

# College Connect

Term 1, Week 10  
Friday 12 April 2019

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to our second College Connect for 2019. It has been a great term for our students who have taken advantage of the many opportunities that Fremantle College has to offer. I have lost count of the number of extra curricula activities offered to them such as Debating, Mock Trials, Follow the Dream Camp, Music Camp, Music Showcase, AFL Camp, Year 12 Ball and Year 11 River Cruise, to mention just a few. It was also wonderful to see so many awards be given out to students displaying our college values at our recent year assemblies. Our students are actively engaged in furthering their education and sharing their experiences with others. Our staff go to great lengths to ensure that students are receiving the highest quality education, extensive and diverse opportunities.

Our Parent Teacher nights held in Weeks 9 and 10 of this term were a great success, with many families taking advantage of the opportunity to meet with their child's teachers. The holidays are a great time for students to reflect on their patterns of behaviour throughout Term 1 and think about how productive they have been in meeting their goals. We know that students with high attendance, high academic achievement and positive behaviour will have positive life outcomes as the skills to be successful at school are also the skills to be successful at life. Student results, attendance and other information is readily available through Connect and the term break is a great time to discuss your child's progress and make a plan to ensure that they are on track. We rely on a team effort between parents, students and teachers to make the most of your child's college experience.

We conducted our ANZAC Day Assemblies today. It was wonderful to see our students take a leadership role in the organisation of this historic occasion, recognising the sacrifice and service of the Australian people. This year's focus was on the nurses who served in the wars and their contribution during the war effort. I am proud of the efforts of our students and would like to thank all of the students and staff who helped to mark this solemn occasion. Some of our students will also be participating in the ANZAC march organised by the City of Cockburn during the school break.

Our new P&C formally met on Monday 1 April. It is great to see our passionate parents promoting new and innovative ideas to support the college and create opportunities for other parents to be involved. I am excited about the direction of our new P&C, led by President Kristy Boase, and look forward to utilising the positive energy of our community for the benefit of our students and broader community. By working together anything is possible.

On 25 March we held a combined College Board meeting with the Chairs and Principals from a number of our local intake primary schools. The focus of the meeting was on collaboration across our network of schools and opportunities for our Boards to share their practice. Boards play an important role in our schools and communities and we were very grateful to our community members for giving up their time to come along and support each other. We have tabled the concepts discussed at the meeting and will look at how we might implement some of the shared ideas.



## Important Dates:

School Development Day  
Students Return to School  
School Tour  
Year 8 Disco  
NAPLAN Testing  
Year 9 Careers Expo  
Year 10 Careers Expo  
School Development Day

Mon 29 April  
Tues 30 April  
Tues 7 May  
Thurs 9 May  
14 - 24 May  
Thurs 16 May  
Fri 17 May  
Fri 31 May

## News from our Principal continued:

Next term we will be undertaking NAPLAN Online for the first time. The testing will take place this year over a two week period and students will receive timetables early in Term 2. I would encourage all of our Year 7 and 9 students to prepare during the holidays for their NAPLAN, as the online version is conducted differently to the previous paper versions. Our teachers have provided practice tests for students to access and Education Perfect also has numerous activities for students in Year 7 to engage in over the break. As the tests are online it is important that students know their way around a keyboard and mouse and are ready to give themselves the best chance of success. As a college we have identified Writing as an area for improvement and any writing that students can do on the computer at home will support them in the NAPLAN, as well as with their general literacy skills.

Our Specialist Program and Academy applications for Year 7 2020 close on 24 May 2019. Students from our local primary schools recently had the chance to participate in Taster Programs for Specialist Marine Studies and the AFL Academy, giving them an insight into the kinds of activities they can expect to be involved in as part of these programs. If you have Year 6 children currently in primary school and wish for them to have an opportunity to participate in one of our fantastic programs please remember to submit an application. The Application form can be found at: <https://fremantlecollege.wa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Application-for-Enrolment-ND100518.pdf> or you can

pick up one from the Administration office. As we reach the end of Term 1, I would like to wish all of our families a safe and happy term break.

## Myles Draper, Principal



## News from our Associate Principal, Mr Mark Jeffery

During Term 1 students interested in college leadership positions submitted an expression of interest for positions on our Student Council. Students were selected by a panel of staff who read and ranked the submissions, which was extremely difficult as most expressions of interest were outstanding. I would encourage all those who applied but were unsuccessful to continue applying in future years. The Student Councillors will be taking on lead roles this year in fundraising, and advising the staff and P&C on funding submissions. The Student Council is an important 'voice' for students in the college and, as a staff, we look forward to working with them.

Congratulations to the following students on being selected as Student Councillors for 2019:

Year 7: S. Seymour, A. Honey, B. Stuart, I. Pymm

Year 8: J. Sta Ana, H. Rogers-Thompson, T. Mills-Shales, F. Beltran

Year 9: M. Abarquez, F. Rule, M. Dall'occo

Year 10: S. Corinaldesi, I. Valtolina

Year 11: I. Smalley, M. Dall'occo, C. Giwa



## College Ball

by Sarah Hopley, Year 11 & 12 Coordinator

The Year 12 students razzled and dazzled on Friday 25 March at the College Ball. They enjoyed a night of glamour at the Pagoda Resort and represented themselves and the college proudly. The night was filled with dancing, laughter and the longest conga line this school has seen yet!

It was a pleasure for Fremantle College staff to enjoy the evening with a vibrant group of young people. Thank you to families, staff and students for supporting this memorable event.





## Autism Awareness Week

by Nicola De Lacey - SLP ASD Coordinator

Last Thursday the students and staff in the Specialised Learning Program for students with Autism Spectrum Disorder (SLP ASD) took part in an incursion to celebrate World Autism Awareness Week. Year 9, 11 and 12 students spent time in the homeroom watching the film 'Wonder' then reflected on their own character strengths and special talents, in line with their personalised learning goals. Our Year 7 and 8 students spent time in the homeroom working cooperatively to create masterpieces of blue (Autism Awareness colour), demonstrating the social skills required for group work that they have been explicitly learning throughout the term.

As a program, students also spent time cooking some blue themed foods to share with their peers at lunch. We opened our homeroom during this time to all students at the college and it was great to see students having fun and interacting with their peers.

SLP ASD then hosted an awards presentation, where students (and staff!) were presented with a certificate for their demonstrations of school values and achievement of their personalised goals throughout the term.





## Year 10 Lightning Carnival by Troy Kelly, HPE HOLA

Our Year 10 teams were extremely successful at their lightning carnivals this week.

Our Netball team finished their tournament undefeated, taking out first place! Our Soccer team also finished first place on a countback! Our two Basketball teams came in second at their competitions.

This was a magnificent effort from all students and staff involved.





## We are the Champions! by Troy Kelly, HPE HOLA

This term we have held our School Swimming Carnival and the Zone Swimming Carnival, both with great success. These carnivals, with some extra training by our interschool representatives, saw us take out the School Sport WA 'D Division', making it two years of winning our division in a row! Our Fremantle College Swimming Carnival Individual Winners were:

### Year 7 Boys

- 1st C. Fitzgerald
- 2nd A. Wall
- 3rd F. Renfrey

### Year 7 Girls

- 1st A. Sampson
- 2nd C. Martinez
- 3rd N. Cashman

### Year 8 Boys

- 1st A. Wallace
- 2nd S. Suardi
- 3rd B. Jenkins

### Year 8 Girls

- 1st Z. Defty-Rashid
- 2nd O. Ly
- 3rd S. Procter

### Year 9 Boys

- 1st T. Ferguson
- 2nd C. Tibbels
- 3rd F. Murphy

### Year 9 Girls

- 1st M. Wallace
- 2nd S. Baines
- 3rd M. Tutuki

### Year 10 Boys

- 1st A. Shojae
- 2nd A. Watts
- 3rd L. Potalivo
- J. Ralph

### Year 10 Girls

- 1st I. Valtolina
- 2nd M. Oliveira
- 3rd C. Mudie

### Year 11 Boys

- 1st J. Tigchelaar
- 2nd B. Norlin
- 3rd A. Boden

### Year 11 Girls

- 1st S. Hodzic
- 2nd N. Dragovich

### Year 12 Boys

- 1st J. Kristensen
- 2nd J. Schaper
- 3rd G. Oosthuizen

### Year 12 Girls

- 1st A. Montgomery
- 2nd C. Ackrill

There were a number of outstanding individual performances at the Interschool Carnival also, with the following students placing in the Year Championship medals:

### Year 7 Boys

C. Fitzgerald Champion Boy

### Year 8 Girls

Z. Defty-Rashid 3rd Champion Girl

### Year 9 Boys

T. Ferguson 3rd Champion Boy

### Year 9 Girls

M. Wallace Champion Girl

### Year 10 Girls

I. Valtolina Champion Girl

### Year 11 & Over Boys

J. Tigchelaar Runner Up Champion Boy

### Year 11 & Over

S. Hodzic Champion Girl



## News from English by Kelly Crock, English HOLA

This term Ms Burnett has started a book club. She meets with students every Wednesday at lunch time to share their musings on their latest reads and to swap books. All students are welcome, bring your own book or choose from the selection of exciting young adult novels available.

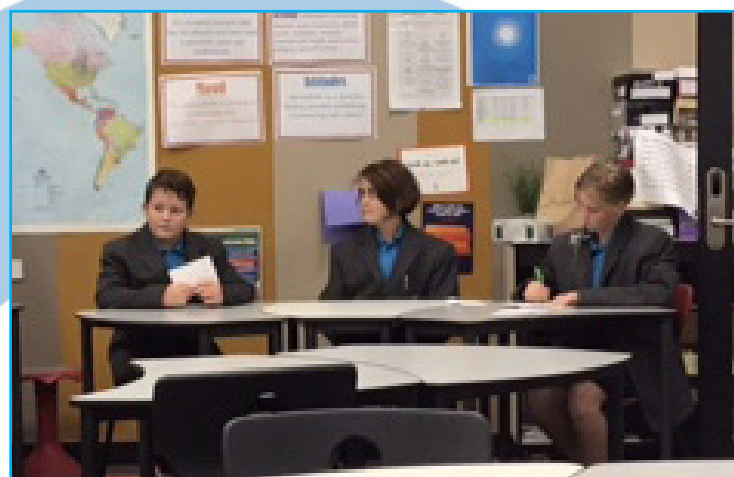
Year 11 ATAR students were recently visited by Army Captain Robert Jones who spoke about "Service and Sacrifice". Students have been studying war poetry and the films Kokoda and Dunkirk this term, so it was great to get Captain Jones' perspective on why people serve in the armed forces. He shared stories about his training, deployments and service experiences.

This week the school is completing a 'load test' to ensure the NAPLAN Online testing will run smoothly. The testing occurs 14 to 24 May. Year 7 and 9 English students have been completing a range of preparation activities, both in class and through homework tasks set on Education Perfect. To support your child, please encourage them to use Education Perfect regularly and contact your child's English teacher if you have any further queries.



## Our HASS Debaters by Rebecca McClelland, HASS HOLA

The HASS Department is leading a team of over 20 students taking part in the Western Australian Debating League held on select Wednesday evenings at All Saints College during Semester 1. We have two teams in the Novice and Junior divisions and one Senior team. Teams compete against students from both public and private schools within our area. Students are enhancing their critical thinking skills as well as practicing their public speaking. The students involved have represented Fremantle College with excellence, providing formidable speeches enriched with researched evidence and witty articulation. They are an asset to our College.





## Follow the Dream Camp By Nathan Dines, FTD Coordinator

This term fourteen of our Follow The Dream students from Years 7 to 9 attended a three-day camp at The Paddock Camp Grounds in Pingelly. Students enjoyed various team building activities, adventures and cultural learning experiences.

The main purpose of the camp was to develop positive relationships as a group while also giving participants an opportunity to grow as leaders and deepen their connection to their culture. The feedback about the camp from students and parents has been overwhelmingly positive and the tutoring program itself has benefited from a more cohesive and enthusiastic lower school cohort.





## AFL Academy - High Performance Camp By Michelle Traynor & Tim Basile

On Thursday 4 April the Year 7 AFL Academy students participated in a 2 hour skills clinic on the Fremantle College oval. Our students were fortunate to have Liam and Kate from the Stephen Michael Foundation attend the clinic and run the students through some skill drills and modified games. The students all worked hard and had a lot of fun, in particular during the small sided games.

Friday morning 5 April the students went to their High Performance Testing, where they experienced what it is like to participate in an AFL draft! They completed the yoyo test, 20m sprint, AFL agility test, as well as their vertical leap. We definitely had some high flyers! We then went to South Fremantle Football Club where the talent manager for 19 Years and Under, Jason Pedulla, talked to our students about what selectors look for in future representative players. The talk outlined the attitude and perseverance needed to access the representative pathways, reiterating what the students have been learning at school.

Our students then had the opportunity to participate in a special marking clinic with Stephen Michael Foundation General Manager, Paul Mugambwa. During his own WAFL career, Paul was known for his high flying marks and great set of hands, something he demonstrated for the students after the clinic had finished to a large round of applause. Students perfected their bumping, positioning and timing of their jumps and executed some fantastic marks.

Friday afternoon saw the students returning to school to a recovery session in the pool after an active morning. After their team lunch, students were playing team games before the day wound down to an end.

Our students had a fantastic two days! They were well behaved and were exposed to some of the High Performance expectations of life as an AFL player.

This week we held our AFL Taster Clinic for Year 6 students from our surrounding primary schools, to enable them to participate in a range of activities and expose them to the facilities and personnel of the AFL Academy. We had a large number of students attend and the afternoon was very successful.





## Our Hospitality Students by Karen Abercromby, Home Economics Teacher

The Year 11 and 12 Certificate of Hospitality students were lucky to participate in a mini workshop with Chef Rohan Park who works at Fervor and specialises in Indigenous ingredients.

Rohan was very generous with both his time and knowledge introducing the students to new ingredients including saltbush, lemon myrtle and samphire. The students were able to help prepare wattleseed friand and work with the samphire in preparation for a crab appetiser.

It was a wonderful opportunity for the students to work with Rohan and hear about some of the exotic locations that Fervor sets up their pop up restaurants.



## The Performing Arts Academy by Hannah Smart

Our Year 7 and 8 Performing Arts Academy students took part in their very first Performance Workshop recently. Each class presented a performance to their fellow students, and then practiced the provision of effective feedback through collaborative discussions.

The students participated in the event with great maturity, and provided one another with some very useful feedback.





## Maths - Financial Literacy Workshop by Gail Dirk, Mathematics HOLA

To start off the last week of Term 1, many of our Year 10 students participated in a Financial Literacy workshop at the college as part of their Mathematics course.

Financial literacy is important for our students to learn about and engage in real life financial decision making. The workshops, offered by Freedom Life Goals, are designed to ensure that our next generation do not find themselves in financial 'hot water'. It is aimed at providing students with learning experiences that will develop their understanding about finance, to know where to look and what to look for as they embark on their futures.

Focus for the Year 10 students on topics like banking, taxation and superannuation will definitely assist students with financial decisions that they may need moving forward, as well as consolidate and extend the finance concepts covered as part of their Mathematics course. Students enjoyed the interactive nature of the sessions and the opportunity to discuss prospective financial decision making with their peers.



## School Watch

School Watch is a partnership between the WA Police and the Department of Education aimed at protecting public schools from vandalism, theft and damage.

Every year, criminal damage to schools not only costs Western Australian taxpayers tens of thousands of dollars, but also inconveniences students, their families, teachers and local residents.

While the Police and Department work closely together to minimise crime at school premises, you too can help. With more than 650 public schools involved in the School Watch program the community's role is vital, particularly after school hours and during school holidays.

Most importantly, if you live near a public school and see or hear suspicious behaviour immediately contact School Watch Security or the Police.

### **Who to contact**

School Watch Security T: 1800 177 777  
or

Police T: 131 444

When you contact School Watch Security, Department security officers can quickly attend schools in the metropolitan area. The Police will attend if called.

### **How your call helps**

Your call could prevent break-ins, vandalism, graffiti or even arson. Ensuring your school is well cared for reflects on your community and contributes to the value of surrounding residential properties, so it's worth it!





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