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## **KEY DATES FOR 2016**

**Monday 12 September**

**Tuesday 13 September  
SCHOOL BANKING**

**Mr Nash's/Mrs Rumley's  
Grade 5/6**

**Mrs Tritton's/Mrs Gray's  
Grade 5/6**

**Mr McVeigh's/Mrs Rumley's  
Grade 6**

**Mrs Clark's Grade 5s  
to Kingston High School for  
theatre production**

**Wednesday 14 September**

**DANCE EVENT at  
Kingborough Sports Centre  
Primary classes -  
10.50 - 11.50 am  
ECE classes - 12.30 - 1.30 pm**

**WHOLE SCHOOL  
ASSEMBLY**

**Organising Unit:  
Mr Nash's/Mrs Rumley's  
Grade 5/6**

**Sharing Units:  
Mrs Aitken's Grade 3/4 and  
Mrs Lutjen's Prep**

**Thursday 15 September**

**Friday 16 September  
Miss Barker's/Mrs Kadziolka's  
Grade 1/2 on excursion to  
Bonorong Wildlife Park**

## **Issue No. 28: 9 September 2016**

### **FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Dear Parents and Carers,

I was so happy to receive messages from Gail Tritton and Debbie Clark advising that our Tournament of The Minds teams had done so well in their competition. Our team entered in the Technology section of the competition placed second and were judged as being only one point behind the winner. We are so proud of all students in both of our teams and especially pleased with the outstanding result in the technology section. I am so pleased to hear that the parents who attended, said that without exception, our students in this event represented our school brilliantly. There is more detail of this outstanding achievement in a report from students involved later in this Newsletter.

Several of our students were involved in making plywood penguins that have been installed in the Antarctic Festival exhibition at Mawson's Place on the Hobart waterfront. All penguins are for sale with proceeds going to the restoration works of Mawson's hut in Antarctica. You may want to attend the exhibition and buy a penguin or take part in the educational activities on the exhibition program.

Our School Community Association currently has two special sub-committees reviewing policies and procedures at our school. One committee is looking into a review of safety processes and behaviour management practices at the school. The work of this parent and staff committee will lead to clearer and consistent processes to support positive behaviour and to respond to unsafe behaviour of students. The other committee is looking into bringing greater clarity to our expectations around the wearing of school uniform and with that to consider barriers and opportunities to lift the standard of how our students wear our uniform. Parents can contact our School Community Association Executive members or myself if you wish to contribute to the work of these committees or if you have input or feedback.

Our efforts to guide our students/children to walk in crowded spaces rather than running is starting to have a positive impact. I am generally outside the front of the school at the end of each day and am pleased to report that the majority of students are walking out of school rather than running. This has increased the sense of order and safety as we leave the school. I am also trying to get to the Car Park as often as I can to consider ways to improve safety for our school community members entering and departing the school. I have some parents and staff working with me to analyse the layout and use of the Car Park and footpaths leading in and out of the school and consider alternatives to the current. What is clear to me is that some parents and carers are still bringing their vehicles into the top Car Park where the bus drop off is. This is of great concern to me as the school Principal responsible for the safety of our students. More on this as we put in place practices to further increase our safety in this area.

**Dave Kilpatrick - Principal**



## FOOTY COLOURS DAY!

Students and staff are encouraged to wear their footy colours to school (AFL, Rugby, Soccer) on **Friday 23 September** to raise funds to go towards sponsoring our World Vision child **Awot**.

A gold coin donation would be appreciated. Another SRC fundraising event.



## PRIMARY CONCERT REMINDER

Thursday 22 September  
at 6.30 pm.

Each Primary class, the Choir and Instrumental Groups will perform an item.

Please come along and support our students.  
Shona Hunt

## TOURNAMENT OF MINDS

Tournament of Minds is a six week process where teams are given a problem to solve and then make a play out of it. They also have a spontaneous problem to solve. A spontaneous problem is when two judges give you a problem and you have to give them a very creative answer in 4 minutes.



### Science Technology

This year my team competed in Science Technology. The problem was there is a catastrophic event and my team is stuck in our school. We have lost our hearing and we have to send a signal, so the other survivors know we are still alive. We made a machine and demonstrated it. My team went really well. We got honours which is second place and only missed first place by a couple of points. The judges particularly liked our spontaneous problem and our code. It was very exciting.

by Emily C








### Language Literature

The Language Literature problem was that we had to create a gathering of different people and show how they came together. When all that hard work was done we had to drive up to Launceston to perform to three judges. Then we had to go to two different judges and do a spontaneous problem. We had a fun (but big!) day on Saturday in Launceston and I think we did a good job.

by Maryam T

## KEYS TO SUCCESS

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

 Persistence	 Confidence	 Getting Along	 Organisation	 Resilience
Charlotte B Myrtle M Thomas E	Celeste R Angus H Summer B Charlotte D Storm B Blade W Landen M Mark A Ella M William C Callum M	Adria R Olivia L Ms Woods' Grade 2	Mitchell C Luke B Ciara H Emily D Chloe W Bidushi M	Natalie F

## NEWS FROM OUR ECE CLASSES

<b>MS SCHREIBER'S KINDER</b>	Thank you to everyone for an enjoyable Dance Event and thank you also to Mrs Kadziolka for her efforts in teaching the dances to the Kinder children! Our next major event is the Athletics Carnival on Wednesday 21 September.
<b>MRS PAINE'S KINDER</b>	The children had a wonderful time at the Dance Event on Wednesday. Thank you to everyone who was able to come to watch. It was nice for them to have an audience.
<b>MRS STEELE'S KINDER/PREP</b>	A big thank you to the parents who attended the Dance Event on Wednesday. If you missed this, our whole class is also participating in the Dance Event next Wednesday at the Kingborough Sports Centre. Please make sure your child has a colourful top to wear. Our letter focus will be 'Ff'.
<b>MRS LUTJENS' PREP</b>	The children have been very excited to be learning all about a variety of Sea Creatures. They are using many resources such as big books, non-fiction books, computers and magazines to find facts on their chosen Sea Creature. Come and view their work displayed in the classroom. The children have also watched an underwater camera/video of creatures that appeared under the Woodbridge jetty on our visit to the Marine Discovery Centre. WOW!!
<b>MR WARMAN'S PREP/I</b>	We really enjoyed our ZooDoo excursion on Monday, especially feeding the emus, camels and zebras from the safari bus. Spring was in the air with beautiful weather and lots of baby animals to see.
<b>MR DOWSETT'S (MR RUSSELL'S)/ MRS GRAY'S GRADE 1</b>	Next week is the Dance Event at the Kingborough Sports Centre. Children will be attending the Wednesday session from 12.30 - 1.30 pm. Parents are welcome to come and watch!
<b>MISS BARKER'S/ MRS KADZIOLKA'S GRADE 1/2</b>	We have really enjoyed learning the dances for the upcoming Dance Event! Next week we will be focusing on the sound 'o_e' as in note. The V.I.P. for next week is <b>Mrs Kadziolka</b> .
<b>MS MILLINGTON'S GRADE 2</b>	We had a fabulous excursion to Bonorong Wildlife Park where we carried out some important research work. Back in the classroom, students have begun making Trioramas of native animal habitats and writing reports about interesting facts and features of particular animals. A reminder to wear something bright for the Dance Event on Wednesday. Thank you and well done to <b>Erin W</b> and <b>Corey C</b> for hosting the ECE Assembly this week.
<b>MS WOOD'S GRADE 2</b>	What a fantastic day we had on Monday as we visited Bonorong Wildlife Park. The class made me very proud with their intelligent questions and fantastic behaviour. Back at school we have completed our individual animal projects. Watch out for them appearing on the back wall soon.

## NEWS FROM OUR PRIMARY CLASSES

<b>MRS AITKEN'S GRADE 3/4</b>	This week we have begun practising in earnest for the upcoming Music Concert. The children are sounding really good and should be great on the night! We have begun learning fractions and will continue with these over the coming weeks. As part of our Literacy program we encourage students to read as much as possible. Please listen to your child read at home as this will enhance their skills.
<b>MR MacDONALD'S GRADE 3/4</b>	The children are beginning to show a good understanding of decimals and how to write them. Our speed test next Monday will focus on 2x, 5x and 10x tables. We will be discussing the importance of Threatened Species Day.
<b>MRS GRANEY'S GRADE 3/4</b>	This week the children will be planting their broad bean seeds. We have watched them sprout and now some have long shoots ready for our school garden. During the last two weeks we have been concentrating on Creative writing. Each child's work has improved as they have learned to use paragraphs, concentrate on their story line, extend their vocabulary and edit their work more thoroughly. Every child should be proud of their effort!
<b>MRS CLARK'S GRADE 4/5</b>	Our spelling focus this week in the classroom has been MNEMONICS. These are memory tricks to help spell words. One we thought was a good idea is the difference between PRINCIPLE and PRINCIPAL. The princiPAL is my PAL. Also "never beLIEve a LIE. Ask your child what some of them are! Maybe 'stationary' 'rhythm' and 'dessert' ! We are working on TIME, our Concert performance item and the Geography of important features of the world map.
<b>MRS TRITTON'S/ MRS GRAY'S GRADE 5/6</b>	Next week we will start independent study of volcanoes. We will also make models of our allocated volcano.
<b>MR NASH'S/ MRS RUMLEY'S GRADE 5/6</b>	This week we have been focussing on multi-digit multiplication in Maths and everyone has done a great job listening and trying their best. In English we have been honing our thinking skills and undertaken some individual and group tasks aimed at expanding our vocabulary and thinking strategies. Also, a big welcome to <b>Mikhail K</b> into Grade 5!
<b>MR McVEIGH'S/ MRS RUMLEY'S GRADE 5/6</b>	Students have worked hard to complete their poetry books this week. They have written odes, limericks, diamanté poems and haiku. Please remember to bring in black clothing next week to prepare for the Primary Concert.





# Marine Discovery Centre



We visited the Marine Discovery Centre. We held sea creatures, sorted shells, made sea monsters out of whale bones, made our names with nautical flags, printed a fish, fed the marine animals in the pond and even patted a shark!! We also had fun in the park.



## Kinder/Prep Steele

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