



# FRIDAY NOTICE

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## What's happening in Term 1:

March	18 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	1/2 Environment Day
	18 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	3/4 Bike Day
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Monday	Growing Up program starts
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	Kinder Bike day
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	Garden Market (3-30pm)
	27 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	End of term concert
April	1 <sup>st</sup>	Wednesday	P/1/2 Bike Day
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Thursday	5/6 Bike Day
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Thursday	Last Day Term One

**From Steve:** It's a mind thing I know, but as the term progresses, the weeks seem to fly by at a faster rate and there's a need to draw breath but still accomplish the goals ahead.

The return of camp surveys has been first class and the feedback comments have been both supportive and informative. This information will be interwoven with feedback from the students and reflection from the teachers to guide us with future planning. Be assured, the feedback process is not to question whether or not camps will continue (they certainly will), it is a valid method of improving on what we do by being genuinely informed. Once I've condensed the feedback I'll provide a report in next week's newsletter. As many of you may have heard, new legislation to be introduced soon which may require some adults who are working with children to obtain a *Working With Children* police check. There is understandably some confusion about this as the legislation allows for certain exemptions. In next week's newsletter I'll provide what I hope will be a clear explanation about this issue.

This morning was bright, clear and cool, and I joined Georgie, Kate, Lee and what is reported to be the largest group of students ever, in the *Ride to School Day*. What a great way to start the day and get some air into the lungs. Thanks to Georgie for the organization and to parents who ferried kids and bikes to the pick up points.

**Bike Day for the Grade 3/4 group:** Well it's our turn again! We're heading out on Bike Day this Wednesday the 18th March, Tom's group, Hana's 3's, Steve and Suzanne. We're going to do something a little different. When we drove to camp at Wayatinah, passing New Norfolk reminded me of an old bike track that follows alongside the Derwent River for a while and then up past the side of the Lachlan River. The two tracks skirt around the town of New Norfolk itself and pass many beautiful, historic buildings.

I popped out on Thursday to have a look and it was perfect and just the right distance for the group. We will stop at Tynwald Park so the children can have a practice on the specially made bike paths and have lunch at the playground.

There are amazing amounts of black berries on the side of the bike path, so please bring a punnet or an empty lunchbox so that the children can collect their fill.

The bike path itself runs for about 11 km so we should be finished in plenty of time to have a **swim at the New Norfolk pool** for an hour or so, before we head home for a normal pick up at 3 o'clock. Please put your **bathers and towel** in! The long range **forecast is for 23** degrees so if it holds we will definitely need a cool off.

Please get those bikes out over the weekend! How are the tyres? Any punctures? Do the brakes work? Does the chain need a bit of oil? Just going for a ten minute spurt, can give you a reasonable idea if the bike might need an overhaul **BEFORE** bike day. We can do a few repairs on the track but it is a major hassle if a bike is non functional. Don't forget the helmet and if you can adjust it before the day this will save a lot of time.

Any parents who would like to come, you are more than welcome and we would greatly appreciate your help and company. We will be taking the bikes to the venue by trailers, so if you are able to bring a trailer that would be fantastic. Please let Tom know if you would like to come.

Hopefully we'll be in shorts and t-shirts but rain coats and thermals are essential, as are water(1 litre), fruit and lunch in a pack that the kids can ride with. Kids can get quite hungry with the all the extra exercise, so a little extra doesn't go astray.

For any queries contact Tom. We would like to leave at 9.00, so if everyone can be there by at least 8.40, then we can load the bikes and leave on time. Please call Tom if your child is absent for the day. Please give any special medications for the day to Tom on the morning of the ride.

**Golden Handshakes:** This week's recipients are :-

*Lachlan E, Otto and Gabe* for being enthusiastic and persistent rubbish collectors on Clean Up Australia Day  
*Georgia, Violet and Ashleigh* for helping clean up our school.

*Remi* (Kinder) for being a kind and thoughtful friend.

**3-6 Wayatinah Camp – Lost Property:** There is still a box of lost property from camp in the Biggies Cottage in the library near the printer. It includes tent poles, sleeping bags, clothes and towels. A big thank you to Cathy Roberts who took all the wet (left over) clothes home and washed and folded them.

## What's On:

### Cycling Sunday 22 March 2015:

As a Century Ride entrant you'll go in the draw to win a Peaks Challenge Cradle Mountain entry (valued at \$299)

Road 9am - 106km & 65km

Relaxed Ride 10am 20km

Family Treasure Hunt 11am

Bike Festival & rides start at Bellerive Boardwalk

Register online [www.biketas.org.au](http://www.biketas.org.au)

Women on Wheels: Women's social bike ride at 10am Sunday 15 March, Wentworth Park, Salacia St, Howrah. Register at [www.biketas.org.au](http://www.biketas.org.au) or pay on the day.

\$10 members/juniors, \$15 non-members. 20km route. Spot prizes, pre-ride bike check, lunch, help for novices. Free Rider Essentials Pack for new members in Bike Week

Take Back Your Power: Dear Tasmanians, I would like to invite you to the upcoming screening of the documentary film and Public information night for **TAKE BACK YOUR POWER - A film by Josh Del Sol**. The screening, is on the **25 March at 7:30 , COOPER SCREEN ACADEMY, 131 Macquarie St, Hobart**. The movie deeply questions the benefits and points to the many dangers of Smart Grid Technology. Don't miss the opportunity to watch this important film. For more information please call Michael on : 62315354. Here is a link that can provide you with details about the issues and concerns surrounding Smart Grids. [www.takebackyourpower.net](http://www.takebackyourpower.net)

The Great Southern Pram Push: Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March from 11am – 2pm. Stroll along the bike track from the Regatta Grounds to Cornelian Bay. Free family fun at the finish line.

Register online: [www.smallsteps.org.au](http://www.smallsteps.org.au) – See the flyer in the notice board outside the Littlies Cottage.

## Attachments: