

November 12th 2024

Upcoming events

November	
Wed 13 th	Early Childhood Fun Day
Friday 15 th	Grade 3-6 Swimming Carnival
18 th -19 th	Country Gold Cricket
Fri 22 nd	Garden Club 3-4pm
Tues 26 th	Fun Run
Fri 29 th	NMPSSA Swimming Carnival
December	
Thurs 12 th	Arts Celebration
Friday 13 th	Grade 3-5 Presentation Assembly
Tuesday 17 th	Grade 6 & EC Presentation Assemblies

Assembly Roster

Thursday 21st November

Early Childhood Assembly at 11.10am – Prep Cooper to share

Primary Assembly at 11.50am – Host 5/6 Marshall, Sharing 3/4 Chatterton/Gleeson

From the Principal

Hello everyone,

Only 5 and a half more weeks to go until the end of this term. These will be incredibly busy weeks. Please keep your eye on the calendar in the Newsletter for information about upcoming activities. We will keep this updated if there needs to be any changes. So please keep an eye on it week by week.

Last weekend our Grade 3/4 Basketball teams competed in the Launceston All Schools Tournament. For many of these students it was their first time playing in a competition – and they showed such courage and determination. While I was unable to attend games on Saturday, I heard many reports of the growth of individuals and as a team of players throughout Saturday's games. I was privileged to watch each team on Sunday as they completed the tournament. Their pride in themselves was immense, as was our pride and excitement for them all too.

Again, these events cannot take place without the support of many people, most importantly from parents. Firstly, thanks to Mrs Beams for her organisation, coordination and practice opportunities with the teams at school. The three teams were coached by Ben Motton, Jeanette Layton and Noah Xypteras, with assistant coach Nick Van Dongen, and managed by Mel Motton, Tamara Ross and Mrs Beams. A huge thanks to each of them for the commitment of time, care and support during the weekend. Our students were very appreciative.

Special mention must go to Noah, who as a Grade 5 student volunteered his time throughout the weekend to co-coach the boy's division 3 team. Noah played in the 5/6 tournament a few weeks ago, and was happy to dedicate his weekend to helping this team have a successful tournament – playing their hearts out and learning lots from his experience.



That is young leadership in action in a huge way! Thank you, Noah, – we are very proud of your actions to support the younger students in our school. You walked and talked our school values completely this weekend. What a star!

We are now halfway through our process of creating classes for 2025. This is a massive piece of work for our teachers and school leadership team. We give so much time and consideration to the factors of social and emotional supports, academic needs, learning partnerships (who I learn best with) and friendships (who I like to play with). In the next few weeks we will finalise the classes. This information will be shared with families in Week 10.

I really look forward to sharing the last few weeks of the year with you all, celebrating learning, achievements, growth and courage of our students. It is an exciting time. While we get ready for celebrations though, I request that you support us to keep learning as the primary focus, and attendance at school as a priority. Thanks for your support.

Have a wonderful week everyone.

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GARDEN CLUB

We were delighted to see some new enthusiastic faces at Garden Club on Friday. The volunteers and kids did an amazing job weeding and spreading straw to prepare the garden beds. We're delighted at how the garden has transformed.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

With Spring well and truly sprung, it is time to plant out the vegetable patch. If anyone has any seeds or seedlings to spare we'd like them for the school patch.

We're looking for pumpkin, zucchini, tomato, salad greens, carrot, beans and peas. Produce will be shared with the canteen, school association catering (eg Agfest - pumpkin soup) and the school community.

Leave anything at the office or contact Jane 0439 877 573.

Next Garden Club: Friday 22nd Nov 3-4pm.

If Fridays don't suit contact Jane 0439 877 573 or Shelly 0427 907 032 for further opportunities to help.

SAFETY REMINDERS

Crocs/Thongs - Our students are ONLY permitted to wear crocs or similar footwear to and from the pool when they have swimming for PE or at the swimming carnival. Students are NOT PERMITTED to wear them at any other times. They must wear their normal school footwear for the day and only change into crocs/thongs etc when involved in swimming. Students who continue to do so may find that they are asked to sit out at recess and lunch time due to the safety issue that this footwear poses.

Heating food – Children are not permitted to bring food to school that requires heating or cooking by school staff, such as two-minute noodles. Due to Health and Safety and food service guidelines we are not permitted to do so, due to the safety issues involved in this. An easy alternative is for parent/guardians to warm/cook the food at home and pack it in a thermos for the student to eat.



GRADE 3/4 BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Our three teams sure made us proud with their excellent sportsmanship, courage and determination. It was great to see so much improvement in teams over the weekend. And thank you to all our family and friends who came along and cheered us on. The students have had such a great weekend.



COLOUR FUN RUN/WALKATHON 2024!

This year our Colour Fun Run, suggested and organised by our School Parliament, will be held on Tuesday, November 26th. All classes will spend 25 minutes on the school oval with their buddy class, completing as many laps as possible of the 'COLOUR FUN RUN/WALKATHON' course. Students are asked to wear a white or light-coloured top/old sport clothes. Students will also need to bring a towel and their school uniform to change into after the event.

Money raised will go towards two different causes:

1. **MND Tasmania** is our final nominated charity of the year. Our goal is to raise \$500 to donate to this cause.

If we manage to raise beyond the amount required for this, our School Parliament has elected to:

2. Donate any remaining money being used to resources for outdoor play equipment at **Hagley Farm School**.

This is a fantastic opportunity for all students, families and the wider school community to come together for an event that is fun and also teaches students how each of them can make a difference. It also provides great photo opportunities for those who come to watch!

Accompanying this information is a sponsorship form for your child. Their aim, with your help, is to raise as much money as possible towards our goals – whether through sponsorship per lap or direct donations. We <u>do not</u> encourage students to doorknock to collect sponsorship.

We ask that sponsorship forms are not returned until <u>after</u> the Fun Run is complete. Students will bring home an additional signed note to inform families of the number of laps they have completed in the Fun Run on that day. Sponsorship forms are due to the school office by **Tuesday**, **December 10**th.

Due to the added element of the colour at this year's Fun Run, we are in need of additional adult support, in particular, to man the colour stations. This is a potentially 'wet and messy' job, however we are sure it will also be enjoyable. Adults who wish to volunteer are please asked to contact Jaclyn Mclean via email: jaclyn.mclean@decyp.tas.gov.au. Volunteers are required to have a Working with Vulnerable People Card, as well as having completed the DECYP mandatory safeguarding training.

We hope to see lots of family members and friends at school on the big day. Specific times have been published in the newsletter today. Additional information is attached to today's newsletter separately.

Kind regards,

Mrs Jaclyn McLean, AST/Student Parliament Coordinator



FROM THE QUALITY TEACHING COACH ON LITERACY

Following my comments is an article around how we learn to read, as it does not come naturally, we are not born with the skills to read. Reading skills have to be taught step by step and built up over time because it is a complex process. Over the past 5 years at Hagley Farm School, we have been teaching phonics to all our students which, as current research shows, is crucial to learning to read.

Justine Page - Literacy Coach/AST

HOW READING DEVELOPS IN A CHILD'S BRAIN

Since humans are not hard-wired to read, children must put extra effort into learning how to read and write. So it's easy to understand why many children struggle! A child has to train their brain to connect spoken language circuits with learned image circuits. These newly forged connections between letters and sounds create neural networks that enable us to read. What is critical is that students have repeated exposures to these new connections to solidify the circuitry in their brain.

In short, reading is a connection that occurs in the brain between oral language or sounds and visual representation or letters. When we read, our brains map information from oral language onto information of letters received from the visual system.⁴ Broken down into individual steps, the process of reading involves:

- ldentifying letters and noticing how they are combined into a unit known as a word.
- 2 Connecting these letters to their corresponding sounds (as if hearing a voice pronouncing them in our brain).
- **3** Connecting the word to its corresponding meaning.

Over time, this process becomes automatic. But given how complex this process is, we should not underestimate how challenging it is for children's brains to develop fluent reading skills. Reading is a complex neurophysiological process that requires systematic training and practice. Without practice and high-quality instruction, children's brains will not learn to conduct this process automatically.





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SWIMMING CARNIVAL

All our Grade 3 - 6 students are reminded that our swimming carnival is this Friday. Students will be required to bring a cut lunch, or pies and sausage rolls will be available for ordering as usual. There will be a coffee van serving coffee and toasties **ONLY** for spectators.

Students will need to bring:

- Bathers
- Goggles
- Swimming cap available to purchase for \$3 from office
- 1 or 2 towels
- Grade 6s will need clothes for the "Late for School" race e.g. hat, t-shirt, socks and shorts

We ask that you show consideration for others in attendance by moving out of the space if you don't have a child competing and can see other parents/carers outside who do have children participating at that time. Entry for spectators will be only through the door in the middle of the school side of the pool building, this will be clearly marked. We have included a timetable of events to help you plan your attendance at the event.

HAGLEY SWIMMING CARNIVAL - Friday 15 th November				
Approximate Order of Events				
9.30am	Freestyle Divisions	50m (Grade 6-4)		
		25m (Grade 6-3)		
		25m with flippers		
10.40am	Recess			
11.00am	Backstroke Divisions	50m(Grade 6-4)		
		25m (Grade 6-3)		
		25m with flippers		
11.50am	Breaststroke Divisions	50m/25m (Grade 6-4)		
12.40	Lunch Break			
1.10pm	All Novelty Events			
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2.10pm	Grade 6 Medley Relays			
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2.20pm order)	Freestyle Relays - Grad	de 4,3,5 and 6 (in this		
2.35pm permits)	Sidestroke & Butterfly Demonstrations (if time			
2.45pm	Presentations			

FUN RUN TIMETABLE - TUESDAY NOVEMBER 26TH

TIME	CLASSES	
9:30 – 9:55	3/4 McNeair, 1/2 Clarke/Leatherbarrow and Kinder Ankin	
10:05 - 10:30	1/2 Johnson and 5/6 Marshall	
RECESS		
11:15 – 11:40	Prep/1 Mason and 3/4 Chatterton/Gleeson	
11:45 – 12:10	Prep Eyles and 3/4 Cini	
12:15 – 12:40	Kinder Flower and 5/6 Styles	
LUNCH		
1:30 – 1:55	2/3 Legro and Prep Cooper	
2:00 – 2:25	1/2 Garwood/Page and 5/6 Sherman/Donald	

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

If you haven't already, add the dates below to your diary as we move towards the end of the school year.

Calendar of Hagley Farm School Events Term 4 2024

NOVEMBER	
Swimming Carnival Grade 3-6	15th November
Country Gold Cricket	18th & 19th November
Pre-Kinder Orientation	29th November
Northern Midlands Swimming Carnival	29th November
DECEMBER	
Pre-Kinder Orientation	6 th December
HFS Arts Showcase	12th December
Reports sent home	13th December
Grade 3-5 Assembly	Friday 13th December at 2.00pm
Grade 6 Leavers' Dinner	Monday 16th December at 6.00pm
Grade 5/6 Church Service	Monday 16th December
Early Childhood Presentation Assembly	Tuesday 17th December @ 10am
Grade 6 Presentation Assembly	Tuesday 17th December at 11.15am
Early Childhood Church Service	19th December
Students' last day	19th December

WESTBURY SHOW - COLOURING IN COMPETITION RESULTS

It was lovely to see so many Hagley families enjoying the Westbury Show on the weekend. We have a photo display outside the library.

Congratulations to the following children who won a prize in the colouring-in competition. Their certificates and prize money will be presented in assemblies this week.

Kinder-Prep – =1st Evelynne W, =2nd Harlyn R

Grade 1-2 =1st Madison T, Abbey G, =2nd Brooklyn C, =3rd Amy G, Huxley G

Grade 3-4 - =1st Amelia K, Marlie R, =2nd Mila P, Emily C, =3rd Amelia B, Milly H

Overall Outstanding Artwork Award (Judged across all ages from Kinder to Grade 6) - Amelia K.

A big thank you to "Meadowbank Farm" Hagley for their very generous sponsorship of this competition.

Jessica Marston – Westbury Show Volunteer



