



# FRIDAY NOTICE

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### What's happening in September/October:

<b>September</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Working Bee (starting at 9am)</b>
	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
<b>October</b>	13	Monday	STAFF MEETING (STUDENT FREE DAY)
	<b>14</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>NB - First Day Term Four for Students</b>
	23	Thursday	Show Day
	24	Friday	NO SCHOOL

**A Quick Meeting:** For those attending the Working Bee this Saturday, I would like to provide an update on the role of the School Manager position that we are planning to advertise soon, and related issues, with the broader school community during the Working Bee lunch break. If you have any thoughts, queries or questions, this would be a good time to bring them forward for consideration. Lunchtime is a time when hopefully most people are around - either at the end of the morning shift or starting an afternoon session. I will be available to chat from around 12.45pm, and will speak for a few minutes at about 1.15 when people have had a chance to grab a plate of food. I'll stick around after saying a few words as long as I can while people want to chat. Thanks and looking forward to seeing you all at the working bee.

Jonathan Bedloe (President)

**Committee:** The minutes of the last committee meeting are attached.

**Welcome:** A warm welcome to Amy, Melissa and Peter Thurling to the Cottage School community. Some of you may have already seen Melissa as she has been working in Tom and Hana's classrooms in recent weeks. Melissa's daughter Amy started this week in the Kinder group. If you see a new face in the playground or at the working bee, please say hello ☺

**Grade 3/4 Environment Day on MONDAY:** We will be going to May's Beach Coastal Reserve on Monday for Environment Day. Please come prepared! Children will need hats, coats, gloves, warm weather walking gear as well as fruit and lunch (**we won't be at school for cooked lunch**) and water. Thanks, Tom.

**Golden Handshakes:** The recipients for this week are :-

*Bill Mihalic-Wood* for persisting and persevering with class work;

*Arki Diamantis* for allowing the Biggies to get on the swimming bus first;

*Emma Roberts* for being resilient and bouncing back from set backs and also for putting effort into cleaning up the classroom;

*Lachlan Clyne* for being brave last week.

**Social Committee:** The Social Committee cordially invite all parents to enjoy a cuppa and a piece of cake straight after the end of the school concert on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm. Children will be offered fruit first and a piece of cake after that. Anyone willing to donate a plate of fruit would be most appreciated and welcome.

Please keep in mind that your children are your responsibility at this social event. Teaching staff will not be available to supervise them. Can parents also please make sure that their children do not play in the classrooms.

**Open Day:** We will be having an Open Day (0930 – 1230) on September 24th. To make the morning as successful as possible, we need to spread the word, so you will notice signage on some of the larger roads for the next couple of weeks. Similarly to the fair we will be printing some A4 fliers to promote the day. Could you please consider where you might be able to display them i.e. in your car window or local business notice boards etc. We will even provide free blu-tack! The fliers will hopefully be available today, or if not, Monday. We also have post card size cards with a lovely image on one side and information about the school on the back. Could you also please take some of these and maybe give them to friends who are deciding where to educate their children or leave them in a local café, if the owner is happy for that to happen. Thank you for your help.

Marketing and Communication subgroup.

**Kinder parents:** The Kinders will be performing in the end of term circus concert on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>. This concert begins at 1:30 so the Kinder children will be swapping their long day on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> to the Thursday in order to participate. Chat with Steph if you have any questions.

**NUTS, EGGS AND ANAPHYLAXIS:** Anaphylaxis is the most severe form of allergic reaction and can cause death. It must be treated as a medical emergency, requiring immediate treatment and urgent medical attention. About 10 people die each year in Australia due to allergic reactions to food.

Food allergens do not necessarily have to be eaten to cause a reaction. In some cases, touching the food will cause a reaction, and in some cases being in the same room as the food will cause a reaction. Within minutes of exposure to the allergen, the person can have potentially life-threatening symptoms.

There are children at The Cottage School who are allergic to nuts and/or eggs and they need our support.

#### **How can I help?**

- Be vigilant about not bringing nuts and eggs into the school
- Be vigilant about not bringing containers that have held nuts or eggs, eg peanut butter jars, mayonnaise jars, egg cartons
- If you see someone else bringing in nuts or eggs, give them a gentle reminder (we all make mistakes)
- If your child has eaten nuts or eggs before school, ensure they wash their hands and brush their teeth before arriving at school
- Use clean (ie nut and egg free) utensils when preparing food for school

Remember that anaphylaxis can be fatal – we need to provide support to families who put their trust in us when they send their children to school each day.

**FAIR:** Please find attached important fair information from Elisia. More to come next week.

**Garden Market:** Wow! What a feast of marvelous muffins, beautiful biscuits (the dog biscuit shaped ones were very cute!), lovely lumberjack cake, super soup and gorgeous garden produce we had for the last Garden Market! Thank you to the cooks and growers for these yummy & healthy treats - they provided great sustenance to the book swap hunters. We raised an amazing \$201.50 just from Garden Market and donated \$100 of that to the Great Book Swap for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. See you all for the last Garden Market of the term on Wednesday 24 September.

## **What's On:**

FLIPPA BALL: Thank you again to all who participated in Term 1 Flippa Ball earlier this year! We feel that it was a major success and we hope that we will have your continued support in this great sport in term 4! We will be running Flippa Ball again in Term 4 at The Clarence Aquatic Centre (YMCA), with the first match starting Friday October 24th. As per usual, I will be the representative and point of contact from Water Polo Tasmania. However, with the rising number of players in this sport, and the coinciding club water polo competition, Water Polo Tasmania are looking for a coordinator to run the Friday night games. Please pass this message on with the registration forms. More information will be given on our parents and managers information night on Wednesday 22nd of October (see next paragraph).

Training will be on Wednesday nights 7.30 to 8.30PM, starting from October 22nd, and games will be on Friday nights starting at 6.15PM. A parent, coaches and managers information evening will be scheduled during the first training session, October 22nd, at Clarence pool concurrent to training. It is very important that all involved attend this meeting.

If your school cannot quite put together a full team, please still send in all expressions of interest through individual player registration forms - combined teams can and will be created! Registration will be \$60 per player. Registration is due close of business, Friday October 17th. Please submit them electronically, where possible.

Thank you again and we look forward to seeing you for fourth term Flippa Ball!!! If you would like more information about anything at all, please do not hesitate to email me at [universitywp@gmail.com](mailto:universitywp@gmail.com).

Alternatively, my mobile number is 0488 992 740.

Tom Reale

THE ROYAL YACHT CLUB OF TASMANIA: 28-30 September 2014 Sail School at the RYCT is an ideal introduction to sailing in a fun, safe and supervised environment using Sail School's fleet of modern dinghies with Yachting Australia qualified instructors. Sailing is fun, safe, healthy and a great way to meet new friends and gain new levels of confidence.

Who can participate? age between 8 and 18 years of age • no experience needed. What are the requirements? able to swim a minimum of 25m • wetsuit (advisable) or clothes that can get wet • shoes for the water • hat • towel • warm clothes for after sailing • life jacket supplied (bring if you have one)

What will I learn? how to launch and retrieve a sailing dinghy • basic safety rules • righting a capsized sailing dinghy • basic steering and sail trim • perfect introduction to High School team sailing for older participants

What will I learn to sail? • Sabot • Optimist • Pacer • Windsurfer. The cost? \$180

For further information and Registration for further information contact: Michael on 0411194615

•To Register: [www.ryct.org.au](http://www.ryct.org.au) Then go to Sailing / Off The Beach

**Attachments:** Minutes of September Committee Meeting, 3 x Fair Information