DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 3 December
Excursion PG, P/IS, 1EW & 2M to Botanical Gardens & Cornelian Bay Park

Tuesday 4 December
11am Giving Tree Assembly

Wednesday 5 December
Christmas Concert 11 – 12:15pm Prep - 6

Thursday 6 December
Excursion – K2 to Playhouse Theatre

Friday 7 December
DEC Concert – band and choir students

Monday 10 December
6:30pm School Association Meeting – general
7:15pm Special Meeting of School Association

Tuesday 11 December
Excursion – K1 & 1EW to Playhouse Theatre
Grade 6 Play

Monday 17 December
Excursion 4T, 2/3M, 3/4JW, 1EW, P/IS, PG & 2M – Glenorchy Pool and Tolosa Park

Tuesday 18 December
Grade 6 Leavers’ Dinner

Wednesday 19 December
Grade 6 Leavers’ Assembly 11am in the hall

Thursday 20 December
Grade 5/6 Activity Day. Last day for students.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

Community Involvement
Over the past few weeks I have been amazed at the level of community involvement at our school. In particular, I would like to thank those people involved in helping out with making our playground safer, and those that have been giving feedback on the direction of the school. Next year there will be even more opportunities to get involved with the school, and I look forward to working with each of you.

Class Placements
This is the last chance for you to have input into your child’s class placement for 2013 before our staff meeting on Monday. If you would like to make a request, please complete a form and return it to the office before the end of the week. Details for many aspects of 2013 will be finalised over the next few weeks. Class placement and information pack will be enclosed with your child’s report going home on Friday 14 December.

School Transition
To those families that did not receive a letter from the school last week, please be assured that the school is not considering closing or merging at this time. The School Association has submitted a letter to the School Transition Board outlining that it would like to have some conversations around possible relocation. No decision has been made, nor will it be made without extensive community consultation.

Shane Oldfield, Principal
ABC GIVING TREE ASSEMBLY

On Tuesday 4 December we will be holding our ABC Giving Tree Assembly at 11:00am in the school hall. Peter Gee from the ABC will again be the special guest. All students are invited to bring along a small **unwrapped** gift to place in a box provided for Peter to take back to the ABC Giving Tree. Please help the less fortunate in our community.

_Riley for SRC_

GREAT AUSSIE CAROL SING-A-LONG CONCERT

**Grades:** Prep to 6  
**Date:** Wednesday 5 December  
**Time:** 11 – 12:15pm  
**Place:** Lower School Oval

Parents and friends are invited to share a carol sing-a-long. Please bring a rug or folding picnic chair to sit on. In case of wet weather a smaller production will be held in the school hall. We look forward to sharing our great Aussie Christmas Carols with you all.

We do need 6 large tarpaulins. If you can help out, please advise the office.

_Lynne Mitchell, Music Teacher_

BOOK FAIR LAST WEEK

Thanks to everyone for supporting our Book Fair. We sold over $2,600 worth of books in three and a half days. Consequently, we raised nearly $800 which we have spent on new books for the Library.

_Vicki Lovell, Teacher/Librarian_

**Tickets for the Combined Primary Schools Bands, Choir and String Ensemble Annual concert on Friday 7 December at the Derwent Entertainment Centre are available from the office at a cost of $12. There is no concession price.**

RED CROSS STATIONERY DRIVE

Thank you to all who participated in the Free Dress Day to help raise funds for our Stationery Drive. Lily, Jemma and Natalie counted the money and proudly announced in assembly that we raised $277 in total. Last Wednesday Noah, Cassie, Kaea and Georgia went to Officeworks with Miss Jones to purchase some more items to send to Tanzania. Officeworks kindly donated some additional items. The Red Cross group have been busy sorting through all the donations and are really pleased with the response so far. Please remember that we are still accepting items until the end of term. Donations can be dropped in to the School Office or to Miss Jones.
**FUNDRAISING NEWS**

**Christmas Stall**
Thank you to those families who have made donations for our Christmas stall. Please keep them coming in. The stall is on Wednesday 12 December. Help is required setting up on Tuesday 11th and also on the stall day. If you can help, please leave your name at the office. Thank you.

**Christmas Raffle**
Raffle books went home last week. Lots of great prizes! Tickets are $1.00 each. Please return the ticket stubs and money to the office by Tuesday 11 December. The raffle is going to be drawn on Friday 14 December.

**CANTEEN NEWS**
This week’s winner of a free lunch (up to $5.00) for recycling is Serena Gore of 4/5N. Well done Serena.

Sushi can now be ordered at the canteen; however you do need to pre-order. Forms are available from the canteen and office. You need to place your order on Wednesday for Thursday, and Thursday for Friday delivery. The cost is $2.50 for each sushi ordered.

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*Di Everson, Canteen Supervisor*

**TRIATHLON**

Last Thursday 33 students competed in the Community Assist Schools Triathlon Challenge at Bellerive Beach. It was a great day and all enjoyed themselves. Thanks to Amanda Robertson for helping in transition and to Mrs Hamilton for supervising.
**SCHOOL BANKING**

The last day for school banking for this year will be Thursday 13 December.

**GUITAR GROUP**

See our talented advanced guitar group, accompanied by some vocalists, busking outside Bakers Delight in Lindisfarne (opposite Woolworths) between 11:45am and 12:45pm TOMORROW. The students will be accompanied by Mr Damon Nichols and Ms Louise Goich. The last busking session was quite successful raising $135. We are hoping to buy a drum kit.

**OTHER NOTICES**

**GILBERT’S COACHES**

Gilbert’s Coaches is a fully accredited, family owned and operated school bus company servicing the following schools covering a route from Sorell through Richmond, Grass Tree Hill Road, East Risdon, Otago Bay and then back through Risdon Vale:
- Risdon Vale Primary
- Geilston Bay High
- Lindisfarne North Primary
- St Cuthbert’s Primary

We provide a safe, courteous and reliable service catering for students from Grade 1 to Grade 12. For the upcoming year, we have several seats available. We currently run a 36 seat bus on this service. This is a fare paying service but if you do have a Health Care Card, you should be entitled to a free travel card.

Please call or email Shane if you think this service may be able to assist you in any way, or if you require any further information

Ph 0438 045 828 or email 
gilbertscoaches@bigpond.com

**EASTSIDE ACTIVITY CENTRE**

**73 DROUGHTY POINT ROAD, ROKEBY.**

**EXTENDED PLAY SESSIONS.** LEAVE THE CHILDREN (4YRS AND UP) WHILE YOU SHOP OR SIT AND HAVE A COFFEE AND A BREAK WHILE THEY PLAY. BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

**WHEN:** Thurs 20th, Fri 21st & Mon 24th Dec

**TIME:** 10 – 1 (includes lunch break, BYO or canteen available)

**COST:** $20 1st child, $10 2nd child, $5 3rd child (must be from the same immediate family)

WE STILL HAVE COME AND PLAY TIME FOR THE UNDER 5’S
Thurs 20th, Fri 21st and Mon 24th 9 – 10am (must be accompanied by an adult and no need to book)

CHECK OUR WEBSITE OR FACEBOOK FOR SESSION TIMES DURING JANUARY.

www.eastsideact.gymnastics.org.au

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**Clarence Carols by Candlelight**

*On the Bellerive Boardwalk*

*Sunday December 9
7:30pm-9:45pm*

**Featuring:**
- Clarence City Band
- Lincoln Singers
- Vivace: Young voices together
- MC Michelle Pears presents The Christmas Story
- Featuring soloists James Bourke and James Yearsley

And of course Santa Claus!

Dress warmly, bring a cushion or a chair and of course your singing voice!