

NEWS LETTER



Upcoming Dates

First Day Term 3
Tue 19 July

Middlies Mystery Camp
Wed 10 - Fri 12 Aug

Biggies Mystery Camp
Mon 25 - Fri 29 July

**Founders' Mid Term
Holiday**
Mon 15 - Tue 16 August

**Brunswick St Play -
Richmond Theatre**
Dress Rehearsal Tue 6 Sep 1pm
1st Performance Tue 6 Sep 7pm
2nd Performance Wed 7 Sep 7pm

Arts Day (Melbourne Uni)
Wed 14 September

Last Day Of Term & Sports Day
1:15pm (Alfred Crescent Oval)
Thur 15 September

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WINTER 2022

WIZARDS OF OZ by Lara

The Normanby school production, The Wizards of Oz, closed on Thursday 16 June to rave reviews with audiences across the four shows commenting on the dynamic performance of the students involved.



There's no place like home!

I couldn't be more proud of the children for their hard work and dedication throughout the Term. The support shown to one another across all year levels was beautiful to see: true FCS spirit at its best!

To all the staff and parents that helped out: Thank You! The many helping hands make it all possible.

WELCOME BACK by Tim

The last term has seen the school feel normal: happy, fun, joyful and connected. A big part of this has been the return of school families. It has been a great joy and re-affirmation of our school to have our families back in the school.

Thank you all for your support of our school over two challenging years, in which the community part of our school was difficult. It is really wonderful to all be back together again.

THANKYOU by Tim

Sarah and Catherine (mothers of Audrey and Patrick) have both volunteered at school two days a week each this year, helping out at Brunswick Street. The school has been richer for their help: with trips to the park, help with reading, assistance writing letters, lots of cleaning, assistance with swimming, cups of tea and general spirit contribution filling their days.

Jenn (Ahri and Woody) also deserves a special mention for the countless hours she put into costumes for Wizards of Oz. Thanks Jenn for your contribution to making the play such a special event.

DREAM CLEAN TEAM by Sue

Brunswick St Middlies have been on Clean-up after Friday lunch and they have really taken to the task! Dishes, benches and floors are cleaned, food cleared, bins emptied and the kitchen beautifully restored. Thanks, boys, for pitching in so happily and efficiently. As Suetia used to say - "Team Work makes the Dream Work!"



Dream Team

NORMANBY OUT & ABOUT by Kate

We've had many adventures along Merri Creek this term. When we get to the creek, if we turn left and go downstream, it's an easy walk down to CERES. There are some excellent spots to stop along the way, such as the Brunswick velodrome, where the children love to run around and play. There is also a rope swing near CERES which has provided some serious thrills, and there are lots of grassy spots to sit, talk, play and enjoy a picnic together.



Aya flyer

OUT & ABOUT continued...

One lucky group of Biggies had a visit to NGV International. We enjoyed exploring the gallery and were even allowed to eat our lunch in the Great Hall. The Falcons visited St Paul's Cathedral to see Gaia, an immense sculpture of Planet Earth, by Luke Jerram. This stimulated some wonderful questions and discussions amongst the group. We are fortunate to have the time to explore so many amazing places on Wednesdays.



The Wild at Night By Teddy

The stars in the sky,
The bright yellow full moon,
The hoots of the owls in the trees.
The scabbling wombats in the dirt,
The swaying trees in the forest,
The splashing and churning of a waterfall.
The screeching of a wild cat,
The stuttering of a racoon,
The smell of berries in the trees,
The screaming of a long-dead prey.
The home of the werewolf,
me.

ART by Nikki

The art room has as usual been a hive of activity yet again this term. It is so lovely to have such enthusiastic students. When I tell a Tiny that they have art next class and they exclaim in joy and skip down the hall to the art room, it makes my day a little brighter.



When a child is proud of the artwork that they have made and excitedly pins it up on the wall, or when I sense the satisfaction a child has in finishing an artwork that they have put a lot of energy into, it is also deeply satisfying for me. Thankyou, children, for your joyful, creative enthusiasm.

INTERVIEWS by Maya

Subject: Immi

Hobbies: Cycling, drawing, reading

After school classes: Art, drama

Sibling: Older sister Enelsa

Pet: No

Favourite book: Coraline

Favourite to cook: Sweets

Favourite Movie: Marvel

Subject: Ilaria

Hobbies: Baking, talking, walking dogs

After School Classes: Drama, soccer, art

Siblings: Older brother Solomon & older sister Romany

Pets: 2 dogs, 1 cat, 4 chickens

Favourite colour: Yellow

DISCO

by Stephie, Immi & Electra

The Disco was wild as ever this year, with a sink hole reappearing in the roof and all the Tinies coming back in their best party outfits. Elva flew back in a UFO with a dozen flying rabbits who all danced like crazy.



Don't stop me now!

Now for the unfortunate events.

The music was so loud that the windows shattered and a giant monkey came through them and started attacking everyone. We managed to calm it down with a banana and named the monkey Joseph. He started to dance with us. Most unfortunately, The Cookie Monster came and arrested Maya for not eating enough cookies.



Deadly moves

All in all the Disco was amazing, everyone's outfits looked so good and their dance moves were fabulous.

CROSS COUNTRY

The children had a great series of runs this term, with Christos, Electra & Ben qualifying for Division finals, Bhawani, Elva & Magnus making it to Regional, and Ilaria going all the way to State Finals! A big thankyou to Nicolette who represented Carlton District in helping out as a marshal at the Division event.



Fleet Footed

TJUKURPA ART

by Joelle

During National Reconciliation Week, Joelle and Wayne spoke of their time working on the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Lands in SA.

Joelle introduced the students to Tjukurpa art.

Tjukurpa talk about the beginning of time when Anangu (the people of the AP Lands) believe ancestral beings first created the world. These stories contain important lessons about the land and how to survive in the desert as well as rules for appropriate behaviour.

Tjukurpa stories are also used like maps. They tell us where important places are, how to travel from one place to another, and where and when we can find water and find food.

Real Tjukurpa are not written down. These stories are told orally and passed down to the correct people. Sometimes sand drawings help tell the stories and then are quickly rubbed away.

We were able to make our own maps in the Tjukurpa style thanks to Anangu who taught Joelle how to teach children about the art, without the sacred stories.



BIGGIES THURSDAY NETBALL

by Tim

Thursday afternoons for most of the term were spent at the netball centre, where many local schools were involved in a netball competition. Irrespective of the result, our children were good sports and more than fair players. The teams did a good job including and supporting the Middlies who occasionally filled in. In games where we were significantly stronger than the opposition, better players were rested while others moved into roles where they were less strong. It was quite inspiring to witness our children be encouraging and give less confident players a chance.



The toughest game of the season was two FCS teams vying for top place. Unsurprisingly, FCS won. We now look forward to finals next term. Thanks especially to our captains for their leadership: effort, sportsmanship and encouragement.

HOT CHOCOLATE SURPRISE

by Sue

One chilly Friday afternoon, we were all warmed on the inside by a surprise delivery of a huge pot of delicious Hot Chocolate and home-made cinnamon scrolls. Thank you Enue for the thoughtful gesture, for spending some time with us and even thinking to bring marshmallows!

HOOPS IN THE PARK

by Netti

An oldie but a goodie!

A simple hoop has given rise to much fun with the Lions, Tigers and Bears.



Delicious!

Activities including wobbling it around the waist, rolling it down the hill, throwing it far and wide, and poaching asteroids from it have led to much fun and laughter.

LITTLES & JUNIORS CAMP

by Miranda

I asked the children what they remembered and enjoyed about camp:

Aya: Camp is like a dream come true. You get to jump on the trampoline and swim in the creek. I love the camp fire and sleeping in the bunk house. I love making fairy houses and collecting leaves. It was so much fun! I love Spotto.

Finn: I enjoyed playing with Ronan down at the creek and trying to catch those little bugs that were skating in the water.



Hangin' about

CAMP continued...

Leo: I really liked going on mountain hikes with Marius and Zevi. We went on a mission to kill the killer birds but when we found out that the killer birds didn't exist we had a long hike back to camp.

Maggie: I liked going to the creek where we made a face paint business.

Mila: I liked when Stefan was hiding and scaring us in Spotto.

Olivia: I love going in the creek with Aya. I liked climbing over all the logs.

Pascal: I liked going down to the creek. I liked going on the nature walks because they are fun.



Serene

Stella: I liked talking to friends, cooking marshmallows on the fire and playing on the trampoline.

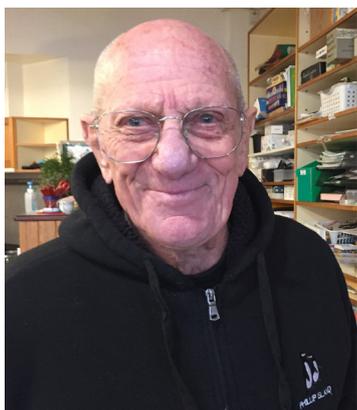
Ronan: I enjoyed playing Spotto, roasting marshmallows and playing with my friends.

Woody: The trampoline was really fun because it is really bouncy and you can jump really high.

Zameer: Adventuring down to the creek and figuring out with Zevi and Marius that there was no such thing as a killer bird.

OSCAR by Netti

Oscar has been our swimming coach for many years and the skill of our older children as they pass through the school is a testament to his efforts, and also his training of our teachers. He takes an early morning Tuesday session for Biggies as well as lessons on Wednesdays.



Oscar

Unfortunately we have been unable to access the pool as much as we would like this term so the younger children have had less swimming time.

Oscar also plays in the 'Myths and Legends' basketball team. He trains with the team each Friday with other similarly fit athletes.

Sparkles in the City

by Ilaria

The rose and white specks that long adorned the apple tree had opened.

On its highest branch, a sleepy occupant ruffled itself then settled into stillness.

A gentle bewilderment of stars formed the furthest backdrop,

While a man-made rainbow mesmerised the city streets below;

And the snails dragged their spiral shelters out to enjoy the night.

The raindrops tap-danced on the roofs of cars,

And the wind whistled whimsically

While the old tabby cat preened his paws in the window sill,

And watched.



Chalking them up

BIGGIES CAMP by Clara & Harvey

We went to The Land and Da Moose was there waiting for us. He accidentally squeezed Nick's guts out because he thought Nick was an orange (he wanted orange juice). Then we all went to Jail because people thought we killed Nick. Then Sarah rescued us by conjuring up a hole. We all escaped and went back to The Land, and had some orange juice. Da Moose ate Sarah instead of an orange because he was extra hungry.

RAINY ROTUNDA by Netti

Many adventures have taken place near The Rotunda – a lovely bolt hole if the weather gods are against us.

A timed circuit of the trees involving kicking the footy, making fairy gardens and running over the piles of tan bark keeps us occupied between showers.

A highlight is always the beauty parlour. Water plus rocks, stones, bark, chalk can make some exciting colours for face decoration.

MAGNUS WINS AGAIN

by Grant

Reigning champion Magnus won his second successive term tournament with a perfect score of 7/7. In second place was Ray, finishing on 6 points. Third prize went to James, who stormed home to finish on 5 points, defeating Ben in the final round to snatch third! Equal 4th were Emerson, Xavier and Christian. (Ben won the advanced players' tournament on Wednesdays).



The medal for Most Improved Player went to Tyge, while the Best New Player medal went to Audrey M. Audrey was so excited by her medal that she even wore it to the disco a few hours after chess!



Anyone for Pizza?



Tiny Rainbows

DEAD LEVEL by Grant

The Monday tournament at Normanby this term resulted in a tie for First Place between Jibrail and Phoebe - both finishing on 5.5 points (out of 7 games). Equal Third place was shared between Bhawani, Max K, Zameer, Cassius and Ahri. Most Improved went to Shun, and Best New Player went to Maggie.



Hilde by Annabel

My Dog Lily By Cecilia

My dog Lily is very fluffy.
 She has a ball and we play fetch with her.
 But she does not give the ball back,
 So we normally go inside.
 Lily goes inside as well.
 In the night she sleeps on my bed.
 Her favourite food is bacon,
 She was like a fluff ball before she went to the groomer.
 Now she is very skinny but we still love her.

Carlton Netball Club is a community netball club. We are seeking enthusiastic netballers to join the club to train and / or play in competition. No previous netball experience is necessary.

We run teams in the following ability / age groups:
 - Net Set Go levels, training and competition for ages 6 to 9
 - 11 & under, aged 9 to 11
 - 13 & under, aged 11 to 13 (if enough interest)

Note: Age is determined as of 31st December 2022
 All genders welcome!
 Training at Carlton North PS and Carlton Baths, Wednesdays and Thursdays
 Games through the Parkville Netball Association
<https://parkvillenetball.wixsite.com/parkville>

Interested? Please email Tammy at carltonstars@gmail.com or look us up through the Parkville Netball Association.

GRAZIE ANNA by Sue

A big thank you to Anna who has been helping out at school while on a six week holiday to Australia.

Anna is visiting all the way from Fiume Veneto, a small town in Italy between Venice and The Alps. The Behrendorff family lived in Anna's town for a year in 2019 after meeting her family on a holiday way back in 2010. Anna is now staying with the Behrendorffs for six weeks. Anna is only sixteen years old but is very determined to improve her English while she is here and has plans to study medicine.



Anna with Nathan

Anna has been helping out in classrooms, on outings, and has been especially helpful in the kitchen - making many pizzas and washing many dishes!

Grazie mille Anna and buona fortuna!



Rainbow Maintenance

