



FRIDAY NOTICE

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What's happening in Term 4 2015 and Term 1 2016:

December	7 th	Monday	End-of-Year reports go home
	9 th	Wednesday	School picnic
	9 th	Wednesday	Committee meeting 7:00pm
	10 th	Thursday	Leaver's celebration 11:00-12:00
	10 th	Thursday	Last Day of Term - School closes at 12:00pm.
February	1 st	Monday	Staff Only at School
	2 nd	Tuesday	All Students Start Term 1 – Kinder included

Term dates for 2016:

Term 1 – Tuesday 2nd February to Friday 8th April (Easter falls during the term March 25th – 29th)

Term 2 – Tuesday 26th April to Friday 1st July

Term 3 – Tuesday 19th July to Friday 23rd September

Term 4 – Tuesday 11 October to Thursday 15 December

From Steve: Did you know that in government schools the first aid requirement is 1 person for the first 300 students? Here at Cottage we have 13! You can be assured that wherever your children go during school time that there is a fully qualified first aider who takes their responsibility seriously and who will afford the best primary care possible in the event of an accident or injury.

Reports are in their final throes of being printed and prepared ready to go home on Monday. You will find similarities and differences to the mid-year report, which is quite intentional. Also contained within the package is the school photo and the 40th Anniversary Edition of the Newsletter. Annette has done a great job of putting this together and I'm sure that you will enjoy reading it.

Thank you to the 26 families who have responded to the Parent Satisfaction Survey. Given that this represents less than 50% of the total families enrolled it is a poor response for such an important document. Please could you get onto the site tonight and complete the survey so that a more accurate picture of satisfaction with the school be obtained.

From time to time, and in all communities, issues of importance come to light and become an item of concern and source of discussion among the members. All too often these discussions turn into Chinese whispers and the truth becomes distorted to the point of fabrication that creates unrest, dissatisfaction and worry. Please, if you have a concern about things that are happening within the school, then come and have a discussion with me. The school has policies and processes in place, which can deal with just about anything. So I would urge you, if you have a genuine concern, please come and see me.

Summer Holiday Watering: If any family visits the school playground over the holidays, could you please consider pulling out the hose and watering can and giving the veggies and new plants a good soak? Thanks

Cottage School Movember: A massive thank you to all the generous MOnations over the last month as the Cottage School Mo Bro's set about growing moustaches and raising a bit of awareness around men's health. We are pleased to announce that as a school community we raised nearly \$500 for the Movember Foundation that will be used to improve the health of men across Australia by fighting prostate cancer, testicular cancer, poor mental health and physical inactivity. We are also proud to be involved with the Mobart Mo Bros, who this year were the largest fundraising team in Australia and ranked 10th in the World! An absolutely amazing effort for a community based and led fundraising campaign! Thanks again for your support and donations and don't hesitate to chat to any of our mo-bros throughout the other 11 months of the year with regards to men's health issues.

Jump Start: Thanks to everyone who has participated in Jump Start throughout 2015. It has been great to see such high levels of participation from a wide variety of school community members. Seeing our students starting the school day in a physically active way and a wide smile on their face has been an absolute highlight of the Jump Start program! Don't forget that we are always after different ideas or guest presenters so have a think over the summer break about a way that you might like to join in. We would invite everyone to join us this Thursday for the final Jump Start of the year. We'll be kicking off the last day of the school year with a dance inspired Jump Start session starting at 8:40 and hope to see you there!

Head Lice: Please be vigilant about checking your child's hair regularly. While they (the critters) are alive and well at school, it would be a good idea to check your child's hair every night.

Canberra Fundraising: Emma and Meg will be selling ice creams after school on Thursday to raise money for their Canberra trip.

What's On:

LEGO® School Holiday Workshops with Bricks 4 Kidz®: Once again, Bricks 4 Kidz® is holding half day and full day LEGO® workshops these school holidays. Themes in January include Mining and Crafting, Space Adventures, Minion Madness, Bricks City, A Magical Freezing Kingdom, Amusement Park Mayhem and more! There is also a special Christmas themed one on Friday the 18th of December. Come and have fun building LEGO® using our own plans with a variety of different activities including using Technic LEGO® with motors and batteries! Locations are Lenah Valley, Howrah and Taroona. Visit our website: www.bricks4kidzaustralia.com.au/tasmania-hobart/ or phone 0408 454 851 for details.

Attachments: