



FRIDAY NOTICE

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What's happening in Term 3:

September	8 th	Tuesday	Garden Market 3pm – 3.30pm
	9 th	Wednesday	3/4 Environment Day
	9 th	Wednesday	Committee meeting 7pm
	16 th	Wednesday	1/2/3 Environment Day
	18 th	Friday	Poetry/Music Concert
	23 rd	Wednesday	K/P/1 Environment Day
	23 rd	Wednesday	Garden Market 3pm – 3.30pm
	25 th	Friday	Last day of term 3
October	12 th	Monday	First day Term 4 – STAFF ONLY
	13 th	Tuesday	First day Term 4 – ALL STUDENTS
	17 th	Saturday	Final 2015 Working Bee 9am – 2pm

From Steve: Quite a bit happening lately, not to mention the continued instances of colds and upset tummies amongst students and staff. Oh well, soldier on.

At the end of last week, two meetings took place as part of the Futures Project and I've attached a Futures Newsletter so that you can see what we've been up to this term. Of particular note is the fact that we have agreed on a partnership with the Australian Innovation Research Centre at the University of Tasmania. Our first day of working together will be the student free day at the beginning of Term 4. I believe that this will be an exciting opportunity for us as educators to put forward and workshop visions of what might be best practice at Cottage School. Having this facilitated by people who are well credentialed in the process of realising innovation is an exciting prospect.

Congratulations to those students who participated in the inaugural Futsal competition for small independent schools. The opportunity to test their fitness and soccer skills against other teams was obviously enjoyed by all, and at the end of the day they acquitted themselves well against the other teams. But for the school it was a far greater achievement than just scoring more goals than the opponent. It was the fact that all students displayed excellent sportsmanship, collegiality, fairness, communication and respect that made us feel proud about Cottage School. It is hoped that there will be similar sporting opportunities in the future.

Thank you to everyone who was able to commit his or her time on Thursday night at the Futures Workshop. A good turnout of about 20 people grappled with and contributed to two documents which help to refine our exploration and understanding of the issues associated with identifying viable options for the future. A call has gone out today via bulk email for the formation of a working group to continue the task of the work already done and to refine the documents worked on last night.

Working Bee: Our last Working Bee of 2015 will be on **Saturday 17 October** from 9am – 2pm. All families are expected to contribute 4 hours work (eg 1 adult x 4 hours or 2 adults x 2 hrs). This is not an optional event, so luckily it is a very social day! Working together strengthens our school community and the Working Bees have a direct financial benefit – without them fees would need to increase to pay for this maintenance. Please put this date into your diary now (if it isn't already!).

A list of working bee jobs will be available in the last Friday Notice this term. A hard copy master list (including the usual few late addition jobs) will be placed on the wall of the White (Littlies) Cottage on Tuesday morning (13 October).

The Great Book Swap Challenge 2015: Well done Cottage School, we held another very successful Indigenous Literacy Book Swap. Thanks to all those who donated and helped out on the day.

We raised \$191.70.

This money will go towards buying and creating books that indigenous kids will love to read and share. We're in very good company because this year's Booker Prize winner, Tasmanian Richard Flanagan, gave his \$40,000 prize money to the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. Lee

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

- Georgia – for sweeping the Green Space
- Holly & Eliza – for raising \$45.20 for the Indigenous Library Book Swap
- Heidi & Bella – for showing great initiative in organizing the dress up day for Book Week
- Cesi & Leo – for showing exceptionally good sportsmanship, honesty and fair play during the Futsal Competition.

What's On:

LEGO® School Holiday Workshops! Bricks 4 Kidz® is holding half day and full day workshops with a variety of themes including Space Adventures, Minion Madness, Mining and Crafting, Amusement Park Mayhem and more! Come and have fun building LEGO® using our own plans with a variety of different activities including using Technic pieces with motors and batteries! Locations include Hobart city, Howrah and Kingston. Visit our website at www.brick4kidzaustralia.com.au/tasmania-hobart/ or phone 0408 454 851 for details.

Attachments: *Futures Newsletter Project No 7; Development of a Values Education Framework*