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

Dear Parents,

The first report for the year was sent home with students last Friday. This initial report indicated to parents and carers how well students have started the year. A reminder to please take the opportunity to discuss your child’s progress with their class teacher at any time during the school year by making an appointment through the school office on 64918222.

Professional Learning and Moderation Days (students do not attend)
The Minister for Education has determined that all schools would be entitled to three Professional Learning and one Moderation Day in 2013 for schools to build capacity around, and to implement the Australian Curriculum and the associated moderation, assessment and reporting requirements. These days also enable schools to work towards Professional Learning goals pertaining to school based priorities. In 2013 our school priorities are around further developing and integrating ICT in to our teaching and learning, Literacy/Numeracy, Quality Teaching and consolidating and implementing new areas of the Australian Curriculum.

The dates for these days are common across the state. The dates for Professional Learning Days are: March 28, July 22 and October 25. The Moderation Day is April 19.

Please note: as previously advertised tomorrow Thursday, 28 March is a designated Professional Learning Day (students do not attend school).

Inter-Primary Athletics
Two weeks ago a group of primary students represented our school at the NWPSSA inter-primary athletics event. Our students participated extremely well with many students going on to make semi-finals and finals. A number of students made it through to the twilight event which was held in atrocious conditions last Thursday evening. Well done to all of the students for their participation in this carnival and for striving to do your very best! I would also like to acknowledge the following students who went on to win or place in the coastal finals and as a result have been selected in the NWPSSA Athletics Squad from which a team will be selected to compete against the North and South of the state; Patrick Sims, Ebony Sims, Jessica Welsh, Nicholas Davey, Amber Mather and Blaise Bramich.
**Student Leadership in our School**

In a previous newsletter I acknowledged and congratulated a number of groups of students that had been elected to take on leadership roles within our school community this year. Over the past two weeks many of our students have participated in a variety of community forums / events where they have exhibited great leadership qualities. Feedback from other staff and members of the wider community that were at these events has been glowing in regard to the conduct, the leadership and generally the manner in which our students have represented the school. Well done to the following students that have demonstrated their leadership at the following events;

NWPSSA Inter-Primary Athletics Event – Jakob Bingham, Chelsea Deverell, Natalia Porter, Chelsea Rayner, Cassie Dunlop, James How, Chloe Jackson, Hollie Jackson, Dannielle Jones, Helena Oakley, Shayde Poole, Bradley Tuck, Dayna Grey, Damien Colgan, Courtney Davies.

Top of Tasmania Forum – Chloe Jackson, Hollie Jackson, Sophia Dyer, Sarah Parker, Jane Kim and Danielle Jones.

Grip Leadership Day – Michael Dunn, Hollie Jackson, Chloe Jackson, Lachlan Brown, Meg Williams, Courtney Davies, Cassie Dunlop, Sophia Dyer, Helena Oakley, Danielle Jones, Chelsea Deverell, James Howe, Shayde Poole, Malachi Hinrichsen, Hamish McLean and Mariska Scerri

Relay for Life - Hollie Jackson, Dayna Grey, Rachel Huett, Sophia Dyer, Natalia Porter, Helena Oakley, Hamish McLean, Hannah Huett, Danielle Jones, Hayden Boutcher and Chloe Jackson

**School Crossing**

Recently I have had a number of approaches by members of our community concerned that students are not using the crossing on Main Street, but instead crossing at other points along the Main Street or on the intersection of Main Street and Henry Street itself. Parents please reinforce with your child/ren the importance of using the crossing, and for senior students it is particularly important that the appropriate use of the crossing is modelled to younger students that may be walking to school from the Southern side of Main Street. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter in ensuring the safety of students that walk to and home from school.

Below are two pedestrian safety posters prepared by grade 10 students Dannielle Jones and Sophia Dyer as a part of the Grade 10 Road Safety Unit.
Woolworths Earn and Learn
We have been approached by Woolworths to consider participating in their Earn and Learn program, where shoppers are rewarded with stickers which can be redeemed by the school to purchase items.

While we applaud Woolworths for supporting schools, we will not be participating in the program. Our school is very generously supported by our local IGA, Don Store and Fruit and Vegie Shed. We encourage parents, where possible, to support our local businesses. Our neighbouring school Railton Primary is however participating in this promotion and we are happy to collect vouchers/stickers and forward to the school.

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Calendar dates.....

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Swimming Champions for 2013

**Runners Up (Girls)**
Grade 7  Pyper Page  Roland
Grade 8  Madelyn Keen  Kentish
Grade 9  Emily Smith  Kentish
Grade 10 Coral-Lea Riley  Don

**Runners Up (Boys)**
Graham Burns  Roland
Jason Colgan  Don
Liam Davies  Roland
Caidyn Perry  Don

**Champions (Girls)**
Grade 7  Lillian Maddick  Kentish
Grade 8  Katelyn Bartholomew Don
Grade 9  Bronte Page  Roland
Grade 10 Meg Williams  Roland

**Champions (Boys)**
Timothy Oakley  Roland
Kristan Jago  Kentish
Hamish McLean  Kentish
Michael Dunn  Roland
7-10 AWARDS
WEDNESDAY (20 March 2013)

Grade 7A
Korey Mather
Tim Oakley

Grade 7B
Sarah Rayner
Jack Febey

Grade 8A
Mitchell Roughley
Michelle Wood

Grade 8B
Chloe Temple
Sarah Barker

Grade 9A
Jeremy Denby
Dayna Grey
Emily Smith

Grade 9B
Georgina Rayner
Keeley Hurley
Hamish McLean
Mariska Scerri

Grade 10A
Shannon Ling
Natalia Porter
Amy Dawkins
Maddison Febey

Grade 10B
Rachael Huett
Sarah Parker
Lachlan Brown

Timetable for School Photos

A timetable for family photos will be advertised on the student memo on Monday 8th and Tuesday 9th April.

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Any enquiries regarding photos please contact Matt Bennet Photography (Ph/Fax. 64277374) Do not contact the school office.
TERM ONE SOCIAL

Our first school socials for the year will be held on Thursday 11 April 2013

Early Childhood: 1.20 – 2.45 pm
(no permission slip required as during school time)

Primary: 3.10 – 4.30 pm
Secondary: 6.30 – 9.00 pm

Theme: Back to the Eighties

There will be door prizes for those students wearing the most imaginative outfit!

Entry is only $2 for Primary students and $2.50 for Secondary students.

Refreshments will be available for $1.00. All students must bring along a signed permission slip.

PRIMARY SOCIAL PERMISSION SLIP

I give permission for ________________________________ to attend the primary school social on Thursday 11 April 2013 from 3.10 – 4.30 pm.

Signed: ________________________________ Date: __________________

SECONDARY SOCIAL PERMISSION SLIP

I give permission for ________________________________ to attend the secondary school social on Thursday 11 April 2013 from 6.30 – 9.00 pm.

Signed: ________________________________ Date: __________________
GRIP Leadership Conference

On Thursday 21 March Mr Hays and I took sixteen of our Grade 9/10 student leaders to the GRIP Leadership Conference in Launceston. The day was designed to prepare student leaders in practical ways for the role of a leader at our school. The students participated well and came away with plenty of good ideas.

‘It was a great time to mix with other leaders and to learn more about leadership. We all felt very inspired to come back here and put our new skills to practice.’ - Michael

‘We learnt about many new leadership traits and how to use these at school. It was a great day to interact with student leaders from other schools and to improve our leadership skills.’ - Courtney

‘It opened our eyes.’ Malachi and Hamish

‘It was a good experience and gave us great ideas in which we can help lead our school.’ Chelsea

‘It was a wonderful day where we learnt many new skills about being the best leader we can be, also some great ideas to help us with future planning of events.’ - Meg

‘It was a very enjoyable experience.’ - Hollie

Mr Hays and I would like to thank our students for their excellent behaviour and participation and look forward to supporting them with the implementation of their ideas. If you would like more information visit www.gripleadership.com or interact online at www.gripsocial.com.

Mrs Maddick
Canteen Special – Smoothies for Recess
There will be mixed berry smoothies available for $2.50 per cup on the following days:

Monday 15th April – Early Childhood
Tuesday 16th April – Primary & High

Pre-orders and payment by Friday 12th April to your class teacher please for Early Childhood and Primary students. High School can purchase from the canteen.

No Hat, No Play
Students K-6 will be required to wear hats at school until 1 May. Hats will be required again on 1 September for the remainder of the year.

M.A.D.D. AFTERNOON
Our first M.A.D.D. event for 2013 will be held on Wednesday 17 April at 1.30pm in the related arts building. An invitation is extended to parents and friends to celebrate this term’s artistic work with your children.

Any parent wishing to receive the newsletter by email please notify the office staff of your email address or email sheffield@education.tas.gov.au
Easter Memories

While browsing in our local Newsagency last week, I turned the corner of the Easter gifts and came across a grid of small, fluffy, yellow chickens. Immediately, the memories of my own childhood came flooding in.

Easter Bonnet parades were an annual event during my primary years at school. My mother would decorate a hat for me every year and without fail, the fluffy, yellow chickens would be part of the picture.

I was amazed at how strong the memory was for me as I stood looking fondly at these little creatures and of course, my need to purchase was also strong. A strange sense of delight was with me as I left the shop along with a strong sense of the time of year we were heading up to.

The longstanding, annual event of the 'three crosses' in Sheffield would no doubt bring strong memories for many also. It's heart-warming to see the coming together of different groups along with many onlookers who happen to be in town, gathering on Easter Sunday around these striking symbols.

Of course the story of Easter and the Cross goes back 2,000 years. Records of this major history event were written by several people of the time with all accounts aligning in support of each other. This in itself is astounding.

For a lot of people today, the story that surrounds this Easter time is the ‘Greatest Love Story Ever Told’.

May everyone have a safe and memorable break as we enjoy this Easter Holiday.

Esther

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Lilydale District Pony Club invites your horse riding enthusiastic students to Short Course Eventing
Sunday 21 April

To be held at “Fairlands”, East Tamar Hwy, Launceston, Tasmania’s best event sensation and hosted by Lilydale District Pony Club.

For more information and entry forms, please contact Janice Van Riel - 63951450 / 0408951455 or email lilydalepc@gmail.com

Devonport Bulls Rugby Club Under 14 Roster

Hey boys this season the Devonport Bulls Rugby Club will be running a year 7/8 Under 14 roster

This fun introductory program will involve lots of Tries, Fast breaks, training on how to play the game along with of course playing games.

The program will be run by Devonport Bulls senior players and coaches on Friday afternoons from 4pm – 6pm at the Devonport Rugby Club in Don

The cost is $10 to register which will include 6 weeks of rostered games against other schools on the North West Coast.

A registration evening will be held on Friday 5th April at the Devonport Rugby Ground from 4pm – 5.30pm along with some training on how to play the game in the safest environment to get the most fun out of the roster, followed by a BBQ each week in the club rooms.

For more information contact Sam O’Keeffe from the Devonport Rugby Club 0448 904 609