Webex information session on Tuesday. The content Kelly delivers is age appropriate and based on the Victorian Curriculum. During her presentation, Kelly recommended a resource for parents titled, Talk Soon, Talk Often.

Please click on this link to download a PDF version <https://www.healthywa.wa.gov.a...>

BODY EDUCATION SESSION DETAILS

Year 3 & 4 course (2x 50 minute sessions).

Permission note and payment are due today, **Friday February 16.**

Session dates

- Year 3: Monday February 26 and Monday March 4

- Year 4: Wednesday February 28 and Wednesday March 6

Each student will participate in two sessions with their class. The class teacher will be present for both sessions.

The program will focus on:

- similarities and differences in bodies
- private parts and private places
- body safety

Michelle Smith
Assistant Principal



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