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April 2003

Attachments: Nil so far!

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ARRIVAL TIMES and BEFORE SCHOOL CARE

Our official start time is 8.45 am. (Staff are on duty as from 8am) **Children should be on time for "Meeting"** This is usually held on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

TERM ONE CONCERT.

Thursday 10th April from 7.00 p.m. Collingwood College (Vere St).

Dance :

Littlies & Juniors Dance costumes :-Littlies – 'groovy clothes' (They are dancing to 'feeling groovy') Juniors – girls are to wear skirts over pants ; boys – jeans & bright/hawaaian shirts

Poem :

(The Littlies will be reciting the Poem "How the little kite learned to fly") More copies are available...from Jeannette.

Littlies are encouraged to do some practise at home before the Concert.

SOIREE Tuesday 6th MAY

To be held in The Meeting Room. from 7.00 p.m. We welcome young musicians and hope members of the FCS Community will give their support.

ADULTS DINNER

Will be held on Friday 9th MAY from 7.00 p.m. in The School Kitchen

Bring something yummy to share.

NETBALL DRIVERS NEEDED.

Netball Competition begins on May 15 (Thursdays for 6 weeks) and we need parents to transport children to The State Netball Centre from 12.30 p.m. Add your name to the list on the fridge in The School kitchen or see Jeannette.

SCHOOL MID-TERM BREAK

The Term 2 break will be Monday & Tuesday 26th & 27th May (with the Queens Birthday Holiday on 9th June)

STUDENT TEACHERS

Phillip (on loan from Victoria Uni) is now with us on Tuesdays until the end of the year. Thank you Phillip for your helpful contribution to the life of FCS so far.

We also welcome Cassandra (Latrobe Uni) for the last week of Term One.

Volunteers Needed

The Old Colonists Association in Clifton Hill need volunteers to help local residents in various ways. See their notice in The Foyer.

NITS

Here are some helpful hints :-

1. Maintain a sense of perspective i.e. basically they are just a nuisance

2. The most effective non-chemical method of removal is to lather, conditioner and comb repeatedly. Thereafter brush & comb hair vigorously each day.

3. If you discover Nits in the morning do not send your child to school without treatment.

4. Check that friends outside the school community are not the conduit.

(After use, school hats are placed in a plastic bag and put in the freezer overnight !)

5. Keep Smiling.

FETE

A Fete to raise money for UNICEF will be held at the school from 1.30 Onwards on Wednesday 4th June. Swimming will be held as normal (except for Biggies who will set up for the Fete)

MS Readathon

Speaker coming 21st May 9.00 – 9.30

Walkmans to stay home

Children with Walkmans do not add much to the spirit of 'Community' so we are inviting children to leave walkmans at home.

Para from Tim re Morale ?

Year 6 Camp to John Marsdens Mon 19^{th} – Wed 21^{st} – See Faye

Cross Country

Children are encouraged to maintain their training with a run most days of the School Holidays.

This will assist their performance at the event at Princes Park on 1st May.

Photos

For a free copy of any of the photos displayed around the School see Keith in the Upstairs Front Office.

Meetings of the School Community

Parents are welcome, even encouraged to speak (even perform) at School Meetings which are held on Monday & Thursday mornings Please see Tim or Jeannette about a time.

PAST STUDENTS

If you have a copy of Mastering Words you no longer need we'd love to have it (We could use it here)

Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Awards

Phillip Harvey was at "Meeting" earlier in Term to introduce our theme of "Moving On' for the year. Phillip has since worked with all groups in class. All students have completed their Poems which will be judged by Phillip and his wife Caroline. The 20 best will be submitted for judging in the 2003

CALENDAR FOR 2003

Current sheets are available from the front office (upstairs) at any time.

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OUTINGS

Thank you to Judy (mother of Estelle) for arranging the Littlies outing to Bundoora Park on 31st March. Thank you too to Lisa (mother of Sasha & Nikolai) for arranging the Zoo outing for Juniors & Middlies recently Thank you also to all drivers.

MOBILE ELECTRONIC CLASSROOM

Will be visiting on Wednesday 11th June for Biggies "to experience real technology in the classroom" Students will make 2 working models. Should be fun !

BASKETBALL NEWS

A team of "Rookies" from the Middlies will play a round Robin Competition on Thursday May 22nd at The Aquatic Centre, Albert Park. The Biggies are training hard in two groups for their matches on June 20.

PERSONALS

Congratulations to Gabby, Roly & Co on the birth of Barnaby & Yannick

Congratulations to Jini on becoming School Captain at Mt Duneed P.S.

Tim, Faye, Jeannette, Philip,

L all the Staff