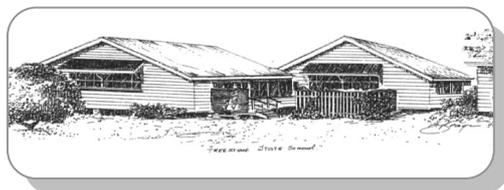


Term 1
Week 6

Thursday
01 march
2018

The Freestone Flyer

Newsletter of the Freestone State School



Our school community is working together to ensure that every student is learning and achieving every day.

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It's so exciting! We are now into March and our major fundraiser is coming up on the 17th. It's our Annual Trivia Night with great food, challenging questions and amazing prizes. (Not to mention delicious nibbles and reasonably priced drinks!). If you have not already done so please book a table.

You can also support us by purchasing raffle tickets. Money raised from this event goes directly into the school for swimming lessons, whole school camps and we are hoping to use some of the funds to improve the school grounds.

I would like to thank Karen and the P&C team on the effort they have put into planning the event and I can't wait for a fun night out.

Over the last week we have noticed more diaries are coming in signed, which is great. This is a valuable communication tool and from time to time we may pop in a message which we feel is important. Hopefully the messages are mostly positive but we may put something in that relates to safety or getting along with others. These messages are not intended to get your child into trouble, it's more to make you aware of the situation and have a quiet talk about how that action may not have been the best decision and how to prevent it from happening again. We know we have high expectations but that's what makes our school such a happy environment to learn and work because we respect each other and feel safe. Once again, if you have any queries or concerns please feel free to give me a call or send me a message so we can talk about it further.

As you know, our school focus is on reading. Success in reading means success across all other curriculum areas. Our morning buddy reading is going well but something I have noticed is that when I have students read to me and then ask them about what they have read, they look surprised that I expect them to remember it! When your child reads to you at home, or you read to them an important skill is to be able to recall details from the text. Please try and take the time to ask a few questions about what has been read. (These questions can even be details in the pictures as it is important to scan the page for clues as to what the book is about). This will help your child when they read in class and have to answer questions. The goal this coming week is to remember what we read!

Unfortunately I am away several days this week. Yesterday, I attended NAPLAN Online training which was very interesting and there are plans to make this test better suited to the individual student, which is very positive. Today I am at a Curriculum and Cluster Meeting and then tomorrow I have been asked to represent our cluster at a meeting in Dalby. Mrs Devine and Mrs Lax will be replacing me, which the students are looking forward to.

Have a great week

Lamia Wilson Principal

Calendar of Events:

Freestone SS P&C Assoc General & AGM Meeting	
P&C Association Trivia Night Meeting	Friday 2 March 3:30pm School Library
Freestone Hall Pizza Night	Friendly Friday 9 March
Lazy Sunday Afternoon	Sunday 11 March Steve's b'day
Freestone SS Trivia Night	Saturday 17 March
Warwick Show Freestone SS Public Holiday	Friday 23 March
Last Day of Term 1	Thursday 29 March
Good Friday	Friday 30 March

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to help build our classroom resources

Freestone State School

Mobile Phone number
0484333563

Child sick, early pick up, catching the bus home or running late, TEXT US.



Congratulations



A past Freestone family recently celebrated a wedding. Well done Casey & Daniel.



Random Acts of Kindness Term 1 Week 3, 4 & 5

Well done **Shaniqua** for being encouraging and supportive of Monty during the morning movement activity.

Thank you **Matthew** for showing a caring attitude to an upset fellow student.

There are so many random acts of kindness that go unseen every day at the Freestone State School. Thank you to all our students for making our school a wonderful place to be.



Absences and Notifications

Many thanks to our parents who have been so good about notifying the school with either a phone call or text message, when their child is away. It certainly helps me as there is one less thing I have to chase up once school gets underway.

~ Tuckshop Roster ~

Date	Meal Maker	Dessert
02 March	Milkshakes only	Carmel
09 March	TBA—Kristina & Carmel	Jelly cups Emily
16 March	Milkshakes only	Sharon
23 March	Show holiday t'shop Thursday to be confirmed	
29 March	End of Term tuckshop day & options to be confirmed	

Freestone Community Hall upcoming events. All welcome

Friday 9 March will be another Freestone Friendly Friday at the hall. This time it will be pizza night from 5:30-8:30.

Interested in a Lazy Sunday Afternoon, if so come along to the hall at 3pm on the **15 March** and help celebrate Steve's birthday.

For more information on events happening at the hall call Kathy Payne on 46661672.

Ideas to Enhance Reading Aloud to Your Older Children

- Select books that are appropriate for your child's emotional, social & intellectual level,
- Read books that represent a variety of writing styles.
- Select stories with conversation & some drama or suspense.
- Select unfamiliar stories.
- Allow enough time to create interest in the story before you must stop reading.
- Read the title & ask questions that will arouse their curiosity.
- Name the author & illustrator and if possible tell them something about each one.
- Make sure your posture and facial expressions reflect interest in the story.
- Read slowly enough for the child to have time to picture the words and assign meaning to them.
- Before you begin to read another chapter in a book, ask "What was happening when we finished reading last time?"
- Have the child make predictions about the outcomes.

For younger children

- Use character voices
- Pace your reading to fit the story.

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