From the Principal

Fire Safety Education
Next week classes will be participating in a Fire Safety Education Program. This will be an informative program for students from Prep - Grade 6. Please see more detailed information overleaf.

Breakfast Club
We have had many students enjoying the school Breakfast Club. Please note that this only runs on Tuesdays and Wednesday between 8:30 - 8:50am.

Finger Knitting
Pictured below is our World Record finger knitting ball that is now secured in a display box outside the Multipurpose Room. A special thank you to Mat Daly who created this to display our wonderful achievement.

Thankyou to our Volunteers
We are very fortunate to have our parents and community members who provide their time and experience in a variety of ways to support our students at Miandetta Primary. These include parent help in classrooms and on excursions, members of our fund-raising committee and school association, sports managers and coaches, school bankers and breakfast club helpers. And the list goes on…….Thankyou for your support!

NAPLAN
Our students last week had a very focused approach to the grade 3 and 5 Literacy and Numeracy assessments. Well done everyone!

Assembly
At this week’s assembly, Recorder Group A will be performing. Come along and enjoy the performance. This week classes sharing are Prep Carn, 5/6 Adams and 3/4 Evans/MacQueen. Assemblies start at 2pm. All welcome!

Sickness
If your child has vomiting and diarrhoea symptoms, please ensure they are kept at home to prevent the further spread of this infection. Thank you.

Mandy Beard

Choir and Recorder Groups - Uniform
Choir and recorder groups will be performing in the Devonport Eisteddfod in August. All students need to wear full school uniform. Now is the time to order any uniform items that your child may need.

Boys - Black shoes, brown trousers, teal polo shirt
Girls - Black shoes, teal polo shirt, Winter skirt with fawn stockings OR brown trousers

Please talk to Mrs McClymont or our office staff if you need help with uniform items.

School Uniform Order/Eisteddfods
A uniform order will be placed on Friday 6 June. Please ensure all orders and payments are received by this date.

Please note that this is the last uniform order that is guaranteed to have uniform items back in time for the Eisteddfods.

Please be aware that any items that are supplied by Tasmanian Clothing will take at least 6 weeks to arrive. There is no exception to this. Parents please plan ahead for the seasons and consider spring/summer purchases now.

Launching Little Learners
Launching Little Learners is held every Wednesday morning from 9:00 - 10:45 in the school kinder room. This is a play based program for children aged between 0-4, accompanied by a parent or carer. Everyone is welcome! Next Wednesday (21 May) we will have a visitor speaking to those interested in learning more about the 123 Magic program, which is aimed at providing positive parenting solutions to challenging behaviours. If you would like to know more about this you are welcome to come along, or can contact me for more details.

Thank you
Kinder Chilcott would like to say a big 'thank you' to Wyllie Tiles for their kind donation of two boxes of tiles, which we used for our Mother’s Day craft. THANK YOU! We would also like to thank Mrs Horton for helping us too.
Our ‘Riverbend’ (Aboriginal and TSI student) group’s big project for 2014 is to make some stepping stones for a pathway in the East Playground. We are getting very excited about finalising our designs and then turning the designs into the stones. We would love any parents of Aboriginal and TSI children to consider coming in to help with the making of the stepping stones later this term. Any other parents who have a particular interest in this type of art/craft are also welcome to participate. Please let the office or myself know by Friday 30 May, if you are able to help with this project.

Naomi Lawes

By Caitlyn - 1/2 Allison

Yesterday we had Ann come in to our school with Delta dog. We learnt to ask permission BEFORE PATTING A DOG. We have to ask our parents before patting dogs. You must also ask the dog owner too. We know we must STAND STILL AND TUCK our arms in when an angry dog comes near, we have to curl into rock when a dog chases you and you must never touch a dog when it’s eating. We learnt that most dogs are friendly. I like Delta dog because it’s fun.

School Banking

Congratulations to the following students who have received a bronze school banking certificate for their great efforts in making 10 deposits: Hunter Baldock, Acacia Hills, Codi Billing, Gabrielle Phillips, Cadel Myers, Hollie Tattersall, Benjamin Sallese and Grace Johnstone.
Ready Set Go Cross Country
Congratulations to all who participated in our successful Cross Country Event today. Many thanks to Staff and Reece High school students who assisted us to run a successful event.

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DJSI News
There will be no usual roster games this weekend due to DJSI's six-a-side competition. We have entered teams in the U9, U10, U11 and the U11/12 Girls sections of this event.

Six-a-Side Competition
Congratulations to all players listed below who have been selected to represent Miandetta Teams. A confirmation note and relevant information, including rosters will be sent home to players who have been selected. This day starts at 8.30am and will run for most of the day. Additionally we will need 3 Canteen helpers to assist in our timeslot for this duty. If you can assist please leave your name at the school office.


NWPSSA Cross Country
Next week our school’s Cross Country Team will attend the NWPSSA Ulverstone Cross Country Carnival. (Athletes will be participating in all conditions except when the NWPSSA cancel due to unseasonal Thunder storms). We wish the following runners the best in representing Miandetta at this event; Marley Williams, Sahanna Brady, Erin Powell, Taryn Rataj, Hayley Muir, Esther Outram, Baynen Lowe, Oliver Kelly, Evan Lockwood, Fletcher Kelly, Flynn Ayton, Benjamin D'Monte, Emily Pelfold, Kate Mansfield, Cassidy Blake, Hannah Magor, Hayley Howe, Amber Astell, Max Sharp, Lachie Smith, Mitchell Wilson, Lachlan Marshall, Alex Kean and Dyllyn Maxwell.

Wet Weather Cancellations - Reminder
As we venture into the colder and wetter months of the year, sports cancellations can be made by each sporting body. Devon Netball have a Facebook page that provides current information about the status of games. They also place some information on their web page; www.dna.tas.netball.asn.au

Devonport Junior Soccer also have a website to visit for information about rosters. It is http://devonportjuniorsoccer.com.au/. Visit the latest news tab for some good information about coaching.
**World Environment Day - Thursday 5 June**

Thursday 5 June is World Environment Day. This is celebrated every year on June 5 to raise global awareness to take positive environmental action to protect nature and the planet Earth.

Some things that you could do to take action are:
- Try a “nude” lunchbox. A lunchbox without plastic wrappers is a nude lunchbox and good for the environment
- Walk to or from school instead of driving
- Turn off appliances at the power point
- Have a technology free day

To celebrate this year, we are holding a competition! You are to design a special dog lead that covers everything! Think about all the things you need to take with you and think about while you are walking your dog. The competition closes on World Environment Day at the end of the school day. The winning entry will be published in the newsletter.

**Snax with Attitude Fundraiser - DUE FRIDAY**

Thank you to those families who have returned fundraising orders. These are due back to the office by Friday 23 May. No late orders will be accepted. Please ensure the correct money is enclosed.

**Devonport Mini Magpies U10’s Players Needed**

Devonport’s Mini Magpies U10’s football team is looking for new players. You don’t have to support Collingwood to play in our team, our players support a wide range of AFL teams. We are just a group of young kids learning to play good footy and have fun. Training is on Wednesday night at Byard Park from 4-5pm with an experienced footy coach. Matches are on Sunday mornings alternating between 9am-midday. Every player gets a game. Beginners welcome!

If you are interested please come along to our next training session tomorrow at Byard Park from 4-5pm or contact match manager Sally on 0419 579 317 or coach Andy on 0408 143 989.

**Disclaimer:** Parents should note that advertisements for educational services, companies, activities or similar events are published as ‘community service’. Miandetta Primary School is in no way liable for the quality, supervision or integrity of the provider and strongly suggests that parents make their own enquiries before engaging with the advertised event.

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**Dates to Remember**

- May 21 National Simultaneous Storytime
- May 22 Community Forum - Aggression and Bullying
- May 23 Snax Fundraiser Orders and Payments Due
- May 27 NWPSSA Cross Country
- June 6 Uniform Orders and Payment Due
- June 16/17 Kinder Development Check Parent Interviews
- June 25 Mid Year Reports Sent Home
- June 30/July 1 Parent Teacher Interviews
FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION

A Fire Fighter from the Tasmania Fire Service is visiting our school this week to present a Fire Safety Program to our students.

The program is an initiative of the Tasmania Fire Service which aims to deliver appropriate fire safety education to every primary school child in Tasmania. The program is part of the Tasmania Fire Services ongoing commitment to educate the public for a fire safe Tasmania.

Activity Books will be handed out to children from grades 1 to 4. After the conclusion of the program the activity book can be taken home and we encourage other members of your family to participate in the activities to ensure your home is fire safe.

INSTALL AND MAINTAIN SMOKE ALARMS (Smoke alarms save lives)

Smoke alarms warn occupants of a fire and ensure safe evacuations. Every home should have photo-electric smoke alarms installed in each bedroom, hallway and at the head of the stairway, connecting levels, if you live in a house with more than one level. They provide an early warning of fire, giving people more time to get out and potentially saving thousands of dollars in property damage.

Smoke alarms should be tested weekly with flat batteries being replaced immediately. Batteries should be replaced at least every twelve (12) months, a good time is at the end of daylight savings time. Smoke alarms, available at local variety and hardware stores are inexpensively priced, however only Australian Standards approved smoke alarms should be purchased.

PLAN AND PRACTICE TO ESCAPE

With the family, plan two ways out of every room. In case of fire, one exit may be blocked by flames or smoke. Choose a safe meeting place outside where everyone will meet like the letter box.

Enable Doors And Windows To Be Easily Unlocked

Deadlocks and windows locks are a safety feature in many homes, they can cause problems in a fire. Keys must be readily accessible and the doors and windows must be easily opened in the event of a fire.

CRAWL LOW UNDER SMOKE (Crawl low and go, go, go)

Everyone should know if you get caught in smoke, the cleanest air will be several centimetres off the floor. Get down on your hands and knees and crawl to the nearest safe exit.

2 METRES FROM HEATER / FIRE

Always keep clothes, newspapers, kindling and other flammable material at least 2 metres from the heater or 2 big giant steps away from it.

STOP, DROP AND ROCK ‘N’ ROLL

Everyone should know this rule. “If your clothes catch fire, don’t run! Stop where you are, cover your face with your hands to protect your face and lungs, drop to the ground, and roll back and forth to smother the flames.”
A MATCH/LIGHTER IS A TOOL FOR ADULTS
Matches and lighters are extremely dangerous in the hands of a child. Store them up high where children can’t reach them. Teach children that matches and lighters are tools for adults, they are not toys for children.

COOKING (Turn it off before you turn away)
Be alert when cooking, keep children out of harms way. Pot handles should be turned inward so they won’t be knocked over the edge of the stove.

IF A FIRE STARTS IN YOUR HOME THERE ARE FOUR (4) RULES
GET OUT – CRAWL LOW IN SMOKE
GO TO YOUR SAFE MEETING PLACE (e.g. Letterbox)
CALL THE FIRE BRIGADE ON “000”
NEVER GO BACK INTO A BURNING BUILDING
REMEMBER: Plan ahead – there’s a lot you can do to prevent a fire

EARLY CHILDHOOD.
TFS receives regular requests from kindergartens, preschools and child care centres asking for firefighters to visit and teach children about home fire safety.

TFS does not deliver structured fire safety programs to children below primary school age.

This decision was made based on research carried out by the Mental Health Services of the Royal Children’s Hospital and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade in Melbourne. This research indicated that:

• Children under the age of five had low retention of the information they had learned; and
• In some children, the information had actually stimulated their curiosity about fire and they had begun to play with fire.

TFS believes that parents and caregivers are the best people to make sure that very young children are safe from fire. To help with this, TFS has a range of home fire safety and bushfire safety resources for adults: [http://www.fire.tas.gov.au/mysite/Show?pageId=colPublications](http://www.fire.tas.gov.au/mysite/Show?pageId=colPublications)

TFS has also developed resources for young children that introduce them to the friendly firefighter characters that they will meet when they receive the School Fire Education Program:

• A colouring book;
• A money box shaped like a fire truck; and
• Stickers with home fire safety messages for the whole family.

To request resources please contact the TFS Community Education Unit on 6230 8485 or email communityed@fire.tas.gov.au