

Dear parents and carers,

We kicked off Term Two with an exciting Specialist Program Tour Afternoon, welcoming prospective families to explore our Specialist Programs and discover what Fremantle College has to offer. With over 400 attendees, it was a bustling afternoon showcasing our unique educational opportunities. A quick reminder: if you know anyone interested in applying for our Specialist Programs for Year 7 in 2024, applications close **TOMORROW**. Spread the word and ensure they don't miss this deadline!

Last week, we celebrated Volunteers Week by honoring the invaluable contributions of our P&C and other dedicated volunteers. Their support is truly appreciated. It's heartwarming to witness our Access students engaging in voluntary work within the community. We also take pride in our student-led Breakfast Club, where a group of passionate young individuals take charge every day.

We've had some staff movement this term. We warmly welcome Craig Greer, formerly of Carine SHS, as our new Associate Principal of Student Services. We bid farewell to Trish Panikoula and Anthony Cochrane, wishing them the very best in their new endeavors.

Our students have been fortunate to experience a wide range of opportunities this term. From lightning carnivals and our inaugural cross-country event to outdoor recreation camps, debating, mock trial participation, robotics competitions, engineering challenges, and AFL clinics with local primary schools—their horizons are always expanding!

Year 10 subject pre-selections are currently underway, and students are receiving valuable information and attending external and internal excursions to help them make informed decisions about their future educational pathways. All Year 10s are reminded to log onto SSO and complete their pre-selection by 4:00 pm this Friday. The Pre-Selection process will help us ensure that every student's individual needs, pathway goals and passions are catered for.

With exams approaching for our students in Year 10 to 12, classrooms are bustling with preparations and anticipation. It is paramount for our students to establish effective study habits and maintain consistent routines during this critical period. In the midst of it all, our Year 11 students found themselves engrossed during their Pathways session, as they were treated to insightful presentations by our Year 12 High Flyers. These students imparted their own experiences and study tips and tricks, all aimed at optimizing their peers' ATAR achievements.

Our School Board will be holding an open meeting on Tuesday 13 June 2023, where we will be discussing the 2024 - 2026 College Business Plan. Members of the public are invited to attend. The meeting will be held in the College Library.

The National School Opinion Survey plays a vital role in our continuous improvement as a college. We strongly encourage parents to [log on and complete](#) the survey. Your feedback is invaluable in shaping our educational programs and enhancing the overall learning experience.

Stay tuned for more exciting updates as we continue to work together to provide exceptional opportunities for our students at Fremantle College!

Regards
Myles Draper
Principal



Important Dates

Year 10 Exams	29 - 30 May
Year 11 and 12 Exams	31 May - 9 June
P&C Meeting	6 June
Public Holiday	5 June
Year 9 Lightning Carnival	14 June
Open Board Meeting	13 June
Last day of Term 2	30 June





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Volunteers Week 2023

Last week was Volunteer Week – a time to celebrate the incredible spirit of giving back!

Everyday a dedicated group of Fremantle College student volunteers lead our Breakfast Club. With enthusiasm and compassion, they ensure every student starts their day with a nourishing meal in a warm and welcoming environment.

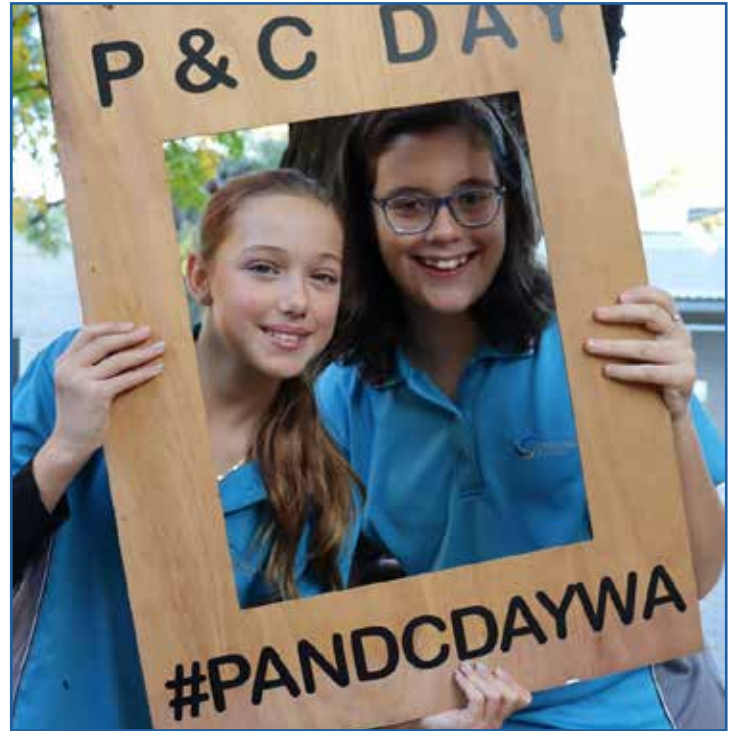
Our students are joined every Monday by P&C representatives on Fridays with volunteers from Rotary Fremantle, and our Chaplain is on hand every morning to guide the process.

Thank you to Dane, Jessie, Lilla, Alex, Jarrah, Brock, Marley, Carolina, Reuben, Izaac and Jack - for all your hard work keeping our Breakfast Club running so smoothly.

It was wonderful to see our Access Up Year 12 students roll up their sleeves to help create a walking path and pick up rubbish at Cantonment Hill. This is an ongoing arrangement, with our students visiting twice per term. A lovely way to give back to our local community.

Volunteer Week ended with a thank you to our P&C Committee. P&C representatives all give their time on voluntary basis. The efforts of our P&C in funding essential resources, exciting extracurricular activities and educational programs is much appreciated and we celebrated the P&C last Friday with breakfast at our Breakfast Club.

It was wonderful to also welcome Rotary Fremantle on Friday, who attend weekly and help our Breakfast Club students.



Specialist Programs Tour Afternoon Brendon Bleakley, Associate Principal

We had a wonderful turnout for our Specialist Program Tour Afternoon in Week 2. We were thrilled to meet with so many students and families interested in learning more about the specialist programs on offer at Fremantle College.

With over 400 people in attendance, families enjoyed the soothing tunes of our Specialist Contemporary Music Students who performed from our Solar Stage, tours of our Specialist Programs, a sausage sizzle, and a chat with our staff.





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News from Gifted and Talented

by Susan Fahey, Gifted and Talented Coordinator

We are delighted to share some exciting news about the recent accomplishments of our Gifted and Talented students at Fremantle College. From representing the college at prestigious competitions to engaging in valuable discussions with accomplished alumni, our students continue to shine brightly in their pursuits.

DaVinci Decathlon Success: Pushing Boundaries and Showcasing Skills

On Tuesday 9 May, a Year 7 and a Year 8 team from our Gifted and Talented class participated in the DaVinci Decathlon at Winthrop Hall, UWA. This highly challenging competition put our students' abilities to the test across 10 different disciplines, including Art and Poetry, English, Science, Mathematics, Engineering, Ideation, Creative Producers, Cartography, Code Breaking, and Legacy. Over the course of four intense hours, our teams demonstrated resilience, teamwork, and an unwavering determination to perform their best.

To prepare for this formidable challenge, our students dedicated themselves to regular lunchtime practice sessions throughout Term 1 and 2. Through these sessions, they honed their skills, tackled practice challenges, and developed strong bonds of teamwork. Their commitment and hard work paid off, as they exhibited outstanding dedication and perseverance during the decathlon.

Congratulations to the Year 7 team consisting of Toki Aravena-Wise, Kieren Descleves-Montgomery, Isabella Doherty, Jaxon Harris, Denise Hilario, Clem Hosking, Aadhavan Kumaaran, and Lucca Mastropasqua. We also applaud the Year 8 team, comprised of Rayne Gibson,

Akira Jorgensen, Jasper Jorgensen, Charlie Lawson-Lafrenz, Dylan Karunanayake, Luis Palmer, Martin Santana, and Lachlan Sweeting. Their hard work leading up to the event and their exceptional performance on the day are truly commendable.

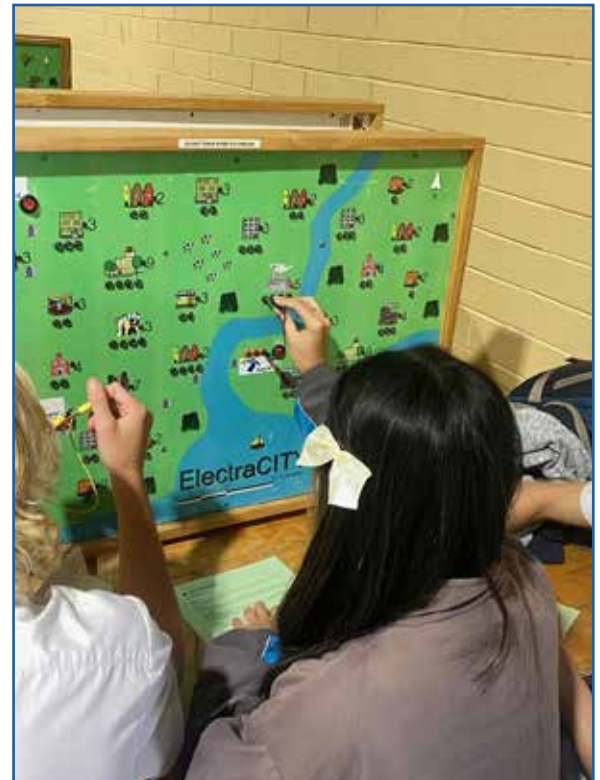
Inspiring Discussions: High Flyers Alumni Breakfast

On Wednesday, May 10th, our Year 12 Fremantle College High Flyers had the privilege of gathering for a breakfast at the ill Bakehouse in Fremantle. Joining them were three accomplished alumni from the 2022 High Flyers cohort: Freda Rule, Xe Hill, and Mark Abarquez. This special event provided an invaluable opportunity for our current High Flyers to engage with these alumni, gain insights into their university experiences, and discuss their own future plans and aspirations.

The 2022 Alumni shared their inspiring stories, providing a glimpse into the exciting world of higher education. The conversations that took place were thought-provoking, empowering our current High Flyers to envision their own paths and consider the boundless possibilities that lie ahead.

We would like to express our gratitude to Freda Rule, Xe Hill, and Mark Abarquez for their generosity in sharing their time, knowledge, and experiences with our students. Their presence and wisdom served as a guiding light, inspiring our High Flyers to reach for the stars and pursue their dreams.





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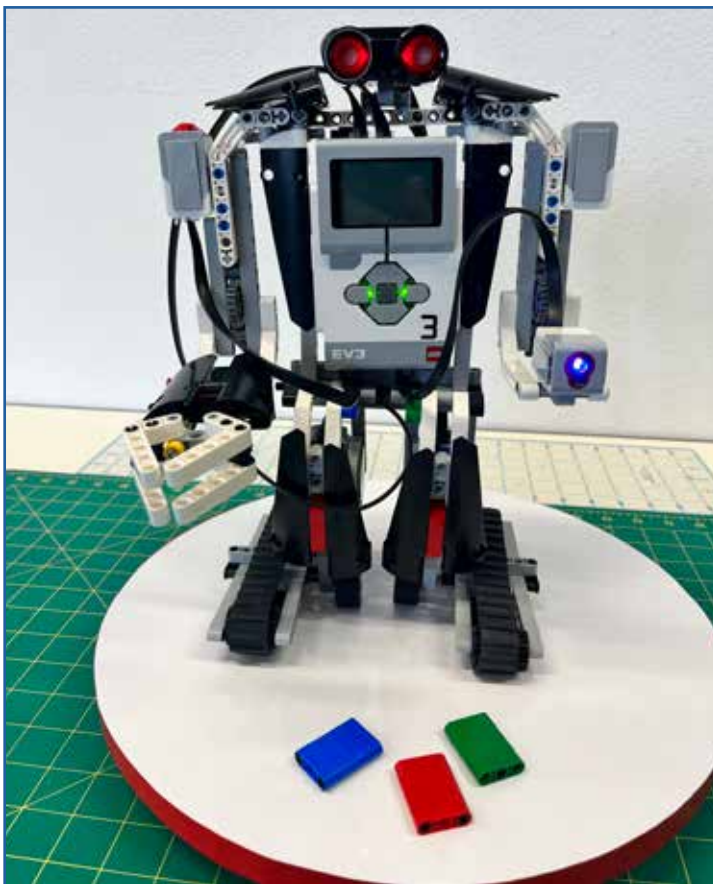
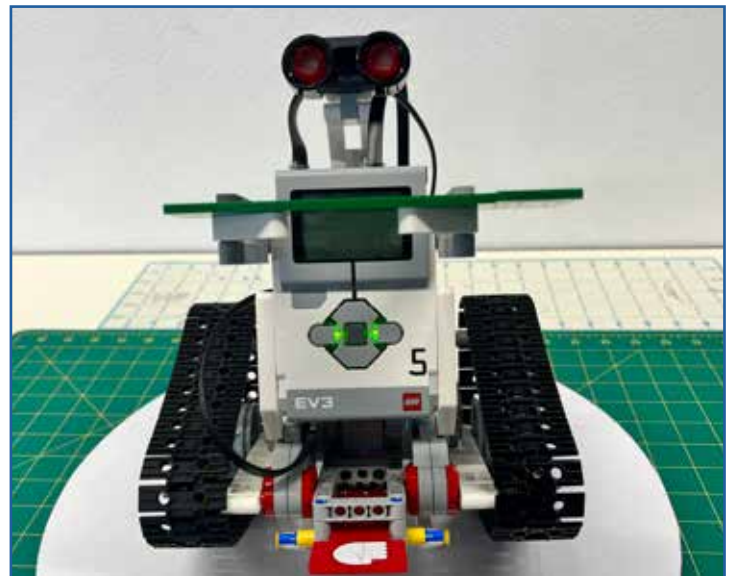
News from our Specialist ICT Program

by Alex Paolino, ICT Coordinator

Robotics Challenge!

During Term 1 our Year 10 Specialist ICT students were tasked to design, build and code a robot that could play 'Rock, Paper, Scissors' against a human opponent.

Our students developed their own methods for input and output along with a program that could adjudicate each game and keep a running tally on game outcomes. Each group took a different approach to the challenge and produced a truly unique creation.



Science Study Tips

by Tim Smith, HOLA Science

Time to study the Science of Exams

It is the time of the year when exams are just in front of us.

“So what is the best way to study for exams in Science?”

To be obvious ... to do well in Science exams a student must be able to show their understandings in an exam format. It is not unheard of for truly intelligent students not to do well, simply because they did not perform well in the particular exam format.

So like any high stress event, practice is the key to success. In particular “timed” practice is very useful for students to utilise for achieving their best results.

Teachers from Year 10 to Year 12 have many Semester One Exam Papers (from previous years) on class Connect pages for students to access and download. Students over the next few weeks should complete these exams under similar time constraints as their exam time and mark them.

- Self marking the paper helps the student clearly see what the depth and detail the exam is expecting.
- Completing the exam under time pressure helps the student prepare for the particular unique aspect of working to this depth and detail under the framework of an exam.

An excellent follow up to this is for the student to bring their completed practice exam papers for their teacher to view. All our science teachers at Fremantle College will be able to give clear and personal advice to achieve successful exam results.

So good luck and please ask your Science teacher for assistance.

Keep up to date!

Our Social Media Channels are growing, with the introduction of Instagram and LinkedIn. We will continue with our college Facebook page also. Click on any of the preferred links below to like and follow Fremantle College and in turn, keep up to date with news of student achievements and activities at the college.





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News from Health and Physical Education by Craig Smith, HOLA HPE

It's been a very busy start to Term Two in the HPE Learning Area. Our Year 10s are completing their Keys for Life Program, which is designed to prepare students for safe driving and pass their Learners Permit Theory Test. Students must have a minimum of 80% attendance rate to be eligible to sit their theory test at the end of term.

The Year 8 Lightning Carnivals were held in Week 3 where our students participated in basketball, netball, soccer and AFL. The basketball boys and girls teams were both undefeated in B division, meaning they will look to nominate in A division next year. An amazing achievement!

Our netballers and soccer team both finished third and while our AFL side didn't get any wins on the day, it was a big effort for their first shot at A division.

The Year 9 Lightning Carnival will be held on Wednesday 14 June. Students are asked to sign up to participating from Week 5 (this week) in their Phys Ed classes or with any Phys Ed staff member. As always nominations are considered on attendance, good standing and participation in HPE classes.

Last week Mr Fitzgerald and Ms Goyen took the first ever Fremantle College Cross Country team to the SSWA Interschool Carnival. Reports were that our students represented the college in a fantastic manner and competed very well. While we had no placings, there were some great individual efforts to finish in the top 50 (some races had over 400 competitors). Well done Mr Fitzgerald and team, I'm sure we will be back bigger and better next year.

The AFL Academy have been playing in various school competitions this term with Ms Clark and Mr Fuda:

Freo Dockers Cup (10-12 Girls)

Had a great win against Seton Catholic College, with best players: Charity Trainor, Bethany Lester and Gypsy Wynne.

Eagles Schoolboys Cup (8-9 Boys)

Currently have 2 wins and 1 loss to John Curtin with a depleted side by 2 points. Wins over CBC and Melville SHS were enjoyed, with best players across the games: Corban Anderson, Cam Maynard, Loic Ritter.

Senior Schoolboys

This team had a great win against Seton Catholic College, with best performers across the games: Jasiah Lyndon, Caed Luff and special mention to Ka-Lel Allen Wilson with a 6 goal haul in one half in a close loss to CBC.

Upcoming events:

Year 7-9 Junior Volleyball Competition SSWA
Week 6 Tuesday 30th May – Mr. Fuda

Year 10-12 Senior Volleyball Competition SSWA
Week 8 Tuesday 13th June – Ms. Clark

Year 9 Lightning Carnival
Week 8 Wednesday 14th June – PE Staff

Year 10 Marine Studies Camp Ningaloo
Week 10 Saturday 24th - Friday 30th June
- Mrs. Wicks







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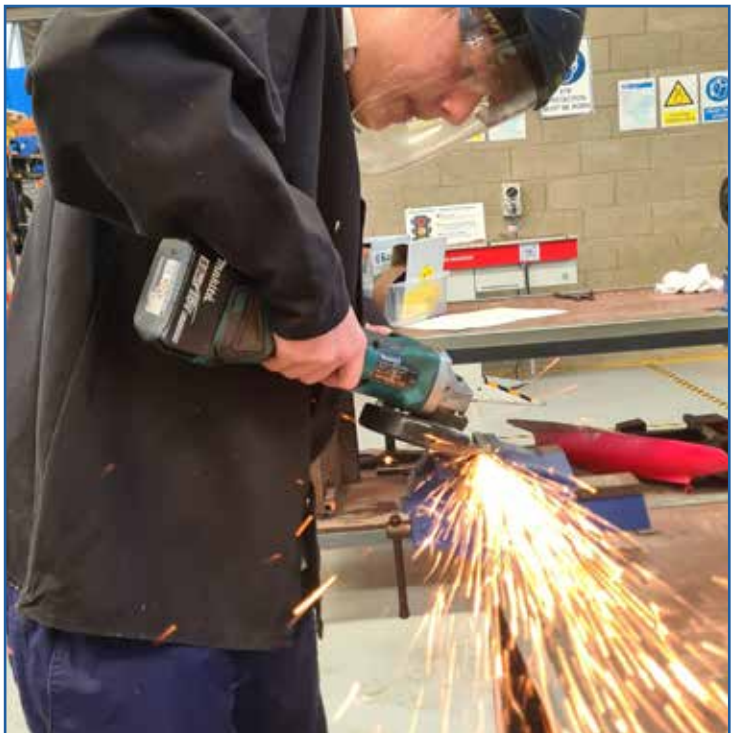
News from Design and Technology

by David Bennett, Teacher-In-Charge - Technologies

This term in Technologies, there has been a real change in the work students and staff have been undertaking. Firstly, having worked in their electives for more than ten weeks, students are now used to working with their chosen materials, in new classes, with a new group of peers. This means a new level of comfort has settled over the workshops and our engineers, carpenters, and metalworkers are able to really show us what they're capable of.

Students at either ends of their Certificate work are making tools using a multitude of engineering skills, our metalworkers are turning steel into art and the wood shops are producing some fantastic and practical furniture and other items. It has been particularly interesting to see student across Technologies look outside their traditional electives and start to include new and innovative skills and processes. Students are using metals to complement their woodwork and timber to enhance their metalwork. Year 12s are using laser engraving to decorate their occasional tables, Year 10s are working with wood as a material for engineering and there are examples across the school of Technologies classes doing out-of-the-box work.

Teaching staff look forward to extending this work with the soon to be commissioned GCODE Lab; including rapid prototyping equipment, large-scale 3D printing, polymer processing and robotic plasma cutting. At Fremantle College the enthusiasm of students, supporting tech, and skilled staff all combine to show the sky really is the limit.



News from HASS

by Payman Hasani, HOLA HASS

Fremantle College is proud to showcase the remarkable talents of our Debating and Mock Trial teams, who continue to make their mark in the world of competitive speech and law. These groups of talented students recently participated in Mock Trial and Debating events that put their skills and knowledge to the test.

Mock Trials:

In the courtrooms, our Fremantle College Mock Trial teams have once again proven their mettle. The case revolved around an injured Quidditch player and a disgruntled ex-partner. Three teams skillfully took on the role of the defense, while one team expertly prosecuted against formidable opponents from Carey Baptist College, Duncraig Senior High, and Living Waters Lutheran College. While our teams didn't secure victories based on points, the judges unanimously recognized the exceptional preparation and finesse displayed by our teams, ruling in their favor. This outstanding performance showcases the dedication and professionalism of our students in this challenging and mature setting.

Debating:

Our Fremantle College Debating Teams, comprising students from Years 7 to 10, recently embarked on a journey to Rossmoyne Senior High School for their Debate Competition. While victory eluded us on this occasion, our teams delivered commendable

performances. It is worth noting that many of our debaters were first-timers, demonstrating their impressive adaptability and quick thinking under pressure.

The topics presented in these thought-provoking debates included "Emojis are a universal language" and "An 'influencer' is a good career choice." Despite their limited prior experience, our debaters showcased their eloquence and critical thinking skills, engaging in spirited discussions and presenting compelling arguments.

With each competition, our Debating and Mock Trial teams are honing their abilities and embracing new challenges. We eagerly anticipate their future successes and the positive impact they will undoubtedly have within our college and the wider community.





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News from Upper School Student Services

by Chris Walke - Year 11 Coordinator

Emma Dickinson - Year 12 Coordinator and

Trisha Panikoula – Student Services Manager Year 11/12

It has been an action-packed start to Term 2 for Upper School Student Services.

Our Year 11 and 12 students participate in the Pathways Program, one hour each week with a mentor teacher. Early in the term, during Pathways, ATAR students received their final presentation from Elevate, that focused on exam preparation. Our Year 12 students have also received presentations from Helping Minds and Anglicare - looking at managing mental health and healthy relationships. Our Year 11 students will receive similar presentations later in the term.

Term 2 Pathways has focused on study skills with our Year 12 students completing their Externally Set Tasks and studying hard for upcoming ATAR exams.

In week 3, our ATAR Highflyers got together for a delicious breakfast at The Mill Bake House in Fremantle. This was a great way to connect and recoup before the busy exam period. We wish all these students the best of luck.

The 2023, Fremantle College Cup games are underway. The first game was a basketball shoot out where the teachers were victorious, taking a strong lead. The students will need to bring their best to the second round, with Volleyball being the selected game. The students have a lot of work to do to even the ledger. Can the students do it?

In week 4, our Year 12 Certificate II in Hospitality students held their Sundowner. This was a practical assessment for the students, who were being judged on their service skills, whilst the staff got to sample the amazing food that they had made. They did a fantastic job, and it was an afternoon enjoyed by all.

Congratulations to all award winners at the Week 4 Values Assembly. Values Awards are presented to students who consistently uphold and demonstrate our school values. It was amazing to see the number of upper school students being acknowledged for their 'Leadership' and 'Enthusiasm for Learning'.

Year 11 and 12 is a busy time with many key dates and timelines. Students and parents are reminded, to regularly engage with CONNECT to keep up to date with notices and their learning. It is also important to inform student services of any absence and obtain medical certificates where necessary.







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Career Spotlight

by Rebecca McClelland, Careers Practitioner

Fremantle College students are continuing to make steps into their future with confidence, adaptability, and resilience. Over the last few weeks, many students have had the chance to be exposed to thousands of different careers, explore some of these and then experience them.

Some Year 7s have begun their career lessons with a look into what they think they will be wearing to work in ten years. Some wonderful work was produced.

The year 9s have been visiting different campuses of North metro TAFE, and other industries participating in the following Career Taster excursions:

- Construction Futures centre
- Hair styling
- Resource technology showcase
- Nail technology
- Art, Design and Tourism
- The Reel Thing – Television
- Boom Radio takeover

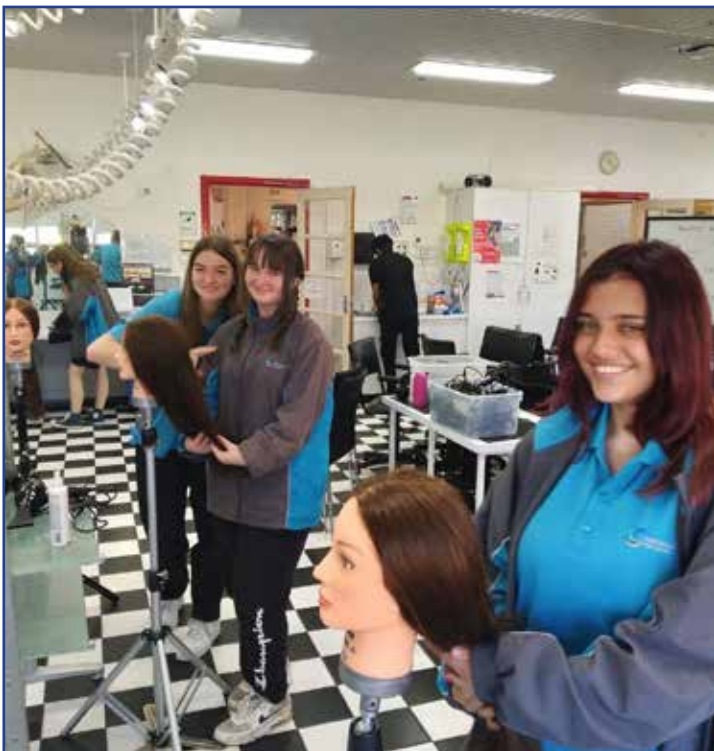
The Year 10s have been engaging with a range of presentations, incursions and excursions supporting them in their pathways and subject choice for year 11. These include:

- WA Career expo excursion
- The FC pathways video series
- 1:1 Career advice sessions with a TAFE advisor
- TAFE presentation
- Civil defence industry presentation
- Curtin university incursion

In preparation for 2024 and the world beyond school, the Year 12s have been submitting their TISC Early offers applications for university and preparing their digital portfolios and resumes.

Well done everyone, remember – DREAM BIG!







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VOC Links Student Spotlight

by Steve Banzic and Melissa Balfus, VOC Links Teachers

Jorjah Brown

Jorjah Brown is attending Phoenix Primary School with the Year 1 class. She used her creative skills to get the students to spell out VOC Links 2023 without showing their faces. Although Georgia is studying a Certificate IV in Preparation for Health and Nursing at the Health Science Hub, she chose to do her work experience in a different Industry and is thoroughly enjoying this. Jorjah intends on using her Certificate IV to further her Career in the Navy.



Indy Morton

Indy Morton attends her workplace at Allblitz plumbing and Gas where she has increased her knowledge of the plumbing industry and learnt skills of changing spindles, and handling specialist tools. She loves being outside and hands on and can see herself in this line of work. Indy is studying a Certificate III in Events at South Metropolitan TAFE. This is a far cry from Plumbing but was something she really wanted to explore as a career.



Jaime Elias

Jaime Elias is currently working at Emergency Denture Repairs in Perth CBD. He makes wax and plaster moulds and his supervisor has been very impressed with his skills as he started with no prior training. They have even expressed that they would love to offer him an Apprenticeship after school finishes. Jaime is studying a Certificate IV in Preparation for Health and Nursing at the Health Science Hub and is keen to explore future pathways in the Health Industry.



Vocational Education and Training News by Kelly Martelli, Coordinator Vocational Pathways

With great pleasure, we congratulate Jorjah Brown, who has recently been honoured with two special awards for her exceptional achievements in the Australian Navy Cadets. Jorjah has been bestowed with "The Spirit of Anzac Cadet of the Year Award," a prestigious recognition highlighting her remarkable qualities and dedication. Her outstanding performance throughout the selection process in 2022, which included a written test, a presentation on the significance of ANZAC Day, and inspections, truly demonstrated her commitment to embodying the spirit of the ANZACs.

Not only did Jorjah receive "The Spirit of Anzac Cadet of the Year Award," but she was also honoured with the "RSLWA Trustees Award for Cadet" individual proficiency. This additional accolade acknowledges Jorjah's excellence in her unwavering dedication and commitment to the Australian Navy Cadets. It is a testament to her remarkable skills and exceptional contributions to the organisation.

Jorjah's achievements are a true reflection of her passion, hard work, and commitment to her duties as a cadet. Her spirit and willingness to go above and beyond have earned her these well-deserved accolades. Jorjah's commitment to preserving the values and traditions of the Australian Navy Cadets serves as an inspiration to her peers and a testament to her character.



VOC News:

by Steve Banzic and Melissa Balfus, VOC Links Teachers

Fremantle College has been fortunate to be selected by South Metropolitan Health Services to partner them in piloting a work placement program for students undertaking Certificates III and IV in Health Industry qualifications. This program offers students the opportunity to shadow staff at Fiona Stanley Hospital in Patient Support Services roles.

These roles enable the students to gain valuable insight into the many important roles within a large and busy health facility, while also hearing the many career journeys and pathway experiences of those working within the hospital.



Catherine Torno at Fiona Stanley Hospital