



WEDNESDAY NOTICE

10th April 2013

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What's on in April/May:

10 th	Wednesday	Grades 3/4/5/6 Bike Day
12 th	Friday	Term One Concert
17 th	Wednesday	Env. Day Kinder/Prep/1 and Grade 1/2
19 th	Friday	Last Day of Term One
6 th	Monday	First Day of Term Two
14 th	Tuesday	NAPLAN Testing (Grade 3 & 5)
15 th	Wednesday	NAPLAN Testing
16 th	Thursday	NAPLAN Testing

School Drop Off and Pick Up: It is important as term 1 ends to remind parents about our responsibilities for our children at the beginning and end of the school day.

The School is not open until 8.30am and accordingly there is not a teacher on duty until this time. Ideally children should not be left at the school unsupervised before this time. If you are leaving children at School before then, then the School is obviously unable to offer supervision or at a very basic level guarantee the safety of our Children. If you are in a situation where you are dropping off your child before this time or they are using public transport to get to school and arrive before 8.30am then please be aware of this.

Similarly at the end of the day the duty period for teachers finishes at 3.15pm. Please ensure you have made arrangements for children to be collected by that time or that you are on site personally supervising them. Our teachers have a myriad of tasks to complete after this time and we need to let them undertake those tasks free from interruption. Furthermore the duty staff are also keeping an eye out to make sure all children are being collected / met by a parent or carer – this can be very difficult when that person is late as the duty teacher is trying to match children to adults!. Naturally many of us like to stay and chat after 3.15pm and that is fine however it is important that we all understand that from that time the behaviour and actions or our children is our responsibility and not the school's staff. There have been some instances in recent times where children have been injured or behaved in a less than acceptable manner and it can be difficult for staff to take control of a situation when parents are also present and the "handover" for responsibility is blurred. Therefore at 3:00 children should play on the green space area only and the gate will be closed at 3:15 pm. To be fair to staff they cannot be held responsible for the actions of children once their parents / carers have arrived. So again please be mindful that once you / carer /other parent have arrived to collect your children the responsibility for those children does not rest with the teachers unless your child is still for some reason engaged in a task requested by the teacher.

Should for some reason the person collecting your children be running late then please try and make an alternative arrangement. Of course there will be times when there is an emergency and alternative arrangements couldn't be made in time. Can you please contact the school as soon as possible. Similarly if staff can see that children are uncollected then they will take steps to contact the nominated person.

If anyone would like to discuss further or seek further clarification please do not hesitate to contact a Committee member.
Michelle Folder (President)

Garden Market: Hi all, Social and Fundraising desperately needs new folk to join. We all love those activities which bring us together, it would be sad to see nothing done this year after such a fantastic year last year. Also, Gabrielle and Bettina have been the mainstays for Garden Market for 4 years now and would love to 'handover' this year to new folk who might reinvigorate it and make it their own. Perhaps it's time for there to be a whole new thing...have you got some ideas? Please contact Bettina

Term One Concert: Will be held on Friday, 12th April, at 2:30 pm. There will be poems in English, songs in French, and a guitar item.

Just a Reminder: Information which needs to be included in the Wednesday Notice needs to be sent to Annette at newsletter@cottageschool.tas.edu.au Please don't send newsletter items to Penny.

What's On:

Learn Italian: To be held at 31 Federal Street (*Next to The Italian Pantry*) **Commencing Term 2 from May 17-June 28**
On Fridays 3:45 - 4:45 Lessons are \$10 (discounts apply for siblings)
For more information and enrolments please contact: Mrs. Giulia Green on: 0419 151 579
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Attachments: