From the Principal

Congratulations

Congratulations to Lachlan Ayton who has been selected to play for the Tasmanian squad in the FFT National Futsal Championships which will be held in Canberra in January 2014.

NWPSSA Grade 5/6 Sports Day

Congratulations to Dayna Bellchambers Bessell (Netball), Hannah Magor (Netball) and Amber Astell (Hockey) for their successful selection to the Devon teams to play in Launceston on Friday 13 September. Good luck girls.

Canteen

Great News! The canteen will be resuming on Thursday 12 September run by Healthy Cuisine. A menu is attached. Ordering information will be provided in next weeks newsletter.

ACARA School Satisfaction Survey

In September, online school satisfaction surveys for students and parents will be conducted. These surveys contain questions on a range of matters about our school. This survey provides an opportunity for parents and students to provide feedback. This feedback is valued by our school as a means of identifying what the school does well and opportunities for the school to make improvements.

Random samples of students (from Year 5 and above) and parents will be invited to participate. You will receive a letter in coming days if you have been randomly selected. Your responses will be secure and confidential. Schools will receive a summary report of responses. We encourage you to participate and complete the survey so that the school has a clear direction when planning for the provision of future programs and services for students.

Planning for 2014 - Reminder

During the next few weeks, we will begin planning for 2014. If your circumstances have changed and your children won’t be with us at Miandetta next year, please advise the office as soon as possible. This information will assist us to gain an accurate picture of our enrolments for next year, which impacts on our staffing. Thank you for your cooperation.

The importance of Attending School Everyday

Did you know? Research shows that in Tasmania, higher student attendance at school is associated, on average, with higher student achievement. Regular school attendance will mean that your child has a better chance in life.

Why must I send my child to school?

Under Tasmanian law, you must make sure your child of school age is enrolled and attends school all day, every school day unless they have an acceptable reason. Illness, doing work experience or competing in a school sporting event are acceptable reasons for being absent from school.

Avoid keeping your child away from school for:
- birthdays, shopping, visiting family and friends, if they sleep in, looking after other children, minor check ups or care such as hair cuts.
- Routine medical or other health appointments should be made either before or after school or during the school holidays.

Do I need to let the school know if my child has been away from school?

Yes, you must let the school know the reason why your child has been absent from school within two school days of their return. If possible, advise the school beforehand.

Are you having problems getting your child to school for some of these reasons?
- won’t get out of bed in the morning
- won’t go to bed at night
- can’t find their uniform, books, school bag …
- slow to eat breakfast
- haven’t done their homework
- watching TV
- have a test or presentation to do, have an assignment to hand in
- it’s their birthday.

If so, a set routine can help
- have a set time to go to bed
- have a set time to get out of bed
- have uniform and school bag ready the night before
- have a set time for starting and finishing breakfast
- set a time for daily homework activities
- speak about school positively
- be firm, send your child to school every school day including their birthday and the last day of term!

What should I do if my child won’t go to school?

You should contact the school as soon as possible for advice and support.

Mandy Beard
Grade 3/4EM Cake Stall / Fundraiser - THIS THURSDAY

We have been learning about money and how we need to make sure we save and donate our money, as well as spend it.

As a way of making sure we are donating, we are going to bake enough cupcakes to cover our costs and ensure we can make a donation with the remainder.

Our chosen area of charity is to support Charlotte Rataj, a four year old leukaemia sufferer. Our cupcakes will be for sale for the cost of $2 and they will be sold at recess time on Thursday from the canteen.

Our cupcakes are large muffin sized cakes and they will be iced with a choice of lolly decoration.

Please help us to make a difference with our donation and thank you for your support. We must also say a huge thank you to Kristy Rataj for giving up her time to help us bake our cupcakes and complete our money unit.

Pip Evans

Miandetta’s Got Talent Grand Final

The Miandetta’s Got Talent grand final will be held this Friday 6 September at 1:25pm in the Multi-Purpose room. There have been many fabulous acts and students have had the chance to vote for their favourite act. (Acts are approx. 5 minutes - with set up time). Everyone is welcome.

These acts will make up our grand final:

- Mylo Sharp - singing
- Grace Johnson- singing with her cup
- Prep Carn
- Lyla Hillier tap dancing
- Amalia and Ella singing
- Piper Carswell gymnastic act
- Butterfly wings act with Georgina, Perri, Mikailee and Brylie.
- Brianna and Cassidy - My Babysitter’s a vampire.
- Maycie and Taryn jazz - dancing
- Chlo, Kate and Emily - ballet
- Sugar and Spice - singing
- Jonte and Dylan - guitar and drum
- Dylan singing and playing the guitar

Footy Colours Day - Reminder

Student council will be holding Footy Colours Day on Friday 6 September. Dress up in your favourite footy colours for a gold coin donation.

All funds raised will go to support the Fight Cancer Foundation who help give education, care and support to children and families with cancer.

Our volunteers will be selling hot dogs in bread for $2 each. Order forms have been sent home with students. Please return order forms and payment by TOMORROW.
On Monday 26 August we went to Hagley Farm and met Mr Harris and Mrs Garwood. First we went to the barbecue area. After that we fed the calves with a ‘calfeteria’. Next we had recess and I played in the leaves. After recess we went to the activity museum. Mrs Garwood taught us how they washed underpants one hundred years ago. We used a copper, washboard, a mangle and an old iron. I climbed up on the old cart. I liked looking at the old tools. After lunch we went on a tractor ride. We saw lots of animals but my favourites were the pigs and the puppies. The playground is excellent at Hagley.

By: Josh

On Monday 26 August we went to Hagley Farm on a bus. I sat next to my Mum. When we got there we met Mr Harris and Mrs Garwood. We went to the barbecue area and we put our bags there. Then we fed the calves and they were very cute. Next we had recess and I played with Perri. Then we went to the activity museum. We did a sketch of olden days things. I sketched an old iron. We did a quiz where we had to guess what the old things were. Then we went into the agricultural museum and we saw all the old things they used on farms a long time ago. Next we had lunch. After lunch we went on a tractor ride. We saw jersey and Friesian cows. The cows chew their food twice. It takes nine months to have a calf. They milk the cows eight times before they are allowed to sell the milk. They are milked twice a day. We fed the pigs. The sow had three babies. We also fed the sheep. We saw ducks, ponies, sheep, puppies, Farmer Matt’s dogs, donkeys, goats, bulls and rams. We had a great day at Hagley Farm!

By: Caitlyn

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### Class Achievers

Adelaide Gorman  Jake Timmerman  Seth Rawson  Nena Dean  Jordan Woolley
Dekian Butterworth  Roland Smith  Lara Nielsen  Lyla Hillier  Lyra Cadle
Takeelah Dixon  Harry Chisholm  Ellie Campbell  Logan Cadle  Lily Snell
Jesse Davenport  Blake Penfold  Mylo Sharp  Jal Zoccolan
Matilda Thompson  Cadel Myers  Noah Astell  Max Whyte
Zac Sallese  James Newman  Dylan Boys  Azhure Woolley
Thomas Anderson  Leah Karafillis  Nikki Howard  Dwight Smith
Mikayla Goss  Samuel Barker  Izobell Woodberry  Mitchell Davey
Kezhia Diamond  Maverick Young  Bailey Munro
Trinity Green  Ayia Sharp  Indianna Woolley
**Devonport Eisteddfod Reminder**

**Venue:** Devonport Entertainment Centre

**Junior Choir:** Tuesday 10 September, Item No 1 at 9:30 am. Bus leaves 9:00am sharp. Children will be required to be at school and meet in the music room by 8:45am.

**Senior Choir:** Tuesday 10 September, Item No 3 approx 1:10pm. Bus leaves 12:30 sharp.

**Recorder Group:** Monday 16 September Session begins 1pm. Bus leaves 12:30 sharp.

Parents are to pick up children from the DEC at the times stated on the parent information letter. If you did not receive this letter, please ask for a copy from the office. Please return the permission slip promptly.

**Uniform:**
- **Boys:** black shoes, brown trousers, lemon shirt or polo.
- **Girls:** Black shoes, lemon shirt or polo, and either fawn stockings and winter skirt or brown trousers.

Please ensure hair is tidy and off the face.

Jumper will be removed before going on stage. Please ensure jumpers are named. If you do not have any of these uniform items, please talk to the office staff or Mrs McClymont, or arrange to borrow the item from another child.

**Move Well Eat Well Lunch Box Ideas**

**Leave a Message**

Whoever said you can’t package hugs and kisses? Surprise your little scholar by tucking a love note into his/her lunch box so he/she knows you’re thinking about her even though you’re far away. And you’ll know that every day at 12:30pm he/she’s reading your note and thinking of you, too!

**Grade Prep - 2 Swimming and Water Safety Program - Reminder**

The Grade P - 2 Swimming Water Safety Program will be held at the Nixon St Primary School Pool. This year’s program will be run by Margaret Woods, Jenny Donnelly and Belinda Murdoch. Swimming caps are available from the school office for $2.

**Get In 2 Cricket**

Please leave your name at the school office if you are interested in participating in the Milo in 2 Cricket. This great opportunity will allow registered Grade 1 - 4 students to participate in a series of 8 Cricket sessions on our school oval.

**Devonport Basketball**

Devonport Basketball junior spring rosters will commence the last week of September. Games will be played on Wednesday nights from 4pm and Friday nights from 3.45pm (depending on age group).

Players are required to register on line and this can be done at [www.devonportwarriors.com.au](http://www.devonportwarriors.com.au) by Wednesday 11th September. Should parents require assistance with the online registration and payment process, DBC officials will be available to assist on Wednesday 4 September between 5pm – 6.30pm in the DBC Office, 30 Forbes Street, Devonport. For further information please contact the DBC Office on 64242440 between 10am – 2pm weekdays.

**Breast Screen Tasmania**

BreastScreen Tasmania is a population health screening program, part of the National Program for the early detection of breast cancer. The program targets woman aged 50 to 69, however all woman aged over 40, without breast symptoms, are eligible to participate in the program. The Breast Screening bus will be available from September 9 - November 22 and will be situated in the car park adjacent to the Council Chambers, Rooke Street, Devonport. This is a free service. Please call 132050 to make an appointment.

**Dates to Remember**

- September 4  School Banking
- September 5  Cupcake Charity Fundraiser - $2 each
- September 6  No Assembly
- September 6  Miandetta Has Talent Grand Final - 1:25pm
- September 6  Footy Colours Day/Hot Dog Day
- September 10 Eisteddfods - Junior Choir/Senior Choir
- September 11  School Banking
- September 16 Eisteddfods - Recorder Group and Solos
- Sept 16 - 25  Prep - 2 Swimming (Mon, Tues, Wed)
- September 19 Reece High School Information Evening- 7pm
- September 27 Move Well Eat Well - Footy Final Day
- September 27 Term 3 Ends
- October 14  Term 4 Starts
- October 25  Student Free Day - NO SCHOOL
HEALTHY CUISINE

School Canteen Service

Pasta with bolognise sauce  $3.00
Nachos with home made salsa  $3.00

Home made soup – vegetable (gluten free) or chicken noodle  $2.00

Chicken or vegie burger with lettuce, tomato, carrot & cheese  $3.50

Sausage roll - long  $2.50
Wedges with home-made sauce - 100g  $1.60
Pizza wrap  $2.50

Salad Wraps - Vegetarian, Ham or chicken (can be toasted)  $3.50

Sandwiches/TOASTIES
– Ham, cheese & pineapple
– Chicken, shredded apple & cheese
– Lettuce, carrot, tomato & cheese  $3.00

OTHER
Fruit Muffin of the week  $0.80
Home-made shortbread  $0.30
Ovalteeenies  $1.00
Fruit yoghurt varieties  $1.80
Mousse – chocolate or berry (gluten free)  $0.80
Fruit salad – (seasonal fruits)  $1.50

Fresh fruit  $0.80

DRINKS
Milk with chocolate or strawberry flavouring  $2.00
Plain milk  $1.50
Hartz water 600ml  $1.80
Fruit juice  $1.60

LUNCH PACKS $5.00 EACH

• Wrap with fruit and milk
• Nachos with fruit muffin and juice
• Toastie with apple and milk or juice

For special dietary (gluten free, vegetarian, etc) requirements students are supplied with a labelled lunch box for placing orders in – please do not hesitate to contact school to set up a new lunch box with us.

“HEALTHY CUISINE” promotes healthy eating by using Low Fat and No added Salt products plus NO NUTS/NO EGGS. We fully support the Move Well Eat Well programme.