



Term 2 Newsletter

Dear College Families,

It has been a wonderful and highly productive Term 2 across Fremantle Christian College. We have seen strong engagement from students across all year levels, significant milestones in our facilities and learning environments, and many opportunities to come together as a community in faith, service, and celebration.

Whole School

This term marked an exciting milestone in the life of the College with the opening of our new Courage Building, including modern learning spaces, a brand new library, three new classrooms, and a dedicated staff room. These facilities represent an important step forward in supporting student learning and staff collaboration, and we are already seeing the positive impact they are having across the College.

Courage Library

We have been excited to introduce ePlatform, our new digital library, now available for both Primary and Secondary students. ePlatform provides students with 24/7 access to eBooks and audiobooks, supporting reading both at school and at home. Students can access the platform via their Chromebooks or laptops, as well as through the FCC website under the Digital Library: <https://fremantlecc.wa.edu.au/digital-library/>. For Primary students in Years 1 to 6, the platform offers engaging levelled readers and phonics-based texts, unlimited access to junior collections, and strong support for early literacy development. For Secondary students, it provides a wide range of curriculum-aligned texts, along with built-in study tools such as notes, highlighting, and dictionary functions, as well as audiobooks to support learning and revision.

We encourage families to explore ePlatform together and enjoy reading as part of daily life, as we look forward to this resource supporting students as they grow in knowledge, imagination, and a love of learning. As a College, we continue to ensure that all resources made available to students and staff are wholesome, educational, age-appropriate, and consistent with our Christian values. This reflects our ongoing commitment to maintaining a learning environment aligned with the culture and mission of FCC, and we appreciate the continued support of families in this shared commitment.

Faith, Service and Community Engagement

In Term 2, we have continued to connect students and families to Jesus, local churches, and ministries in meaningful and practical ways. Our annual St Pat's Winter Appeal once again provided a powerful opportunity for students to demonstrate faith in action. It was especially encouraging to hear that families are proactively contributing, reflecting how this initiative is becoming part of the rhythm of our College community.

Following their service experience at Shoreline Aged Care in Term 1, students in the Year 9 – 10 Community Service class have now begun a regular volunteering partnership with the Bibra Lake Salvation Army Op Shop, assisting with practical tasks such as stocking shelves. This initiative, led by Mrs Kristen Fenby, has been warmly received by the organisation and provides students with valuable real-world service experience while strengthening community relationships.

National Reconciliation Week

For the first time at a whole College level, National Reconciliation Week was formally acknowledged at FCC. Positioned following Pentecost, this provided a natural opportunity to reflect on themes of renewal, unity, and the work of the Holy Spirit. In response to student feedback through the Secondary Student Council, we took initial steps to begin broader conversations around Aboriginal perspectives in a respectful and thoughtful way. We were grateful to welcome Petrina Neufeld, who shared from a First Nations perspective and helped students engage with reconciliation through both cultural and biblical lenses. As we grow in this space, we will continue to reflect on how best to support age-appropriate learning and meaningful dialogue across both Primary and Secondary settings.

Open Day 2026

Our 2026 Open Day was a tremendous success and a powerful reflection of the vibrant community that makes Fremantle Christian College so special. We welcomed more than 500 visitors throughout the day, including many prospective families who participated in guided tours across the campus. The atmosphere was warm, energetic, and deeply encouraging, providing a genuine snapshot of life at FCC.

A sincere thank you to Viven Santos, our Marketing Manager, for her outstanding leadership in coordinating this major event. The planning and execution required is significant, and her attention to detail and commitment to excellence were evident throughout. We also extend our gratitude to all staff, students, parents, and volunteers who contributed through preparation, hospitality, tours, performances, and welcoming conversations. Events like this are only possible because of a unified and committed community.

ANZAC Service

Our ANZAC Day Service was a moving and reflective occasion, bringing our whole College together in remembrance and gratitude. We extend our heartfelt thanks to Commodore Daniel Sutherland for his presence and address, which deeply impacted both students and staff. Many in attendance shared how meaningful and memorable his words were, helping students connect more personally with the significance of service and sacrifice. We are sincerely grateful for his time, wisdom, and distinguished service to our nation.

Primary

Pentecost in Primary

Primary students engaged meaningfully with the story of Pentecost through both classroom learning and whole-school worship experiences. A highlight was the Year 4 Assembly item, where students retold the story of Pentecost from Acts 2 through song and drama, thoughtfully led by Miss Jasmin Hussey. This was followed by a Pentecost-themed Chapel, where students explored the idea of being “filled” with the Holy Spirit through a memorable donut illustration, reinforcing the message in a tangible way. As part of strengthening relationships across the College, selected Year 10 students also joined Primary Chapel to pray with younger students who responded to prayer invitations. This was a powerful expression of connection, leadership, and care across year levels.

Grandparents and Special Guests Afternoon

In Week 10 this term, our beloved grandparents and other special guests were invited into our Primary classrooms to spend time with their grandchildren, sharing stories and working together on a range of fun activities. This was a great opportunity for all to share their experiences of schooling while making memories that will last a lifetime. After the classroom visits, guests and students headed outside to enjoy a sunny picnic in the Nature Play.

Primary Enrichment Update

Primary Enrichment students have enjoyed a productive term, engaging in a range of enriching learning opportunities across English, Mathematics and STEM. Students completed entries for the National Storybook Writing Competition, submitted Haiku poems to the Red Room Poetry initiative, and have begun preparing for the Tournament of the Minds Regional Competition. The Maths Trust Enrichment Competition has challenged students to develop their problem-solving and reasoning skills, with more advanced concepts to be explored in Term 3. Looking ahead, STEM Enrichment will commence through a 3D printing project in partnership with Fremantle Library, while Year 3 and 4 students will participate in LEGO Education investigations that foster engineering, collaboration and creative problem-solving skills.

Secondary

Pentecost in Secondary

Secondary students were privileged to hear from guest speaker Reggie Dabbs (USA), whose message had a significant and lasting impact on students. His visit created meaningful engagement, with many students reflecting on his message well beyond the day itself. We also acknowledge the Kingdom City Schools team, who supported his visit and provided opportunities for students to engage in wider youth events within the city.

Year 8 Medieval Day

Earlier in the term, our Year 8 students took part in a highly engaging Medieval Day experience, which brought their History learning to life through immersive, hands-on activities. The day began with PCG as normal before classes were combined for a lively “best dressed” medieval fashion show, where students enthusiastically showcased their costumes. This was followed by an exciting combat demonstration on the Oval, before students participated in sword fighting and archery activities. The highlight of the morning was the Great Feast, where students came together to share in the atmosphere of medieval life. After this, the winners of the fashion show were announced, followed by the Great Challenge, which encouraged teamwork, problem-solving, and friendly competition. The day concluded with a BYO lunch and then a return to normal lessons for Periods 6 and 7. It was a memorable experience that combined learning, creativity, and community in a fun and meaningful way. Thank you to our HASS Department for delivering an outstanding day for our students, led by our Acting HASS HOLA, Mr Kyall Mills.

FCC Newspaper Launch

Under the leadership of Ms Jade Small, the College has launched the FCC Newspaper. This exciting initiative has been student-driven from the outset, providing students with an authentic platform to develop their writing, communication, and leadership skills while celebrating the life of our College community. I am pleased to report that the first edition is now ready for release and has been attached with this newsletter.

ACC Inter-School Cross Country and Year 7 Lightning Carnival

Forty students proudly represented FCC at the ACC Inter-School Cross Country Carnival. Despite earlier weather concerns, conditions remained ideal, and students performed exceptionally well across the board. Nearly all participants improved on their trial times, demonstrating strong determination and competitive spirit. Standout individual results included two Year 10 students finishing 30th and 34th out of almost 400 competitors. More importantly, students displayed excellent sportsmanship, encouraged one another, and represented the College with pride.

As part of the 2026 ACC Lightning Carnivals, FCC entered three Year 7 teams (20 boys in two soccer teams and 13 girls in netball) competing against more than 50 schools. While the event is participation-based, students represented the College with enthusiasm, pride, and strong sportsmanship. The boys’ teams won all but one match, and the girls achieved strong results, winning half their games. Despite warm conditions, it was a positive and memorable first interschool sporting experience for many Year 7 students.



Looking Ahead

As we move into Semester 2, we would like to share a few minor staffing changes within our Secondary School. We are delighted to warmly welcome Mrs Lisa Stebbins back to the College following her period of Long Service Leave. Lisa will be returning to her HASS/English Head of Learning Area and teaching responsibilities, and we are grateful to have her experience, leadership and passion back within our Secondary team.

With Lisa's return, we will farewell Ms Rachael Stampfli. Rachel has made a valuable contribution during her time with us, and we sincerely thank her for her dedication, care and service to our students throughout the term. We wish Rachel every blessing and success in the next chapter of her journey.

We are also pleased to welcome Mrs Chloe Fox to the Secondary team commencing in Term 3. Chloe brings an extensive background in drama and theatre and will be teaching six periods of Drama in Secondary. We are excited about the expertise, creativity and enthusiasm she will bring to our Performing Arts program.

We look forward to a strong and purposeful Term 3 ahead. Key highlights will include supporting our Year 12 students as they enter their final stage of schooling, hosting our Inter-House Athletics Carnivals, and continuing to build momentum across academic, pastoral, and co-curricular programs. We thank families for their ongoing partnership and support, and we look forward to what lies ahead as we continue to grow together as a College community.



A white, handwritten signature of Mr Aidan Fialho, written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned to the right of the portrait photo.

Mr Aidan Fialho
Principal

Snapshot of Term 2



