

# NEWSLETTER

March 2000

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## **HAPPY START for 2000**

We are delighted with our new students and the happy adjustment they have made to life at FCS.

Welcome to Lucy, Jaslyn, Harry, Tom, Rory W., Olivia, William, Jeremy, Mia and Lucci.

## **CONGRATULATIONS LUKE ARNOLD**

Luke won a scholarship to the University of Jakarta.

## **CONGRATULATIONS CHRIS TANTI**

Chris (Mum of Guy and Greta) has won PhD scholarship in Psychology at LaTrobe University

## **CONGRATULATIONS JEREMY O'CARROLL**

Jeremy has won 3 PhD Scholarships in Italian Literature at Melb. Uni. An Australian Post Graduate Award with stipend, the R.G. Wilson Scholarship and The Clelia Medon Vittoria Scholarship.

## **CONGRATULATIONS SEAN O'CARROLL**

Sean has been accepted to the University of Glasgow and will be leaving for Scotland in June.

## **MAXWELL-BRENNANS VISIT**

Jini, Yoey, and Eve returned to FCS for a visit two weeks ago. Everyone was overjoyed to see them. They have all settled into their house in Breamlea and are enjoying the beach. The Year 3s will visit them in Breamlea on Thursday March 23<sup>rd</sup>

## **ZOO TRIP**

Tinies and Littlies will be going to the zoo on Monday March 27<sup>th</sup>. Bring packed lunch, hat and wear sunscreen.

## **WALK AGAINST WANT**

25 members of the FCS community took part in the Annual Walk Against Want on March 19<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to Lisa (walking Coordinator) and Harry (cyclists) for your involvement. It was a very happy day.

## **FETE WED. 5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL – 1:30PM**

A fete will be held to raise money for Mozambique and East Timor. Please save goods to sell, be prepared to bake for the cake stalls and bring lots of money to spend. Cardboard money boxes for Project Compassion are circulating for early contributions.

## **LITTLIES AND TINIES**

### **ATHLETICS**

Our little/tiny athletes had a big day of fun camaraderie and exercise on Wednesday March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Big thanks to Penny, Sharon and a large parent - staff support team.

## **CROSS COUNTRY TRAINING**

A most enthusiastic squad! It is looking as though all Middlies and Biggies will be able to form part the FCS squad at the inter-school Cross Country Carnival, Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>.

## **CITY OF YARRA TOWN CRIER COMPETITION**

All the Biggies participated. Five were selected from our in-house competition to represent FCS at the Collingwood Town Hall: Tilly, Tess, Nic, Katherine and Becky. It was a fun event and great for public speaking skills.

Tess was selected as a finalist and, along with students from North Fitzroy Primary, Yarra Primary and Richmond Primary, she demonstrated her Town Crier Skills at the City of Yarra Community Day, on the 20<sup>th</sup> of Feb. Well Done, Tess. Well Done all. Biggies will present their Town Crying at the end of term concert.

## **END OF TERM CONCERT**

7pm Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup> at the Collingwood College Theatre, Vere Street Collingwood. Please bring a plate of supper to share at the end of the concert. Please put concert items in the concert folder in the kitchen by 31<sup>st</sup> March.

## **SECONDARY SCHOOL INFO NIGHT FOR YR 5 & 6 PARENTS ONLY**

Current Biggie parents to meet with Past pupils and their parents Fri. 31<sup>st</sup> March at 7:30pm. This enables

parents who are currently choosing secondary schools for their children to get feedback from parents who have already made these choices.

## **FAYE off to FRANCE**

Won't be back till 15 May So Adults dinner will be shifted to 26<sup>th</sup> May. Please alter your diary.

## **WOOD DAY at the LAND**

Change of Date (due to Walk Against Want conflict) New Date - Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. Come and help collect some wood for school camps and have a lovely day in the bush. 11am-3pm.

## **FEBRUARY SWIMMING SPORTS**

Congratulations to all swimmers who participated in the Interschool swim carnival - A most successful and enjoyable day. Thank you swimming coaches, Rachel, Sam and Paul.

Special Congratulations to Rory, who won the 10 year old Boys Breaststroke and Freestyle. Subsequently, Rory went on to swim in the Melbourne Zone Championship and gained 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in Freestyle. Well Done, Rory!

Our past students continue to swim with excellence. Cora and Jasper took special ribbons recently.

## **CONGRATULATIONS LUKE COTTOM**

Upon winning the Anglesea Surf Life Saving Club Bronze Medal at the Beach Relay Australian Surf Lifesaving Championship in QLD on Sunday.

## **SWIMMING PROGRAM**

Thanks to Tim Walker (Father of Dominic and Sam) for providing us with the guidance of expert swimming coach, Oscar. All swimming staff and swimming groups will be working with Oscar a great enhancement to our already very good swimming program.

## **NEW TEACHERS**

Welcome to our new Arts teachers. Li-Qun Wong (pronounced Li-Chin) is teaching cello and Luke Evans is teaching drums. Italian has been running beautifully with Maria Francavilla at the helm.

## **MATCHBOXES**

Jeanette (mother of Cecilia) needs empty matchboxes for her story classes. Please bring these to the school kitchen.

## **SCHOOL ARRIVAL TIME IS 8:45AM**

Please be sure to arrive by 8:45am. It is most distracting with constant latecomers arriving in Maths, Meeting, Italian and Chinese.

## **VOLUNTEER ASSISTANTS**

If there are any more parents who would like to assist with classes, please don't hesitate to approach Faye.

## **FCS 2000**

Accompanying this newsletter are Parts 1 & 2 of the Founders Philosophy Statement 2000. We do welcome any suggestions from friends of FCS for alterations or additions to this document.

## **FRIDAY AFTERNOON SOCCER**

Every Friday at 4:30pm at the oval across the road, Barts has organized a soccer gathering. Past Students, FCS Friends and School Parents are all welcome. Ask Sean for more information.

## **MAGGIE COWLING**

### **WATERCOLOUR EXHIBITION**

Friday, the 17<sup>th</sup> of March - Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> of April, Maggie (ex-Italian teacher) will be exhibiting her watercolour paintings and sketches at the Letizia Gallery, 20 Chapel Street West Melbourne 11am-6pm daily.

## **FARWELL IVAN**

At the end of the term, we bid a fond farewell to Ivan who has taken a position with OZ Opera.

## **OLIVER LADLOW'S BABY SISTER**

Congratulations to the entire Ladlow clan (who are living in Tasmania) on the birth of your darling baby girl. Oliver was a Tinie last year.

## **FAMILY DAY AT THE LAND**

A few weeks back we had a lovely and well attended day in the bush.

## **TINIES' PARENTS STAFF MEETING**

Parents and Staff both enjoyed the opportunity to meet more formally and discuss FCS Philosophy of Education as well as individual child's progress.