CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

THE PAST......................................................
We extend thanks to our helpers, the parents who assist with reading, clubs, excursions, information evenings, preparation of submissions - and many more, we value your participation and the children benefit tremendously. An area worthy of specific mention is the Canteen. A demanding, constant and often frustrating commitment - but to those parents who have so willingly and efficiently maintained such a high standard of both provision of lunches at low cost to the children and profitability to the school - our thanks is infinite.

Our grounds are a source of pride; due to the work of many groups. Yes, as has happened over seven decades, we still seek the support of parents at regular working bees however, nowadays a working bee is regarded by most attendants as a social outing. It’s not uncommon to tidy up, then gather around the barbeque for socialising. Unlike some schools, our pupils are encouraged to take an interest in the grounds and we are very, very proud of the children’s efforts.

DID YOU KNOW..............................................

1985 Bette Dusting (Teacher Aide) retired. Keyboard classes for pupils. Mildura West / Footscray West, Student Exchange. FIRE! FIRE! FIRE! Thursday, 18th July, approx 10:00pm. Library, upstairs classrooms gutted, smoke and water damage extreme. Out in the playground again. Deputy Principal, Rick Bruce organised re-instatement of building. Whole school “After the Fire Morale Booster Outing” to Grand Cinema, Footscray, to see “E.T.” After-the-Fire Funanza - $6,000 FAAAANTASTIC!!!

1986 Masako Tsushima (Japanese Intern Program) 6 months at F.W.P.S. Halley’s Comet - Deputy Principal Intergalactical Flashing Robot! Space week celebrations. Farewell to Joan Rice, entire teaching career (except for actual retirement in 1987) at Footscray West. Thanks Joan! Carols by Candlelight with Barbara Mcalowie. Rick Bruce, Deputy Principal Extraordinaire - enthusiasm unlimited! Farewell Rick!