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Intermediate Yarra District Cricket Competition

A fine and warm day greeted the Year 9 and 10 cricketers down at Fawkner Park, in what we expected to be a hotly contested cricket competition. Fitzroy was drawn in the group with Brunswick Secondary and Princes Hill and would play them in two, 10 over a side games. This will be the new format once 20/20 is considered too mundane.

In the first match, Fitzroy played Brunswick and after Murray W (skipper for the day) won the toss, the boys elected to field. This may have put Fitzroy a little on the back foot and playing on a very small ground was under pressure from the outset. Murray W ended his first over by picking up the opener but this did little to stem the flow. Paddy D bowled well and also picked up a wicket but Brunswick was dominant, finishing on 126 after their 10 overs.

The chase started disastrously in the first over losing Conor B run out with some kamikaze calling. Then the fight back began. Paddy D and Murray W put together a partnership of 54 from the next 4 overs to give Fitzroy a sniff of victory. Paddy lost his wicket on 24, after hitting 6 consecutive fours and this seemed to stop the momentum a little. Murray W retired on 31, so it was left to Saen F and Gabe N to continue the scoring. In what was always going to be a difficult run chase, Fitzroy fell short, finishing on a respectable 82 off their 10 overs.

The team could take a lot out of this game from their batting, and were determined to make up for the mistakes in the field including dropped catches and bowling too short.

The next match was against Princes Hill and this time it would be Fitzroy who would bat first. The order was changed a little to make sure everyone had a bat over the day, so it

was Saen F and Conor B who would open up. Conor batted determinedly in this innings and was the mainstay, registering 19 runs. Adam A, Lochie L and Brett all quickly departed, so it was left to Rob A to guide the innings. He finished on 14 runs, which was a very good effort. Declan H hit a nice four, but couldn't get on strike in the last over, as the batsmen failed to get bat on ball. Fitzroy's score after 10 overs was 52 which proved to be not nearly enough.

Murray W picked up two wickets in his spell which was fantastic, but needed more support from the rest of the bowlers. Princes Hill batted very well and ended up convincing winners.

I'd like to thank all the team members – Adam A, Rob A, Conor B, Paddy D, Saen F, Declan H, Lochie L, Gabe N, Brett S, Dieter T and Murray W for their enthusiasm and their willingness to train. I'd also like to thank Edinburgh Cricket Club and Stan White for allowing us to train and use their nets on Wednesday nights. The boys and I certainly appreciate the support.

Chris Millard

School grounds patrolled from 8:30am every morning

Due to traffic safety concerns, students are required to enter the school grounds when they arrive, and not wait in Falconer Street.

mark your calendar

Senior (Year 11 & 12) Interschool sport competition	
when	Monday 16 March
where	Various
who	Linda Ekman-Tiandos

Finance Committee meeting	
when	Tuesday 17 March 8:15am
where	Pauline's office
who	Mike Jorgensen

Immunisations - Years 7&10	
when	Tuesday 17 March 9:00am
where	Staff room
who	Doris Pearse

Participation Group meeting	
when	Tuesday 17 March 6:30pm
where	Staff room
who	Antony McPhee

Northern Zone Swimming Finals	
when	Wednesday 18 March 9:00am-2:30pm
where	MSAC
who	Linda Ekman-Tiandos

3 Way Conferences - Year 10	
when	Thursday 19 March 1:30pm-5:30pm
where	FHS
who	Tom Robinson

School Council meeting	
when	Thursday 19 March 6:30pm
where	Library
who	Pauline Rice

Intermediate Tennis

The Fitzroy team played at Fawkner Park on the 3rd March 2009. In their first game we were up against Uni High. Kristian N and Tom W were our first pair and after being up 4-1, eventually lost in a tiebreak (7-5) so were slightly unlucky. Kristian was on fire early, kicking off the game with a big ace, but they couldn't carry that form throughout the game.



The second pair of Johnny C and John P had to win their game 6-4 or better for us to go through to the next round. After being down 3-1, they fought back to win 6-4 and put us into the second round. Johnny started off poorly on serve with a raft of double faults but his second to service games were won to love in a dominant performance. Our second game put us up against Princes Hill who were far too good for us. The first pair lost 6-1 and the second pair went down 6-2.

Overall it was a good effort by the boys.

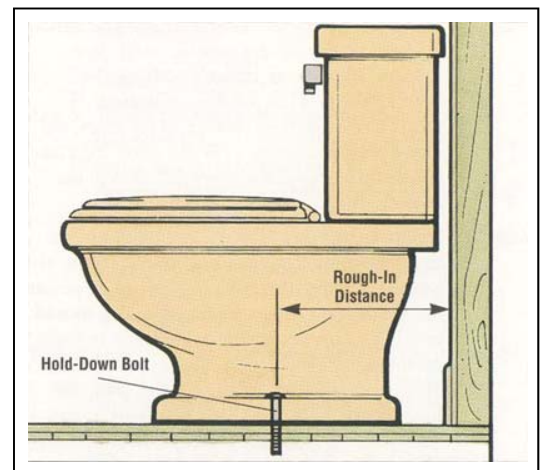
Tom Robinson

Poetry and toilets...

We need a loo!

Yes, you read that correctly. Fitzroy High School is once more engaged in an exciting poetry project in partnership with Sydney purveyors of poetry The Red Room Company.

Last year students created the beautiful "Cabinet of Lost and Found". This year, a different kind of beauty is in the spotlight – the beauty of experiencing a private moment in a public space, the toilet! Students are busily creating poetry that will be displayed in the loos of cafes and businesses in the area, including local legend the Tin Pot and vibrant community radio station Triple R. Each poem will be accompanied by an illustration that has been created by students, family or friends and will then be pasted up for the enjoyment of the public. Poet Lisa Gorton is working with students to write and workshop poetry which will be presented at an exhibition night in April.



And that brings us to the toilet! We would dearly love to use (ahem, a clean) loo as a prop on the night, and wondered if there are any plumbers or hoarders out there who might be able to help us out. We'd love it if it was vintage and pastel, but beggars can't be choosers and we'll happily consider all offers. If you are able to help, please call the school or email Briony O'Keeffe: briony@fitzroyhs.vic.edu.au If you are interested in checking out the original toilet doors project, which featured in airport and cinema bathrooms, visit <http://www.redroomcompany.org/current-projects/toilet-doors06.php> Stay tuned for details of the launch!

Briony O'Keeffe



Principal's Report

Fran Mullins has been appointed as Acting Assistant Principal. I know Fran will fulfil this role in the same enthusiasm and professionalism with which she performs her role as Indigo Team Leader. I am looking forward to working with Fran in this capacity and wish her well. The new Indigo Team Leader will be announced in the next newsletter.

Last week we held 3 Way Conferences for years 7-9. Thank you to all the families who attended these conferences. They are an invaluable way for teachers and families to get to know each other and to work together to provide the best possible education for all our students. Next week, there will be 3 Way Conferences for Year 10 students.

Congratulations to all students who participated in a variety of sports earlier this week. Once again our students were fine ambassadors and fantastic competitors. Students are now using the new multipurpose courts behind the gym. It is a great space both for organised sport and for casual recreation at recess and lunchtime.

The Buildings and Natural Environment Committee met this week and decided on a landscape designer to work with the school community to develop a master plan for the school. It is an exciting project and will provide students with much improved outdoor areas for recreation and learning.

Last week I reminded families that students who bring to school personal items such as mobile phones, ipods or other mp3 players do so entirely at their own risk. The school does not accept responsibility for the loss of these items. This has always been school policy.

Recently there have been incidents of theft of these items from students so I ask them again to be especially vigilant with their belongings. I would like to assure families that we take these incidents very seriously, but these matters require intensive work and are not always quickly resolved.

Pauline Rice

Learn piano, keyboard and Music Technology at FHS
Matthew Hovell (BMus) joined the instrumental department in 2008 and is the current piano, keyboard and Music Technology Teacher at FHS. A graduate of the Victorian College of the Arts, Matthew has enjoyed a career to date that has seen him perform on stages nationally and across Europe and the United States.

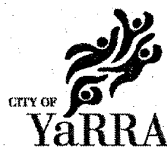
Matthew is adept at performing and tutoring all styles, from indi, rock and pop, classical (Matthew is experienced in leading students through the national AMEB syllabus), to the adventurous endeavours of jazz improvisation.

Places now exist for individual piano and keyboard lessons. In addition, this year FHS is offering lessons in Music Technology, covering keyboard and MIDI (musical instrument digital interface), synth and virtual instruments, sample-based music production and recording software such as Garage Band.

For more information, please contact matthewh@fitzroyhs.vic.edu.au, or Tom Hoyle on 9488 1900. To enroll in piano, keyboard or music technology lessons please call Susan Jones at the general office on 9488 1900.

Tom Hoyle





Where the Heart Is... Community Festival

Friday 20 March 2009, 11.00am – 4.00pm
Edinburgh Gardens (west side)

Dear Resident,

The Royal District Nursing Service (Homeless Persons Program) will present the "Where the Heart Is Community Festival". This festival is proudly supported by the City of Yarra and VicHealth.

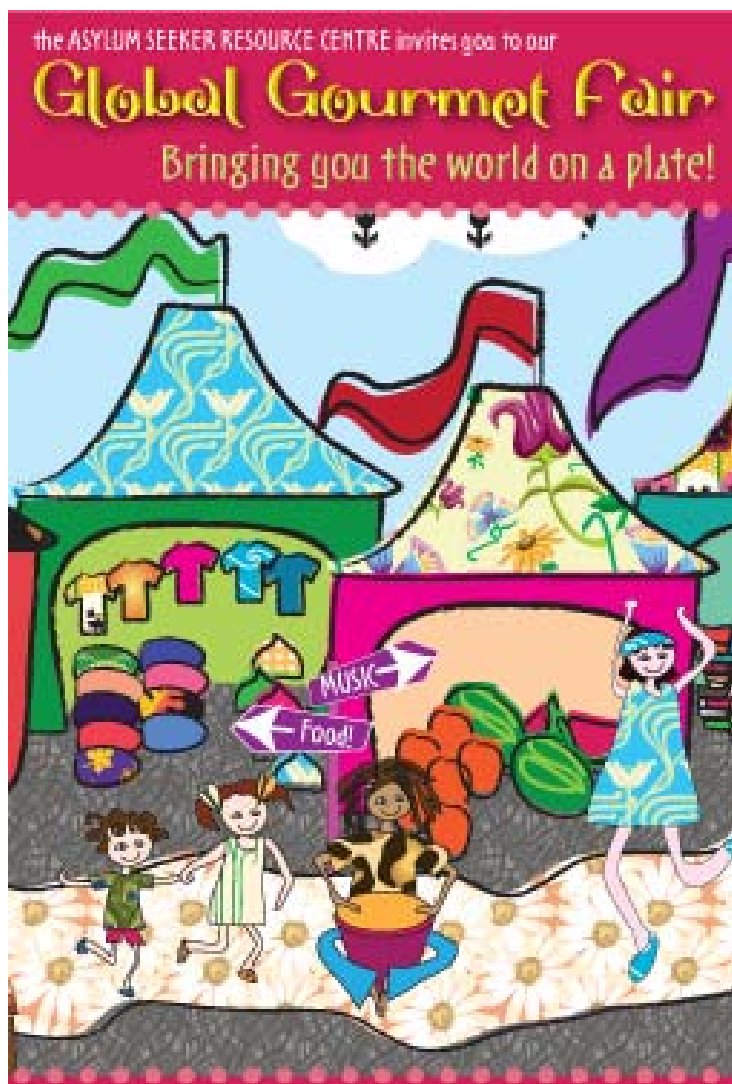
The festival aims to create a day of fun and entertainment, encouraging the participation of people experiencing homelessness, their families and friends and with the support of agencies, workers and volunteers in a safe and friendly environment. This festival is an **alcohol-free event**.

"Where the Heart is" Community Festival will showcase poetry, song, music, art and craft exhibitions presented by people experiencing homelessness. A free BBQ lunch will also be provided.

Approximately 20 metres of parking space on the park side of Alfred Crescent (opposite Rowe Street) will be reserved for bus parking between 8.00am and 4.00pm.

Please note that the water used to weigh down festival infrastructure is Class A recycled water.

If you wish to discuss the festival in more detail please contact the City of Yarra Arts and Cultural Services Unit on 9205 5109.



The ASRC Global Gourmet Fair is on again and this year it is part of the Melbourne Food and Wine Festival. We will bring you the world on a plate!! On Sunday 22nd March, from 10 until 4, there will be food, music and family fun from around the world. Global food, fresh produce, stalls galore and all to the sounds of Mick Thomas with Shackleton, The Joelenes, Dan Sultan and Sol Nation plus so much more. All proceeds go to the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre's human rights programs. See you at 12 Batman street, West Melbourne on Sunday 22nd March.