



WEDNESDAY NOTICE

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What's on in October / November:

November	28 th	Wednesday	Environment Day Biggies
December	4 th	Tuesday	Environment Day Grade 1/2
	5 th	Wednesday	Environment Day Kinder & Prep/1
	8 th	Saturday	BARN DANCE for Whole School Community
	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

Dear School Community: Committee is thrilled to advise that the school has recruited 2 new, very high calibre teachers:

- Michelle Mihalic for the Littlies role
- Pamela Daly for the Kinder role

As many of you will know the recruitment process has been conducted over the last few months with the interviews were conducted by Lesley Gardner, Tom, Kath and Margie three weeks ago.

Michelle will be known to some of you as she has relieved at the Cottage School this year. Michelle has a number of years teaching experience with a background in Architecture and Art. She has Reggio Emilia training. Michelle gained her Master of teaching in 2011 from UTAS. Prior to that Michelle gained a Bachelor of Architecture and Bachelor of Science Architecture.

We would like to share some of the words and phrases Michelle's referees used to describe her:

Loves teaching
People warm to her quickly
Quality of her work
Adaptability
Great team player
Takes pride in her work
Very gentle

Pamela has also had a number of years experience and most recently taught at the well known Silkwood School on the mainland for three years which has a very high reputation. Pamela has a qualification in Psychology and gained a graduate Diploma of Education in QLD in 2007. She also has a Diploma in Childcare.

She has been working as a primary School teacher at Silkwood School from April 2008 until December 2011. Currently Pamela is a support teacher at the Southern Support School with the Education Department.

Some of the words and phrases Pamela's referees used were:

Passionate
Calm
Team player
Has a strength in planning
Gentle and kind
Very good at process improvement.

Until the end of the year both Michelle and Pamela will be at Cottage School one day a week as part of their induction process. Please take the time to go and introduce yourself and welcome Michelle and Pamela to our School. I know they are both incredibly pleased to have been appointed and it was a pleasure to be able to ring them and offer the positions - it was hard to imagine two more excited people.

Michelle and Pamela will both be a wonderful asset to the school and will bring new skills, experience and ideas that will assist in growing Cottage School and help us move forward into the future.

Tim Short.

Welcome: A warm welcome from the school community to Skye Mattila and his parents, Ani and Pete and sister Sierra. Skye started this week in Kinder.

Gastro: Just a reminder that the children will be having their own lunch for the rest of this week. If your child has had gastro they must not return to school until 48 hours after the last time they vomited.

School Barn Dance: Just a reminder about the date/time for the barn dance. We would love to see all families there. WHERE: The Rosny Barn WHEN: Saturday 8th December from 4.30pm – 8.00pm. Music will start at 5.30pm. Can each family please bring a plate of cold nibbles to share.

End of Year Concert Friday 14th December: The end of year concert will start at 1.45pm and will include class musicals, instrumentals and French items. Thanks, Shona

School Fees: It is coming up to the end of the financial year. I would like to remind all parents that ALL fees are due on or before 31st December. Even if you have a payment plan you are expected to have paid ALL amounts owing by the end of the year, without reminders. Thanks, Penny

Books: Thankyou to the people who donated books for South Sudan. The people I passed them on to were very appreciative. Margie

Parent Satisfaction Survey: Attached is a Parent Satisfaction Survey. Information from the survey is used for planning purposes. Have your say and help direct our Strategic Plan. Please complete the form and return it to Penny before the end of the term. Thank you

What's On:

Carols by Candlelight on the Bellerive Boardwalk - Sunday December 9 from 7:30pm-9:30pm

Featuring:

- Clarence City Band
- Lincoln Singers
- Vivace: Young voices together
- MC Michelle Pears presents The Christmas Story
- Featuring soloists James Bourke and James Yearsley
- And of course Santa Claus!

Dress warmly, bring a cushion or a chair and of course your singing voice!

Attachments:

Parent Satisfaction Survey