College Connect

Term 3 - Week 10 Thursday 19 September 2024

Dear parents and carers,

We are thrilled to share some exciting news - Fremantle College has been named a finalist in the WA Education Awards for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (Secondary). This recognition is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our entire staff, and we couldn't be prouder of this achievement!

This bumper edition of the College Connect Newsletter is a showcase of the incredible opportunities available to our students. From the vibrant celebrations of Book Week and our HASS History Challenge State Champions to captivating Performing Arts productions and the fun-filled Athletics Carnival – there's always something happening at Fremantle College.

Last week, our Specialist Contemporary Music students took the stage for their Showcase, with our Year 12s performing for the final time. We also had the pleasure of welcoming Year 4-6 IMSS students from local primary schools, offering another valuable mentoring opportunity for our budding musicians.

Speaking of highlights, the Athletics Carnival was a huge success, with Leighton House emerging victorious. But the real winners were our students, who relished the chance to compete and enjoy some fun in the sun!

Our Performing Arts department has also had a busy term, staging not one but two productions - a fantastic achievement for both the staff and students involved. A quick reminder for parents: due to ongoing safety concerns, the front staff car park gates will be closed to dropoff and pick-up traffic from the commencement of Term 4. Please see pages 2 and 3 of this newsletter for alternative areas for drop-off and pick-up. Students with mobility needs will still have access to the front car park.

Reminder, our remaining scheduled College Development Days for 2024 are:

- Friday 15 November 2024
- Friday 13 December 2024

Students do not attend college on the days listed above.



This term we farewell our Class of 2024 as they embark on their individual journeys. For some this will mean the start of Mock Exams, followed by ATAR Exams in the coming school holidays, while others will be looking forward to their futures in several different fields. Whether our students go on to university, employment, travel or take time to find their calling, we wish them all the very best. We know that the dedication of our staff has helped to ensure they are all well prepared to take on whatever adventures they embark upon.

As the term draws to a close, we wish all our Fremantle College families a happy and safe holiday. We look forward to seeing you all next term!

Regards

Myles Draper Principal

Finalists

Excellence in teaching and learning (secondary)

Applecross Senior High School Fremantle College

Wanneroo Secondary College

Western Australian College of Agriculture - Cunderdin

> **WA Education** Awards 2024

Important Dates

Last day of Term 1 20 September

First day of Term 2 7 October

Presentation Evening 26 October

WACE Exams 15 Oct - 15 Nov

Year 11 Exams 4 - 12 November

College Development Day 15 November





<u>Traffic Management - Lefroy Street Carpark</u> CLOSURE

Angelo Kovidis, Manager Corporate Services

We need your help to ensure that our college is safe for all students, parents/carers and staff. Currently we have a large number of parents/carers using the Staff Car Park at the front of the college off Lefroy Road as a pick up and drop off zone. This has created issues with student safety, students nearly being hit by cars, banking of traffic along Lefroy Road, inturn blocking the buses and staff from accessing the car park. Parents are also stopping at the very front of the car park completely blocking the entrance of the college. There has also been an increase in incidences of minor accidents with damage to staff and parent cars.

The college, in consultation with the College Board, has decided that the front of the college is no longer to be used as a designated student drop off zone, unless a student has mobility issues and requires support.

We ask that parents and students utilise one of the four student pick up and drop off zones listed below:

- Bruce Lee Oval Caesar Street Car Park and Verge parking along Caesar Street where permitted.
- Pass Crescent Entrance and Exit to the college
- Dixon/Edmondson Street adjacent to the Tennis Courts. A walkway for students is accessible on the corner
- Annie Street Car Park (Rec Centre)

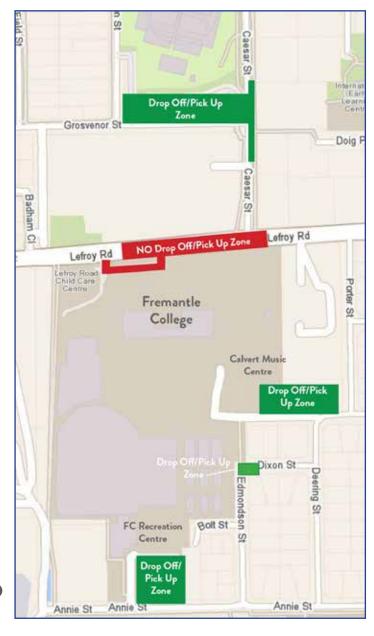
SCHOOL ZONE

8-930
230-4PM SCHOOL DAYS

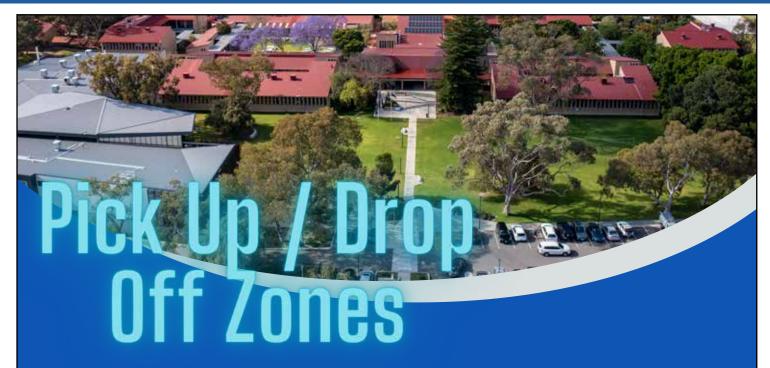
FREMANTLE COLLEGE DROP OFF AND PICK UP ZONES

We will be placing new signage in the car park and providing motorists with flyers over the coming weeks to help educate our community about the changes. We will also have 3 new visitor bays and will be re-marking the crosswalk for students.

Please be kind and respectful to our staff who will be providing you with alternate pick up and drop off options during this time. We are hopeful that we can work together to make our college safer!







WE NEED YOUR HELP!

To ensure the safety of all students, families and staff the Lefroy Road carpark will no longer be available as a student drop off and pick up zone, unless a student has mobility issues and requires support.

Closure will commence at the beginning of Term 4, 2024.
Please see map for alternative drop off and pick zones.





News from Gifted and Talented Susan Fahey, Associate Principal

Term 3 has been filled with enriching experiences and impressive accomplishments for our Gifted and Talented students.

Our Year 7 students took part in the Write a Book in a Day competition in week 6. This annual event is a unique challenge that stretches participants' creativity and teamwork, requiring them to write and illustrate a complete book in one school day. The experience was both demanding and exhilarating, pushing the students to collaborate, innovate, and produce imaginative stories within a tight timeframe. Their enthusiasm and dedication truly shone through in this fast-paced creative endeavour.

In week 9, our Year 10 GAT English class attended the Year 11 Fremantle College production of Arthur Miller's The Crucible. This performance was a fantastic extension of their classroom studies, bringing the play's intense themes and dramatic narrative to life. The students found the experience of seeing their peers perform this text particularly engaging and left with a new perspective on the text they have been exploring.

A team of committed Gifted and Talented students have been actively involved in the Emerging Scholars Program which guides Year 5 students through a variety of engaging, challenging, and thought-provoking activities. These student helpers have also played a pivotal role in welcoming the incoming Year 7 GAT 2025 cohort. To kick off their introduction, they accompanied groups on an escape room experience at Escape Hunt in Fremantle. Working in teams, the incoming students had the opportunity to collaborate, solve puzzles, and get to know each other in a fun setting. Following this, the 2025 Year 7 students participated in the GAT day camp where they participated in a variety of engaging activities, including a scavenger hunt around the school that encouraged exploration and teamwork. These activities were thoughtfully planned to ensure a smooth transition and foster a sense of community among the new cohort. Thank you to Aadhavan, Nathan, Parham, Akira, Sophie, Palmer, Zoe, Dune, Clem and Sebastian for your help!

We are also thrilled to announce a remarkable achievement by Tristan Wheeler, who has earned a High Distinction in the Junior Science Olympiad Exam. This outstanding result has secured him an invitation

to join the Junior Science Olympiad Training Squad program. This program promises an array of stimulating opportunities, including science masterclasses, talks from esteemed guest speakers, and exciting practical activities. Congratulations to Tristan for his exceptional accomplishment and for being selected for this advanced training program!

As we move forward through to Term 4, we eagerly anticipate more moments of success and discovery among our Gifted and Talented students. Stay tuned for more updates and celebrate these remarkable achievements with us!







News from Specialist Contemporary Music Mike Gowland, Head of Music

Aliwah Bardinar!

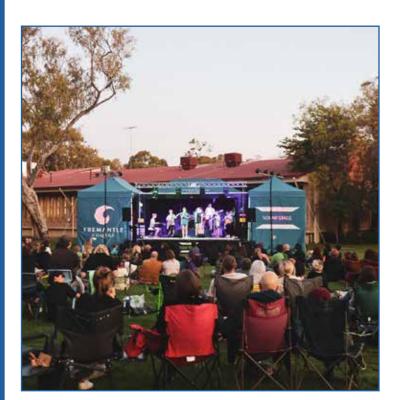
On Friday 8 September, we lent our Fremantle College Solar Stage to our friends at Hilton Primary School for their spectacular event Aliwah Bardinar! The world debut of a new series of songs in language by Gina Williams and Guy Ghouse, performed along with the entire school for an audience in excess of 1000!

Our Year 7 Specialist Contemporary Music Tech crew members (and former Hilton PS students) Banjo Maguire and Ezra McGleave-Nuich provided support mixing the sound and ensuring everything went smoothly.

Music Showcases and Year 12 Final Performance

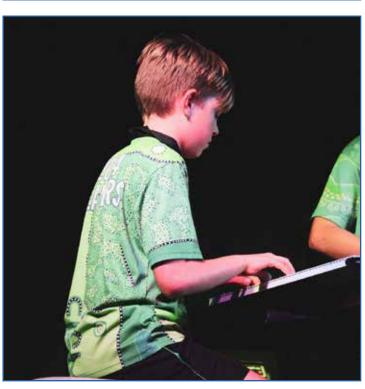
Last week we held our Term 3 Music Showcases on the Solar Stage at the front of Fremantle College. Over two evenings families, staff and friends gathered together to listen to our talented group of students perform. Wednesday evening we were joined by Year 4 - 6 IMSS Students from surrounding primary schools, a wonderful mentoring opportunity for our students.

Thursday evening was extremely special, we farewelled our Class of 2024 Music Students and their families. Special mention must go to Marty and Leah Hess and Steve Hill - who have been instrumental in towing the FC Solar Stage on tours and providing students and staff much needed (and appreciated) support.







































Class of 2024 Farewell Emma Dickenson, Student Services Manager

Today we farewelled our Class of 2024 with a Gratitude Breakfast and Farewell Assembly. The tradition of our Year 12s departing through the Guard of Honour, formed by our Year 8 to 10 students was again wonderful to witness.

Another ongoing tradition - our Staff Farewell video was, as always, well received. Make sure you log on to our Facebook page after 3:30pm this afternoon and you can watch it!

We will miss the Class of 2024 and we wish them all every success in the future!



























News from Specialist ICT

The Year 7 Specialist ICT classes have recently completed a number of robotics challenges using our Lego Mindstorms kits. Students are designing, building and programming their robots to complete the required tasks efficiently and autonomously.

The first challenge required students to build a robot that could navigate around a test track without crashing into obstacles or accidently leaving the track area. The fastest driving robots in each class received the coveted 'Platinum' award.

The second challenge required students to build a robot capable to relocating model barrels. These robots were programmed to detect a barrel, securely collect it, and then deposit the barrel into a specific delivery area. Students worked cooperatively to develop innovative and creative robot designs alongside precise code to complete this complex, multifaceted challenge.







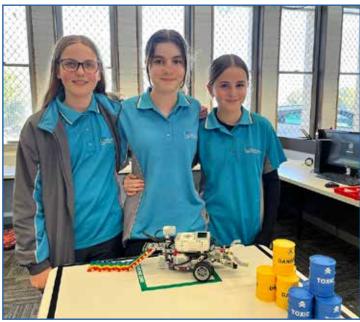




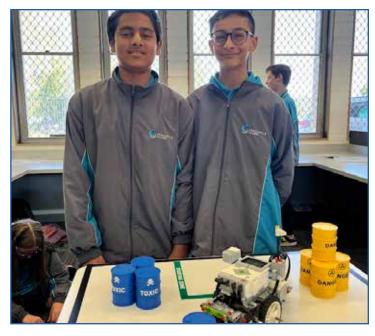


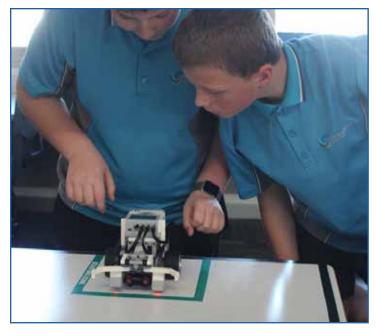












News from Mathematics Gail Dirk, Mathematics HOLA

This term our Gifted and Talented and Academic Excellence students in Years 7 to 10 were selected to participate in the National Australian Maths Trust Competition.

Our students performed extremely well across the board achieving Distinction, Credit and Proficiency certificates. Below are photos of our Distinction achievers per cohort.

Our school's Top Performer this year is Tristan Wheeler in the Year 8 Gifted and Talented class, who achieved a High Distinction.

Great achievement overall!













News from HASS Robert Smith, HASS HOLA

Congratulations to Our State Champion!

A huge shoutout to Hunter from Year 7 - State
Champion in the 2024 Australian History Competition!

Fremantle College continues its proud tradition of excelling in this prestigious, nation-wide competition. This year, we saw our highest number of participants yet, with many students earning High Distinctions and Distinctions.

We are incredibly proud of all our students who showcased their history knowledge and skills in such a fun and engaging way.



News from Home Economics Karen Abercromby, Teacher in Charge

Term 3 is a busy time of year for Home Economics classes. The Year 12 Hospitality students are to be congratulated on successfully passing their Coffee and Customer service units. Staff were treated to brunch and coffees last month as part of the assessment process. The students also held a wonderful Perth Dining Room event at Fremantle College where 24 young adults and carers enjoyed a two-course dinner under the tutelage of two renowned chefs and Ms Jacqui Snyder.

Meanwhile the Year 11 Hospitality class hosted breakfast for the Fremantle College Education Assistants. Not to be forgotten is the Year 11 FST great biscuit bake-off, which culminates in the judging of the best biscuit. The students have been finessing their recipes and are in the process of cooking their yoyo biscuits this week. There are some new flavours this year, including Matcha and Cinnamon & Apple.

In lower school the Year 9 students workshopped pizzas and packaging culminating in creating and marketing their own pizzas. This was a popular assessment with the students. In textiles our Year 8s have been decorating and completing their shopping bags. Meanwhile the Year 9s have completed their boxer shorts and the Year 10s have almost completed their 'designer' tote bags.

Home Economics has made a conscious effort this year to reduce our environmental footprint through encouraging the textile students to work with vintage and donated fabrics and materials. The department has also been collecting the food waste for the compost bins. This has made a noticeable impact on the amount of rubbish collected each day.







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Athletics Carnival

Joe Fitzgerald, Health & Physical Education HOLA

And the winner is..... LEIGHTON!

Points Tally:

Leighton - 2029

Sandtracks - 1661

Coogee - 1573

Port - 1497

Congratulations to Leighton on taking out the 2024 Athletics Carnival.

Individual efforts were also rewarded, with our Champion and Runner Up Champion being:

Year 7

Girls

Champion - Phoenix Monahan

Runner up - Aaleyah Reid

Boys

Champion - Casper Taylor

Runner up - Nathen Dawson

Year 8

Girls

Champion - Denise Hilario

Runner up - Marley Kent

Boys

Champion - Zac Ansell

Runner up - Sebastian Rodriguez Rios

Year 9

Girls

Champion - Sayna Geraminezhad

Runner up - Alivia Herbert

Roys

Champion - Hunter Brown

Runner up - Solomon Izonritei

Year 10

Girls

Champion - Mira Jones

Runner up - Mia Wuthenow

Boys

Champion - Cameron Maynard

Runner up - Corban Anderson

Year 11

Girls

Champion - Lily Blair

Runner up - Caitlyn Edwards

Boys

Champion - Tirece Smith

Runner up - Rex Sappho

Year 12

Girls

Champion - Nina Cashman

Runner up - Makayla Kickett

Boys

Champion - Ka-lel Wilson-Allen

Runner up - Ben Law





















Book Week - The Tradition Continues!

Our Year 12s once again stole the show on Dress Up Day, bringing their favourite book characters to life.

But the real plot twist? The best-dressed staff award went to none other than our inaugural 2018 Head Boy and now current staff member, Corey Norlin, who swooped in as Batman! He narrowly edged out our 'Magical School Bus' Administration Team for the top spot.

It's always amazing to see both students and staff dive into the fun and keep this beloved tradition alive!

Congratulations to all our group and individual prize winners.





























RUOK? Day

Katherine Shea, Student Leadership Coordinator

Our students and staff celebrated RUOK? Day today by wearing a splash of yellow, taking part in fun and reflective activities in the Library during Recess and Lunch, and asking their friends – R U OK?

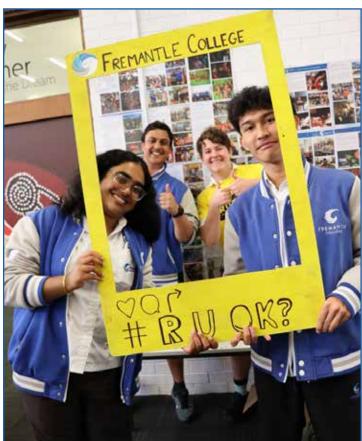
Our Student Leaders were integral to the organisation of this important day.

We encourage everyone to take a moment and ask a friend, R U OK?













<u>In Your Head Conferences - Zero to Hero</u> Katherine Shea, Student Leadership Coordinator

Our Student Leaders attended the ZerotoHero 'In Your Head' Conference last week. Packed with inspirational keynote speakers, insightful panel discussions, and engaging workshops, our students enjoyed the opportunity to learn about adolescent mental health and wellbeing.













News from Performing Arts Sarah Humphries, Drama Teacher

HOODS:

On Wednesday 4 September, our Year 12 Drama class put on a performance of Hoods by Angela Betzien. This project was a whole class collaboration in which students took on all the various production roles from directing and acting, to lighting, sound, costume and set design. The students worked together from the beginning of Term 3, learning to collaborate across the needs of a theatre production and experience a simulated theatre industry process.

The play was a contemporary adaptation of the Hansel and Gretel fable and centred around two children left in a carpark while the anonymous "hoods" told their story around them, morphing in and out of different characters. The students took inspiration from Bertolt Brecht and his style of Epic Theatre to create this modern presentational drama experience. This was the students' final performance at Fremantle College, and they did a wonderful job that was enjoyed by their family and friends.

THE CRUCIBLE:

On Tuesday 10 September, our Year 11 Drama class put on a performance of The Crucible by Arthur Miller to a sold-out crowd. The students studied this classic text from mid-way through Term 2 delving into depth the themes and messages that they wanted to showcase in their rendition. Tackling learning lines in Old English and deciding which sections to cut down and which to highlight, the students worked together both in class and afterschool to bring this classic tale to the stage for family and friends.

The show was performed in two parts and had the audience on the edge of their seats with the dedication and emotional depth that the students brought to the stage. Throughout this project the students also had to opportunity to begin to learn the other production roles needed for putting on live theatre, helping to design and create costumes, set, lighting and sound; while Chelsea Ireland and Mara Srhoj had a go at directing key scenes. The overall performance was a huge success that the students should be immensely proud of.























News from Clontarf Josh Bath, Fremantle Academy Director

Coates Worksite Visit

The Coates Worksite Visit for Fremantle Academy students was a fantastic opportunity for the boys to explore potential employment avenues and gain valuable insights into the industry. Here are some key points regarding our visit:

Understanding Roles: Students learned about various roles available at Coates, including equipment operation, maintenance, customer service and logistics.

Career Pathways: The visit highlighted potential careers pathways within the company and the skills required for each role.

Networking: Students had the chance to meet industry professionals, which will be beneficial for future job opportunities and mentorship.

Deadly Attendees Soccer Carnival

The Clontarf Foundation recently hosted a Deadly Attendees Soccer Carnival at the Belmont Aquatic Centre, bringing together six teams for a day of friendly competition and celebration. This event was designed to recognise and reward students for their outstanding school attendance and behaviour.

The carnival featured a round-robin format, with each team competing in a series of six indoor soccer matches. The Clontarf boys showcased their skills on the field, demonstrating not only their athletic abilities but also their sportsmanship. Each game was played in great Clontarf spirit, with players encouraging one another and celebrating each other's successes.

While the Fremantle team finished with a record of 4 wins and 2 losses, they ultimately fell short of reaching the grandfinal. One of the standout moments of the carnival was the half time penalty shoot out competition, where Tommy Scenini-Pratt showcased his skills in a face-off against Beau, a fellow Clontarf staff member. Tommy displayed remarkable precision, ultimately securing victory in this challenge.

Senior Basketball Carnival/Camp

The Clontarf Senior Basketball carnival held at Bendat Basketball Stadium was a great success for our Fremantle Academy teams. Our A team had a competitive run, with three wins and three losses, while our B team performed impressively with four wins before narrowly losing in the semi-finals by just three points.





















News from Upper School Student Services Emma Dickinson, Student Services Manager

It has been a very busy end to Term 3 for Upper School Student Services with many events on the calendar as we prepare for the end of the school year for our Upper School students.

Please make note of the upcoming dates and do not hesitate to contact student services if you have any questions.

Important reminders and upcoming events:

- Thursday 19 September (Year 12 last day) Year 12 Gratitude Breakfast - Students arrive by 8am and dismissed at recess.
- Monday 20 September- Tuesday 8 October- Year 12 ATAR MOCK exams
- Monday 7 October- Y7-11 students for Term 4
- Monday 14 October- Thursday 17 October- Year 12 ATAR students (compulsory attendance, exam review and support)
- Friday 18 October- Optional -ATAR drop-in day (study and support)
- Thursday 24, Friday 25 October Year 12 ATAR Study Lounge
- Saturday 26 October Year 12 Presentation Night (tickets are currently available for purchase through TryBooking- https://www.trybooking.com/CURVY)
- Monday 28 October SCSA ATAR Exams
 commence students have been provided individual
 timetables and can be download from the SCSA
 website: https://senior-secondary.scsa.wa.edu.au/
 assessment/examinations/examination-information
- Wednesday 30 October- Year 10 Dinner Dance-More information regarding this event will be announced next term.
- Thursday 14 November Year 11 FINAL DAY
- Monday 18 November Year 11 River Cruise More information regarding this event will be announced next term.

Our senior students have been working with their Pathways mentor teachers each week focusing on student wellbeing, future planning, and academic success. Recent presentations included "What's Driving Your Decisions" by Happiness Co RAC and Red Frogs – "Party Safe" and "Leavers", focusing on decision making.

It is around this time of year that we begin the selection process for the 2025 College Captains. This is a rigorous process and a huge well done to all that applied. Our new College Captains for 2025, will be announced in Term 4. As we move into the final weeks of Year 11 and 12 it is important not to "drop the ball" and to keep up with the rigour of assessments and study. Well done to all those students who have sat their OLNA assessments over the last three weeks. Many of our ATAR cohort have been attending revision sessions on a Saturday morning and our Study Lounge will commence at the start of term 4 to help prepare for their final exams. More information regarding this will be announced on Compass.

Attendance

We acknowledged good standing and excellent attendance this term by holding a celebratory BBQ for Year 10 and 11, in week 10. Attendance is important for student success at school, and it is great to have so many students able to attend these events.

If your child is going to be absent, please ensure that you inform the school and obtain a medical certificate where relevant. Please inform the school via the Compass App if your child is going to be absent or email

Fremantle.college.absentees@education.wa.edu.au

Year 11 and 12 is a busy time with many key dates and timelines. Students and parents are reminded, to regularly engage with Compass 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.

As the term comes to an end and we prepare for the holidays, it is important for students to continue checking in with their personal wellbeing, keep active over the break and stay connected and involved with their studies.

Have a great break everyone!













YEAR 12 PRESENTATION EVENING

CURTIN STADIUM, KENT STREET, BENTLEY
Saturday 26 October | 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

\$20 per person
PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS
https://www.trybooking.com/CURVY

Please Note: Year 12 Student Tickets to be purchased seperately



Careers

Rebecca McClelland, Careers Practitioner

It has been an exciting term in Careers with many students taking advantage of the following opportunities on offer;

- Yr 9 WA Skills Expo 2024
- Yr 9 Career taster Fashion
- Yr 9-12 Elite Athlete WAIS Tour
- Yr 11 &12 Murdoch University Allied Health Futures Day
- Yr 9 & 12 Construction Futures Centre visit

The Year 10s have been busy applying for a range of different TAFE courses in the VET pathway, enthusiastically preparing their resumes and applications.

The Year 12s have been submitting their TISC applications -with many being offered places at the university of their choice via the early offers process.

For those Year 12s wanting to attend TAFE in 2025, applications are now open and if you would like some support, please come and see me in the Careers VET office F1. Remember, you are very welcome to make an appointment post the end of this term at a time that suits you if you would like some support with applications.











News from Vocational Education and Training Kelly Martelli, Program Coordinator VET & Careers

Myriam Nyangara

Myriam has been studying a Certificate II Community Health and Wellbing with AMA Training Services in Nedlands. She has also had the amazing opportunity to carry out work experience at Fiona Stanley Hospital within Patient Support Services. Myriam has enjoyed learning so much about the various roles within a hospital and staff have guided her through many of the day to day tasks, including preparing rooms and transporting patients throughout the facilities. She is hoping to be able to extend her placement into next term as she transitions into a Certificate III in Allied Health Assistance in Term 4.



Amy has proven her strong employability skills and growth in confidence through her work placement at Southern Trading Australia. Her supervisor and colleagues have been so impressed with her willingness to learn new things and the initiative she has shown that they have offered her a job after finishing Year 12. Congratulations Amy!

Wyndham Johnstone

Wyndham has been spending his work placement day volunteering at the Wetlands Centre Cockburn. Located out at Bibra Lake, the Wetlands Centre has been a great learning space for Wyndham to build his knowledge and skills on caring for our local bushlands and the wildlife it homes. He has been able to spend time in their accredited plant nursery where native flora and wetland plants are propagated and cared for in preparation for their Native Plant sale on the 1st Friday of each month. After completing his Cert IV in Community Services, Wyndham hopes to continue his volunteering as he builds his portfolio for university entrance.







Chiara Cox

Chaira has benefited greatly from the wonderful support of Fremantle Primary School as she has engaged in her work placement in their Pre Primary class, while completing her Cert III School Based Education Support. She has loved being able to apply her TAFE knowledge in a real classroom and see the young students learning new life skills.



P&C News

We have new gowns! Thanks to our P&C for funding new gowns for our Year 12 students to wear at their Presentation Evening in October.

These gowns will be used each year by Year 12 students and this funding has saved the college a considerable amount of money in hiring fees yearly, as saving that has been passed on to our Year 12 parents and carers.

Big thank you to our P&C for this funding.

If you have any funding suggestions, email the P&C at:

PCPresident@fremantlecollege.wa.edu.au













ATAR STUDY LOUNGE



Year 11 and 12 ATAR students are encouraged to attend the ATAR Study Lounge, a free after-school opportunity to access focus workshops and study sessions

EVERY WEDNESDAY

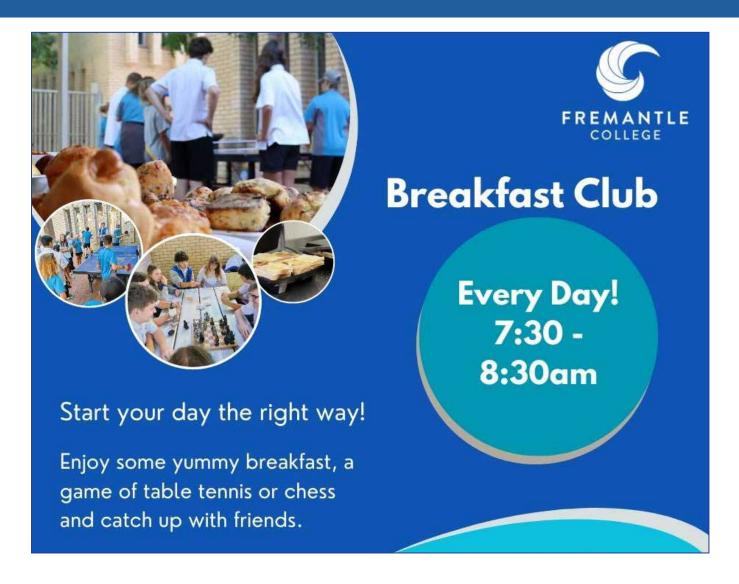
3:00pm - 4:30pm

B2 - GAT Office

STUDY TIPS
REVISION
PRACTICE TIME
STUDY SMARTER







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.





