



# FRIDAY NOTICE

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## What's happening in September/October:

September	1	Monday	Middlies 3/4 & Biggies Swimming starts for two weeks
	10	Wednesday	Biggies Environment Day (am only)
	10	Wednesday	Garden Market from 3 – 3.30pm
	13	Saturday	Working Bee (starting at 9am)
	15	Monday	Middlies 3/4 Environment Day
	17	Wednesday	Kinder and Littlies Environment Day
	18	Thursday	Biggies to performance at Montagu Bay Primary School
	24	Wednesday	Open Day
	24	Wednesday	Garden Market from 3 – 3.30pm
	25	Thursday	Concert Day
	26	Friday	Last Day Term Three
October	13	Monday	STAFF MEETING (STUDENT FREE DAY)
	14	TUESDAY	NB - First Day Term Four for Students
	23	Thursday	Show Day
	24	Friday	NO SCHOOL

**Re-enrolment Forms:** There are still a number of forms outstanding. All forms (regardless of your intentions for next year) should be returned to me by MONDAY at the latest please! If you don't see me around, they can be put in the re-enrolment folder which is on my desk in the front room of the Littlies Cottage. Annette

**Middlies 3/4/ & Biggies Swimming:** Clarence Pool and will run every day (1.30 – 2.30 pm) for two weeks. (Mon Sep 1<sup>st</sup> – Friday Sep 12<sup>th</sup>). During the programme students will work on water safety skills, stroke refinement, stroke development and water confidence, depending on their individual level of skill. Children will be transported to and from the pool. If you would like to collect your child from the Clarence pool please arrive by 2.45pm.

Could all students bring:

- Bathers
- Towel
- Goggles & cap (optional)
- Tiebacks for long hair
- Plastic bag for wet gear

Some students may need to bring shorts and a t-shirt during water safety activities. Students will be notified of the days spare clothes will be needed.

Any questions please call Georgie

**The Great Book Swap:** is on again! Last year we took part in this fundraising opportunity to support Indigenous Literacy, raising close to \$300 and we are keen to be involved as a school again. We can easily take for granted our access to a wealth of quality literature. Less than 36% of people in remote communities has access to a library and books. This is an opportunity for us to address this imbalance and to give a book that you have read and loved to someone else, and receive a book that someone else has read and loved.

We will be conducting a book swap (of children's and adult's books) to support Indigenous Literacy on Wednesday 10th September at 3 pm on the green space (weather permitting... otherwise in the Biggies classroom). You can bring your book(s) along with your gold coin donation to the Biggies classroom anytime between now and Wednesday 10th to enable your participation in this event.

If you like you can use one of the labels attached to personalise your book swap.

Any questions? Contact Kath at [kwindfel@bigpond.net.au](mailto:kwindfel@bigpond.net.au) or check out the Indigenous Literacy foundation website.

**Working Bee – Saturday 13 September 9am – 2pm:** We look forward to seeing all families represented at the Working Bee. The Working Bee runs from 9am – 2pm and we ask that each family gives 4 hours (eg 1 person x 4 hrs or 2 people x 2 hrs). As the school re-registration inspection will happen in the week following the working bee we are keen to ensure that the school is looking **especially** well loved & bright & shiny following this Working Bee. The job list will be emailed out with next week's Friday notice.

A master list of jobs will be put up on the wall of the White Cottage (near the outside toilets) on Friday 6 September. Please choose a job and write your name next to it.

Please take **ownership** of your job, find out exactly what is required and come prepared with the (named!) tools/equipment required to complete it. It is a whole lot more efficient to turn up 'ready to go' ie with a plan of what & how you are going to do your job and ALL the tools and materials that you need to do it (if you do need to buy materials please give the WB coordinators the receipts and we can reimburse you) than to have to go back home/go out & buy what you need.

Some jobs will take 4 hours whilst other jobs will take only an hour or so. Please move on to another job if your initial job is a smaller one.

Some 'last minute' jobs will be added to the master list after it goes up, so look out for new additions.

Please:

- bring some fruit to share for morning tea. For those who work into the afternoon, a light lunch will be provided.
- bring tools required for your jobs (plus any others you think may be handy if you can). Please clearly name all tools so they go home with you!
- Supervise your children. Children should not be outside the school grounds unless accompanied by an adult. Children must not play inside the classrooms. **No** classroom equipment (computers/paper etc) are to be used.

If you are **genuinely** unable to attend the Working Bee due to work commitments or personal reasons please let one of the Working Bee coordinators (**not Penny or Annette**) know in advance and an arrangement will be made.

If you are unable to attend and you are allocated a catch up job these will need to be completed within 4 weeks the working bee ie by 13 October or you will be invoiced for the standard working bee payment of \$120. In fairness to all this will be strictly enforced this term.

Thanks from the Working Bee Coordinators

Can you help please? For the working bee we need to borrow:

**A trailer**

For doing a tip run. Ideally this trailer would be delivered to school by 9am on the day of the Working Bee and then either collected by you or returned to you around 2pm

**Mattocks x 4**

These are the very best thing for breaking up the compacted pine bark in the playground before spreading the new pine bark. We need mattocks for people to use at the very start of the working bee (it at 9am) as we need to break up the old bark before the new bark can be spread. If you have a mattock you could loan for the day please let Gabrielle know (at school or P:62788519 or E: [gbalon@tassie.net.au](mailto:gbalon@tassie.net.au))

**Committee Meeting:** The next committee meeting will be held next Wednesday night at 6.30pm - September, 3rd. Please email me if you have any items to be discussed by committee at the meeting, so I can place the item on the agenda. All parents are welcome to attend the meeting. [rachel.pender@mail.com](mailto:rachel.pender@mail.com)

**Garden market:** Daffodils, pizzas, scones, popcorn, magic balls, soup, lemons, kale and more were all gobbled and snapped up at this week's Market. A big thank you to all the contributors and helpers. Lemons are in high demand at the moment so if anyone knows of a supply & can bring a few to the next Garden Market that would be much appreciated.

Plus, we are still seeking an icypole maker (especially as the weather warms up!) We can provide: tips on how to make them (they are pretty easy), molds and icypole sticks and \$\$ for ingredients. It helps if you have a thermomix but this is not essential. If you are able to help please see Gabrielle at school or via email [gbalon@tassie.net.au](mailto:gbalon@tassie.net.au) See you on Wed 10 September for our next market! from the Garden Marketeers

**Plates, Plates, Plates!** If you left a plate at Gillian and Jeff's wedding, please check the green space on Friday morning and see if yours is in the big tub there.

Thanks, Michelle Folder

**Bellerive Junior Soccer Club:** Require at least 1 representative who has a child attending Cottage School and a member of the BJSC, on the committee next year to facilitate better communication and to contact George Spiliopoulos President of the Bellerive Junior Soccer Club if interested.

## What's On:

GOOD BEGINNINGS AUSTRALIA – Dad's playgroup – run by Dads for Dads. The Dad's playgroup is a great way to have fun with your kids and to meet other fathers.

Activities include:-

Painting, drawing, playdough, music, reading, soft gym equipment, building blocks, dress ups, bikes, cars, sandpits and many more.

WHERE: 6 Washington Street, South Hobart.

WHEN: Fridays – 9.30am – 12noon

CONTACT: Bob on 0488 218 809 or [bob.walker@goodbeginnings.org.au](mailto:bob.walker@goodbeginnings.org.au)

BELLERIVE JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB: Trophy Presentation and Family Fun Day on Saturday 13 Sep 2014 at Bellerive Primary School Hall from 10am – 2.30pm

What you Need to Know:

- Due to the number of teams there will be two separate presentations:
  - U6 – U7 presentation will commence at 10:00am
  - U8 – U11 presentation will commence at 11:30am
  - There will be a small entry fee of \$2 per child or \$5 per family (where there are three or more children). This will cover food, drinks and entertainment for the children.
  - We ask that you arrive 15 minutes before your presentation to allow for removal of shoes, fee collection and seating arrangements to be completed.
  - It is requested that players wear their team uniform. Soccer boots may be worn, but not a necessity.
  - On arrival all players are to find their coach/team members and remain seated at the front of the hall.
  - We ask that parents take a seat at the rear of the hall until the presentation is completed.
  - All players will receive a trophy and certificate of participation.
  - Post team presentation the team will be guided to the photographer and a team photo will be taken.
  - The coach, team manager and parents and children can then proceed outside to enjoy the provided entertainment.
  - The Coach is responsible to go to the school canteen, with the team, where food and drinks can be collected.
  - Entertainment will be supervised, however we ask that your child/children are monitored.
  - Any child displaying inappropriate or unsafe behaviour will be asked to leave the top oval.
  - We are hoping for a beautiful day and encourage families to bring along a picnic blanket and additional drinks and snacks and enjoy a relaxing afternoon.
  - If weather is inclement we will endeavour to provide alternative activities for the children.
  - This is an alcohol free event and please be reminded that the school property is a smoke free zone.
- If you have any questions/concerns please contact a member of the BJSC.

ENGAGING ADOLESCENTS Parent Course – A three session program for parents and carers at Anglicare Tasmania, 18 Watchorn Street, Hobart. 6.30 – 8.30pm on 9, 16 and 23 September.

Registration Fee: The course costs \$50 for individuals or couples or \$10 for health care card holders.

Reg. for this course by calling **1800 243 232** or email [M.Lowry@anglicare-tas.org.au](mailto:M.Lowry@anglicare-tas.org.au) for more information.

THE AUSTRALIAN CHILDHOOD VISION IMPAIRMENT REGISTER is hosted by the Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children and is supported by Vision Australia and Guide Dogs. It is the first national register of children in Australia with vision impairment. The Register has been collecting data since 2009, and this data is providing important information about the types of eye disease and vision disorders children have and the support they need. The data is also used by service providers and researchers. Data is stored securely and no child can be identified in any way when the data is released.

Families are invited to register their child (aged 0-18 years) if they have vision impairment in both eyes which has been diagnosed by an eye specialist or ophthalmologist. Registration can be completed by contacting Register staff on (02) 9872 0303, or by visiting the VI Family Network website at: [vifamilynetwork.org.au](http://vifamilynetwork.org.au). The website also provides information on eyes and vision; family support; education and related issues; braille and low vision aids; technology supporting vision impairment; newsletters from Australian low vision agencies and support groups; useful websites; and news and events that might interest families across Australia.

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**Attachments:** Labels for the Great Book Swap