



# FRANCIS GREENWAY HIGH SCHOOL GAZETTE



Mrs Edwards (Principal)

## We Value Your Input

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## Calendar of Events

### October 2017

Monday October 16	Year 7 Vaccinations
October 16 – November 7	HSC Examinations
Tuesday October 17	P & C Meeting 6pm in Library
Tuesday October 31	Grandparents Day

### November/December 2017

Wednesday November 22	Year 12 Formal at Noahs on The Beach- Newcastle: photos 5pm, Canapes 6.30
Wednesday November 29	Year 6 Parent Information Night
Tuesday December 5	Year 7 2018 - Orientation Day 9.20 to 2.30
Wednesday December 13	Presentation Day 6pm to 9pm in the Multi Purpose Centre
Friday December 15	Last Day Term 4

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to what will be another fabulous term of learning at Francis Greenway High School.

Our HSC exams are being held at the Beresfield Bowling Club due to the construction work occurring on our site. The rooms will provide a quieter environment for the students, allowing them to perform to the best of their ability. It is essential students familiarise themselves with their timetable. Missing an exam or being late will result in the student being excluded from a result in that subject. If you have any queries please phone Amanda Usher, Stage 6 Deputy.

The Formal celebration for our Year 12 cohort is taking place on the November 22 at Noah's on the Beach. Photos will be taken at 5.00pm if you would like to come along and see just how fabulous they all look.

Authentic Assessment Panels will take place later in the term - Year 7 in week 5, Year 8 in week 6 and Year 10 in week 8. Students have collected samples of their assessments during the year and completed a reflection sheet on each one. This reflection sheet provides the students with the opportunity to think about their own learning which they discuss with the panel. Each panel is made up of teachers, community members and students. This process is an important aspect of having students take responsibility for, and pride in, their learning.

We are celebrating Grandparents on October 31. There will be information on our website and Facebook page soon so please keep this date free in order to come along and enjoy some time with your grandchildren.

I have noticed many students are arriving late to school. This is a great concern as it means they not only miss the important first part of a lesson, they interrupt the learning of others when they do arrive. Our school values families for supporting strong school attendance and so I ask that you reinforce this message with your children.

P&C meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 6.00pm in the library. These meetings are friendly and informal. Everyone is welcome to come along. The agenda includes reports from both Principal and Deputy Principals as well as a canteen report and time for general business. Decisions are made regarding future projects, uniform and the allocation of funds.

**Jo Edwards**  
**Principal**

## **FROM THE DEPUTIES**

### **Years 11 and 12**

Next Monday Year 12 will begin their final HSC exams at the Beresfield Bowling Club.

Year 12, I wish you all the very best of luck, as this has been 13-years of preparation and we are all cheering you on to the finish line. Continue to work hard and give it everything you have, and remember, you are nearly there, and whatever happens next is not solely determined by the result of the exams. You each have the potential for greatness, whatever that may look like for you.

You have the power to create the life you want; you are amazing. Keep going.

Our Year 11 Students have now become Year 12. HSC course work has begun. It is now time to gather the tools and skills that the 'Reaching Your Potential' Program has endeavoured to provide over the past three terms and refine their course of study, while they begin the final leg of their school journey.

This week our 2018 HSC students will get a HSC Assessment Information booklet and Flexible timetable note. We are also providing each HSC student a 'Senior Student Diary' that must be at school each day.

**Amanda Usher**  
**Deputy Principal - Year 11&12**

## **WRITE IT RIGHT PROGRAM**

Year 8 and 9 Aboriginal students have been participating in a number of activities to further explore and learn about their Aboriginality through Murrook Culture Centre and the Write it Right program. This takes place on Wednesday of Week A when we all board our school's bus and head up the highway to Murrook. These activities then act as stimulus for explicit teaching of writing skills, such as persuasive P.E.E.L paragraphs or information reports for example.

Last term the students learnt about the importance of planting and propagating native plants and they had the opportunity to plant seeds, label pots with the botanic plant names, mix soil and re pot seedlings into bigger pots.

Last term also saw the students travel to Wollatuka at the University of Newcastle where they learnt about the many opportunities available and the support provided for Aboriginal students in tertiary education. The second part of our road tripping day was to Awabakal Medical Centre. Here students learnt about the health services available to them and a number of the students had a hands on experience; Jasmine had her blood sugar tested and Aleah, Bradley, Anastacia, Zack and Liam listened to each other's heart beats using a stethoscope. We were then able to watch as Steve, the Cultural worker from Murrook received his flu shot.

A new activity in the Write it Right program this year was a session on learning Gatang language. Students learnt simple nouns like dog, boy, river, fire and water as well as how to say and write numbers and body parts. To finish this day off the students were taught to sing Heads and Shoulders, Knees and Toes in Gatang.

On one of our visits we were lucky enough to go sand boarding on Stockton sand dunes. The students had an amazing day trudging up the huge dunes and whizzing back down them as fast as they could...before trudging up again and again. Jumps were made out of the sand in an attempt at flying and quite successfully. There were some very tired kids on the bus on the way home to say the least.

Last term also saw NAPLAN results come back to the school. Our Year 9 Aboriginal students showed some very positive growth and again scored well above the state average for writing. These students also exceeded their expected growth in writing.







Danielle Walsh  
Write it Right Program Coordinator



# THE UNIFORM SHOP

New Uniforms for 2018



It is recommended that if you require new uniforms for 2018, that you come in for a Uniform Fitting before the end of Term 4.

We have extended our current hours to ensure all students are fitted before the end of term 4. We will open on:

Wednesday 22nd November: 8.00am - 4.00pm

Wednesday 29th November: 8.00am - 4.00pm

To book an appointment, please log in or register online at [www.alintaapparel.com.au](http://www.alintaapparel.com.au)

Thankyou

Francis Greenway High School Uniform Shop

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## Francis Greenway High School

### Notification of Student Absence

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ First Day Absent: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Day Absent/Possible Duration: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Notifier's Name: Mr / Mrs / Ms / Dr \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Student: Mother / Father / Nan / Pop \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Student's Surname: \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Year Group: \_\_\_\_\_ Date today \_\_\_\_\_  
 New Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

New Carer Phone Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

New Emergency Contacts:

New medical conditions/ allergies etc:

Name of person making changes \_\_\_\_\_ relationship to student \_\_\_\_\_  
Best phone/ email if contact is required today \_\_\_\_\_

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# Francis Greenway High School

## *EMAIL GAZETTE REQUEST*

Student(s) Name: .....  
(Please list all students)

Year: .....

Parent/Carer Name:.....

Email address: .....

*(To be returned to the Front Office)*

# Francis Greenway High School Uniform Shop



## Shop Hours

Monday 1.00 – 3.30pm

Wednesday 8.00 – 9.30am

## Contact Details

(02) 40286466

[francisgreenway@alinta.com.au](mailto:francisgreenway@alinta.com.au)

Lot 2 Lawson Ave, Beresfield 2322

Girls Uniform Yr 7-12	Size	Price
S/S Blouse Yr 7-10	J8-L20	\$39.50
Formal Polo Yr 7-10	J8-3XL	\$44.00
S/S Blouse Yr 11-12	J10-L20	\$39.50
Tartan Skirt	J8-L20	\$69.00
Formal Shorts	J8-L20	\$48.50
Fitted Pants – <b>On Sale</b>	J8-L20	<b>\$39.00</b>
Boys Uniform Yr 7-12	Size	Price
S/S Shirt Yr 7-10	J8-3XL	\$39.00
Formal Polo Yr 7-10	J8-3XL	\$44.00
S/S Shirt Yr 11-12	J8-3XL	\$39.00
Formal Shorts	J8-3XL	\$48.50
Formal Trousers	J8-3XL	\$55.00
Sports Uniform	Size	Price
Sports Polo	J8-3XL	\$44.00
Sports Shorts	J8-3XL	\$38.00
Trackjacket – <b>On Sale</b>	J10-3XL	<b>\$49.00</b>
Trackpants – <b>On Sale</b>	J8-3XL	<b>\$29.00</b>

Outerwear	Size	Price
Polar Fleece Jumper	J10-2XL	\$55.00
Knitted Jumper	10-16	\$82.00
Knitted Jumper	18-24	\$92.00
Super Fleece Jacket	J10-2XL	\$65.00
Cotton Cardigan	10-20	\$55.95
Rugby Jumper	J10-2XL	\$84.00
Accessories	Size	Price
Socks Ankle	All sizes	\$ 6.50
Sport Sock 2pk	All sizes	\$13.95
Microfibre Tights	All sizes	\$10.00
Leather Belt	All sizes	\$17.00
Tie	N/A	\$23.00
Fabric Marker	N/A	\$ 4.00

**Note: Sizes not carried are available by custom order. Three month lead time applies.**

**An additional \$10.00 is applied to all sizes above and including a 4XL/L22**

**Online orders are distributed from the Uniform Shop the next opening day of the shop.**

**A postage charge will occur for all orders marked for delivery.**

**Payments can be made by cash, credit card or debit credit cards only.**

**Prices effective from 1-10-17 and are subject to change without notice.**



**Beresfield Barracudas Swimming Club  
Welcomes New and Existing Members to the  
2017/18 season!**

**Friday Nights at 6pm  
From Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October – March 2018  
Come along for a try before signing up!**

**Online registrations – see website below**

**\$100 per swimmer**

**Under 7's are FREE, a part of the Optus Junior Dolphin Program**

**Costs include National, State and Local affiliation fees**

**All new swimmers must bring their birth certificate to the 1<sup>st</sup> club night**

**To register:**

WEBSITE [www.beresfield@nswswimming.com.au](http://www.beresfield@nswswimming.com.au)

**For more information:**

EMAIL [barracudassc@optusnet.com.au](mailto:barracudassc@optusnet.com.au)

PHONE **0438 581 087** to speak with our Registrar, Jacqui

Alternate PHONE **0413 337 184**

FACEBOOK **For all updates LIKE the Facebook page!**

#### **About Beresfield Swimming Club Inc**

We are a family oriented swimming club which encourages members to develop their skills at their own pace. Our Club Meets are based on improving on your best times in each stroke. We have races suitable for beginners over 15m through to competent swimmers over 50m, 100m and 200m. Competency is assessed by times and proficiency, with swimmers being graded for each stroke from beginners in E-grade through to A-grade for the fully proficient swimmers.