



February 13th 2024

Upcoming events

February	
Friday 16 th	1500m for grade 5 & 6– at 9.10am * please note time change
Tuesday 27 th	Welcome Back BBQ
Wednesday 28 th	Launceston Cup Day
March	
Friday 1 st	Hagley Athletics Carnival
Friday 8 th	NMPSSA Athletics Carnival
Monday 11 th	Long Weekend

Term dates

Term 1

8th February – 12th April

Term 2

29th April – 5th July

Term 3

22nd July – 27th September

Term 4

14th October – 19th December

From the Principal

We have continued to have a wonderful start to our school year – with students happy and engaged with their teachers and new classes, beginning to develop learning routines, enjoying time together, and investigating in the playground. The new shade structures are a great success with lots of our young people enjoying playing there. Our older students are still enjoying the new swings and climbing equipment too.

Last year our chicken caravan was moved to a new area of the Field Study Centre to provide opportunity for renewal and rejuvenation of the chicken paddock. Yesterday it was great to see the excitement from the new chickens coming back into the carpark paddock. Our chickens are very loved by our community, and it was lovely to see so many families engaging with the chickens, and the staff of the Agricultural Learning Centre during pick up time.

I must admit that I have missed the chicken wrangling as the escapees wander around the carpark and the school. While it is not an ideal school issue – it is lots of fun and brings enjoyment to our school community.

Did you know that this term we only have five full weeks of learning? During this term there are five weeks that have interruptions to learning – these include: our first short week, a long weekend, Launceston Cup Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday and Tuesday. This means that the five full weeks that we do have are critical for student learning, participation, and attendance. Please support us to ensure your child benefits from the planned learning opportunities that teachers provide each day. Attendance at school is critical for growth in learning for every student.

We expect our students to attend school every day that they are feeling well. This ensures that they can learn at the best levels possible. School is the best place for our students every day. At assemblies I speak with our students about why being at school is so important. They can tell us that getting a haircut, going shopping, celebrating a birthday are not reasons for not coming to school. They know that school is the place to be. If you think there are issues with your child's attendance at school, please reach out to your child's teacher, or to members of the leadership team, for support. We will support you to find ways to build their attendance and therefore improve their learning opportunities. Every day is a learning day.

Jeanagh

Jeanagh Viney
Principal

SUNSCREEN

Each classroom has been given a bottle of sunscreen for use by students. Parents were emailed this information last week, but in case you missed it here are some photos of the brand supplied. Should your child be allergic to this brand please let your child's class teacher know.



WELCOME BACK BBQ

Our annual welcome back BBQ will be held on **Tuesday**

the 27th of February. Classrooms will be open, allowing your child to give you a tour of their classroom, talk with you about their learning and introduce you to their teacher.

If you have a concern that you would like to discuss with your child's teacher, it is best to make an appointment for another day to enable the teacher to give you their full attention and adequate time.

- Our Early Childhood classes (Kinder to Grade 2) will be open from 5.30pm to 6.15pm.
- Our Primary classes will be open from 6.00pm to 6.45pm.
- The Free BBQ will run from 5.15pm to 6.30pm.
- There will be tractor rides on the evening as well.
- Coffee and Ice-cream vans will be available.

We look forward to seeing you all for an enjoyable evening.

Mr Richard Ankin
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VALIDATION FORMS

We have had a large amount of these forms returned to the office already, so thank you to those families who have done so. A reminder to those who haven't to get them back to us as soon as possible.

Thanks from the School Administration Team

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING IN OUR SCHOOLS

Are you interested in volunteering in our school?

If so, you will need to complete your safeguarding training before working with any children or young people this year. Make sure you save the certificate to show you have completed it. You can either present it to the school office who will photocopy it, or email the school a copy Hagley.Farm.Primary@decyp.tas.gov.au

The training is compulsory under new laws designed to better safeguard children and young people in Tasmania. It will help you understand what to do if you believe a child or young person is or may be being harmed, and to make sure you are doing all you can to prevent this from happening. The training will also tell you what you must report under the new laws.

If you volunteer in the class, on an excursion, at a school event, in the library or the canteen you will need to do this training.

To complete your training, visit [Safeguarding Training](#) or scan the QR code on the poster in our newsletter and on our school's main office doors. The training is a 13-minute video, designed to help you better understand what to do if you hold concerns for a child's safety and to understand your Mandatory reporting obligations.

Thank you for leading the way in caring for our children and keeping our young people safe so that they can focus on living bright lives with positive futures.

If you have difficulties accessing the training material, the school will be providing three opportunities to do this training in a group environment. These sessions will be conducted by Lauren Beams, Assistant Principal and Safeguarding Lead. Lauren will give some additional information, be on hand to answer any questions and show the video to the group. At the conclusion of the session, Lauren will send through participants names to the Safeguarding Office to obtain their certificates. These sessions will be held on the following three dates and times, please note these are not appropriate sessions for children to attend.

- Wednesday the 21st at 2.30pm in the school's Multi-Purpose room (where LiL and Japanese are held)
- Thursday the 22nd at 9.00 am in the school library
- Tuesday the 27th (Welcome Back BBQ) from 5.30 to 6.00pm in the library. This session will also double as a CANAVS assistance drop in session.
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If you have any questions, please contact me at lauren.beams@decyp.tas.gov.au or phone the school office.

Thank you

Lauren Beams

Assistant Principal and Safeguarding Lead

YOUR SAFEGUARDING TRAINING IS READY!

KEEPING OUR KIDS
SAFE, SECURE AND
SUPPORTED

If you are a:

- DECYP employee,
- Volunteer, or
- Service provider

you must complete your training before you start working with children or young people this year.

Understand what to do if you believe a child or young person is being harmed. Make sure you are doing all you can to prevent this from happening. Know what your reporting requirements are.

www.decyp.tas.gov.au/safe-children

START YOUR TRAINING HERE



Department for Education,
Children and Young People



News from the Library

Welcome back to the Library for 2024!

Mrs Jessica Marston is your child's teacher-librarian and she is here on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Mrs Bron Walker is our library technician, and she is here until lunchtime on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The library is open from 8.30-9.00 on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays for extra book swaps.

Library Bags

Just a reminder that library bags are required for all students. A sturdy plastic bag will do if your child doesn't have a library bag. If you have clean, sturdy plastic bags, or cloth/canvas tote bags that you no longer need we would appreciate donations to add to our dwindling supply of spare bags.

Please help your child develop independent organisational skills by working with them to set up a place to keep their library bag and book, and a system to help them remember their book and bag on library day, such as a note on the fridge.

Book Club

Issue 1 of Book Club will be sent home this week. There are spare copies in the library if needed, or you can find the brochure online here <https://www.scholastic.com.au/book-club/book-club-parents/book-club/>

Orders are due in by **9pm on Thursday the 22nd of February** – using the LOOP online ordering system. There is information on the brochure about LOOP. *Please scroll through the list of classes to find your child's class as we can't control the order they appear on LOOP.*

Orders usually arrive back at school within 2 weeks of our order submission date, at which time we will sort them and deliver to classrooms as soon as we can. If you choose "gift order" it will be kept at the main school office, and we will let you know that it is ready to collect.

Please be in touch if you have any problems or questions – jessica.marston@decyp.tas.gov.au

Library Lunchtimes

The Library is open at lunchtime on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 1.00-1.30 for Prep to Grade 6 students. There are lots of things to do including games, colouring in, drawing on the whiteboard and of course...READING!

Happy Library Lovers' Day (14th February) from the Library Team – Mrs Jessica Marston (Teacher-Librarian – Mon-Tues-Wed) and Mrs Bron Walker (Library Technician – Tues-Thurs)



Lunchtime in the Library - Monday 12/2/24



ATHLETICS EVENTS

Grade 5/6 students have their 1500m races this Friday, due to the expected weather conditions on this day we have moved these events to 9.10am. Students in these grades need to come to school prepared to run. Students who require asthma medication are reminded to bring this on the day and take it to the oval with them.

CANTEEN

CANTEEN HELPERS REQUIRED

Our Canteen provides a great service for our families. To continue with our current popular menu and to maintain the success of the canteen, we will need a few more volunteers to join our team. A prerequisite to volunteer is to hold a WWVP card. You must also complete the safeguarding training outlined earlier in the newsletter.

We appreciate parents are a little time poor. However, being involved is a great way to get to know other families at the school and become part of the school environment as well as knowing what is happening around the school.

We are asking for a few hours of your valuable time, as little as once or twice a term can make a huge difference. Chat with other school parents and team up with a friend and make a day of it. Hours are from 9am-1pm on Tuesday and Thursday and jobs include preparing salad, making toasted sandwiches, chicken burger rolls and serving.

If you think this would interest you, please feel free to leave your name at the office or call Tracy on 0409 544 576.

Tracy McLean
Canteen Assistant

CHANGES TO STUDENT TRANSPORT

The end of the school day can get quite hectic, making sure that all our students go in the correct direction whether that be on a bus, waiting to be collected by parents or going to After School Care. Any changes to your child's usual arrangements must be communicated clearly to the school. This can be via a written note to the teacher or a phone call to the office as early in the day as possible. These messages cannot be relayed verbally by

students, as they may get the information confused.

Please do not rely on a message via CANVAS or an email to your child's teacher during the day as these are often not checked during class times.

LAUNCHING INTO LEARNING

We are excited to announce that our first sessions will begin on Friday 23rd February. This term, we will hold Pre-Kinder sessions (for those children turning 4 in 2024) 9:00-10:30 on both Monday and Friday. We will also run a Mini Movers Program for 3-4 year olds on Monday 11:15-12:15 and a Playgroup for Birth-4 year olds on Friday 11:15-12:15. We look forward to see all returning families and meeting many new faces in 2024! See you soon 😊

Jaclyn McLean – Lil Teacher

OHST FISSURE SEALANT AND FLUORIDE VARNISH PROGRAM

We will again be running this program at Hagley Farm School this year starting on the 8th March.

Strong evidence shows that Fissure Sealants can help prevent and reduce tooth decay. Fluoride varnish strengthens the surfaces of both the baby and adult teeth.

Notices have been sent home today with those children in Kinder, Prep, Grade 1, 2 and 6. If your child didn't bring one home, additional forms are available at the office.

Contact details

2508 Meander Valley Road

Phone 03 63922272

Email Hagley.farm.primary@decyp.tas.gov.au

Web www.decyp.tas.gov.au



SCHOOL NURSE

I hope this message finds you well and that your child/ren are settling in nicely to term 1 at Hagley Farm Primary School. My name is Amy Bradley, and I am excited to be rejoining your school community as the School Health Nurse for the 2024 school year! I am looking forward to working with your children every Tuesday.

Throughout the year, I will be focusing on many health education and promotion activities covering a wide range of topics. It is my aim to empower your children with the knowledge and skills they need to make informed choices and lead healthy lives.

I will be conducting Kindergarten Health Checks for all kindergarten students. If there are any specific concerns regarding vision and hearing, I am also able to conduct screenings for all primary school students upon request. Please note that consent forms must be signed by a parent/guardian prior to any assessments, including kindergarten health assessments.

Just a reminder all students with health issues or who require medication (prescribed, non-prescribed and self-administered) while at school must have an up-to-date annual Medical Action Plan. Administration of medication must be authorised by a parent/guardian/carer using the Authorisation for Administration of Student Medication Form A-non-prescribed for non-prescription medications and for prescribed medication, parent/guardian/carer must ensure that Administration of Student Medication Form B-prescribed is completed by a doctor, pharmacist, or practice nurse and signed by the parent/guardian/carer.

If you have questions or concerns about your child/ren's health or want to learn more about the role of the school nurse. You can contact me via the school office on Tuesdays. Alternatively, you may reach out to me via email at amy.bradley@decyp.tas.gov.au at your convenience.

Wishing you and your family a fantastic start to the year!

Nurse Amy

If you would like more information, just click on the hyperlinks below.

[School Health Nurse Program - Department for Education, Children and Young People \(decyp.tas.gov.au\)](#)

[Students with allergies and asthma - Department for Education, Children and Young People \(decyp.tas.gov.au\)](#)

[Student Medication in Tasmanian Government Schools - Department for Education, Children and Young People \(decyp.tas.gov.au\)](#)

[Medical conditions - Department for Education, Children and Young People \(decyp.tas.gov.au\)](#)



LYTE drama CLASSES

LYTE (Launceston Youth Drama Ensemble) still have places available in our pre-juniors (K-Gr 2) Juniors (Gr 3-6) and Middle (Gr 6-9) companies for 2024. (Senior enrolments closed until June)

Put some LYTE into your child's life!





CONFIDENCE CREATIVITY COLLABORATION

0458150170 www.lyteperformance.com



JUNIOR BADMINTON COME & TRY

(ADULTS MAY BE ABLE TO JOIN IN, DEPENDING ON NUMBERS)

-2ND MOST POPULAR SPORT IN THE WORLD-

WHERE - ELPHIN SPORTS CENTRE (HALL 2)

WHEN - FRIDAY AFTERNOONS
STARTING 16TH FEBRUARY

4:00pm-5:45pm

COST - \$5 per person
or
\$10 per Family

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

GERALDINE - 0438 135 072
ANGELA - 0417 335 429 or anglin22@gmail.com



REGISTER EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST NOW!

Our specialised dance classes offer a dynamic fusion of creativity, fitness, movement, dance and self-expression, especially tailored to suit the neurodivergent community. Classes are designed to inspire, challenge, and connect diverse dancers who may not find mainstream dance classes suitable.

scan or follow the link for more information

SCAN ME



2024

Are you ready to find your rhythm and embrace the magic of movement?

NOT YOUR AVERAGE DANCE CLASS!

<https://forms.office.com/r/AAFiUShtDn> bridie@dancematrix.com.au



Positions available for junior teams!

We are excited to offer positions on our Net Set Go, 13U, 15U and 19U teams for the 2024 season. We welcome all abilities to join our netball community, no previous playing experience required.

To sign up or to find out more information, email the President at president.wsnc@gmail.com

Umpiring opportunities

We are also seeking dedicated and supportive umpires for our teams. These are paid positions. Support provided. Contact the President for more information or to express your interest.



UNDER 10 GIRLS

TROJANS ARE LOOKING FOR SOME MORE PLAYERS IN..

We have coaches and some players ready to roll, but looking for a few more players in our under 10 girls (born 2015, 2016, 2017)

Training is at Summerdale Primary School.
Games are in Term 2 and 3 on a Tuesday

Total playing fees are yet to be determined

More Information:
Message us on Facebook
E-mail play.trojans@gmail.com