Frenchville Focus

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Frenchville State School acknowledges the Darumbal people as the traditional custodians of the place we now call our school. We pay our respects to the Elders past and present and are proud to be supporting and encouraging emerging Indigenous leaders every day.



Principal's News

The finish line is fast approaching, weather continuing to warm up, and assessment & reporting being finalised. It is a timely reminder the importance of ensuring we finish the school year strong and maintain high expectations right to the end with an emphasis on remaining safe, responsible and respectful. There is also a sense of excitement for the upcoming holiday period and sometimes uncertainty moving into a new school year. I thank you for your work to support your child with upcoming transitions and be assured have began implementing processes behind the scenes to support the changeover of the school year.

We are entering a very busy time of the year, with the conclusion of the 2026 school year fast approaching I thank you for ensuring you take the time to be aware of the significant end of year events and milestones occurring across the school.

In readiness for 2027, we have our Prep Open Morning on Thursday 2nd December to support their transition to our school. We will celebrate student achievement at our Be Great awards parade on Tuesday 8th December with Prep-2 held from 9am and Year 3-6 from 2pm.

Our Sports parade will be held on Wednesday 9th December from 2pm and Year 6 Graduation to recognise our departing cohort on Thursday 10th December from 9am and followed by 2027 class visits for the remainder of the school.

Principal position

Katrina Jones will be returning to Frenchville in the new year as Principal. I will be returning to my substantive position as Principal at Berserker Street SS in 2027. I am thankful and have thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to work with and alongside the Frenchville school community and I wish everybody all the best for the future.

Student leadership

This week our aspiring leaders in Year 5 presented their leadership speeches to peers in Years 4, 5 and 6. Congratulations to every student who prepared a speech and delivered it at our assembly this week - this takes great courage and leadership in and of itself and we are very proud of every student who applied for elected leadership positions. Congratulations to:

School Captains: Sophie Lawrence & Dominic Jozeljic

Cultural Captains: Annabelle Hoy & Danish Sarwani

House Captains

Archer: Sienna Knight & Sebastian Johnstone

Capricorn: Jack Hardiman & Lyla Johnson

Fitzroy: Finn Starr-Unwin & Paige Fairley

Keppel: Braith Conlon & Sophie Hogarth

At the commencement of 2027, classes in years 5 and 6 will elect representatives for the Student Council.

Semester Two Reporting

On Monday 07 December, Semester 2 report cards will be emailed to parent/caregivers. If you have already, then I thank you for updating your details along with a current email address (if changed) to receive Semester 2 report cards and remember to check your junk folder.

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Fortnightly Date **Claimers**

27 Nov	Year 5 Japanese excursion
	Prep swimming – final lesson
30 Nov	Glenmore SHS transition day
01 Dec	Glenmore SHS transition day
	NRSHS transition day
	2027 IM information evening, SAC 6:00pm
02 Dec	End of year Prep concert, SAC 9:30am
	RHS transition day
03 Dec	Prep Open Morning, 9am-10am
07 Dec	Report cards emailed

2027 **Classroom Visits**

Class visits will occur on Thursday 10 December. Students will meet their teacher for 2027 and see their classroom space. Transition for students in the lower school is already occurring – with visits to new play and eating areas, walk throughs to the year level classrooms and social stories to help ease any anxieties with these changes.

Online Services **Consent changes**

From 25 October 2026, Queensland state schools no longer need individual consent to use and share your child's relevant information such as their name and email address when using Approved Online Services.

This means less paperwork for families while keeping student information safe.

Approved Online Services are assessed against a national framework for privacy, online security and other requirements under section 426A of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 (Qld) before being approved for use in Queensland state schools.

Consent is still required if a service needs sensitive information, such as health information.

If you don't want your child to use an Approved Online Service, you can opt out by contacting us in writing.

We will keep you informed about the services our school uses through the newsletter.

Qld Rep Sport application process changing in **2027**

The way you provide permission and consent for your child to participate in Queensland Representative School Sport (QRSS) events is changing. QRSS is introducing a new digital platform to make it easier to manage event information, permissions and consents. From Term 1, you'll be able to complete these processes securely online, all in one place.

An easier and simpler way to manage your child's sporting events.

You will be able to:

- Provide online permissions and consents for your child's participation in QRSS events.
- View all your child's event information in one place.
- Reduce repetitive form filling, signing and submissions.
- Easily access event details, participation requests and historical records.
- Upload supporting documents when required (e.g. medical plans).

How can I provide permission/consent for my child in the platform?

When your child is invited to a QRSS event, you will receive an email with a link to sign into the QRSS digital platform. Once you click on the link you be asked to sign in using your own secure digital identity, such as Queensland Digital Identity (QDI) or myID.

A Digital Identity replaces traditional usernames and passwords and helps protect your personal information when accessing government services. To make sure you receive QRSS event invitations, please make sure that the email address associated with your QDI or myID account matches the email address your school has on record for you

Tip: You can prepare now by checking if you already have a QDI or myID. If you use a Queensland Digital Licence, you may already have QDI. If you use services such as the Australian Taxation Office or Centrelink through myGov, you may already have myID.

Can I use a paper form?

Yes, you are still able to sign and return the paper form, if you are unable to log into the platform.

Where can I find out more information/support on using the platform?

Visit the QRSS website for an online parent guide and frequently asked questions. For help with your digital identity, visit: MyID or QDI.

Parents and carers are invited to attend one of the following webinars to learn what to do when they receive an event invitation through the QRSS Digital Platform:

- Monday 7 December 2026, 6pm – 6:30pm: Register here
- Wednesday 9 December 2026, 8am – 8:30am: Register here
- Monday 18 January 2027, 8am – 8:30am: Register here
- Wednesday 20 January 2027, 6pm – 6:30pm: Register here



Student Absence Line

It's important to notify us if you child will be absent from school for the day. Please call: 4931 5366

Awards Ceremonies **Week 10**

Academic & Be G.R.E.A.T Awards Parade

The Semester 2 Academic and Be G.R.E.A.T. parades will be held over two days. **Tuesday 09 December,** will be **Prep to Year 2** and **Monday 08 December** will be **Years 3-6**. Parades will be held in the School Activity Centre and commence promptly at 9:00am.

Be G.R.E.A.T Awards Assembly – 08/12 9am, P-2

The criteria to receive a Be G.R.E.A.T award is stated below.

Criteria for Frenchville Be G.R.E.A.T awards:

Five students from every Prep-Year 6 class will be recognised for demonstrating the qualities of gratitude, resilience, empathy, awareness and talent as per the Be G.R.E.A.T wellbeing focus at Frenchville SS.

Academic Awards Assembly – 08/12 2pm, Yrs 3-6

Criteria for Frenchville Academic Awards:

GOLD ACADEMIC – four A's from English, Maths, Science and HASS.

BLUE ACADEMIC – three A's and a B from English, Mathematics, Science and HASS.

Sports Parade

The annual Sports Parade will be conducted in the SAC on **Wednesday 10 December at 2:00pm**. Parents/caregivers are welcome. Trophies are awarded to the best and fairest players of school-based sport. Pennants are awarded to students who have represented Rockhampton, Capricornia or Queensland for school sport. Trophies are awarded for players of the year for various sports.

Year 6 Graduation and Awards

Parents/caregivers of Year 6 students are invited to attend the Senior Graduation on **Thursday 11 December** commencing at **9:00am** in the SAC. During this ceremony, trophies and pennants will be awarded. Students must be well presented in school uniform including appropriate footwear (black or white shoes which may include minor colours that support the uniform standard and white socks). All students from Years 4 to Year 6 will attend the ceremony. Younger siblings of graduating Year 6 students are welcome to attend. Please inform the child's teacher beforehand and take him/her with you to the ceremony.













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Parents and carers — have you had your say?
There is still time to share what matters most to your family in the **What Parents & Carers Want survey** from P&Cs Qld, in collaboration with researchers from The University of Queensland. Your experiences and ideas will help inform future support and advocacy for Queensland families.

Complete the survey before midnight AEST on Sunday 13 December 2026. Already completed it? Thank you — please pass the invitation on to another parent or carer.

Survey link and QR code below:

https://uniofqueensland.syd1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3ladeUXP1hVCJAW

P&C Key Dates For 2026

P&C Meeting – Thursday 26th November, 5:15pm, Staffroom

Prep Open Morning – Thursday 3rd December, 9:00am, SAC

Tuckshop Christmas Meal Deal – Friday 4th December



Spotlight Concert Food Stall

Thank you to everyone who supported our Spotlight Concert food stall! We hope having some light refreshments available enhanced your concert experience.
Thank you also to our wonderful P&C volunteers for organising and running the stall – we would be lost without you!

Shoutout to Camp Australia

The P&C extends a massive thanks to **Camp Australia** for funding the P&C food stall. We also appreciated **Sarah, Sari and Alyse** the Camp Australia staff who stayed back after work to assist anywhere they were needed.





Frenchville SS P&C Association

Our P&C meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month. All parents are welcome.
P&C Email: pandc@frenchvilless.eq.edu.au

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Year 6 Graduation Keepsakes – pre-order closing!

Don't forget to pre-order your Year 6 graduation keepsakes on Flexischools!

LIMITED NUMBERS – ONLY UNTIL STOCKS LAST!
Orders will close November 29. Graduation keepsakes will be distributed to classrooms next week.



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Tuckshop Update

As we come to the end of the school year, our tuckshop menu will reduce.

Some items are already unavailable as we use up remaining stock and prepare for the end of the year.

We kindly ask that parents please be mindful when ordering and avoid ordering more than one of certain items per child.

We want to make sure there is enough for everyone to enjoy, right through to the end of term.

The tuckshop staff appreciate your understanding and we thank you for your continued support throughout the year!

Tuckshop closed from Thursday 10th December for stocktake and cleaning

Uniform Shop News

The uniform shop is fully stocked and ready for your new uniform orders.

See below uniform shop opening hours:



Prep Open Morning – December 3

The uniform shop will be operating a pop-up stall in the SAC throughout the Prep Open Morning.

This is a great opportunity to access the uniform shop and tick purchasing your Preppie's uniforms off your to-do list!

The main uniform shop (located at the tuckshop) will not be available during the Prep Open Morning.



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2027 Bookpacks

Online ordering link

https://booklist.officebrands.com.au/xpress



Community Notices



BECOME A Little LIFEGUARD!

14 -16th December • Northside Pool, Frenchville

Little LIFEGUARD PROGRAM

This intensive 3-day program has been developed by Aqualification for young people aged **9 to 12 years** to help them learn a wide variety of water safety, swimming, lifesaving and resuscitation skills.

Students will have morning tea and lunch provided with some free time to ride the slides and play golf before shadowing a lifeguard to see what it's really like.

Each student will also receive a t-shirt.

For more information, please email admin@aqualification.com.au.

REGISTER TODAY!

COST
$165 per child

WHEN & WHERE
9.00am to 2.00pm
14-16 Dec
North Rockhampton Swimming Pool 330-360 Berserker St, Frenchville

WHAT TO BRING
Togs, towel, sunscreen, hat & water bottle (morning tea and lunch provided)

REGISTER TODAY!
Places are limited. Please complete and return the registration form (see over page) by 6TH **December 2026.**

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Glenmore State High School presents

GET SET FOR 7

All students enrolled in Year 7 for 2027 at Glenmore State High School are invited to join us for our annual two-day event to prepare for High School.

Date | Monday 30th Nov and Tuesday 1st Dec 2026.

Time | 8:45 am to 2:55 pm each day.

Meet | At Glenmore SHS's Mike Maher Centre each morning.

RSVP | Monday 23 November 2026 via phone or email.

juniorss@glenmoreshs.eq.edu.au | 07 4923 0333

Enrolment packs must be returned before students attend