



FRIDAY NOTICE

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What's happening in Term 2:

April	27 th	Monday	First day Camp Grades 2/3/4
	29 th	Wednesday	Garden Market 3pm – 3.30pm
	30 th	Thursday	Last day Camp Grades 2/3/4
May	1 st	Friday	No school Grades 2/3/4 Campers
	4 th	Monday	Start first week swimming programme Prep/1/2
	4 th	Monday	WHS Sub-Committee mtg @ 6:00
	5 th	Tuesday	Kinder Environment Day
	6 th	Wednesday	Biggies 5/6 excursion to TMAG
	12 th	Tuesday	NAPLAN starts – concludes Thursday 14 th
	12 th	Tuesday	Garden Market 3pm – 3.30pm
	13 th	Wednesday	Littlies P/1 Environment Day
	13 th	Wednesday	Committee meeting @ 7:00pm
	16 th	Saturday	MANURE DIG
	18 th	Monday	Start second week swimming programme Prep/1/2
	20 th	Wednesday	Biggies 5/6 excursion to TMAG
	21 st	Thursday	Kinder Environment Day
27 th	Wednesday	Middlies 1/2/3 Environment Day	
27 th	Wednesday	Garden Market 3pm – 3.30pm	
June	3 rd	Wednesday	Middlies 3/4 Environment Day (ALL Year 3's)
	4 th	Thursday	Biggies 5/6 Environment Day
	9 th	Tuesday	Garden Market 3pm – 3.30pm
	10 th	Wednesday	Kinder Environment Day
	10 th	Wednesday	Littlies P/1 Environment Day
	13 th	Saturday	Working Bee
	15 th	Monday	Start of Biggies 5/6 camp at Murrayfield
	18 th	Thursday	Last day of 5/6 camp
	19 th	Friday	No school Grade 5/6 campers
	19 th	Friday	Middlies 1/2/3 excursion to Sustainability Centre
	24 th	Wednesday	Middlies 1/2/3 Environment Day
24 th	Wednesday	Middlies 3/4 Drama production	
24 th	Wednesday	Garden Market 3pm – 3.30pm	
26 th	Friday	Year 6 to Alliance Francais @ Hobart College	
July	2 nd	Thursday	Circus concert
	3 rd	Friday	Last day of Term 2

From Steve: Welcome back everyone to Term 2 and as you have a look at the above diary, you can see already that there are plenty of things to look forward to. The weather during the holidays was nothing short of glorious and I know that you would have all enjoyed the outdoors and time together. As for me, I worked through the holidays in a very peaceful atmosphere and achieved all of the goals that I had set myself, so a very productive time.

A friendly reminder that classroom teachers start their teaching day at 9:00am and that this part of the morning is often critical for information regarding the day's activities. Children who arrive late are disadvantaging themselves and placing an extra burden on the teacher.

The search for a suitable replacement for a school bus continues, but as yet the planets haven't aligned to deliver the right option. If anyone has any insider information on a prospective suitable bus, please don't hesitate to alert me. Basically we're looking for a 25 seater, diesel, reasonable kms travelled and

roadworthy.

As mentioned last term, teachers have adopted the 1-2-3-Magic and Emotional Coaching Program as a whole school approach to developing children who are able to make thoughtful, positive choices of behaviour. The program was originally developed for parents for use in the home, but is in wide use across many schools in Australia and is one of the programs of choice listed under the National Safe Schools Framework developed by the Federal Government. I would like to know if there is a group of parents within our community that would like to enroll for a 1-2-3-Magic course delivered by Anglicare. If at sometime you could let me know of your interest, and depending on the level of interest shown, I can arrange for this particular course to be delivered to our group specifically.

Welcome: A warm welcome to the Cottage School Community to three new families this term.

- Susan and Richard and their son Harry who has joined Michelle's Prep/1 class;
- Jessica and Julian and their daughter April, who has joined Hana's Grade 2;
- Amanda and Sam and their daughters Bella (in Hana's Grade 2) and Laura (in Kinder).

If you see some new faces around the playground and at drop off and pick up time, take the time to introduce yourself and say hello ☺

Futures Project: Thank you to the 17 families who have returned their SWOT forms. In an effort to get as much feedback through this process as possible, you are still able to drop in your form before the end of next week. A number of feedback/communication initiatives have been developed for this term, which has been allocated for the critical collection of your thoughts and opinions, as well as providing you with progress reports of how we are tracking. Please see the Futures Project Diary below for your information.

APRIL:

28th Tuesday Coffee & Chat @ Retro Fudge Bar @ 9:00am (topics are school location & facilities)

MAY:

7th Thursday Coffee & Chat @ Retro Fudge Bar @ 9:00am (topic is school finances)

9th Friday Survey Monkey questionnaire

14th Thursday Coffee & Chat @ Retro Fudge Bar @ 9:00am (topic is school environment)

21st Thursday Coffee & Chat @ Retro Fudge Bar @ 9:00am (topic is school governance)

22nd Friday Survey Monkey questionnaire

28th Thursday Coffee & Chat @ Retro Fudge Bar @ 9:00am (topic is school philosophy)

JUNE:

4th Thursday Community Forum @ Cottage School @ TBA

11th Thursday Survey Monkey questionnaire

13th Saturday Display of info @ Working Bee

French: Bonjour tout le monde!

Each year Alliance française offers French students around Tasmania the chance to extend their classroom French in the annual "concours". This year we are planning to send a team of our grade 6 students to Hobart College in June, to recite a poem which they need to learn by heart. The poem is called "*La pelouse interdite*"; it is very sweet and the Biggies will be using it for pronunciation practice during lessons in coming weeks.

Another part of the event is a poster competition, which may interest some students. The themes that have been chosen this year are:-

- for grades 1 and 2: *Les jardins botaniques* / Botanical gardens

- for grades 3 and 4: *La météo* / Weather

- for grades 5 and 6: *La mode* / Fashion\The rules are:-

- posters must be A3 size, either landscape or portrait orientation

(I will supply A3 cartridge paper if desired)

- ALL WRITING ON THE POSTER MUST BE IN FRENCH!!! (yes, I can help with that)

- you can use any media, including pencils, paints, chalk, collage, crayons, felt pens ...

- originality and creativity are key factors

- your name, grade and school must be on the BACK of the poster, I will give you a slip to fill out

Any students planning to enter should tell me as soon as possible, and posters must be finished and with me by June 19th. Bonne chance! from Kate

Family Jobs: Thanks everyone who has accepted their family jobs – it was great to see everyone hard at work this week. Please remember that the jobs are weekly jobs and do need to be done weekly. The new sign off sheets have now been placed in each of the cottages. It would be great if everyone could sign off on their job as soon as completed to save me having to chase you around the green space! Email or ring me if you have any concerns. Thanks, Alison Clyne.

Minutes: The minutes of the April committee meeting are attached.

The City to Casino 2015 Fun Run: is on **SUNDAY 17 May.**

Any students wishing to participate need to enter online this year: www.citytocasino.com.au

I have set up a Cottage School team on the website. Any members of the school community (parents, siblings, relatives etc) can enter as Cottage School.

The *password* is: cottageschool

Race details below:

Distance for primary students: 2.7 km

Venue for 2.7 km: Salamanca Place to Wrest Point Casino

Start time: 9.00 am

Cost: \$15/runner

Parents can enter in the same event to run with their child. Cost \$15 (Alternatively you can enter in the 7km or 11km events).

Parents are responsible for their children.

Any question please contact Georgie or go online www.citytocasino.com.au.

Hope to see lots of Cottage School Children running this year.

Georgie

Manure Dig: The manure dig will be held on Saturday 16th May.....WATCH THIS SPACE FOR MORE INFO.

Calendar: A term two calendar is attached. Print it out and stick it on your fridge so you can keep on top of events for the term – looks like it is going to be a busy one.

Cottage School Amazing Race Adventure: The Social Committee have been hard at work planning a fun, family day out for the Cottage School community.

Come and participate in a few hours of clues, adventure and discovery, ending up at a MYSTERY LOCATION (aka a Park with playground with some shelter and BBQ facilities) for a picnic and play on

Sunday, the 24th of May.

Teams will receive their Adventure Pack at the event briefing at the school at 9.30am. The Race/Adventure start time is 10AM SHARP. Teams will then travel by CAR to find their first clue. There will be around 7-8 clues to collect on the journey and opportunity for a toilet stop or two & light refreshment along the way.

This event is aimed at all ages, including littlies, older kids, parents and grandparents and the final stop (Picnic location) will be within a 1 hour drive of Hobart CBD.

The Social Committee will provide a simple morning tea stop, mid-way through the 'stages' (clue sites), and then it's off to find a few more clues, which will finally guide you all to our MYSTERY lunch location and the conclusion of the event. BYO food; drinks (remember the School's NO NUT; NO EGG Policy please); frisbee/footy etc. We estimate most teams will have arrived at the final "PIT STOP" by around 1pm. Careful the last Team to arrive may be 'eliminated'!

No particular skills are needed to enjoy the event...just a sense of adventure! So, we'd love you to join us, to make the most of the glorious Autumn weather and get out for some shared family fun...You never know, you might even win a prize!

To help us be effective with all our resources for this event, please register your team name (with a key contact name and number of participants, including children) by FRI 15th May:

Rachel Pender (Rupert's mum) or Elisia Ennis-Short (Tate's mum)

Hope to see you all there! The Social Committee

Garden Market: What a fantastic start we had to the Garden Market year in Term 1. Thank you to all the families who contributed wonderful produce from their gardens and kitchens. The tables were literally sagging under the weight of donations! From this generosity we raised a record \$856.30 for the term! Some of this money has been spent on a new water table for the Kinders, listening posts and wooden puzzles for the Littlies, new lego for Tom's Middlies, a new hose for the school garden and afternoon tea supplies following the end of term concert. If you do have suggestions for what the proceeds from Garden Market can be spent on please have a chat to the Garden Market crew.

This term we will mix up the the markets between Tuesdays and Wednesdays as we are aware that while Wednesday's work well for kinder families (being their full day) this day does not suit some other families so well. Watch out for market dates in the Friday notice.

Our first market will be Wednesday 29 April, looking forward to seeing you there! Please keep the contributions coming in, maybe you have a friend/family member with a laden lemon tree? Got a few flowers in your garden? Maybe you have time to whip up a healthy treat for one market (soup is always popular at our winter markets)? If we can share the contribution load around it is great for everyone. Please remember if you are cooking - no nuts or eggs. Please also provide an ingredient list for you contributions.

with thanks from the Garden Marketeers

Working Bee: Just a reminder that the next working bee will be on Sat 13 June, 9am-2pm.

What's On:

Eastside Activity Centre are holding a fundraiser in support for this year's Give Me 5 for Kids Campaign.

WHERE: Eastside Activity Centre, Rokeby

DATE: Friday 22 May – Saturday 23 May

WHEN: Friday 4pm – Saturday 4pm

WHO: All Ages

COST: \$100 per team (no limit for team numbers) Team entries close 15 May

Please contact Eastside Activity Centre for registration Pack.

EMAIL: eastsideactivitycentre@gmail.com

Attachments: Minutes from 1st April Committee Meeting, Term Two Calendar