ONE MONTH TO GO!

Now the Fair frenzy starts to build. We are always trying to make the Fair the biggest and the best ever, and with this year’s combination of Entertainment, Rides and Stalls it’s like Woodstock, the Royal Melbourne Show and the Queen Vic market all rolled into one.

The Gymbus will be back, along with the Bungee Challenge, Croc Fun Tunnel, Jurassic Jumping Castle and Giant Slide amongst many others. For the first time this year we will also have a PhotoBooth. Visit Dawn’s Face Painting stall, then ‘So’ Hairdressers stand for hair colouring, then pop into the photobooth with your friends for a pic to keep forever.

And we’ve had farm animals at the Fair before but never as interactive as this year. There will be cow milking demo’s and you can have a go yourself, then take your fresh milk to the churning area and turn it into butter.

Please take the time to read this Fair newsletter. We are still looking for help in many ways both big and small and you may be exactly the person we need. And a big thank you to everyone already working hard to make the day a big success.

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IT’S GOLDAPALOOZA

Let’s face it, the Fair isn’t all about the kids, in fact it’s really just a convenient way to get rid of them for a few hours with a wristband and a ten buck note while we all get to sit down with a beer or wine, chew the fat (not literally as our food stalls use nothing but the leanest of meats) and listen to some damn good musical entertainment.

Well this year is no different. Our headlining act is the ARIA Award winning blues band Collard Greens and Gravy, a trio who have won plaudits and awards from Melbourne to Memphis. Check them out at collardgreensandgravy.com and then at the Fair.

Then there’s the beautifully named Emotional Baggage Handlers, bringing a cool blend of everything worth listening to. Find them at http://www.myspace.com/emotionalbaggagehandlers.

And in case you didn’t get it yet, there’s a Mexican theme to the Fair this year, and there’s nothing more Latino than the Mexman and his Mariachi troubadours. For a taste of Tijuana go to http://www.mexmusic.com.au/ and of course catch them on the day.

And there will also be the usual contribution from our diversely talented students in various entertaining acts, so you can pretend that it’s all about them for at least a little while. So get ready to pull up a chair, sit back and enjoy!

STALLHOLDER SEARCH

It is that time of year when rosters are organised for the school fair. Every class has been allocated a stall (see the list attached) as an attempt to help spread the workload. Having lots of helpers on the day means the day runs smoothly and offers everyone a rest, and time to walk around checking out other stalls and activities. Please try to help on the stall allocated to your class, but it is also great to help out on other stalls that interest you, or you may have friends working on. If you cannot help during the day, setting or packing up would be greatly appreciated.

Look out for rosters on the classroom door, on the noticeboard in the Page street playground, or on the noticeboard in the prep alcove. If you cannot make it to school, then contact the coordinator directly. Alternatively contact the stallholder co Koula Neophytou at koulapaul@yahoo.com.au.

HELP URGENTLY NEEDED

FAIRY FLOSS and SNO-CONES are the simplest stalls to run - all the equipment and supplies are delivered to the school and take about ten minutes to set up in the morning and take down at the end of the day. And you are guaranteed to be loved by the kids.

STRAWBERRIES AND CREAM is an iconic stall that will make you popular with all the parents. The co-ordinator will be walked through the process and helped at every turn, so please contact Koula and tell her that you are prepared to accept the mantle of “Best Parent at Gold Street”.

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BARISTAS
There’s nothing cooler in Melbourne than being a barista, so grab some easy cred (and a fetching apron) by pulling some coffees at the Fair. It’s not a whole day thing so don’t fret, just an hour or two of froth and your inner-city image is sewn up. Contact Koula at koulapaul@yahoo.com.au

ASIAN FOOD AND SOUVLAKIS
Both of these stalls need people to man them on the day. The Asian Food stall is a matter of heating/cooking food that will be pre-prepared, but some knowledge of food preparation would be a big help, basically with frying, both deep and wok.
All necessary elements for the souvlaki will also be provided, with the co-ordinator and volunteers just required to supervise the cooking and serving. Contact Koula.

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS & HELPERS
Donations are still required for this year’s Silent Auction, along with volunteers to help drink wine and pack hampers on an evening closer to the Fair. You may have a holiday house you could donate for a weekend, a business that can donate a service or voucher, or anything from babysitting to legal advice. Any offers of help, goods or services should be made to any member of the Fair Committee or to Nia in the office.

FACE PAINTING
As talented as Dawn Anderson is (our face painting artist-in-residence) she needs volunteers to help wield a brush on the day. She only needs one or two people for a short 1 to 2 hour shift in the afternoon, so if you think you’re up to a Spiderman web mask or a couple of butterflies or tiger stripes then please contact Dawn at dawnand101@gmail.com

KIDS EARN FAKE MONEY & LIFE EXPERIENCE
Every year we need kids to help man the Wash Against Waste service as Runners retrieving dirty dishes, and for their time they are rewarded with “Gold Street Gold” - cash (kind of) that is exchangeable on the day for food, drink and rides. It’s a great way for kids to help out on the day and be rewarded so that they can have even more fun at the Fair. This year Grade 5 and 6 kids can also earn the Gold by helping out on the Dutch Pancake and SnoCone stalls, so as Spike Lee once said - do the right thing and contact Melinda on 0414 278 479 or email her at wilsontwo@optusnet.com.au

LOLLIES
We are still collecting lollies to sell at the fair! Woo hoo - 100% profit!!!
Please help us by picking up a bag of your favourite lollies when you do your next grocery shop. In particular we are collecting packets of WIZZ FIZZ, SOUR STRAPs, FRUIT/MUSK STICKS and LOLLIPOPS (including chupa chups and novelty ones) however any lollies will be gratefully accepted. They can be dropped into your lunch basket in your classroom or at the office.
We are also looking for volunteers to help make homemade treats for the lolly stall. If you can help out or would like to talk to us about what’s involved, please call:
Claire: (2MP/4DT) claire_bennett@iinet.net.au or 0403850127
Kathy: (2MP/4DT) cambro14@hotmail.com or 0438525950.
Please remember to check the use by date on the lollies – we need volunteers to help drink wine and pack hampers on an evening closer to the Fair.

TOYS
So that we can be organised, and due to storage becoming difficult, we are going to have to make the cut-off date for Toy collection as two weeks before the Fair - making Friday November 9th the last day for donations. All toy donations need to be placed in the collection bin by this date.
Peta Cleary, pgcleary@tpg.com.au

BOTTLES
Calling 3RK and 6KK class parents!!!
We are hosting the Bottle Throw stall and are asking for any soft drink bottle donations. Please help out by donating 1.25 litre bottles of soft drink directly to the labelled box in both Kaye’s and Rebecca’s classrooms. The cheaper the better for the soft drink .... Aldi do them for 73 cents per bottle! Many thanks again, Bridgette Connor (Abbie 3RK and Zak 6KK)

GO BAKE A CAKE
Homemade cakes are a big fair attraction. We will be asking every family in the school to contribute a cake for fair day, so hopefully there will be hundreds of cakes to sell!
If anyone in the school community can donate any cakes/slices/biscuits or if you know someone who bakes commercially and can donate, please contact Sue Dalton at gerryward@bigpond.com.au
And if Christmas cakes are your specialty then please contact Alison Wirtz at wirtz.ali@gmail.com

BADGE MAKING MATERIALS
The Badge stall needs paper-thin items such as interesting paper, fabrics, comic books, magazines, small stickers and old picture books. Please drop your donations in the box near the office.