



FRIDAY NOTICE

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What's happening in Term 1:

February	27 th	Friday	Clean Up Australia Schools Day
	28 th	Saturday	Strategic Planning meeting
March	2 nd	Monday	3/4/5/6 camp at Wyatinah
	6 th	Friday	No school for campers
	9 th	Monday	Public holiday
	11 th	Wednesday	Kinder Environment Day
	11 th	Wednesday	Garden Market (3-30pm)
	12 th	Thursday	P/1 Environment day
	13 th	Friday	Ride to School Day
	18 th	Wednesday	1/2 Environment Day
	18 th	Wednesday	3/4 Bike Day
	23 rd	Monday	Growing Up program starts
	25 th	Wednesday	Kinder Bike day
	25 th	Wednesday	Garden Market (3-30pm)
	27 th	Friday	End of term concert
April	1 st	Wednesday	P/1/2 Bike Day
	2 nd	Thursday	5/6 Bike Day
	2 nd	Thursday	Last Day Term One

From Steve: Just as a follow up to last week's comments about imaginative violent play (and thank you to parents who wanted to discuss the issue further), I'd like to share with you a recent quote from Stephen Hawking who was asked the question, "What human shortcoming would you change?" Hawking replied, "The human failing I would most like to change is aggression.....the quality I would most like to magnify is empathy. It brings us together in a peaceful, loving state." I certainly couldn't argue with that viewpoint. This week I have enjoyed being in classes listening to people read, working with numbers and observing spelling. At our staff meeting on Tuesday, teachers played the role of students as they participated in a mock spelling lesson and together we shared further knowledge as to how this aspect of English can be delivered across the school.

Last night I attended an education forum at UTAS and the main points that I took from the speakers were:

- Education is not just about getting a job. It's about developing us as whole beings.
- If we have high expectations of all of our students, they will inevitably rise to the occasion.
- Children at school and home need to be exposed to as many different life experiences as possible.
- Education needs to be aspirational and not a forced commodity.

Grade 3/4/5/6 Camp: A couple of things to add to the camp list, sorry!

- Pillow cases without pillows don't work, so please put pillows in too! (Thanks Lesley)
- A tennis racket if children want to use their own
- David from Wayatinah rang and said the march flies are still around so pop in a good quality insect repellent
- Ouse is spelt with the letter 's' not a 'z'! Thanks Kath ☺

Golden Handshake: This week's recipients are :-

- Rupert Pender-King – for taking the time and care to show a younger child how to play dodge ball
- Lachlan Clyne & Bella Wells – for their kind and mature guidance on the Littlies Environment Day
- Miro Eleftheriadis & Leo Phillips – for showing great respect and care for animals at Bonorong Park
- Bill Mihalic-Wood – for taking lots of extra jobs in the morning to make his class work well

en français: des nouvelles de Kate : As a follow up to the carnet de vocabulaire, if your child shows real interest in French, I suggest you invest in a copy of the Collins First Time French Dictionary (\$20-\$25), which is modern, clear and has very good examples of how to use words in sentences. Or there's the Usborne book of the first thousand words in French, and similar books, usually available at Birchalls in Bathurst Street. Or look online at a leforum bookshop: based in Fremantle, this bookshop specialises in French books, cds, dvds, comic, magazines and stationery. Happy choosing!
Kate

Students with asthma: No matter how mild, if your child has asthma – even if it is quite mild – please let us know. We have recently completed training with the Asthma Foundation of Tasmania. They told us that there is no way of predicting if a student may suddenly have a major flare up, even if it has not happened before. So please let us know so we can fulfil our duty of care and keep an eye on them.

Students with anaphylaxis: Please make sure that we have your child's most recent Anaphylaxis Action Plan. The plan that we are referring to is the one that has the patient's photo attached and signed off by a doctor. According to ASCIA, Australia's authority on anaphylaxis, the plans should be renewed by your doctor at least once a year.

Any questions on asthma or anaphylaxis: If you have any queries, talk to the Asthma Foundation of Tasmania, the organisers of the Schools Program, by visiting www.asthmatas.org.au or calling 1800 278 462.

AGM Minutes: Please find attached the minutes of the AGM plus the President's Report

Paper Towel Dispensers: Just a reminder to those people who update the paper towel dispensers when they are empty. There are special 'keys' to open the dispensers. There is one in each cottage. The Biggies one is kept in the kitchen above the sink; the Green cottage one is in the toilet on the shelf; the Kinder one is on the shelf in the toilet and the Littlies one is on a hook near the paper storage section outside the upstairs toilets. Please don't force the dispenser open as it will eventually break.
Thanks

Ride 2 School Day: is in 2 weeks - Friday 13th March.

MEETING SPOTS:

1. The start of the bike track on Howrah Road (near Howrah Primary School & Sunshine Tennis Club) – Bike riders & capable scooters. **Meeting time 8.15 am**
2. 38 Alexandra Esplanade Bellerive (Opposite Anne's House) – bike riders, scooters, skateboards & walkers. **Meeting time 8.30 am**

There will be staff & parents at all meeting spots – look out for bright vests.

Hope you can join us & experience the joy of getting fresh air on our way to school. Please call me on 0418 481778 if you have any questions. Any parents who would like to join in, please let Georgie know.

Jump Start: It has been great to see so many members of the Cottage School Community starting their Thursdays with a bit of exercise and a big smile on their faces! Next Thursday will be a break due to Camp, however, we'll be back on Thursday 12th March. If anyone has any ideas, queries or would like to take a session, please contact Simon in the Biggies. Thanks again to all those who are choosing to join us each week.

Garden Market

It was even a bigger bumper harvest @ Garden Market this week! Tomatoes, cucumbers, plums, apples, pears, kale, pumpkins, tomatoes, nashis, fresh horseradish, herbs, 3 flavours of yoghurt ice creams, raw food treats, muffins, biscuits, oat slice, bliss balls....truly amazing! Thank you one and all for your generous contributions.

Just a reminder that if you are donating treats from your kitchen, please attach a label listing all ingredients. At this market we raised a **record \$245.40!** Well done all! (the previous market on the 11 Feb which raised \$202.00 was the second highest tally - what a start to the year!) All of this money will be channelled back into items for the school. If you do have suggestions for how GM \$\$ could be spent please let one of the Garden Marketeers know. The broad guidelines for garden Market purchases are that they should support

- food,
- health,
- wellbeing,
- family support; and,
- our environment.

Garden Market funds should not be spent on items considered essential for the operation/maintenance of the school, these must be budgeted for through general school income.

Thanks from the Garden Marketeers and see you all again on Wednesday 11 March!

Pressure hose: Does anyone have a pressure hose? We need one to clean the shade cloth above the biggies carpeted area. If you do have one and would like to do this as a 'working bee job in advance' please contact the working bee coordinators Mel or Gabrielle

ICC Cricket World Cup Traffic Delays: On Wednesday 11th March there will be an international cricket game between Sri Lanka and Scotland at Blundstone Arena. There will be parking restrictions from 6am in the morning and road closures from 10.30am (close to the ground). If you usually travel near this area after you pick your children up from school, you may need to make alternative arrangements/allow extra time.

Lost: Evan is missing a wide brimmed Kathmandu sunhat. It is light tan. If you have seen it in your travels please pass it on to Evan.

What's On:

BELLERIVE JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB:

AGM: 5th March 3.15 at Bellerive – all members welcome

Registration Day is 19th March

All girls teams – more girls please. If you have a sibling at another school, any child can play for Bellerive. Any questions please see Caroline Ward at school.

Attachments: *Minutes of the AGM + The President's Report*