



FRIDAY NOTICE

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What's happening in Term 2:

June	13 th	Saturday	Working Bee 9am – 2pm – TOMORROW ☺
	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 excursion to Sustainability Centre
	19 th	Friday	Cottage School Winter Solstice
	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: Please open your diaries and put in this date: **Friday October 30 & Saturday October 31.**

These are the dates for the major celebrations of the school's 40th anniversary and we want you to be there when it happens. A working group is currently engaged in putting together a memorable occasion and information will be forthcoming as planning details are confirmed.

At our staff meeting this week we achieved three items. Our classroom teachers were all issued with a new laptop for work purposes. In order to meet commitments through various platforms of ICT, it is imperative that teachers have access to reliable hardware that allows us to achieve systems of operation. This is a first step towards improving and updating our entire school ICT infrastructure.

We also had a visit by Andrew Walsh from the Marine Discovery Centre at Woodbridge. Andrew provided us with an overview of the facilities, programs, resources and opportunities that are available to us, and how this experience can add to the delivery of the Science Curriculum.

The last hour was spent online through Skype, where as a whole staff (including TA's) we were taken through the MathsOnline program step by step. MathsOnline is being introduced on a free trial basis into the school, and is also available for students and parents to access from home. We believe that when used effectively, this program has the potential to bring many benefits to our Maths Curriculum, and if the trial is a worthwhile experience with positive outcomes, then we will look at integrating it as a more permanent feature in the school.

Thanks again for the quick responses to the Survey Monkey questions that have provided clarity to a couple of the data results which were challenged at the Futures Workshop. The outcomes of the Futures Workshop will be on display at the Working Bee on Saturday, and both Elly and there will be further opportunity to co-construct the Futures Plan.

The 3rd Annual Winter Solstice Bonfire Celebration: It's that time of year again! For those of you who have celebrated with us over the past 2 years, the location for the Bonfire will again be at Thierry, Vanessa and Cléo's house.

What you need to bring: a plate, mug and cutlery

What we (the Social Committee) will provide: a warming 2 course meal, lovely hot chai, some mulled winter wine and a solstice lantern for each child (a memento to keep); and of course a rip roaring bonfire!!!

To help us cover the cost of this event, a suggested donation of \$10 per family would be welcomed (any left over funds will be given to Garden Market).

Any queries please contact Vanessa. Tanya Amos will be around the school, happy to collect any donations prior to the event. We are looking forward to seeing you all there. Social Committee

Fair - Craft Night: Next Wed 17 June from 7pm at Mel's house. All welcome!

What's On:

Engaging Adolescents Parent Course. A three-session program for parents and carers at Anglicare Tasmania, 18 Watchorn Street, Hobart Fridays, 9.30-11.30am, 7, 14 and 21 August 2015

Learn:

- Some common ground shared by parents & reasonable expectations to hold about adolescents
- New understandings of adolescence
- A three-option model and flow chart for decision-making
- Self check-in, first – for parents
- Building relationship with your teenager and making the best of your non-crisis conversations with them
- Skills for touch conversations for handling those problems you just can't ignore

Registration Fee: The course costs \$50 for individuals (or \$50 per couple) or \$10 per person for health care card holders. Register for this course by freecalling 1800 243 232.

A flyer is in the noticeboard outside the Littlies Cottage.

Attachments: *Something on your Mind?*