

October 29th 2024

#### **Upcoming events**

November	
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup>	Staff PL Day - No School
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup>	Long Weekend - No School
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup>	Kinder Excursion
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup>	Prep Excursion
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	Pre-Kinder Orientation
	Garden Working Bee at 3pm
9/10 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 3/4 Basketball Championships
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup>	Early Childhood Fun Day
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 3-6 Swimming Carnival
18 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup>	Country Gold Cricket
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup>	Fun Run
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup>	NMPSSA Swimming Carnival

#### Friday 1st November

Professional Learning Day for Staff
-No School for Students

#### **Assembly Roster**

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November
Early Childhood Assembly at 11.10am – Prep/1
Mason to share
Primary Assembly at 11.50am –
Host 5/6 Sherman/Donald, Sharing 3/4 Cini

#### From the Principal

#### Hello everyone,

Last Tuesday evening our School Association Committee met and discussed lots of items relevant to our school community. These meetings are a great opportunity for the parents of our school to meet with members of the staff – including Mrs Beams, Mrs McNeair and myself. We enjoy a meal together, while we work through the agenda of the meeting and discuss school governance, policies, fundraising and planning for the support of the community.

We really appreciate being able to work with our Parent Community in this forum to find ways to support students, parents, and teachers – together, in partnership.

Last Friday a group of parent volunteers worked hard in our school garden to weed and mulch – getting things ready for our classes to plant and learn about soil health. We really appreciate their help in the garden.

Last weekend our Grade 5/6s participated in the Launceston Basketball Tournament. Hagley Farm School had 3 teams playing one team of boys in division two, and one team of boys and one of girls in division three. What an absolute joy to be a part of this weekend with our students and families. I was so proud of our players as they supported each other, played fairly, showed resilience in the tough moments, and looked to their coaches for growth opportunities. The growth that took place in each team and amongst individual players, from one game to the next was huge. Their sportsmanship was immense, and we are all so proud of them. Some had not played a game of basketball before – but they showed grit and determination to learn the game and play it well.



Congratulations to the three teams. Our Division 2 Boys came Runners Up to Mowbray in the Final. Second in a field of 25 teams is pretty amazing – and we are so proud of the team for all of their games and team work together.

Our Div 3 Girls were undefeated in all of their games and showed amazing sportsmanship and fair play as they dominated in their division. A credit to the girls is their willingness to give other teams an opportunity to enjoy success, even without a win.

Our division three boys team showed so much growth together throughout the weekend. This was a team of new players – with limited basketball experience – but oh my, did they pull it together during their games. By the final game they really knew what they were doing, and they were doing it well. It was such a joy to watch their enthusiastic response to points and turnovers.

I am very thankful to the parents who coached and managed all the teams. Mrs Beams was the organiser to make the whole event happen and providing practise opportunities for the teams during lunch breaks. Huge thanks to Sam French, Robyn Gibson, Kasey Prewer, and Ben Motton for coaching and Kath Statton, Shiona Brooks and Mrs Beams for managing the teams. These events cannot take place without the parent volunteers to support the necessary roles.

### Jeanagh

Jeanagh Viney Principal

#### STUDENT ASSISTANCE SCHEME (STAS)

Parents/guardians who have not applied for STAS previously (and do not have an existing STAS file) can apply online for STAS 2025 at <u>Student Assistance Scheme (STAS)</u> or simply Google STAS to be taken to the link. Paper forms will be available mid-November from the school office.

Letters advising of STAS approval (or otherwise) will be posted to all families with existing files in the STAS database in mid-November.

If a parent/guardian has received STAS in 2024 and wishes to add a new/additional student to their STAS record; they simply need to email their name, the student's full name, date of birth, school, and grade in 2025 and we will add them to the existing STAS file.

For queries, please contact stas@decyp.tas.gov.au.

#### LOST PROPERTY

We have a collection which includes umbrellas, toys, drink bottles, jewellery and items of school clothing in our lost property. Please get your child to come and check if they have lost any items. We will put them outside **on Thursday**, weather permitting. Toys etc that are not collected by the end of next week will be disposed of, and un-named school clothing will be donated to our uniform shop.

A friendly reminder to label your child's school clothing **clearly and permanently**, it makes the job of returning them to their rightful owner a lot easier.





## GRADE 5/6 BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS













#### **WORLD TEACHERS' DAY**

Last Friday it was World Teachers' Day. This is an opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate the immense effort and dedication that teachers put into their work. Some of our students have shared their thoughts on how important our teachers are. Please use the Sway link below to watch these videos.

#### **World Teachers Day**

#### **FUN RUN**

Our annual school Fun Run will be held on Tuesday November 26<sup>th</sup>, we have some exciting new ideas for the day which we will share with you in coming weeks.





#### **GARDEN WORKING BEE**

Beautiful day to get in the garden last Friday. Thank you to all who helped. Lovely to see some new faces join in and some regular helpers too. We managed to create a pathway around the central garden bed.

We'll hold another Garden Club on Friday 8th November where we'll get stuck in to managing some garden beds, including spreading some pea straw kindly donated by the Dent Family. Hope to see some more helpers then. With more help, we'll aim to get some veggies out to share.

Thanks Jane.

#### **COUNTRY GOLD CRICKET**

Congratulations to the following students: Darcy W, Henry M, Will Mc, Lachie F who were selected to represent Meander Valley in the Country Gold Cricket carnival on 18-19<sup>th</sup> November:



#### **AWARD RECIPIENTS**

#### **Merit Certificates:**

Prep Waker/Eyles - Jacob, Stanley & Harriet	3/4 Chatterton/Gleeson – Whole class
Prep/1 Mason – Bonnie, Jade & Thomas	3/4 McNeair – Jessica & Telleaha
1/2 Johnson – Mason & Tiah	3/4 Cini – Whole class
1/2 Clarke/Leatherbarrow – Archer & Eliza	5/6 Styles – Lewis M, Oscar & Lilly
2/3 Legro - Tak, Holly & Archer	5/6 Sherman/Donald – Lewis D
	5/6 Marshall – Evie, Harvey & Lachie

#### **Values Tokens**

Early Childhood: Oscar Mc, Jayde C, Edith D, Luca W, Lily Mc, William S, Lola S

**Primary:** Braxton

#### **SWIMMING IN PE LESSONS**

A reminder that swimming continues next week, please see timetable below for the next few weeks. Keep an eye out for any class communications changing this schedule.

Please ensure your child comes to school prepared for swimming on the days they are scheduled; bathers, towel, appropriate footwear to wear to and from the pool.



DATE	CLASSES
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Prep/1 Mason, Prep Cooper,
	1/2 Garwood/Page, 2/3 Legro, 3/4 McNeair
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	3/4 Chatterton/Gleeson, 5/6 Sherman/Donald
	1/2 Clarke/Leatherbarrow
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	1/2 Johnson, 3/4 Cini, Prep Walker/Eyles
	5/6 Styles, 5/6 Marshall
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Hagley Swimming Carnival – Grade 3-6
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	1/2 Johnson, 3/4 Cini, Prep Walker/Eyles,
	Kinder Flower, 5/6 Styles, 5/6 Marshall
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Prep/1 Mason, Prep Cooper,
	1/2 Garwood/Page, 2/3 Legro, Kinder Ankin,
	3/4 McNeair
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	1/2 Johnson, 3/4 Cini, Prep Walker/Eyles,
	Kinder Flower, 5/6 Styles, 5/6 Marshall
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Prep/1 Mason, Prep Cooper,
	1/2 Garwood/Page, 2/3 Legro, Kinder Ankin,
	3/4 McNeair
Last week of school	Pool Parties – times and days to be advised



# Westbury Remembrance Day

The Westbury RSL Sub Branch will hold our community Remembrance Day Service and wreath laying on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at the Westbury Cenotaph commencing at 10.45am.

The Tartan Terrors Pipes and Drums will play prior to our service on the Westbury Village Green from 10.20am.

Please join us to remember



