From the Principal ..........................

Dear Parents,

We have reached the end of term 2. Over the last two weeks we have celebrated and recognised the efforts of many of our students and acknowledged the support of members of our wider school community in enabling many of the extracurricular activities within our school to take place.

SPORTS PRESENTATION EVENING
Our Sports Presentation evening was held last Thursday with approximately 120 attending. The evening celebrated the achievement of teams and individuals in our winter sports rosters, and also provided the opportunity to recognise and thank parents, coaches and officials for their support of our students.

Our netball teams once again had a successful year with the senior and junior teams both reaching the grand finals, with the Division 5 team taking out the premiership. Congratulations also to Jessica Temple and Maddison Lockett who won the association best and fairest awards for their respective divisions.

BOOK WEEK ASSEMBLY
Last Wednesday we held our Book Week assembly to celebrate Literacy and Numeracy Week. Many of our students and staff came dressed as their favourite book character, with stunning effect! We enjoyed a variety of visual presentations illustrating the vast range of literacy and numeracy activities occurring in our classrooms and listened to our final SRC and sports reports for the term as well as a great performance by Prep Hinrichsen/Moles of the ‘The Ants Go Marching’. We also recognised students from each of the classes for their great work in the literacy and numeracy areas.
STAFF CHANGES TERM 3
We have a number of staff changes for term 3. We welcome back our Principal Mr Moore who has recovered from his back injury, Mrs Haberle who will return refreshed from a term travelling the mainland, and Mrs Von Schill who will return from maternity leave and share the grade 7 class with Miss Parsons.

We need to thank and acknowledge the teaching efforts of both Mr Simpson and Mr Tammens who stepped in and replaced Mrs Haberle and Mr Moore respectively. Mr Simpson and Mr Tammens’ knowledge and skills have ensured the continuity of the grade 10 curriculum in the areas of English/SoH and Science. I would also like to thank Mrs Craze, Mr Skirving and Miss Pearce who have each taken on further senior staff roles this term.

Finally, well done students on a fabulous term’s work! Have a safe and happy holiday and return refreshed for the start of term 3 on Tuesday September 25.

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DONATE LIFE
On Friday 15th of August, Karene and Adam from Donate Life came to give the Leadership and Citizenship class a talk on donating tissue and organs. The talk was very engaging and gave us a lot of the information about organ donation. Below are some of the students’ responses.

‘When Adam, after what he’d been through, was smiling and telling us how he is grateful of life, it made me realise I needed to do the same.’ Jane

‘It was interesting to hear the facts about donating organs and the different organs that you can donate, and then Adam told the whole class about his life and it was sad story.’ Keegan

‘Organ and tissue donation is a great cure, it helps save lives. If you haven’t already talked to your family about it, when you have time, think and talk about it. You never know, your parents might already want to donate and it is a good thing to know your family’s wishes.’ Siobhan

‘Because it is a courageous and noble thing to do and I knew it would save people’s lives.’ Hilton
‘I believe it is an awesome idea to donate organs to someone in need. It would make me so proud of myself doing it. It’s not like you will need them once you die.’ Jack

‘In 2010, 309 organ donors gave 931 transplant recipients a new chance in life.’ Shannon

‘What really stood out to me in this session was just how grateful the person receiving the organ was and how much it changes their life.’ Sophia

‘Living and needing an organ donation would be a scary and uncertain time. The awareness talk really opened my eyes to see how lucky I am that at the moment, I don’t need an organ.’ Roseanna

‘I feel that after the presentation that Adam and Karene gave us, I have a better understanding or organ and tissue donations. It has persuaded me to reconsider becoming an organ and tissue donor when I get my licence! Libby

**PATHWAYS UPDATE**

**Cradle Coast Campus University Visit**

As a part of the University of Tasmania Uni-link Program, over 30 of our Grade 10 students attended the Burnie Campus of the University on Monday 20th August. The students had a tour of the facilities, undertook a subject taster program and had an information session on what Uni is really like. The day culminated in students forming into groups and playing “Jeopardy” a game designed to test their knowledge on what they had looked at and learned throughout the day. *A special thanks to Carrie Smith from UTas who made this informative day possible.*

**Careers Resource Centre**

An offer to run a ‘Careers Resource Centre’ by various local employment agencies has been made for Sheffield School to access. This has involved a representative from each agency visiting our school once a month during term 2 to offer support and resources to students interested in learning more about gaining employment or taking advantage of the services that employment agencies offer. This service will continue into term 3. If you or your children are interested in taking advantage of this offer, please contact Rachel to make an appointment. The Careers Resource Centre has scheduled visits for:

- **Tuesday 2nd October – 9.00am to 12.00pm**
- **Tuesday 30th October – 9.00am to 12.00pm**
- **Tuesday 27th November – 9.00 to 12.00pm**

**Careers Expo**

Devonport Polytechnic Events students have invited Sheffield School Grade 9 and 10 students to attend CareerFest to be run on **Wednesday 17th October**. There can be a great deal of pressure on students to choose a career path so we are hoping this festival will provide invaluable assistance. This event will give students exposure to potential career paths they may not have considered or are wishing to pursue.
As well as students, parents and the general public are invited to come along. The event is a youth-friendly program providing numerous booths bursting with interactive activities and exciting career paths to keep young minds inspired. More information will be sent home as soon as transport details are established. Any students who wish to attend can register their interest with Rachel.

**Don College Visit and Taster Day**
On Tuesday 28th August, Don College representatives visited Grade 10 students as part of their transition process. After their visit, students have had the opportunity to ‘enrol’ in the Taster Day which will take place on **Monday October 8th**. This is NOT a formal enrolment. All students are simply asked what subjects they would like to ‘taste’ before making final subject decisions. After the Taster Day a further pathway planning session will take place in which students are encouraged to make their final subject decisions and Don College representatives will return during term 3 to enrol students. We will let you know when dates are selected for this to take place. Parents are more than welcome to attend these enrolment sessions, just let us know so we can make arrangements.

**Work Experience**
The last two weeks of term 2 have seen nearly all Grade 10 students participate in at least one week of work experience. Students have selected a wide array of work places to visit from construction sites to schools and universities. We hope all students have a fantastic experience and look forward to the reports and stories of their experience at the beginning of term 3.

**P-10 BOOKWEEK ASSEMBLY AWARDS**
**WEDNESDAY 29 AUGUST 2012**

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Sports Uniform Return

Reminder:

Anyone who still has any sporting tops, please return them to the office as soon as possible please.

Hat Reminder

In third term all K-6 students will be required to wear their school hat during play times.

Children who do not have a hat will sit in a shaded area and will be unable to play. Hats can be purchased from the school office for $7.00.

LET’S GO KIDS

Let’s Go Kids holiday booklets with discount vouchers enclosed are available from the office. If interested please collect from the office.
CHAPLAIN’S CHAT

Please remember that I am available to assist the school community. If I can help to support you or your family, please contact me through the school office.

Craft for a Cause
A few dedicated girls have been knitting squares all through this term. This will continue right through to the end of the year where we hope to have enough colourful squares to make into a blanket to send overseas. Somewhere along the way though I personally have become distracted by some lovely alpaca and wool blends on ‘end of winter’ sale and have been having a bit of fun knitting some unique scarves with my new found talent! Back to the squares though next term!

Iron & Clay’ Concert

Wednesday, October 3rd will see a national touring motivational group come to Sheffield School. Iron & Clay have been touring schools throughout Australia for quite a few years giving an hour concert of song and positive messages to students. They cover bullying, friendships, peer pressure etc and it will be great to have them with us early next term. They will run a workshop on song writing and harmonising with our music students in the afternoon followed by a free community evening concert in our Related Arts Building. Program will run as follows:

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Related Arts Building

This will be a great opportunity for families in the community to come together and enjoy some great music. Please mark it on your calendar for next term.

I can’t believe that we are at the end of another term. It’s been extremely busy and has had its fair share of coughs and colds so I hope that everyone has a chance to take advantage of the spring warmth and the extra sunshine over the holidays. A few nice walks along the beach or a peaceful afternoon fishing…whatever it is, make sure you schedule in time to enjoy some early morning or late afternoon Vitamin D.

Happy Holidays !!!

Esther Wass

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12 friendship skills every child needs

Friendship skills are generally developmental. That is, kids grow into these skills given exposure to different situations and with adult help.

Kids can be picky about who they play and mix with. Popularity should not be confused with sociability. A number of studies in recent decades have shown that appearance, personality type and ability impact on a child’s popularity at school. Good-looking, easy-going, talented kids usually win peer popularity polls but that doesn’t necessarily guarantee they will have friends.

Those children and young people who develop strong friendships have a definite set of skills that help make them easy to like, easy to relate to and easy to play with.

Here are twelve essential skills that children have identified as being important for making and keeping friends:
1. Ability to share possessions and space
2. Keeping confidences and secrets
3. Offering to help
4. Accepting others’ mistakes
5. Being positive and enthusiastic
6. Starting a conversation
7. Winning and losing well
8. Listening to others
9. Starting and maintaining a conversation
10. Ignoring someone who is annoying you
11. Cooperating with others
12. Giving and receiving compliments

Friendship skills are generally developmental. That is, kids grow into these skills given exposure to different situations and with adult help. In past generations ‘exposure to different situations’ meant opportunities to play with each other, with siblings and with older and younger friends. They were reminded by parents about how they should act around others. They were also ‘taught’ from a very young age.

Arrested development

The NEW CHILD grows up with fewer siblings, fewer opportunities for unstructured play and less freedom to explore friendships than children of even ten years ago. A parenting style that promotes a high sense of individual entitlement rather than the notion of fitting in appears to be popular at the moment.

These factors can lead to delayed or arrested development in these essential friendship skills, resulting in very unhappy, self-centred children.

Here are some ideas if you think your child experiences developmental delay in any of these essential skills or just needs some help to acquire them:

1. Encourage or insist that kids play and work with each other: Allowing kids the freedom to be kids is part of the message here but parents have to be running with the NEW CHILD and construct situations where kids have to get on with each other. For some kids “Go outside and play” is a good place to start!!

2. Play with your kids: Interact with your kids through games and other means so you can help kids learn directly from you how to get on with others.

3. Talk about these skills: If you notice your kids need to develop some of these skills then talk about them, point out when they show them and give them some implementation ideas.

Kids are quite ego-centric and need to develop a sense of ‘other’ so they can successfully negotiate the many social situations that they find themselves in.

As parents we often focus on the development of children’s academic skills and can quite easily neglect the development of these vitally important social skills, which contribute so much to children’s happiness and well-being.

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SPRENT PET FEST: CALF CLUB
Saturday 10th November 2012
Bring along your calf/calves and participate in several competitions: Calf Lead, Beef Calf, Dairy Calf and Calf Rearing Class. For more information and entry forms, please collect from Sheffield School office.

What else will you see there?
- Pets galore, such as dogs, cats, birds, mice and ponies;
- Pet Grand Parade;
- Pet novelty events, such as Pooper Scooper & Six Legged races, Best Dressed Pet, Pet and Owner Look Alike, Best Talker and Most Unusual Pet;
- Stalls and special presentations.

EXERCISE CLASS
Vera’s exercise classes are taking a short break and will resume the first week of term 3 beginning at 9.00am – 10.00am on Monday 24th September, so ladies (and gentlemen), drop off your children at school and come on down to the Sheffield Town Hall each Monday and Friday with a special Tuesday session for those needing to take things a little easier. Wednesday morning sessions are at the Railton “Green Hall”. Look forward to seeing you there!

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Malcolm Moore, Principal