



WEDNESDAY NOTICE

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What's on in October / November:

November	14 th	Wednesday	Bike Day (Biggies)
	19 th	Monday	Start Camp for Prep – Grade 4
	21 st	Wednesday	Camp Day for Kinders (10am – 3pm)
	22 nd	Thursday	End Camp for Prep – Grade 4
	23 rd	Friday	No School for Prep – Grade 4
	27 th	Tuesday	Garden Market @ 3pm
	28 th	Wednesday	Environment Day Biggies
December	4 th	Tuesday	Environment Day Grade 1/2
	5 th	Wednesday	Environment Day Kinder & Prep/1
	11 th	Tuesday	Garden Market @ 3pm
	12 th	Wednesday	Environment Day Grade 3/4 & 5/6
	14 th	Friday	End of Year Concert
	20 th	Thursday	Last Day of School - finishing at 12.30pm

FANTASTIC FAIR! \$20, 320.00 (Approx): Once again, the time, effort and love that we all put in, has resulted in a highly profitable Fair. Our five biggest earners brought in just over \$ 12,500 collectively. When we do the call-around for stall allocation in first term next year, it would be good to see all four of the traditional big ('A') stalls well supported. We will also be looking closely on what 'B' & "C" team members *can* and *are* doing to help the 'A' stalls (Plants; Gourmet Food; Cakes & Bakery and Craft). Congratulations to the Manure Team (Andy & Lesley Gardner & others) for an amazing result with the Manure sales (\$ 3,770) at Fair, which meant that they were the 'biggest earner' on the day.

As Fair Coordinator, I get to see first-hand how much effort families put into creating things for Fair and I am once again humbled to be amongst the Cottage School community. To the dedicated & talented families and teachers who 'put their life on hold,' albeit temporarily, to make the Fair the success it is, I say thanks!

A specific thank you also to: George & Jeff who carted and then set-up, all the tables; Kristina (printing Business certificates); Bean counters (Alistair & Ross); George again (marketing & website); Rosemary (food procurement support) & those who are making cakes this week (or giving jams) for Business gifts.

Also to the Coordinators who 'volunteered' (or did we 'volunteer them') to look after the children on set-up afternoon, to engage in water fights and more generally, for all of their work with the children for Fair Day.

Finally thanks to Penny & Annette, for helping with many things.

Also **congratulations** goes to the many children who got involved in this year's fair. Our children raised over \$500 with their individual endeavours.

- **The Biggies:** who painted faces; coated strawberries in Choc; made dog treats; sold popcorn and made a multitude of other crafty items.
- The **children involved in the Creative Kids stall** (some Biggies and Middlies)- well done on making all of your craft items- what an excellent variety.

FAIR HOUSE-KEEPING:

REMINDER- REIMBURSEMENTS FOR FAIR EXPENSES: Whilst we encourage school families to donate the materials they use on their stall, we understand that some of you may have expenses that you need to claim. If you haven't already done so, please FINALISE CLAIMS BY MON 26/11. To make a claim, please ask me for a "Reimbursement Claim Form"; fill it in; attach your receipt and hand back to me.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR COST OF INGREDIENTS PROVIDED BY SCHOOL: Please could those on the food stalls who had the majority of their ingredients provided by School, make a contribution for FOCS via

Elisia. Thank you to Amanda M; Tanya A; Tim A; Oliver F and Charlotte B who have already contributed some money. Can the rest of you please see me in the playground with your contribution.

BUSINESSES WHO DONATED: As you are aware, each year we aim to get as much as possible donated. The Tasmanian business community was once again **amazing**. Consequently 52 businesses supported our school this year. This number is tied with our previous record of business donors, set in 2008!!! Some gave goods; offered a great discount or manufactured things for us, and all of them did it with no expectation of anything in return (OK- maybe cake!) They bought into the “small independent, community run, not for profit school” concept. Please see the accompanying list of those businesses.

Thanks to the whole school community for getting behind this event so marvellously! We are quite inspired as to what we can achieve together next year. Elisia ☺

Cake Packaging for Fair : If any families have excess cake stall packaging floating around at home, please drop it off to the library within the next week so it can be packed away and stored for next year. Rachel

Prep/Grade 1 Camp: On Monday Janet will gather the children's sunhats from school and bring them to camp. We are looking forward to camp. Please remember to arrive within the time specified. The camp notices and jobs lists will be given out tomorrow.

Thanks, Margie and Janet

Littlies: The children have made some beautiful books and would like to share these with you. Come at 2.50 tomorrow. After that I would like to keep the books for a week or so to show them to next years' teacher. I would also like to borrow the children's writing books from the beginning of the year if you can find yours while we are at camp. Thanks, Margie

Littlies: The Littlies are collecting small cones and seed pods. Any donations welcome. Thanks

Books for South Sudan: Margie is collecting books for a school in South Sudan. If every child could bring one book they no longer need, it would be great! Last day of collection is 27th November. See the notice board at the back of the White Cottage for more information.

Lost Phone: Jett has lost a Huawei brand mobile phone at school last Thursday which she needs for communication with her family when she is not at home. Can you pass it on to her if you find it. Thanks.

Term Dates 2013: Just a reminder about the new term dates for next year.

- Term 1 - First Day Monday 4th February – Last Day Friday 19th April
- Term 2 - First Day Monday 6th May – Last Day Friday 5th July
- Term 3 - First Day Monday 22nd July – Last Day Friday 20th September
- Term 4 - First Day Monday 14th October – Last Day Thursday 19th December

What's On:

Attachments:

- List of businesses who donated goods for the fair
- Sales totals for fair (Comparison 2011/2012)