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SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome to Term 4!

New term, new beginnings. As communicated at the end of term 3, I have now stepped into the role of School Coordinator. I look forward to working with our school and circus community as we continue to support and advance our amazing Fruit Fly students.

Welcome to our new staff member Kat Beaton. Kat will be continuing the role of Mental Health in Primary Schools Practitioner (the role Susanne had with us). Kat brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to the classroom. We are very fortunate to have her on staff.



This term is also a change for Mel McClure who is taking on and expanding the role of Student Liaison Officer. This is a very exciting move as we have a greater opportunity to support our students, parents and the Circus. Mel's focus will be on ensuring that every student can thrive in both their academic and circus training commitments, while maintaining a healthy balance between the two. Mel brings an incredible and deep history in the Circus and in the realm of Education. We are very excited to see how this unfolds, and we wish Mel all the success in her new role.

Upcoming Events:

- 9 October Student assembly 9am
- 31 October World Teacher's Day
- 14 November Year 9 grad dinner details to come
- 28 November Wodonga Cup Public Holiday, no school

School Focus Term 4

Our focus this term will be on **readiness and expectations in the classroom**. Our teachers are working hard to prepare our students for internal and external transitions, making sure that they are ready for a shift to a new year level with confidence and knowledge.

The primary class demonstrated their readiness as they got straight back into Creative with Anni this morning.



Welcome back to one of our Year 9 students – Meg. She has jumped straight back into school routine and today picked up her Semester 1 Academic Diligence certificate that she was absent for the presentation last term!



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FROM THE CIRCUS



WELCOME TO TERM 4

We hope you had a wonderful school holiday break!

This term, we're hitting the ground running with plenty of exciting projects and opportunities ahead in Term 4.

HEADSPACE DAY

Headspace Day will be hosted in Albury this year on Saturday 18 October from 10:30am-2:00pm at QEII Square! Headspace Day will celebrate the "7 Tips for a Healthy headspace" with Flying Fruit Fly Circus workshops and performances, free workshops, live entertainment, a pop-up food court and more. This family-friendly event is free to attend.

FFFC Performances will be at 11.30AM and 1.30PM.

MYRTLEFORD SHOW

We are excited to be part of the 2025 Myrtleford and District Agricultural and Pastoral Society Show on Saturday 25 October. This is a family fun event with rides, arts, crafts, cooking, livestock and horses and a range of other fantastic exhibits and entertainment on offer.

BORDERVILLE

This December, we're excited to once again present the Borderville Festival, showcasing an incredible lineup including two Cabaret Shows, Circus Cubed, and the Graduate Show. Families should have received their child's rehearsal schedule. Please contact dbaldwin@fruitflycircus.com.au if you have any questions.

WELCOME ISABELLE CHAMPAGNE-CHITTICK - UNDER CONSTRUCTION



Isy arrived this week for her Under Construction Creative Residency to work on her project - *Heartful*.

This is a solo physical theatre and circus work exploring connection, land, and strength. Blending dance trapeze, physical theatre, and storytelling, the performance brings the natural flow and energy of the landscape to life, inviting audiences on a journey of identity and connection across generations. Isy will do a showing & artist talk with Maggie Church-Kopp for her Under Construction residency on Thursday 16 October at 6:15pm. It will run for 30 minutes. Development students will finish training early to attend.

FOFF MEETING

Please note the date for next week's FoFF meeting has moved to Wednesday 15 October, 5.30pm. Refer to email from Tahni for zoom link if you would like to join online.

CIRCUS CENTRE MELBOURNE OPENING

We are delighted to share the next major chapter in our journey - the opening of Circus Centre Melbourne. This marks a significant milestone for Flying Fruit Fly Circus, expanding our footprint across two sites and creating extraordinary new opportunities for circus and physical theatre in Victoria. Circus Centre Melbourne will open its doors from Monday, 13 October as a vibrant hub for training, creation, and collaboration, strengthening pathways for artists and providing a dedicated home for innovation in the arts.

Importantly, this is just the beginning. With open training, creative space hire and soon our membership program, we are laying the foundation for something much bigger. We are building a centre that will support artists, welcome community and provide exciting new industry connections for our students and graduates. Circus Centre Melbourne will champion the future of circus and physical theatre in Victoria.

Subscribe to our CCM Newsletter for regular updates.

SHIRTS AVAILABLE NOW!

We're clearing out our stash of FFFC shirts – and they're too good to miss! Perfect for training, hanging out, or repping the circus in style.

Grab yours today at the Circus front desk!

NTP 2024 Shirts & Singlets \$5 each OR 3 for \$10

Sizes: XS – XL

"We Make Circus" T-shirts

\$35

Sizes: 8, 10, 12 & XS

UPCOMING DATES

WEEK 1	8 – 10 October	NICA Circus Summit
WEEK 2	Monday 13 October	Circus Centre Melbourne opening
	Wednesday 15 October	5.30pm FOFF meeting
	Saturday 18 October	Headspace Day 10:30AM – 2PM
Week 3	Saturday 25 October	Myrtleford Show
Week 10	Tuesday 9 December	Cabaret #1 7PM
	Wednesday 10 December	Cabaret #1 7PM
	Thursday 11 December	Cabaret #2 7PM
	Friday 12 December	Cabaret #2 7PM
	Sunday 14 December	Circus Cubed 7PM
Week 11	Tuesday 16 December	Grad Show 7PM
	Wednesday 17 December	Grad Show 7PM
	Thursday 18 December	Grad Show 7PM
	Friday 19 December	Last day of term Grad Show 7PM
	Saturday 20 December	Grad Show 3PM & 7PM

Please remember to email <u>both</u> school and circus if your child will not be attending school and training

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