



VICTORIA AVENUE SCHOOL SPORTATHON 8th – 11th June

Thursday, May 20, 2010

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We are very excited to kick-off the 2010 Fifa World Cup with a Mini Soccer Festival that will see the children take part in an event to raise money for our school.

The purpose is to introduce the sport of soccer through a fun-filled event for both children and you their parents. The actual "Mini Soccer" games will take place on downsized fields using smaller versions of balls, nets, and simplified rules. Teams are comprised of 6-9 players and are made up of both male and female participants.

Mini soccer rules and regulations are accompanied with an emphasis on fun, participation, and good sportsmanship. Each Syndicate will get their chance to participate during the week. As well as games of soccer there will also be an opportunity for your child/ children to be involved in a sponsored activity for example – Keep ups/juggling, number of toe taps in a minute, number of successful passes to a partner, kicking at targets.

Your child will need to wear trainers, shorts and a t-shirt to participate in the event, if possible shin guards and football socks are also recommended for children in years 3 – 6.

Program for the week:

8th June
1.00- 3.00 Opening Ceremony involving the whole school, Parade of teams in national costumes, Freestyle Football display by Oliver Bowman, Football game between two of the senior class teams.
Year 5 Sportathon Challenges.

9th June
1.00 – 3.00 **Junior Syndicate**
Year 1 Football Skill Sessions
Year 1 Sportathon Challenges with Playball.
Year 1& 2 - Round Robin of Mini Soccer games 5/6 a-side

10th June
12.30 – 3.00 **Middle Syndicate**
Round robin of Mini Soccer games 7 a-side at Shore Rd Reserve.
Year 4 Sportathon Challenges

11th June
12.30 – 3.00 **Senior Syndicate**
Round robin of Mini Soccer games 9 aside at Shore Rd Reserve.
Year 2 and 3 Sportathon Challenges at School.

Venues:
Junior Syndicate at school on the field and courts
Middle Syndicate Shore Road Reserve
Senior Syndicate Shore Road Reserve

We hope that the Sportathon challenges will be enjoyable for all of the children. There will be prizes given to the class and individual(s) that raise the most money. All money and sponsorship forms must be returned by **Friday 25th June**. Sponsorship forms will be online and also sent home on Monday.

Kind regards,

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