

HAPPY HAVEN IS CURRENTLY STILL ABLE TO OFFER Out of School Hours Care

OSHC Service hours (6:45 – 8:45am and 3:00 – 6:15pm)

Outside of these hours the mobile number is available for you to leave a voice message or send a text message regarding bookings/absences.

HAPPY HAVEN - FREELING SERVICE – DIRECT 0404 735 135

PLEASE REMEMBER STUDENTS ARE NOT TO BE ON SCHOOL GROUNDS BEFORE 8:30am

NEW RECEPTION STUDENTS FOR 2024



ROOM 1



ROOM 2

QUICK and EASY COMMUNICATION USING the SEESAW APP

In preparation to receive school information and make contact with your child's teacher, we ask that you download the SEESAW APP available free of charge from the APP Store or GOOGLE PLAY STORE. Information about joining your child's/children's class group has been shared by the class teachers.

At this stage, all school newsletters will be sent to class teachers who will send them out to families via the SEESAW APP.

DIARY DATES

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 13th

Meet the Teacher

5 – 5:45pm

GOVERNING COUNCIL

MEETING & AGM

7pm in the Staffroom

Everyone Welcome

Mon 19th – Fri 23rd

Swimming

Rec – Yr 5

MARCH

Friday 1st

School Clean-up Day

Friday 8th

PUPIL FREE DAY (TBC)

Monday 11th

ADELAIDE CUP

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Mon 13th – Mon 25th

NAPLAN Testing

Tues 26th - Thurs 28th

Year 6 Aquatics Camp

Port Vincent

Friday 29th

GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL

Monday 1st

EASTER MONDAY

Friday 12th

EARLY DISMISSAL

Assembly timetable

Week 3:

Week 6:

WELCOME TO 2024

Welcome to the 2024 school year: A calm and happy start to the year. We have 236 students in the school and 35 in the Preschool starting in 2024. It was lovely to see so many happy families entering the school and dropping in to chat with staff. It is always memorable observing the first day of school for our Preschool and Reception students. The vast majority went trooping off into the class and yard without a backwards glance. We think there are usually more tears from parents! Although we're not sure if these are tears of joy, happiness, sadness or relief that holidays are over. We welcome all new and returning families and look forward to partnering with you in your child's learning journey.

Breakfast Club: Is back for 2024! In the STEM space Wednesday mornings between 8:30 – 8:50am. Thank you to the Lutheran Church for providing this service to our students.

Drop off & pick up: Parents and carers are allowed to enter classrooms to drop children off if they need this support. It's also nice when you pop in just to say hi to our staff. Please use Seesaw to request a meeting time if you need to have a private meeting with teachers (anything more than a one minute chat). The morning drop off is often unsuitable due to the busy nature of setting up for the day and with 20 – 30 students in each class, teachers are often not able to catch up with so many families. So, we need these meetings to be scheduled at a mutually convenient time.

Parking: The start and finish of school is often quite dangerous on the roads around schools. Please obey the parking and speed restrictions to keep all students and families safe.

Meet the teacher & Governing Council AGM: Save the date: Tuesday February 13th to come along and visit your child's classroom and meet the teacher/s from 5:00 – 5:45pm followed by our Governing Council AGM at 7pm.

Events Term 1: Swimming lessons for Reception to year 5 from 19th -23rd February, Proposed Pupil Free Day Tuesday 8th March (before Adelaide Cup public holiday), NAPLAN for Year 3 and 5 students between 13th – 25th March, Aquatics Camp Yr 6's between 26th- 28th March. We look forward to sharing a successful and exciting year full of new learning, friendships and achievement.

FPS Leadership Team

Angela, Luke, Kaylene & Irene

2024 STAFF ROLES

The following are our 2024 classes and teachers:

Preschool	Preschool	Dawn Karlovcec, Sarah Koch
Room 1	Reception	Carlee Tredrea
Room 2	Reception	Sally Gardner
Room 3	Year 3/4	Sara Dobson (Term 1)/Anabel Pascoe (Term 2,3,4)
Room 4	Year 3/4	Lynne Randall
Room 6	Year 1/2	Ella McKaye
Room 7	Year 1/2	Sue Bishop
Room 8	Year 1/2	Rachel Meinhardt
Room 9	Year 5/6	Heidi Markwick
Room 10	Year 4/5	Emily Taylor
Room 11	Year 5/6	Coby Rodda

Specialist Teachers:

Japanese	Kerry Goodridge (UP, Tues/Wed); Abby Jones (JP, Thurs/Fri)
Performing Arts	Emily Hewitt (Mon/Tues)
Technologies	Matt MacKay (Thurs/Fri), Beth Ennis (Tues/Wed)
Numeracy First	Linda Pearson (Wed/Fri, Supporting High Band learners in Maths)
Literacy First	Kaylene Frost (Supporting High Band learners in Reading)

This year we welcome new staff to FPS:

Ella McKaye, after recently graduating I'm excited to undertake my first teaching position at Freeling Primary. I am looking forward to putting into practise everything I have learnt through my four years of study and working as an SSO during this time.

Sara Dobson, I am excited to be part of the FPS community teaching a year 3/4 class which is my favourite age group. Looking forward to being a part of their learning journey.

Beth Ennis, I'm so excited to be teaching Technology at Freeling Primary! I have been teaching for the past 10 years and have lots of experience in primary classrooms. I have just finished maternity leave and have two young boys of my own. I'm looking forward to being a part of the Freeling Primary School community.

Matt Mackay, in Technologies I'm looking forward to seeing the children's creative thinking, problem solving and the products they produce.

Linda Pearson, I'm looking forward to working with students in my new role as the Numeracy First Co-ordinator.

Mel Reschke, looking forward to working with the Indigenous students as the new ACEO (Aboriginal Community Education Officer).

Our Ancillary team:

Office: Marie Chinner, Deb Meaney, Kylie Edwards

Library & Intervention: Gen Charles

ICT: Kylie Dennis

Intervention: Charmaine McInnes

Classroom & Preschool support: Amy Warner, Laura Schultz, Kelly Coombe, Fiona Toner, Genevieve Charles, Nicole Shaw, Felicity Hams, Karma Kavanagh, Brandon Fidoch and trainee: Chelsea Scholz

Grounds: Brian Tomlinson

Our leadership team: Angela Jenkins (Principal), Luke Shepley (Deputy Principal), Kaylene Frost (Literacy Coordinator), Irene Simpendorfer (term 1 & 2) & Sonia Nelson (Wellbeing Coordinator)



Ella McKaye



Beth Ennis



Matt Mackay



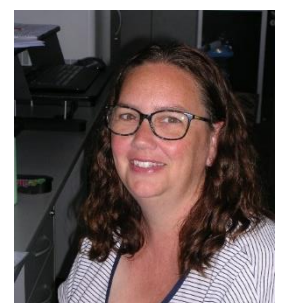
Sara Dobson



Mel Reschke



Linda Pearson



Kylie Edwards



Parents will receive information and invoices including due dates and payment details this week. Please look out for this in your child's school bag.

Student and Family Personal Information – If any of your details have changed, please let the school know **as soon as possible**. It is critical that this information is up to date in the event that we need to contact you. Please let the school know if your mobile numbers, email address, postal and home addresses and emergency contacts have changed.

School Card Applications are due **Friday 8th March**.

Applications are open now and available online. To apply online go to www.sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard for forms and more information. Alternatively, you can collect a form from the school front office.

School and Preschool Fees are due **by Friday 8th March** can be made by:

- Cash
- EFTPOS Credit Card (in person or over the phone)
- EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer)

Name: Freeling Primary School

BSB No.: 105 109

Account No.: 396 038 240

(PLEASE REMEMBER TO USE A REFERENCE & CHILD'S NAME – ie. SMITH & FEES)

- Instalments – prior arrangement must be made with the Finance Officer, Marie Chinner.
- Preschool fees of \$85 per term can be paid by week 4 of each term or \$340 in full **by Friday 8th March**.

DUE DATES

THURSDAY 15th FEBRUARY

Swimming Rec - Yr 5 **\$47**

FRIDAY 8th MARCH

School Fees **\$287**

Preschool Fees **\$340**

School Card Applications



ROOMS 3 & 4 LOOK FABULOUS AFTER HAVING NEW CARPET LAID IN THE HOLIDAYS

Student Voice 2024

I am pleased to announce the Student Voice committee leaders for 2024 are as follows;

Wellbeing – Mia Kallem

Communications – Madison Watts

Environment – Amelia McCarthy

Fundraising – Jackson Foster

Congratulations to all students who nominated, as well as our chosen leaders. Class representatives and proxies will be decided early in term 1, with an induction ceremony to take place at the week 6 assembly. I look forward to working with this year's Student Voice team.

Mrs Simpendorfer (Mrs S 😊)





Parents & Friends

Week 2

TUESDAY 6th February

Chicken Wedges \$5.00
(Cucumber, cherry tomatoes, carrot, cheese)

Icy swing \$2.50

Fruit box \$1.50

Choc or strawberry milk \$2.00

Helpers : Lucy O'Leary & Rachel Lobrovic

Week 3

TUESDAY 13th February

Ham & Cheese
Cheese Croissant \$4.00

Choc chip cookie (2) \$2.00

Fruit box \$1.50

Choc or strawberry milk \$2.00


Helpers : Rachel Lobrovic & Ella Wunderlich

Week 4

TUESDAY 20th February

NO SCHOOL LUNCHES

SWIMMING WEEK



DON'T FORGET!

SCHOLASTIC

Book Club

orders are due:

14th February, 2024



IMAGINE THE FUN

Woolworths CRICKET BLAST

Join Woolworths Cricket Blast
Designed for kids to learn skills, exercise, and make friends.

GREENOCK CRICKET CLUB BLASTERS
MONDAY 12 FEB - MONDAY 25 MARCH

GREENOCK OVAL
4.30PM - 5.30PM



SIGN UP TODAY!

Play Cricket

PROUDLY PRESENTED BY

Woolworths

CRICKET AUSTRALIA



PLAYGROUP [A+]

FREELING P-6

Learn • Grow • Make Friends

Play, Learn & Grow Together

Fridays during school Terms
9am-10:30am

GOVERNING COUNCIL AGM

The 2024 Governing Council AGM will be held on Tuesday 13th February at 7pm. Nomination forms are included in this newsletter for anyone interested in joining Governing Council. Members serve for a two year period. At the end of 2023 Amy Warner, Kallem Bhargava and Travis Markwick (1 Year Community Rep) completed their terms, so we are seeking nominations from parents and community to join (re-join). Meetings occur in Weeks 3 and 8 of each term on a Tuesday at 7pm. Please contact the school or one of the members below for further information. 2023 parent representatives on Governing Council were:

Rachel Lobrovic - Chairperson (Continuing 2024)

Kallem Bhargava - Vice Chairperson (***position open for nomination***)

Karina Heinrich - Treasurer/Finance Committee (Continuing 2024)

Jay Summerton - Parent Rep (Continuing 2024)

Mark Duncan - Parent Rep (Continuing 2024)

Amy Warner - Parent Rep (***position open for nomination***)

Travis Markwick - Community Rep (One Year only) (***position open for nomination***)

We are looking forward to another busy, productive and rewarding year working with the Governing Council on the strategic directions of the school.

What is Governing Council?

From the Department for Education website:

[Governing councils](#) are bodies that govern a school or preschool.

Governing councils work with the site leader (principal or director) to help set and monitor the direction of a site.

A governing council meets regularly to talk about the direction for the site. The timing of meetings can be different for each site, but it's no less than twice a term.

Meetings are a big part of being on a governing council, but it's not only that. In your role on the council, you might:

- be on an interview panel to select the site's principal or director
- need to deal with media in response to an event or a good news story
- be an [employing authority of out of school hours care \(OSHC\)](#) or canteen staff.

SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

You do not work alone when you are on a governing council. You and the site leader have shared responsibilities, but your day-to-day involvement is different.

SOME DIFFERENCES BETWEEN GOVERNANCE AND DAY-TO-DAY MANAGEMENT

In your role on a governing council, you work with the site leader to:

- involve the local community
- develop and approve local policies
- set the broad direction and vision of the site
- monitor and review the [site improvement plan](#)
- be the [employing authority](#) of some services, including OSHC and canteen.

Site leaders work with governing councils to:

- give educational leadership
- carry out the site's policies
- carry out the site improvement plan.
- [Governing councils responsibilities \(education.sa.gov.au\)](https://www.education.sa.gov.au/governing-councils-responsibilities)



***FREELING PRIMARY SCHOOL GOVERNING COUNCIL
SELF NOMINATION FOR ELECTION FORM***

Parent Member Nomination

I (full name)

of (address)

wish to declare my candidacy to be elected as a member of Freeling Primary School Governing Council.

I hereby declare that:

- I am the parent of a child attending the school or enrolled, but not yet attending the school.
- I am / am not employed by the Department for Education under the PSM Act or Education Act.
- I have not been declared bankrupt and do not receive a benefit of a law for the relief of insolvent debtors.
- I have not been convicted of any offence of dishonesty, or of a sexual nature involving a minor, or of violence against a person.

I understand that should I be declared bankrupt, receive a benefit of law for the relief of insolvent debtors or be convicted of any offence of dishonesty, or of a sexual nature involving a minor, or of violence against a person, I will be required to relinquish my membership of Freeling Primary School Governing Council as I will no longer meet the membership requirements.

Signed.....

Date.....





***FREELING PRIMARY SCHOOL GOVERNING COUNCIL
SELF NOMINATION FOR ELECTION FORM***

Community Member Nomination

I *(full name)*

of *(address)*

wish to declare my candidacy to be elected as a member of Freeling Primary School Governing Council.

I hereby declare that:

- I am / am not employed by the Department for Education under the PSM Act or Education Act.
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Signed.....

Date.....

