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## KEY DATES FOR 2016

**Monday 28 November**

**Tuesday 29 November**  
**SCHOOL BANKING**

**Wednesday 30 November**  
**NO SCHOOL ASSEMBLY**

**Thursday 1 December**

**Friday 2 December**  
**Schools' Triathlon Challenge**  
**at Bellerive Beach**

<b>TERM DATES FOR 2017</b>
<b>TERM 1</b>
Wednesday 8 February -
Wednesday 12 April
(Thursday 13 April is a
Student Free Day)
Easter Break: Friday 14 April -
Tuesday 18 April
<b>TERM 2</b>
Monday 1 May - Friday 7 July
<b>TERM 3</b>
(Monday 24 July is a
Student Free Day)
Tuesday 25 July -
Friday 29 September
<b>TERM 4</b>
Monday 16 October -
Thursday 21 December
(Friday 27 October is a
Student Free Day)

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### FROM THE PRINCIPAL



I am sitting at the Derwent Entertainment Centre as I write this article.

I am in the company of what looks to be around 950 students from most of the State Government primary schools in the southern region of Tasmania.

Our students will sing in the mass Choir and our Grade 5 and 6 band members will play in combined bands comprising more than 300 players in each ensemble. Our students are

here to rehearse and get organised for the Concert tonight and are all very excited and nervous.

As a child I was fortunate enough to attend a State School where emphasis was placed on music and where we could play in bands, sing in choirs and act in plays. The things I took from those experiences have shaped part of my life long interests and ways of connecting with community.

Recently we purchased some new instruments so that we can offer more students the opportunity to experience the joy of music and the chance to learn valuable life lessons from working as part of a team to create great music.

I am so pleased to be leading a school with such a strong commitment to music and with students who actively support our school programs in this area.

The grand finale at the Concert will involve all singers and band members in a massed band and choir with over 950 students on stage performing the iconic Aussie song '**Waltzing Matilda**'.

Finally I would like to thank Mrs Hunt and Mr Breen our brilliant Music teachers for their commitment to our students.

**Dave Kilpatrick**  
**Principal**





**FRIDAY 9 DECEMBER**

**IS CRAZY 'HAIR'**



**OR**

**CRAZY 'HAT' DAY**



Please bring a gold coin donation that will go towards our World Vision Sponsor Child AWOT and his family for Christmas.



A big thank you to our SRC Representatives for their effort and dedication towards their Leadership initiatives this year.

**UNIFORM SHOP**

Opening hours are:  
**Tuesdays and Fridays 8:35 - 9:00 am**  
**and**  
**Wednesdays 2:45 - 3:10 pm.**

Payment is by cash or cheque only. Our last opening day this year is Wednesday 21 December and we will not resume our normal hours until school returns next year.

We will be open for back to school sales on 1, 2 and 3 February from 9:00 am - 12:00 noon. If you will be away on these dates, please finalise your purchases before the school year finishes.

Volunteers are needed for the dates and times listed above for the back to school sales.

The Uniform Shop is run entirely by volunteers and this helps to keep the cost of uniforms down.

However, we need support from our school community for this to happen. If you or anyone in your family can assist for any of these days and times (even just an hour), please leave your name and contact details with the Uniform Shop or at the office.

**Jodi Enright**  
**Uniform Shop Co-ordinator**

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

More information on the following may be found on the Parent Noticeboard in the Foyer or on the Student Noticeboard in the corridor near Grade 3/4 Quad.

**HELEN O'GRADY DRAMA ACADEMY** - building confidence and self-belief through acting. You are invited to our end of year productions. Call Belinda for details on 6272 2242 or email [www.helenogrady.com.au](http://www.helenogrady.com.au), [hobart@helenogrady.com.au](mailto:hobart@helenogrady.com.au)  
 Now taking enrolments for 2017.

**THE CHRISTMAS BARN MARKET** will be held on Friday 25 November from 4.00 - 8.00 pm and Saturday 26 November from 10.00 am - 3.00 pm at the Barn, Rosny Farm, Rosny Hill Road (between Eastlands and the Golf Course).

**KEYS TO SUCCESS**

The following students received Certificates at this week's Primary Assembly:

 Persistence	 Confidence	 Getting Along	 Organisation	 Resilience
Jack R Alexis W Chloe S Nathan H Charlotte R	Amy R Billy C Dillon S Maryam T Jacob C Minjae C Yumani N	Jake Maddie L Jack S Emily H Brady H Jackson C Nataliah L Mrs Tritton's Grade 5/6	Blake F Jacob G Tyson McK Imojen W Isa du M Luke W	Kiara B Logan W Teleah C

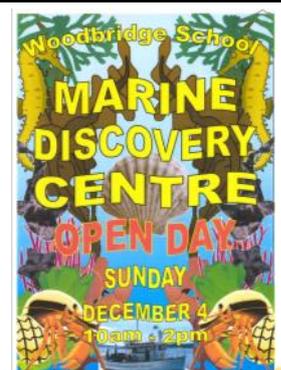
## NEWS FROM OUR ECE CLASSES

<b>MS SCHREIBER'S KINDER</b>	Please return <b>ALL</b> Home Reading books and Library books. Borrowing has now finished for the year. We will continue working on the Magic Words.
<b>MRS PAINE'S KINDER</b>	This week was our last week for borrowing Library books. It would be appreciated if all Library books could be returned as soon as possible. We have begun our Christmas activities.
<b>MRS STEELE'S KINDER/PREP</b>	This week we made x-ray pasta people pictures, x-ray fish prints and learned a song called 'X-ray Dem Bones'. Yes we have been learning about the letter ' <b>Xx</b> '. Next week we will complete the last letter of our alphabet study, the letter ' <b>Qq</b> '. We will begin our Christmas activities soon!!
<b>MRS LUTJENS' PREP</b>	The children are revising the units in Mathematics looking at <b>Area</b> and <b>Shape</b> . We are having fun working in groups and measuring classroom objects and comparing area. This week the children have been creating their Artwork related to the <b>1967 Bush Fire Commemoration</b> to be displayed next year.
<b>MR WARMAN'S PREP/I</b>	This week the weather is certainly giving us the variety we need as our class graphs the weather patterns and measures the rain levels for our Science work.
<b>MR DOWSETT'S (MR RUSSELL'S)/ MRS GRAY'S GRADE 1</b>	Next week we will begin craft for Christmas. If you are happy to be a parent helper, please leave your name and your availability with Mr Dowsett (Mr Russell) or Mrs Gray.
<b>MISS BARKER'S/ MRS KADZIOLKA'S GRADE 1/2</b>	Students enjoyed the <b>Pantomime</b> , ' <b>The Frog Prince</b> ' today! They have been fascinated by our <b>Science</b> unit about the ' <b>Water Cycle</b> '. We have looked at water and the Five Senses, water word definitions and the water cycle. Next week we will look at where rain comes from, water gauges and sustainability.
<b>MS MILLINGTON'S GRADE 2</b>	Students have had fun this week presenting an argument for keeping a character in the story of ' <b>Little Red Riding Hood</b> '. They presented their work as a role play. The standard of their work was excellent. In Maths we are continuing to practise problem solving, multiplication and division skills. Do not forget to send in your USB for the photo library.
<b>MS WOOD'S GRADE 2</b>	This week we have been busy making and measuring our finger knitting. So far we are up to 150 meters and it is still growing! We have also developed some puppet plays to enforce our social skill of ' <b>Hands and Feet to Self</b> '.

## NEWS FROM OUR PRIMARY CLASSES

<b>MRS AITKEN'S GRADE 3/4</b>	This week we have been focusing on addition and subtraction using place value. We have also been editing and publishing all our writing tasks. Some students have taken on the role of the teacher and taught the class different types of Art activities.
<b>MR MacDONALD'S/ MS MACNAIR'S GRADE 3/4</b>	We are very busy editing and publishing our ' <b>Mr Men</b> ' stories. This will also involve improving our computer skills and learning how to create and save a Word Document. In Maths we are developing our strategies when solving addition and subtraction problems.
<b>MRS GRANEY'S GRADE 3/4</b>	Over the next few weeks our Science unit is on Forces - the effects of pushing and pulling. We went outside and used our playground equipment and wrote how each piece of equipment uses these forces. We found it great fun and very interesting too!
<b>MRS CLARK'S GRADE 4/5</b>	Our presentation in Assembly went well this week. We hope parents are able to see our 'Puppet Show' on Wednesday 30 November at 2.00 pm. We have been writing storyboards. The Grade 5s enjoyed the bush walk yesterday.
<b>MRS TRITTON'S/ MRS GRAY'S GRADE 5/6</b>	We had two fantastic excursions this week. Students enjoyed the beach and the bush experiences. A big thank you to the wonderful parents who accompanied us. Congratulations to the students involved in the DEC Concert. A great celebration of their hard work this year.
<b>MR NASH'S/ MRS RUMLEY'S GRADE 5/6</b>	With next year being the 50th anniversary of the 1967 bushfires, this week we have been studying the effects and devastation of Black Tuesday. Students did Art work, poems and other writing tasks to convey their thoughts and feelings about the event. Well done to everyone who read their poems and presented their Artwork in Assembly!
<b>MR McVEIGH'S/ MRS RUMLEY'S GRADE 6</b>	We have enjoyed two wonderful 'Outdoor Adventure' days at Tarooma Beach and Waterworks Reserve this week. In Science we are investigating how different concentrations of salt water affect the growth of a lettuce seedling.

**CAN REMINDER THAT THE LAST DAY FOR SCHOOL BANKING WILL BE TUESDAY 6 DECEMBER 2016.**





## MR WARMAN'S PREP/I

Our class read the book 'A River' by Marc Martin, a story of a girl's journey along a river. We went on to make our own journey up the River Derwent using Google Earth and found many things that were similar.

These group artworks were inspired by our journey.

Farms

Factories

Hills



Waterfalls

Oceans

Highways

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