From the Principal

It's been a productive term, with a busy last week. We concluded our P-2 swimming program today. Many thanks to the parents and staff involved in the Prep - 2 swimming program. Your support throughout the four days was greatly appreciated.

Today we were also involved in an external school review. These are conducted every four years and consider school’s planning processes and student outcomes in the context of the school/community. A panel of three past and current principals visited our school, spending time in classrooms and meeting with various members of the school community, including students, teachers, support staff and parents. This process will provide valuable feedback, enabling reflection upon our achievements and directions. More detail will be provided after we receive our review report.

On Friday we conclude the week and term with our Footy Colours Fundraising Day. I hope everyone enjoys a relaxing break and look forward to working with you in 4th term. Please note: Term 4 commences on Monday 12 October.

Dropping Off/Picking Up From The Turning Circle -

A reminder to all parents dropping off and picking up students from the turning circle to please travel slowly and be aware of other students getting in and out of cars. All students should only enter/exit the car from the left hand side (footpath side) to reduce the danger from passing cars. Thank you.

Class Placements 2016 - Reminder

If there is important educational information you wish to be considered in this process, please make an appointment to meet with Mrs Beard prior to Friday 23 October. Please note that our teaching staff and class compositions will not be confirmed until later in the year. Whilst your input will be considered carefully, we cannot make any guarantees that specific requests will be met. Please note: no information can be considered after this date.

Mandy Beard
Playground Areas - For term 4 we will be trialling the following playground arrangements.

**Before School**
All students to play in the west playground

**Recess**
Prep to grade 3 students can play in all areas except the oval
Grade 4 – 6 students can play in all areas

**Lunch**
Prep students play in the East playground
Grade 1, 2 and 3 students can play in all areas except the oval
Grade 4 – 6 students can play in all areas

**After School to 3.00pm**
All students play in the west playground

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**2/3 MA Excursion - Thursday 15 October**
In the first week of Term Four our class will be going on an excursion. We will be visiting 3 locations, Spreyton Transfer Station, Dulverton Waste Management and the Devonport Art Gallery. As a part of the Science Curriculum our class has had a focus on the environment and recycling. We are moving our learning towards reusing. When visiting the Spreyton Transfer Station we are able to have a look around the Lifeline Troll Shop at all the second hand items for sale. We are asking for donations from home so that we can donate them to the lifeline shop. Mrs Mitchell will be collecting these items in the classroom in the week leading up to the excursion. Items such as used cds, soft toys, furniture, old electrical appliances (in working order), and clothes are suitable for donation. Items need to be in reasonable condition. There is no pressure to donate, only do so if you have items laying round the house which you have no use for anymore. Please ensure that your child has a packed lunch and enough water to last the whole day. We are looking forward to our unusual excursion. Thanks ~ Mrs Mitchell and Mrs Allison

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Staff vs Student Basketball Game

On Friday 18 September there was a basketball game held here on the basketball court between the teacher’s and the grade 6 students. There were 5 groups of grade 6’s that played 6 minutes each. It was great fun to have a laugh with the teachers and also was good to see the teacher’s competitive side. The final score was 14-12 to the staff. By: Flynn and Dylan.
Speech Pathology Home Programme Support
Has our speech & language pathologist provided you with a home programme to follow with your child? Are you unsure about how to do it? Is it too hard or too easy? Do you just want to check that you are “getting it right?”
The Speech & Language Team are offering home programme appointments to help you. Appointments are offered at 119 William Street, Devonport during each school holidays. The next home programme clinic will be held on Monday, 28 September, Tuesday, 29 September and Thursday, 8 October. Please feel free to call on Tel: 6424 9743 or 64245481 to book an appointment. If you have any questions or concerns about your home programme, why not make an appointment or even just call for some advice?

Footy Colours Day - THIS FRIDAY
Students are invited to dress up in their favourite team’s football gear/colours for a gold coin donation. All funds raised will be given to The Fight Cancer Foundation. There will also be a canteen special food day, with pre-ordered pies or saveloys. Snacks and drinks will also be available, however no other food from the normal menu will be available on this day.

Uniform Order - Reminder
The next school uniform order will be placed TOMORROW, Wednesday 23 September. This will be the second last order for the year. The last uniform order will be 13 November with collection at Book Sales Day in 2016.

Keep This Date Free - Thursday 22 October Musical Concert - Reminder
A concert showcasing our junior and senior choirs, recorder solos, guitar groups and Miandetta’s Got Talent acts will be held from 6:15pm - 7:45pm on Thursday 22 October. There will be a BBQ tea with sausages on sale from 5:30pm - 6:15pm; kindly provided by our fundraising committee.

Miandetta’s Got Talent Grand Final - Reminder
This Thursday 24 September at 1:30pm our students will be showcasing their talents in our annual Miandetta’s Got Talent Show. The performances will commence at 1:30pm in the Multi-Purpose Room.

Spirit of ANZAC Centenary Experience
Discover Australia’s history of courage, service and sacrifice from the First World War to the present day. This will be held at the Launceston Silverdome from 26 September to 2 October. Booking essential with free tickets available at www.spiritofanzac.gov.au

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.
M.P.S. Collectors Expo and Competition
Do you collect something??? Then keep on reading...

What: A display of Collections owned by members of our school community.

Who: Students are invited to display something that they collect (Prizes up for grabs!)

Date: Tuesday 20 October 2015

Time: 1:15pm to 4:30pm. Classes will be allocated some time where children can visit, or alternatively they are welcome to come with their parents after school.

Where: Kindergarten Lawes’ room

Cost: Registration $2.00 per person for a small or medium display area, or $3 for a large display area

$2.00 per visitor to view the exhibition. Visitors go in draw for a Lucky Door Prize.

Why: We are fundraising for some more school playground equipment

Other details: * Each visitor will be given a token to vote for their favourite collection. We will have a prize for the person who earns the most tokens.

* Additional registration forms are available from the front office. Please pay your entry fee when returning your registration form. These are due back no later than Tuesday 13 October (first week of term 4)

* We would love some parent volunteers to help supervise the exhibition.

* We are in need of clean empty yoghurt or take-away containers to help with our voting system.

M.P.S. Collectors Expo and Competition
Registration Form

Name: _____________________________  Grade/Class: __________________

Type of Collection: (e.g. Lego, Barbies, Hot Wheels, Moshi Monsters etc)__________________________

Approx. size of display area required: Please circle one

Small (25cm) $2.00    Medium (50cm) $2.00    Large (1m) $3.00

Parent Volunteer to help supervise:  Yes/No   Name: __________________________

Time available: ____________________

Organisational matters:

* Please return this form with your registration fee of $2.00/$3.00 no later than Tues. 13 October

* Collections can be delivered to Kinder Lawes before school on Tuesday 20th October

* Collections can either be collected at 4:30pm that day or before school on Wednesday 21 October