

FRANCIS GREENWAY HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Successful Learners ~ Supportive Environment

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UP AND COMING

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MON-FRI AUGUST 12-16
YEAR 11 METAL
WORK PLACEMENT

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MON-FRI AUGUST 19-23
YEAR 11 HOSPITALITY
WORK PLACEMENT

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MON-FRI AUGUST 19-30
HSC TRIALS

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TUESDAY AUGUST 20
P & C MEETING 6:00PM

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MON-FRI AUGUST 26-30
YEAR 11 RETAIL
WORK PLACEMENT

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WEDNESDAY AUGUST 28
YEAR 7 VACCINATIONS

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MON-FRI SEPTEMBER 2-6
YEAR 11 CONSTRUCTION
WORK PLACEMENT

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WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 4
BIG BLOKEY BREAKFAST
7:30AM

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WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 4
YEAR 12 THE FINISHING LINE
8:35AM – 9:40AM

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WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 11
PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS
3:10PM – 6:00PM

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MONDAY SEPTEMBER 16-25
YEAR 11 YEARLY EXAMS

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WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 25
YEAR 12 FORMAL

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FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 27
YEAR 12
GRADUATION ASSEMBLY

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to term three at Francis Greenway. From this term, Natalie Conway will be Deputy Principal for Years 8 and 10, and Damien Brownsmith will be Deputy Principal for Years 11 and 12. We welcome back Laura George who is now our Head Teacher Wellbeing. This term will have a huge focus on supporting Year 12 to complete their HSC studies.

I would like to thank those staff who worked with our students during the holidays. This is indicative of the commitment staff have for ensuring students receive every opportunity to succeed and I know their generosity of time and expertise is appreciated.

Mrs Kennedy, our HSC Hub teacher in the Learning Centre, is available to work with students on assessment tasks and any study support they require. Our Stage 6 Deputy Principal, Damien Brownsmith, as well as Sarah Bretag the Year 12 Adviser are also avenues of support.

This term sees the introduction of changes to our Mobile Phone procedures. These changes are to allow students to engage fully and focus on their classwork. Students have the option to either place their phone in a toolbox on the teacher's desk or place it in their bags.

Students have been taught the new procedures through a Positive Behaviour for Learning lesson. Thank you for your support as this procedure provides choice for students while at the same time providing a more effective learning environment for all.

Francis Greenway had the honour of hosting the Education Week Awards this year. Our ceremony allowed families and the community to join in celebrating excellence in public education across the Gateway Learning Community.

Jo Edwards
Principal



FROM THE DEPUTIES

Subject Selection Process for Years 7, 8 and 10 into Years 8, 9 and 11 2020

The process of students making their selections is complete. If any students wish to change their preferences, they are free to do so, however, as we progress their options may be reduced.

We will notify students of their allocations towards mid to late this term. A lot of organisational and computational work is required to be performed to ensure as many students as possible can gain entry into their preferred courses.

Positive Behaviour for Learning PBL

Many students have already been awarded for their diligence, application and efforts in accordance with our PBL awards process. We remind parents and students that we have several processes at the school to recognise students who are working and conducting themselves well at school. The PBL awards presentation recognises students with the most nominations in our specific categories of Respect, Responsibility, Commitment and Cooperation as well as the highest overall and the Deadly award for an Aboriginal student with the highest.

Our PBL Honours Awards system recognises any student who achieves benchmark levels of nominations and points towards the various levels from Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum and Diamond. Already a large number of students have attained the Bronze and some have already made substantial progress to higher awards. We encourage students to strive towards these awards and have no limit on the number of students who can receive any of the PBL Honours Awards.

Sentral Access for Students

The Sentral Student portal is active. Students can check their timetable and positive recognition count. Over time greater functionality will be added. The school does not intend on providing printed timetables to students moving forward, with many students having access to their own device or otherwise can access in the Library.

To access go to fghs.sentral.com.au and select the link under Student and Guest Access. Students use the DoE username and password to access the system.

The school, in time, will also publish reports through this portal.

Ben Higginbottom
Deputy Principal Years 7 & 9

REQUEST FOR ALL SCHOOL MAINTENANCE LOCAL TRADES PROVIDERS AND SUPPLIERS

The NSW Government has committed the largest investment in planned maintenance at public schools in the history of NSW. A record \$1.3 billion is being spent on an ambitious delivery program, focused on employing local businesses and contractors across the state. To assist in addressing regional school maintenance issues and at the same time provide work for local trade's persons and suppliers across the Hunter / Central Coast regions, over \$100 million is being invested to upgrade and maintain our school infrastructure. Given this record spend by School Infrastructure NSW, you are invited to an Asset Management Unit industry breakfast briefing. This will provide information to existing and new contractors on how you can get involved.

To find out more by attending our Industry breakfast register at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/industry-engagement-information-session-tickets-65766578607> or contact your Asset Management Unit on 4088 3500.

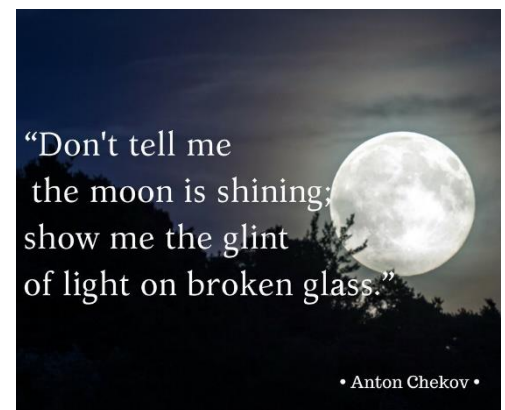
ENGLISH

Year 8 Writing

In the Year 8 Writing subject, semester two is all about *IMAGINATION!*

Year 8 Writing students will learn all about hooking a reader with sizzling starts and being aware of audience impact, engaging readers, tightening tension and banning the boring in creative writing. There will be a significant focus on using sensory imagery and figurative devices to effectively convey ideas, characters and settings. This is a time for students to experiment and take risks in their imaginative writing by constructing similes, metaphors, personification and hyperbole and avoiding clichéd expressions. Skills to effectively plan for writing will be taught as well as how to use dialogue in an appealing and valuable way.

All students are encouraged to join and participate in the school's online writing group run through Google Classroom. A plethora of activities is on offer and there is something to suit all skill levels and needs. Years 7 to 10 will be writing a narrative in English this term so now is the time to focus on developing the skills needed to write well imaginatively.



Code: fqmtturPractise is the key to success in expressing yourself in the written form.

Danielle Walsh
English Faculty



CAREERS UPDATE

University of Newcastle Schools Visit Day

Year 12 visited Newcastle University last term for the annual "School's Visit Day". Students attended mini lectures that were held to provide valuable information about courses and university life. Students found the day to be very useful and interesting. Career Advisers also spent the day being updated with course information.

Year 12 this term has been all about collecting information concerning the University application process, TAFE options, job application process and more. Year 12 have lots of exciting new pathways for the future and need to be proactive about applications right now, as a lot of opportunities will close very soon. I am also available for students and parents to discuss post school applications and pathways.

Also parents remember that I have purchased Job Jump, a careers tool for all sorts of career investigations and career planning. This will be very useful for Years 10, 11 & 12.

www.jobjump.com.au (INSTRUCTIONS: To use the website students enter their email address (preferably their home email address for students, as often their school email is lost at the end of Year 12) and click Login. They will then need to put in their school **password**: francis and then answer a couple of brief questions to register.

And don't forget our FGHS Careers website www.fghscareers.com

Kate Taylor
Careers Adviser

PD/H/PE

Personal Development, Health and Physical Education

National Health and Physical Education Day (HPE) – September 12

This year we are engaging in a whole school fitness challenge as a lead up to HPE Day which not only includes our students, but staff members as well. We have commenced the challenge by completing the fitness activities below and would encourage parents/carers to promote this task as it is an assessable task for students in Years 7 to 10. Parents/carers could also use this opportunity to build particular areas of fitness, whilst working with the students.

Activity	A GRADE	B GRADE	C GRADE
Running	6km	4km	2km
Sit Ups	60	40	30
Push Ups	60 (knees) / 30 (toes)	40 (knees) / 20 (toes)	20 (knees) / 10 (toes)
Star Jumps	80	60	40
Planking	3min	2min	1min
Walking Lunges	30	20	10

Harmonie Attwill
Head Teacher PD/H/PE

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

Year 8 Inquisitive Minds Challenge Day

On June 21, 17 students from Year 8 attended the Inquisitive Minds Problems, Patterns, Pictures and Puzzles Workshop at Hunter School of Performing Arts. The workshop involved schools across the Hunter and as far away as Port Macquarie participating in interactive problem solving and hands on problem solving activities. This workshop allowed students to interact with the wider community, meet and work with the other school participants and develop their problem solving, communication and critical thinking skills. The students highly enjoyed themselves and found the experience rewarding



Year 8 Inquisitive Minds Challenge Day at Hunter School of Performing Arts



CAPA

If you thought CAPA had a big Term 2, that's nothing in comparison to what we have in store for Term 3!

At the end of Term 2, CAPA celebrated the success of 'Greenway's Got Talent'. This one night only show was a huge accomplishment and it was such an honour to see so many confident students and staff showcase their talents on stage. The judges had their work cut out for them! The inaugural show may just become a bi-annual whole school event.

This term the Drama Ensemble performed in Australia's Largest Performing Arts Competition **Wakakirri!** On Monday night the group brought to life on stage at Civic Theatre Newcastle a robotic movement piece which highlights the consuming nature of social media and absolutely smashed their performance! The group was awarded "Best Makeup" award and "Best use of minimal props and sets" award! Congratulations to all involved.

Week 3 also sees Francis Greenway High School host the 2019 Education Week Awards for our Gateway Learning Community. Music teachers Mrs Ayres and Miss Wiley have been working hard with our four partner primary schools to rehearse a **combined choir** and live band for the night. The performance will be a highlight for sure, with over 50 students singing.

After Week 3, the rest of this term will focus on the Visual Arts, Music and Drama HSC Practical marking.

Drama HSC students will submit their Individual Projects on August 26 and perform their Group Performance during Weeks 6 & 7 for HSC markers.

Visual Art HSC students will lock up their Body of Works (worth a massive 50% of their overall HSC mark) on Monday September 2.

Music HSC students will perform 4 songs EACH for HSC markers during Weeks 8 & 9.

This is a stressful time for CAPA HSC students, so please support them in their studies and rehearsals. There will be a HSC CAPA SHOWCASE at the end of the term in Weeks 9 or 10 so all parents and friends can come and see their hard work in the flesh.

Hope to see you all there! Date to be confirmed in the coming weeks.



(Pictures above: Drama Ensemble rehearsing for Wakakirri Competition)

Alysha McCann
Head Teacher CAPA

WELLBEING TEAM

Student Centred – Learning Focused – Wellbeing Driven

Welcome back for what I'm sure will be another great term for our students.

Silent Disco

Students and staff finished last term on a high with the 'Silent Disco' which was run by Playground Sounds. This is one of our most popular student wellbeing initiatives of the year and a great way to end a busy and productive term.



New Student Support Officer (SSO)

We are excited to welcome our new Student Support Officer (SSO) to the Wellbeing Team, Erin Diggelmann. Erin joins us from Murray High School and comes with 8 years experience in the SSO role. The SSO role is new to our school and she will work in partnership with the learning and support team and school counselling service to enhance student social and emotional wellbeing and learning outcomes. Erin comes with experience in individual case management, running a range of small group programs and implementing whole school wellbeing initiatives.

Mission Australia – Youth Survey

Students in Years 10, 11 and 12 will have the opportunity to participate in the Mission Australia Youth Survey. The survey provides a platform for young people aged 15 to 19 to 'speak up' about the issues that really concern them. Each year, the Youth Survey gives valuable insights into the lives of young Australians and an understanding of their aspirations, values, concerns and ambitions. If you would like more information or do not want your child to participate please contact Laura George.

Year 7 2020 Transition Event – Mini Lessons


On Wednesday August 21, Year 6 students will have an opportunity to meet the FGHS staff and participate in 'mini lessons' across the key learning areas. It is a great day and allows students to navigate their way around their new school. Further information in regards to transportation will be provided by your child's primary school.

Local Events & Resources

The following events/opportunities are available in the local area in the coming weeks.

- TGIF Social Youth Group, Every Friday from 4pm, Headspace Maitland
TGIF is a social space and great way to meet people in the community. Contact Elizabeth.murphy-may@samaritans.org.au for more information.
- Newcastle Pride Family Fair Day – Saturday August 24, Foreshore Park – Cost: Free
Celebrate the Newcastle Pride Festival with music, market stalls, community information stalls, food stalls, youth workshops, children's activities, Doggywood parade, drag shows and other entertainment.
- 4 Year Old Preschool Health Screening – Thursday August 29, Woodberry Public School.
Checks will include eyes (no drops are used), teeth, speech, height and weight. Bookings are essential. To register contact Amy at Place of Friends 02 4964 2174 or [Facebook.com/WoodberryPlaceofFriends/Events](https://www.facebook.com/WoodberryPlaceofFriends/Events)

COMMUNITY NIGHT



The Enemy Within

TALKING ADDICTION, MENTAL HEALTH,
WELLBEING AND CULTURE WITH

Joe Williams


AND DR JULIAN KEATS

WED 14 AUGUST 2019 | 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM
TELARAH PUBLIC SCHOOL

FREE BBQ

A night for community
and connection

Everybody welcome




Teaching someone to drive can be a **happy** experience.

You can learn all the simple steps on how to teach a learner driver
at a **FREE** two hour workshop.

The next workshop in your area will be held:

<p>TIME & DATE:</p> <p>Thursday 22 August 2019 6pm to 8pm</p>	<p>VENUE:</p> <p>Meeting Room Maitland Town Hall High St Maitland</p>	<p>BOOK NOW ON:</p> <p>Road Safety Officer 4934 9840 <u>BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL</u></p>
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Helping learner drivers
become safe drivers




Laura George
Head Teacher Learning & Wellbeing

SUPPORT UNIT

The Support Unit have been very busy the last few months with loads of exciting things happening.

Mrs Lewer has been engaging and encouraging the Support Unit in participating in the **Run Around Australia** challenge. Participating schools collect kilometres during the school day via walking/running in 10 minute intervals. These kilometres are then collected and mapped out on a map of Australia. Collectively, participating schools have made it from the Sydney Harbour Bridge to Mt Isa, via Cape York. This is a wonderful achievement which we are very proud to be involved in. The program is free and has won several awards for its innovative approach to PD/H/PE and Maths.



Greenways Got Talent

Unfortunately, due to limited time, not all students were able to perform in Greenways Got Talent. As a support unit, we held our own "Auditions" to allow all students a chance to stand on stage and perform. This was a very successful event and all students involved had a wonderful time. The talent demonstrated from some of our students was incredible. I would like to congratulate those students and teachers who got up to perform in front of their peers as this took bravery and courage.



Recycling

The students in S5 run a recycling program across the school which involves collecting and sorting paper, bottles and cans. Money raised through return and earn is used to subsidise our life skills cooking program. As part of the recycling program students came up with a slogan and a poster to encourage recycling across the school.



Shelby McPherson
Support Faculty

Registration

Rebel Sport Greenhills
11AM to 1PM Saturdays



Seniors - One Day, Two Day & T20 Cricket
Juniors - Under/9's to Under/16's
Junior Blasters - Ages 5 – 8 years

Enquires Contact – Damien 0412 681 192
20% Discount in Store on Full Priced Ticketed
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Shop Hours

Monday 1.00-3.30pm
Wednesday 8.00-9.30am

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Girls Uniform: Yr7-Yr12				
	Size	Price	Size	Qty
S/S Blouse Yr7-Yr10	J8-L20	\$41.00		
Formal Polo Yr7-Yr10	J8-3XL	\$45.00		
S/S Blouse Yr11-Yr12	J10-L20	\$41.00		
Tartan Skirt	J8-L20	\$71.00		
Formal Shorts	J8-L20	\$49.95		
Fitted Pants - On Sale	J8-L20	\$39.00		
Boys Uniform: Yr7-Yr12				
	Size	Price	Size	Qty
S/S Shirt Yr7-Yr10	J8-3XL	\$40.00		
Formal Polo Yr7-Yr10	J8-3XL	\$45.00		
S/S Shirt Yr11-Yr12	J8-3XL	\$40.00		
Formal Shorts	J8-3XL	\$49.95		
Formal Trousers	J8-3XL	\$55.00		
Sports Uniform				
	Size	Price	Size	Qty
Sports Polo	J8-3XL	\$45.00		
Sport Shorts Stretch MF	J8-3XL	\$41.00		
Sport Shorts - On Sale	J8-3XL	\$38.00		

Outerwear				
	Size	Price	Size	Qty
Kitted Jumper	10-16	\$55.00		
	18-24	\$55.00		
Super Fleece Jacket	J10-2XL	\$66.95		
Cotton Cardigan	10-20	\$40.00		
Rugby Jumper	J10-2XL	\$45.00		
Accessories				
	Size	Price	Size	Qty
Leather Belt	All Sizes	\$17.50		
Tie		\$24.00		
Fabric Marker		\$4.00		