What’s on in August/September:

| September  | 5th       | Thursday | Grade 1/2 Environment Day |
|           | 5th       | Thursday | Committee Meeting at 7pm |
|           | 7th       | Saturday | Third Working Bee at 9am  |
|           | 9th       | Monday   | Start second week 3/4/5/6 Swimming Programme |
|           | 10th      | Tuesday  | Garden Market @ 3pm       |
|           | 17th      | Tuesday  | Littles Environment Day (TMAG) |
|           | 20th      | Friday   | End of Term Concert at 2pm |
|           | 20th      | Friday   | Last Day Term Three       |
| October   | 14th      | Monday   | First Day Term Four       |

Guitar Snapshot: It has again, been a pleasure to teach guitar to the Biggies this year. Our upcoming concert (Friday 20th September) will feature Poetry and French with Kate’s classes and our guitarists will be asking the audience to join in for a ‘sing a long’ as part of their performance. It is really vital that all students who are involved in the concert practise at home for at least 10-15 minutes per day. We are aware that everybody is really busy at times but solid practice is important in order to encourage teamwork and to present the best possible performance. Thank you so much parents – over to you!       

Di, Shona and Kate

Policy Précis: Sun Safety
Children must be provided with a named wide brimmed hat or legionnaires’ cap. Ears and noses must be protected.
NO HAT – NO PLAY
Children will not be required to wear hats during winter or when the UV level is below 4.
Children must be provided with appropriate clothes for sun protection (such as rash vests) for outdoor water activities.
NO VEST – NO PLAY
Parents are asked to apply sunscreen to children prior to school and provide sunscreen for off-campus activities.

Working Bee – THIS Saturday 7th September 9am – 2pm: Rug up well (forecast is early isolated showers and 13 degrees!) and please bring a piece of fruit to share for morning tea & lots of enthusiasm! And….remember to vote! The nearest pooling places to school are: St Mark’s Church (cnr Clarence & Scott St) Montague Bay PS, Clarence High School, Warrane Primary School.

Garden Market: What a busy Garden Market we had last Wednesday. It was especially lovely to see the Kinder children excitedly queuing up for curly apples and home baked treats, for many this was their first experience of Garden Market. Due to its success we will have two markets next term on Wednesdays to make it easier for our youngest students and their families to be part of our thriving market. See you next Tuesday 10 September @ 3pm for the last market of the term.

Term Dates 2013:
Term 3 ends Friday 20 September
Term 4 starts Monday 14 October, ends Thursday 19 December

Term Dates 2014:
Term 1 starts Tuesday 4 February, ends Thursday 17 April
Term 2 starts Tuesday 6 May, ends Friday 4 July
Term 3 starts Tuesday 22 July, ends Friday 26 September
Term 4 starts Tuesday 14 October, ends Thursday 11 December
Re-enrolment intentions for 2014: Can all forms be returned by the end of term please. It’s only a couple of weeks away!

Fair Update: Tasty Beverages (tm), your favourite Homebrew/Homemade Lemonade - $1.00 stall is off to a flying start this year with our master brewer Nick Elder already having several brews on the go. I joined him in the beer lab the other day to watch him whip up a batch of “Chimay Blue” using lots of exciting ingredients and a Yeast revitalised from an unpasteurised bottle of Chimay. See below for some "in the lab" pics. If anyone is interested in learning the finer points of home brewing have a chat to Nick as he is open to the idea of a Masterclass.

As per usual WE NEED LEMONS. For Marmalade, For Lemonade, for Preserved Lemons... The list is endless. If you have lemons we are your friend. Snuggle up to us in the playground!

On a lighter note (can it get any lighter?) our organic, wild ferment, Nashi Pear Cider has turned out to be organic, wild ferment, Nashi Pear Vinegar and it is delicious! Keep an eye out for it on gourmet produce.

Megan

The Master Brewer at Work
What’s On:

BACKYARD PROJECT FUNDRAISER: In July this year Rob and I acquired the property next door to us (in Warrane) with a view to using the house as a workshop for our arts practice. The property came with a large and rather lovely backyard. As all the local kids are already playing at ours, and in response to a lack of nice places to play in our area, we decided to use this space for a backyard project. We are "child led" and the kids have come up with an exciting range of plans, all of which we hope to achieve at some stage in the next 20 years (maybe 30 if we go with the massive water slide...) To start with we want to:

- purchase a server for the Minecraft Club so they can build their own world and share it with other Minecrafters around the world.
- pay for some professional advice regarding a large tree in the yard that is perfect for a tree house (high on the list..) but has many dead branches and may need work to be made safe.
- Build a proper housing for our guinea pig population with areas for storing food and equipment that are manageable, and of an appropriate scale, for young people. This structure will incorporate a small "shop" for play and Saturday morning stalls to encourage micro-economic activity.

On Saturday, October the 12th we are having a fund-raising dinner in the yard to start us on the way to achieving these goals. Using a formula borrowed from the comm dev genius of Melbourne’s "Lentil as Anything" we will be whipping up a sumptuous Middle Eastern feast of Meze, Kofta, Backlava and more. As your donation you pay what you think the meal is worth. Drinks will be available at the bar and Rob will be giving our collection of 70's vinyl a workout on the decks. To book a table, ask a question or offer to help ( : ) ) call Megan. In the meantime, if any one is getting a new fence, old weathered fence palings are excellent for building cubbies and in great demand at ours.  

Megan Woodward

The Friends’ School Presents Elton John & Tim Rice’s AIDA – School Edition: Aida will be performed at the Theatre Royal from Thursday September 5 to Saturday September 7, with evening shows starting at 7.30pm and the Saturday matinee commencing at 1.30pm. Cost: Adult $25; concession $20  
Tickets are available from the Theatre Royal Box office or online at:  

CLARENCE LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE INC: Registration Day 2013 at Rosny McDonalds Sunday 29th September 3.00 – 5.00pm. Register online, payment taken on Registration Day.  
Season commences Saturday October 5th 8.20am  
For further information contact: Amanda Robertson (Secretary) 0419 714 924 or www.clarence.org.au

Attachments: Agenda for Committee Meeting