



# FRANKSTON SPECIAL DEVELOPMENTAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## 22nd September, 2017

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### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Hi Families,

I am thrilled to let you know are now enjoying our new facilities at Frankton SDS. Our middle classes have moved into their new classrooms, the gymnasium is in operation and staff are using the staff room. The four classrooms previously occupied by middle school classes offer our staff and students extra learning spaces we have never had access to before. One of these rooms is being used as a sensory room with another to be converted into a library over the school holidays.

If you have recently visited the school you would have noticed, work has commenced to build a new ramp and deck to connect our newly relocated classroom at the top of our school with the senior BER building. Once this project has been completed, students will have full accessibility to all classrooms in the senior department, including the bus shed. The funding for this project was obtained through a grant, therefore there is no direct cost to our school. This is a great outcome.

A fortnight ago, I was most fortunate to attend the 2017 graduate camp on the Gold Coast. Our six-day adventure was based in Broadbeach Waters and involved outings each day to the many attractions the Gold Coast offers. The opportunity for our students to go away together and practise many of the life skills they have learned in class is invaluable. Camps offer the perfect setting for our staff to teach and reinforce our school's key objectives of developing communication, independence and social competencies. I am very grateful to the many staff members at FSDS who offer their time to attend camps. They are not paid any extra for the extended hours involved but value the incredible learning opportunities camps provide to our students.

Today the students and staff of Frankston SDS celebrated the 100th episode of METV. In my opinion, METV has been one of the best things we have done at Frankston SDS. Our students absolutely love it and look forward to each episode but more importantly, it reinforces key learning priorities in the school. Students have been observed considering 'Chip Candy's' opinion when choosing between healthy food and junk food. I am particularly grateful for the energy and continued enthusiasm our staff and students have showed to METV. It is this energy that makes it so special.

Over the last fortnight staff members from 'like' classrooms have come out of the classroom for one day to plan their learning programs for next term. Research shows collaborative planning to be one the highest influences on student outcomes. Next year in the new Enterprise Bargaining Agreement (EBA) recently announced by the Department of Education, schools will be encouraged and compensated by the department to allow for these days. I see this as reinforcement of our decision to schedule these days; we're on the right track.

If you are travelling over the holidays please take care on the roads and good luck if your football team is still alive.

Take care,  
Scott t

Scott Tucker



### PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

The Principal's Awards are awarded to students according to Our School Values. These awards are given out at the fortnightly assemblies throughout the year.

**RESPECT THE ENVIRONMENT** *We look after our things and the places we go*

Kylen

**RESPECT YOURSELF** *We make good choices and do our best*

Gabriel

Larisa

Ethan

**RESPECT OTHERS** *We work and play together*

Teagan

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS

1st September

Joshua

4th September

Jack

11th September

Rayne



# Community Noticeboard



**ACD NDIS Workshops**

**BE PREPARED  
NOT SCARED**

ACD will be running **FREE NDIS workshops** for families of children with a disability at Frankston SDS!  
You must be an ACD member to attend.

Topic: NDIS Planning	Monday Series
Workshop 1: Introduction to NDIS and NDIS Plan	Tuesday 17/10/2017 10am - 12.30 pm
Workshop 2: Preparing for NDIS Planning	Tuesday 31/10/2017 10am - 12.30 pm
Workshop 3: Managing your child's NDIS Plan	Tuesday 14/11/2017 10am - 12.30 pm

The three NDIS PLANNING workshops are sequential, so participants must complete each workshop prior to attending the next.

To register, please refer to Membership and Workshop Application Form

**Venue: Frankston Special Development School, Sassafras Drive, Frankston**

**ACD Membership is FREE for the first 12 months if you join before October 31 2017!**  
Go to [www.acd.org.au](http://www.acd.org.au) to become a member today.

**Become an ACD Member today to receive information about upcoming workshops!**

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## PARENT AND CARER RELAXATION

Take some time out for yourself and come along to our weekly relaxation group to help increase feelings of calm and inner peace and join us for a cuppa afterwards.

Every Friday in the Library from 9.30—10.30am. Please contact Patricia if you require more details.



## COFFEE CLUB

All Parents and Carers are welcome to come along to enjoy a cuppa, a chat and a laugh with other parents and carers from FSDS.

Every **Tuesday** in the Conference Room **9.30—11.30am.**







# Room 2





## Do you

- have difficulty managing your child's behaviour?
- want to strengthen your parenting skills?
- want to learn ways to better connect with your child?
- feel concerned about the level of conflict in your home?

Tuning in to Kids is a highly regarded and well-researched program that supports parents to develop and enhance their parenting skills, focusing on building the relationship between parent and child.

This free program teaches parents:

- to be aware and to regulate your own emotions
- to be aware of your child's emotions
- to use your child's emotional experiences as an opportunity for closeness and teaching
- skills to help your child verbally name their emotions
- skills to help your child to problem-solve
- to guide your child's behaviour with appropriate limits.

**Duration** 6 sessions per course in 2017. 9:30 - 11:30am

### When

- Group 1: February 17, 24; March 3, 10, 17, 24. Booster: 21 April.
- Group 2: April 21, 28; May 5, 12, 19, 26. Booster: 23 June.
- Group 3: August 11, 18, 25; September 1, 8, 15. Booster: 13 October.
- Group 4: October 13, 20, 27; November 3, 10, 17. Booster: 15 December.

### Where

- Group 1, & 3: Relationships Australia Victoria  
2/199 South Gippsland Highway, Cranbourne
- Group 2 & 4: Mayone-bulluk Family and Community Centre  
66 Bradman Drive, Cranbourne West

### Cost

Free of charge

### Register

Bookings are essential as places are limited.  
To register or for more information call (03) 5990 1900 or email [cranbourne@rav.org.au](mailto:cranbourne@rav.org.au)

Tuning in to Kids is a program provided by Relationships Australia Victoria. The Communities for Children Initiative is supported by the Australian Government.

For more information visit [www.relationshipsvictoria.com.au](http://www.relationshipsvictoria.com.au)



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CRANBOURNE



## ACD Membership and NDIS workshop application form

Please complete all details and return to the school office by **Wednesday 11/10/2017**

Title	Your first name	Your surname
Address		
Suburb		Post code
Phone number	Mobile number	Email
I am (circle appropriate) a parent/carer /sibling /grandparent /extended family		
<b>Child with disability</b>		
First name	Surname	What is your Child's Disability?
Date of birth dd/mm/yyyy		
<b>Siblings</b>		
First name	Surname	Date of birth dd/mm/yyyy
First name	Surname	Date of birth dd/mm/yyyy
First name	Surname	Date of birth dd/mm/yyyy
Are you Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> (please tick)		Do you require an interpreter? (If yes, please specify language)
Terms and conditions of ACD membership <input type="checkbox"/> I support the purposes and rules of the Association for Children with a Disability and accept the terms and conditions of application for membership as detailed on the ACD website <a href="http://www.acd.org.au">www.acd.org.au</a> Your date of birth* Date of birth dd/mm/yyyy <small>*For voting rights you must be 18 years or over.</small>		

### ACD NDIS Workshops

YES, I am an ACD Member/ or have completed the membership form (above) and would like to attend the NDIS workshops at Frankston SDS.

(Frankston SDS Office staff please scan and email to [maraw@acd.org.au](mailto:maraw@acd.org.au) – Thank You!)



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## NDIS workshops

You must be an ACD Member if you would like to attend the NDIS workshops.  
**Places are limited and bookings are essential.**

To become an ACD member and register for ACD's NDIS workshops:

- Complete the membership form and workshop registration over the page and hand in to the school office by **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

OR

- Join online at [www.acd.org.au](http://www.acd.org.au), then email Mara Wookey at [maraw@acd.org.au](mailto:maraw@acd.org.au) 'I have become an ACD member online and I would like to attend the ACD NDIS workshops at (location) starting on (date)'

## ACD Membership

Memberships is FREE for the first 12 months if you join before October 31<sup>st</sup> 2017 (then \$25.00 per year after first 12 months). By becoming an ACD member you will receive exclusive benefits including:

- Access to the quarterly Noticeboard magazine
- **Free attendance at ACD member-only workshops**
- Free access to ACD resources and publications
- A FREE copy of the ACD NDIS Planning Workbook
- The opportunity to take part in ACD member events, such as our upcoming Zoo event in October
- Discounts to a growing range of services and opportunities such as a zero joining fee and a 15% discount when you sign up to a Fernwood women's gym
- Disability friendly accommodation providers

Above all, your contribution as an ACD member provides you with the opportunity to help ACD stand up for families like yours.

Once your membership has been approved you will receive confirmation by post. Information provided on this form is for registration purposes only and remains confidential.

