Calendar

**REGULAR PROGRAM DATES:**

*Learning Treasures – Term 4*

9.00am - 10.30am every Monday from

Monday 12th October - Monday 7th December

**Term Dates 2015**

**Term Three** - Monday 20th July - Friday 25th September

**Term Four** - Monday 12th October - Wednesday 16th December

**Banking Details:**

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A word from the Principal…
Last term, I attended a community information session coordinated by Rural Health, focusing on raising boys. The guest speaker was world renowned psychologist, Steve Biddulph. I know that there were a number of members of our school community present at this session and also the one held the night before looking at the challenge of raising girls.

I have just finished one of Steve’s books, The New Manhood. I would recommend this read for any father and husband or partner. At the end of each chapter, Steve provides some dot points to summarise the content. From a learning perspective, finishing each chapter in this way has given me the opportunity to reflect on the key concepts delivered. Today, I will share some of these with you based around relationships, raising boys and parenthood:
- Loving kids is about what you do, not just a warm, good feeling
- There is a natural cycle of boys being close to their dads, then more ‘prickly’ in their mid-teens, finding independence, then coming back and being close as adults
- Boys need active care and teaching to help them turn into good men. They have to ‘see good men to be good men’
- If there is a relational breakdown between a son (as an adult) and his father, the ‘wound’ really harms men in their growth and happiness
- You don’t have to be compatible in everything with your partner, but you do have to be compatible in values, because these set the direction of your life
- Exceptional human beings always seem to have had some difficult and testing times that awoke them to the depths of life.

You are invited to have a conversation with me about these matters! The invitation will always stand.

Wishing you a great week,

Mr Gregg Sharman
PRINCIPAL

This Week's News…

Parents and Friends Meeting
Today, there was a Parents and Friends meeting. We will keep families informed about upcoming meeting dates and events.

Halloween Disco
Next Friday 23rd October is our Halloween Disco. This year it has a fluro and crazy hair theme. Thanks to the Parents and Friends and SRC for organising this event.
News continued ...

PAT Testing
All students in Years One - Six will be participating in their annual PAT Testing in weeks 2 and 3 of this term.

The ACER Progressive Achievement Tests are an Australian, nationally normed series of tests designed to provide objective, norm-referenced information to teachers about their students’ skills and understandings in a range of key areas.

It is essential that all students in Years Two - Six have their iPads charged and most importantly, brings these devices to school for this testing period!

Testing will occur on the following dates:
- Monday October 19
- Wednesday October 21
- Thursday October 22
- Monday October 26

Tasmanian Catholic School Parents Council AGM
The upcoming Tasmanian Catholic School Parents Council conference and AGM are being held on Saturday 17th October at Guilford Young College Glenorchy Campus.

The TCSPC conference organising committee has put together an impressive list of speakers including:
- Archbishop Julian Porteous
- Dr Stanley Rabinowitz, General Manager - Assessment and Reporting ACARA
- Tony O’Byrne, Chair CSPA
- Ann Bliss, Executive Director, The Federation of Catholic School Parents Communities (SA)
- Dr Stacey Fox, Senior Research Manager at the Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth

The RSVP date has been extended to 5:00PM Thursday 15 October. To RSVP, please phone or email Greg Boon, Executive Officer Tasmanian Catholic Schools Parents Council (TCSPC) Mb: 0498 221 139; Email: catholicparents@bigpond.com

Attendance costs $15.00, payable on the day, covering morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and conference materials.

Pool Closure
You may have heard that the local pool has been closed indefinitely. Despite the fluctuation in pool temperature, we were lucky to have been able hold our program in Term 3.

Staff News: Mr Jimmy Norton
Mr Jimmy Norton reaches his retirement in February and will consequently resign early next year. Jimmy has spent over 20 years serving our school community. Jimmy will be missed by all, however, we would like to see him continue his involvement in our school should he be able. We will formally farewell Jimmy at the end of the year.
Sydney-Canberra Fundraiser Sausage Sizzle
Next Tuesday, the Sydney-Canberra fundraising group are having a sausage sizzle. Order forms are being sent home tonight with this newsletter and are due to be returned to school by this Friday 16th October. Gluten free options are available. If you did not receive a form, please contact the school office.

Kinder Information Session
Our Kinder Information Evening is being held on Wednesday October the 21st at 5:30pm. The evening provides invaluable information about the uniqueness of Kindergarten as well as tips on how to best prepare your child for Kindergarten.
This year we will also be having the following guests:
- Mrs Rose Bishop (Child and Family Health Nurse) will be in attendance to answer any questions on health or development.
- Representatives from Circular Head Aboriginal Corporation will provide information on services available in Circular Head.
- Bronte Beaumont from Pobblebonks Lunch Box Shop will have a stall showcasing lunchboxes, drink bottles and accessories that may be purchased on the night.

We look forward to seeing all our 2016 Kinder families there.

Eco-Sustainability Session
This week Mr van Keulen and Mr McMahon attended a Eco-Sustainability session at Sacred Heart School, Geeveston. We are placing more emphasis on this area, particularly through taking on school projects such as our garden and rainwater collection this year.

Systemic Budget Workshop
Tomorrow, Mrs Booth and I will be attending a systemic budget network meeting. This is part of the planning process for next year.

Congratulations
Congratulations to Kent and Shae Bishop on the arrival of their baby boy Rory Lucas who was born yesterday. A little brother for Saxon and Harper.

Volunteer Police Checks
It is important for us to remind families that anyone wishing to help out within school or at school activities, is required to obtain a Working with Vulnerable People/Children Check. As of this month, anyone wishing to volunteer must have completed this check.

To apply for a Working with Children Check please go to: http://www.justice.tas.gov.au/working_with_children. If you do not have internet access at home to register, please feel free to come into school to do this.

The WWCC is valid for three years. There is a small cost of approximately $18.00 which is to be paid at Service Tasmania when finalising your WWCC. Frequent on-going volunteers at our school are able to have this cost reimbursed at our expense. For more information please contact the school office.
School Banking
School Banking day is Tuesday. Don’t forget you need to have a minimum of 10 tokens to redeem them for a prize. All queries for school banking to Karissa Howard. Thank you.

Parents and Friends & SRC present
Our Annual
HALLOWEEN DISCO

WHEN : Friday 23rd October - TERM 4
TIME : 6.00PM to 8.00PM
COST : Gold Coin Donation
Food & Drinks will be available for sale!!
All Students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

COME DRESSED IN YOUR FLUORO COLOURS, YOUR CRAZY HAIRSTYLES OR YOUR SCARIEST COSTUME OR COMBINE THEM ALL AND DANCE ALONG TO THE SCHOOL AND HAVE A BALL!!
School Canteen News!

Menu

**Chicken Wraps** - Lettuce, Cheese & Chicken Strips $5.00
- with BBQ, Tomato or Sweet Chilli Sauce (sour cream 0.50c extra)

**Hot Potato** with Cheese & Bacon $4.00
- Chicken & Cheese $4.00 (sour cream 0.50c extra)

**Toasted Sandwich**
- Chicken & Cheese $3.00
  - Cheese $2.50
- *Pineapple and Tomato* $0.50 extra

Chicken Nuggets $0.80 each
Chicken Burger - Plain $4.50
  With salad $5.00

**Pizza** - Cheese & Bacon $2.70
- Ham Cheese & Pineapple $2.70
- *Pizza Fingers* - $0.80
  Party Pies $1.30
  Sausage Rolls $1.80
  Savoury Toast $3.00
  Pinwheels $0.50
  Meat Pie $3.00

Chocolate Milk - $2.00
Strawberry Milk - $2.00
Milo (hot or cold) - $1.00
Apple & Blackcurrant Juice - $2.50
  Orange Juice - $2.50
  Water $2.00

Icy Poles - $1.00
Frozen Yoghurt - $2.50
Popcorn $1.00
  Fruit $0.70
Fresh Fruit Cup $1.00 or with a dollop of yoghurt $1.20

Please note: These items are available to order at recess time but please specify if wanted for recess otherwise all orders will be assumed for lunch. No other items from the canteen menu will be available on this day.
During the Holidays, I was thrilled to receive an email from one of the organisers of the Doodle for Google 2015 competition to say that Dahlia Bryan from Grade 5 was one of the 320 State and Territory Finalists for that competition. Considering that there were over 18,000 entries from all over Australia, what an awesome achievement!

Doodle for Google is a bi-annual competition run (by Google) nationally throughout the world for Grades 1 until Grade 10. The competition runs through many stages with the winners of each grade bracket recently announced. (www.google.com.au/doodle4google). Have a google at the website and see the National winners!

Although Dahlia didn’t make it to the next stage of State winner, I was impressed with the way she worked with the theme of “If I could travel back in time, I would…” and drew a great image of Christopher Columbus’s ship with a stand out title of “Discovering New Worlds”. Dahlia’s required 50 word statement described how if she could go back in time, she would sail with Christopher Columbus and discover new countries. Well done Dahlia, you are definitely Artist of this Week!

Fran Joyce (Visual Arts Teacher)
Learning treasures invites you to the

**Stanley Sea Aquarium**

**When:** Monday 26\(^{\text{th}}\) of October

9:00 - 10:00 followed by a beach walk (weather permitting)

**Cost:** Just $4 per child, 3 and over.

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**Term 4 Learning Treasures Dates:**

Mon 19th October
Mon 26th October - Sea Aquarium
Mon 2nd November - No Session (Public Holiday)
Mon 9th November
Mon 16th November
Mon 23rd November
Mon 30th November
Mon 7th December - Christmas Party in the Park