



10 Corkill Street
 Freshwater QLD 4870
 Subscribe: <https://freshwaterss.schoolzineplus.com/subscribe>

Email: principal@freshwaterss.eq.edu.au
 Phone: 4058 9222



20th May, 2022

A WORD FROM THE PRINCIPAL

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/lviBk-RIGP4?showinfo=1&el=0>

UNDER 8's DAY
 Wednesday, 22nd June
 Enjoy a variety of arts and crafts (painting, wands, crowns) along with face painting, games, bubbles and many more fun activities

IMPORTANT DATES

- FSS Election Day Sausage Sizzle: Saturday, 21st May
- Girls AFLQ Schools Cup (Years 4 to 6): Tuesday, 24th May
- Year 3 Excursion to Kur-Cow: Wednesday, 25th May
- Fanfare Regional Heats: Thursday, 26th May
- Boys AFLQ Schools Cup (Years 4 to 6): Friday, 27th May
- Whole School Assembly (Prep to Year 6): Friday, 27th May (2.15pm)
- Prep to Year 3 Assembly: Friday, 3rd June
- Prep Vision Screening: Monday, 13th June
- Celebration of Music Night: Wednesday, 15th June
- Cairns and District Eisteddfod: Wednesday, 22nd June

WEDNESDAY
22nd JUNE
2022

Freshwater STATE SCHOOL

UNDER 8'S DAY

'PLAY IN A CHANGING WORLD'

OUR P&C WILL BE SELLING SNACKS & COFFEE FROM 9.30AM

Date: Wednesday, 22nd June, 2022
Time: 9.00am to 10.30am
Location: Top Oval

SAVE THE DATE

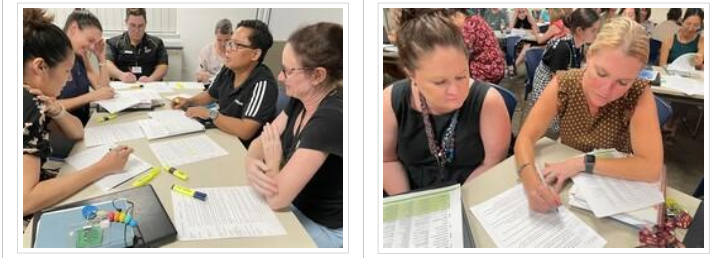
SPORTING EVENTS:
 800m and High Jump Finals (Years 3 to 6): Thursday, 23rd June
 Athletics Carnival (Years 3 to 6): Friday, 24th June
 Prep to Year 2 Athletics Carnival: Thursday, 14th July

DP PARTICULARS

A Message from Deputy Principal Maree Harris

Building a Culture for Learning

Our staff meetings in the past six weeks have focussed on growing our knowledge of classroom culture for learning. This has taken the form of professional conversations around the latest research, what we already have in place and how we modify our practice to implement these new learnings.



Some of the topics we have explored include:

- challenge our thinking – making learning active
- developing effective feedback strategies
- creating safe classroom environment where students see mistakes as learnings
- fixed vs growth mindsets – being open to trying new things
- formal and informal ways to identify if students have met the success criteria – formative assessment

Our meetings have been focussed on sharing our understandings and exploring opportunities to create strategies that support students. This helps student to be able to answer the following questions:

1. Where am I going?
2. How am I going?
3. What's next?

These are critical to helping students develop ownership over their own learning each day.



Maree Harris
Deputy Principal - Years 4 to 6

GOODBYE MR SPANNER

After 36 years at Freshwater State School, Mr Russell Spanner has announced his retirement.

To acknowledge this achievement, we invite you to join us at a special assembly on Friday, 27th May from 2.15pm onwards in the Canopy.

We hope to see you there.



PREP VISION SCREENING

The Primary School Nurse Health Readiness Program will be screening at Freshwater State School commencing on Monday, 13th June 2022. This is a Queensland Government service that offers Free Vision Screening to all children enrolled in Prep.

Free Prep Vision Screening

is coming

Have you completed your consent form yet?



Please scan this QR code to complete your child's consent form by **Thursday, 2 June 2022** to secure your spot



If your child is in Prep and you would like their vision screened, you will need to complete a consent form.

<https://visionscreening.health.qld.gov.au/ParentalConsent/1102mgKb>

Please note: The consent form link will close on Thursday, 2 June 2022.

For further information, please refer to the following FAQ's:

https://freshwaterss.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1778/online_consent_form_faqs.pdf

PREP - MY FIRST YEAR PHOTOSHOOT

Next week, Freshwater State School will proudly introduce our Prep students to the local community via the 'My First Year' feature in the Cairns Post.

The print edition of this feature will be published in the Cairns Post on Wednesday, 25th May.



LIBRARY TIDINGS

Reading Passports

Students are doing a wonderful job of completing their Reading Passports. Many students have already read their first ten books and are now onto their second Passport. With only five weeks left till end of the term, please encourage your child to borrow, read and return at the Library.

Sora Student eLibrary

Audio books are a great way to enjoy the benefits of reading while keeping your hands free.



Check out the many eBooks and audio books available at our eLibrary, Sora. Easy instructions are below. Your students MIS-ID is the same as their User Name they use to access devices at school.

Getting started with Sora

With Sora, you can get free ebooks and audiobooks from your school.

- Download and open the Sora app on your device.
- Choose **Find my school**.
 - If **Education Queensland** is in the list, tap **This is my school**.
 - If not, tap **My school isn't listed** and search for **Education Queensland**. When you find Education Queensland, tap **This is my school**.
 Finish signing in with your **MIS-ID**.
- Browse the **Explore** tab and borrow a book. Your book will open so you can start reading right away.
- Close the book and go to your **Shelf** to see all your books (including assignments). From there, you can:
 - Tap **Open Book** or **Open Audiobook** to read or listen to the book.
 - Tap **Options** to renew or return the book, see your notes, and more.

For more help with Sora, visit help.soraapp.com.

© OverDrive, Inc. 1

*"Books are the plane,
and the train, and the road.
They are the destination,
and the journey.
They are home."*

*-Anna Quindlen; author and Pulitzer Prize winner for
Commentary 1992-*

Yours in literary adventures,
Amanda Glaspy

FRESHIE WASTE WARRIORS

We have started our Freshie Waste Warriors project this week with the Upper School. Lower school will commence in Week 6. Small bins have been placed in the canopy and we ask students to start placing any food scraps like fruit peel etc into these bins.



A representative from the Student Council will then empty these bins into our 5 compost bins and spin so that the compost can then be used in our gardens.



Our new vegetable gardens are looking great. Thanks to Mr Ibbett and the Student Council representatives who were chosen to plant some vegetables last term. These vegies will be used by the tuckshop.



ELECTION DAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE

It wouldn't be election day without a sausage sizzle! We invite you to support the Freshwater State School sausage sizzle tomorrow (Saturday, 21st May).

We are still looking for some volunteers to help us man this stall. Please email tuckshop@freshwaterpandc.com.au if you are able to assist:

- 1 x 10am spot available
- 2 x 12noon spots available
- 2 x 1pm spots available



CELEBRATING P & C DAY

Today is P & C Day.

We would like to take a moment to reflect on the importance of the P & C in our school community.

To our outgoing P & C Executive, thank you for all of your efforts to improve our wonderful school.

To our new P & C Executive, we look forward to supporting you to achieve great things in the coming year!

To all of our wonderful P & C volunteers - we say thank you for the contributions you make to our school. Your efforts are so very much appreciated.



The P & C are always looking for new members, especially with our upcoming fete happening in August. It is your way to make a difference in our Community.

<https://freshwaterss.eq.edu.au/our-community/pandc>

P & C CHRONICLES

P & C Executive

The P&C held its first general meeting with the newly elected executive on Monday, 9th May. Thanks to all of our parents

and members for showing up to have your say. Sadly, Michelle McCarthy had to resign from her position of Secretary. A new election was held at the last meeting which was able to fill our vacant roles from within. The new positions were filled by:

Treasurer – Tara Younger

Secretary – Skye Fruean

Congratulations to both on their new positions.

Save the Date for the Freshie Fete

The date for the 2022 Freshie Fete has been set! Save August 13th in your diaries for a fabulous day of fete fun!

Now we have a date we desperately need volunteers to make it happen. We will be seeking an enthusiastic volunteer to be our Fete Coordinator as well as looking to fill multiple other roles. This awesome day out cannot happen without the generous support and donations from our parents and the Freshwater community.



We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the first Freshie Fete planning meeting on Wednesday, 25th May at 6pm in the OSHC building. Please come and have your say. If unable to attend please drop us an email to register your interest to be involved: admin@freshwaterpandc.com.au

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

Prep Enrolments for 2023

Prep enrolments for 2023 have now opened.

<https://freshwaterss.eq.edu.au/Enrolments?msclkid=8dab0205c11711ec95fc462407e3faa9>

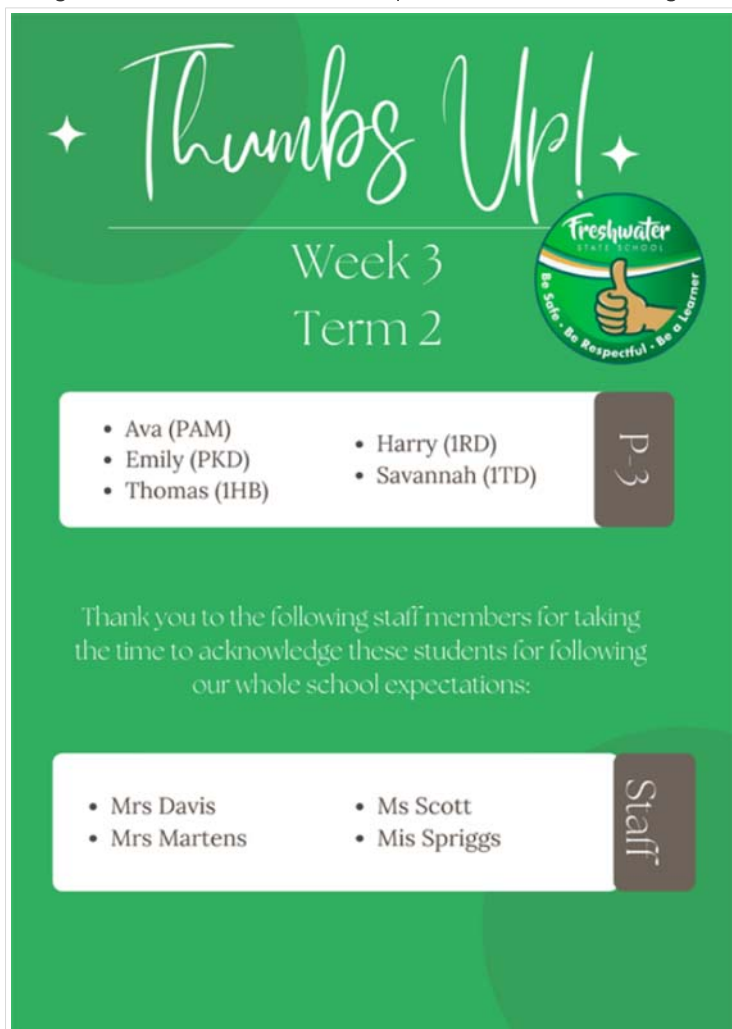
Please return completed enrolments to principal@freshwaterss.eq.edu.au

Alternatively, we invite you to collect an enrolment pack from our administration office.

Please note, parents of Prep (2023) students with siblings already attending Freshwater State School are still required to complete an enrolment application form.


Thumbs Up Winners

Congratulations to our 'Thumbs Up' winners for this fortnight:



Thumbs Up!

Week 3
Term 2



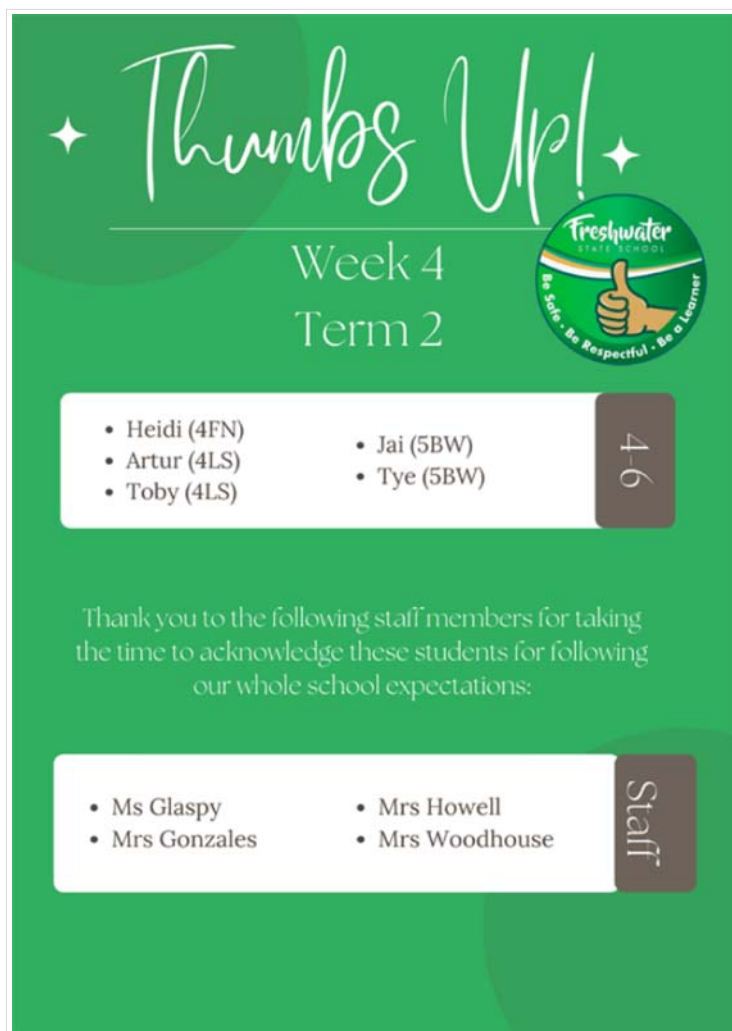
- Ava (PAM)
- Emily (PKD)
- Thomas (IHB)
- Harry (IRD)
- Savannah (ITD)

P-3

Thank you to the following staff members for taking the time to acknowledge these students for following our whole school expectations:


- Mrs Davis
- Mrs Martens
- Ms Scott
- Mis Spriggs

Staff



Thumbs Up!

Week 4
Term 2



- Heidi (4FN)
- Artur (4LS)
- Toby (4LS)
- Jai (5BW)
- Tye (5BW)

4-6

Thank you to the following staff members for taking the time to acknowledge these students for following our whole school expectations:

- Ms Glaspy
- Mrs Gonzales
- Mrs Howell
- Mrs Woodhouse

Staff

School Photos

Great news - our school photos were distributed to students earlier this week.

If you have not yet received your ordered photos, we ask that you make contact with the classroom teacher in the first instance.

If the classroom teacher is unable to assist you, please contact NQ Photos directly on 4035 5388 to follow up the status of your order.

Early Departures and/or Changes to Travel/Collection Arrangements

If you require your child to leave school early or travel home via a different method than normal, please send a note to school for the teacher. Telephone messages received during the day are hard to pass on without disrupting not only your child's learning, but the learning of others too.

- Be prepared in the morning and ensure these travel arrangements are made and shared with your child well in advance of the start of the school day.
- In the case of an unforeseen emergency, the school will of course do everything in its power to deliver a message to your child, however the school cannot guarantee telephone messages received after 2.30pm will be able to be passed onto students. Our office staff have many processes in place to locate students and classes within our school, but at times it can be difficult if given a short time frame.

For general absences, the day your child is away, please text the following information to:

0426 305 960

- Student's Name
- Student's Year Level/Class
- Reason for Absence (Illness, COVID, Isolating, Family Reasons, Appointment etc)
- Period of the absence

This is the most efficient method of notifying of a student absence.

If this method of communication is not available to you, we ask that you email the absence notification through to: absences@freshwaterss.eq.edu.au

School Office Hours

Please be reminded our school office hours are 8.15am to 3.30pm. Office doors will only be unlocked from 8.15am and will be closed at 3.30pm.

We thank you for your understanding and support in allowing our dedicated office staff to work on many other important tasks.

Student of the Week Awards

Congratulations to our 'Student of the Week' award winners for Week 4, Term 2 (Years 4 to 6 only):

4LS	Artur
4LS	Harmony
4FN	Eluka
4FN	Elita
4TR	Koby
4TR	Luna
4ES	Emil
4ES	Tahlay
5GC	Jack
5GC	Jasper
5KF	Sora
5KF	Michael
5BW	Declan
5BW	Ollie
6NT	Aaliyah
6NT	Jimmy
6NL	Zackary
6NL	Ai
6SP	Tanisha
6SP	Kiara
6LG	Stella
6LG	Isabella
MUSIC	Ashar

MUSIC	Madeleine
P.E.	Honor
P.E.	Leoni
JAPANESE	Penina
JAPANESE	Emily
IT	Mosese
IT	Tobin

Congratulations also to our 'Student of the Week' award winners Week 5, Term 2 (Prep to Year 3 only):

Prep GW	Amaliah
Prep GW	Peter
Prep TE	Aaron
Prep TE	Lui
Prep EN	Wame
Prep EN	Seji
Prep KD	Marlow
Prep KD	Grace
Prep AM	Kambelle
Prep AM	Ava
1NJ	Alana
1NJ	Billie
1HB	Lisesse
1HB	Elliot
1RD	Elijah
1RD	Camden
1TD	Beau
1TD	lylah
2BM	Kasch
2BM	Rachel
2NS	Isla
2NS	Matthew
2KD	Mikey
2KD	Sophia
2RO	Evie
2RO	Zara
3LS	Ada
3LS	Lakyn
3AM	Lucy
3AM	Amelie
3BW	Harper
3BW	Lani
3CG	Nina
3CG	Marley
MUSIC	Samuel
MUSIC	Piper
P.E.	Shenuka
P.E.	Anne
JAPANESE	Rykah
JAPANESE	Orlando
IT	Savannah
IT	Cael

MUSICAL NOTES

Instrumental Music Fanfare Update

The Freshwater State School Senior String Orchestra and Concert Band will be performing at the Fanfare Regional Heats this coming **Thursday 26th May**. This event will be held at the Smithfield State High School Centre for Performing Arts and Athlete Development (CADPA). Parents of participants will need to provide transport to and from this venue and are invited to stay and watch the event and adjudication.

If your child is definitely attending this event, please complete the online form that was emailed home. If you did not receive it, the link is below and **due by Monday 23rd May**.

<https://freshwaterss.schoolzineplus.com/form/322>

Student arrival times for the heats are as follows:

Senior String Orchestra: 3:45pm

Senior Concert Band: 4:15pm

Students will need to wear their music performance uniform and bring their instrument, music and water bottle.

We would like to acknowledge the efforts of our instrumental music staff and students as they have prepared for this event and wish them every success this coming week as they represent our school.

Celebration of Music Night

Please save the date **Wednesday, 15th June** for our 'Celebration of Music Night'.

This will be a night to showcase the learning that occurs for our club programs, junior and senior instrumental music ensembles and choral programs at Freshwater State School.

Eisteddfod

The Freshwater State School Senior Choir will be performing at the Cairns and District Eisteddfod on **Wednesday, 22nd June**. Leading up to this event, it is important that students are attending every rehearsal and bringing their required music. Rehearsals start at 8:00am in the music room.

Sheree Howell

Music Specialist Teacher

ON POINT WITH PE

Congratulations Mia!

Huge Congratulations to Mia (5GC) for being selected in the Peninsula 10-12 Years Cross Country team. Mia will now represent the Peninsula Region at the Queensland 10-12 Years Cross Country State Championships on the Gold Coast in July. Well done and good luck Mia.

TCN Trials

Please see below details of upcoming TCN trials:



The poster features a blue background with a red border. At the top left is a stylized white fish logo. To its right, the letters 'TCN' are written in large, bold, white font. Below this, the text '10-19 YEARS DISTRICT SCHOOL SPORT' is written in a smaller white font. Underneath that, the word 'SOFTBALL' is written in very large, bold, white letters. A horizontal red line separates this from the text 'GIRLS 10-12 YEARS' below it. Another horizontal white line is below that. At the bottom, the text 'Paper Nominations to be submitted by Tuesday 31 May' is written in white. A final horizontal white line is at the very bottom, followed by the text 'Please see Mrs Knight for further information and permission forms.' in white.

Interested students are asked to contact me for further information and forms.

Kristen Knight

Specialist Teacher - PE