



Human Rights are Aussie Rules

Newsletter Autumn 2010

Human Rights are Aussie Rules Workshop Takes Off!

Over February 2010, FRED's Fair Play and the Human Rights are Aussie Rules Workshop has been performed to over a 1000 students and their families.

On 3rd and 4th February, Hallam Valley Primary School in the South East of Melbourne welcomed us for two days as part of their Blast Off week commencing the school year. Performances of FRED's fair Play and delivery of the workshop occurred in all year levels, with Grades 5 and 6 providing us with invaluable evaluation after delivery.



The following week saw us at Great Ryrie Primary School in Ringwood, once again delivering to the whole school. You tube footage of our time there is available for download at www.youtube.com/user/TheEasternCLC

And on Saturday 13 February FRED's Fair Play was performed at the North Melbourne Football Club's Family Day. After a rainy start, the Lil Roos enjoyed two performances by CARP troopers Caroline and Phillip.

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Further upcoming performances or activities are occurring at the Ashburton Festival, the Knox Festival and Harmony Day.

After such a busy beginning of the year, we are slowing the pace somewhat to refocus on our delivering to schools in the Eastern Region of Victoria. We have begun promoting the funded delivery of the Human Rights are Aussie Rules project to them and look.

However, May looks like shaping up to be another busy month with plans afoot to connect in with the Human Rights Arts and Film Festival between 30 April – 9 May 2010 and Law Week 17 – 21 May.



CARPS Caroline and Phillip with the Kangaroos Mascot at the North Melbourne Football Club's Family Day



The Human Rights are Aussie Rules display at the North Melbourne Football Club's Family Day

Curriculum Development

To build on the success of FRED's Fair Play, the Human Rights are Aussie Rules Project has designed an interactive workshop to explore the themes of our theatre production in more detail. The workshop, which uses game theory and thoughtful reflection was designed by Tim Delany, an experienced teacher, with help from our staff.

The workshop features four quarters of activity focused around each of the FRED principles including:

Who's team are you on?

a game which explores freedom of expression, freedom of movement and freedom of religion through the a sporting metaphor.

Handballs for Human Rights,

a game which encourages children to aim for the FRED principles on a vinyl banner while a disrespectful, biased umpire looks on.

The Sports Hero Quiz,

which discusses gender equality through comparing the media's treatment of women and girls in sport.

Undignified Tunnel ball

where a tennis ball, football, soccer ball and netball become metaphors for the uneven start some children get in life.

The workshop is an hour long and designed for students in Grades 4-6.

In addition to the workshop, a Classroom Kit is also in development which links our project to Victorian Essential Learning Standards and other curriculum benchmarks. This document, once finalised, will be an important resource to all of our schools.



Caroline and Phillip of CARP Production perform at Hallam Valley Primary School



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FRED's Fair Play—Introducing Harry Highpants!

The Human Rights are Aussie Rules Project and Carp Productions have recently acquired rights to perform Toni Wilson and Tom Jellett's fabulous children's book, Harry Highpants, into FRED's Fair Play.



The book, which explores rights to freedom and respect is now part of the FRED's Fair Play performance.



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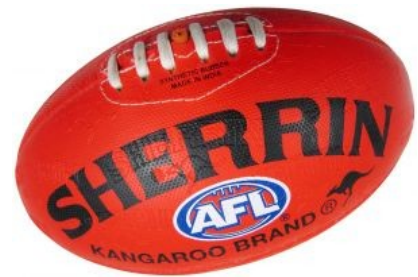
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Handballs for Human Rights - An Ongoing Festivals Project

The Human Rights are Aussie Rules project has added another activity to its educational program, developing a Handballs for Human Rights competition for use at community festivals and in shopping centre's. Using the footy classic handball comp as inspiration, children take aim at FRED.

We are currently sourcing potential prizes and novelties which we can give to children as rewards for participation in these events.



We have been grateful for the donation of Sherrin Footballs from the AFL. Any other promotional or sponsorship material (or a donation to assist us in producing the materials) should be directed to Tanja.

Children's Law Awards

Our project has been nominated to receive the biennial Children's Law Award. The National Award for Outstanding Contribution to Policy and Law Reform to Advance the Legal Rights and Interests of Children and Young People recognizes unique and exceptional projects which achieve positive outcomes and influence. For more information, check out www.ncylc.org.au We'll keep you posted if we are finalists.



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What Did You Learn From

FRED's Fair Play?

- Always play fair and everyone's a winner
- Well she said that everyone can play games even if they are different
- I learnt that people's lives are very different, and sometimes hard, so you have to work together to make it better for everyone.
- That it doesn't matter whether you're boy/girl, black/white, it matters that you're proud of it.

What did you learn about Freedom, Respect, Equality and Dignity?

- That I have all those things and I can help teach others too
- To respect people and not bully. Not that I do bully all the time, and much more.
- Freedom means you have the right to wear or dress how you want and that you have rights. Dignity means you can find your inner self and stand up and speak for yourself. Respect means respecting others and yourself. Equality means treating everyone the same.

Quotes from the students of Hallam Valley Primary School, South East Melbourne

Performances and Bookings!

The project has funding to perform FRED's Fair Play in 8-10 schools in the Outer-East of Melbourne. Our funding comes from the Helen MacPherson-Smith Trust, the Victorian Multicultural Commission and the Sports Without Borders Foundation. We have also recently received a grant from the City of Whitehorse as well.

FRED's Fair Play has been performed to young new arrivals to Australia from the Blackburn English Language School and to rural and isolated children in Bendigo.

We are now booking in performances of FRED's Fair Play for 2010.



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