SOME IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 14 February
School banking commences

Monday 18 February
School Association Meeting, 7pm in the staffroom

Wednesday 20 February
Fundraising Committee Meeting, 1:30pm in the staffroom

Friday 1 March
Free Dress Day for Easter Raffle

Thursday 7 March
LNPS Athletic Carnival – Kangaroo Bay
No school banking on this day.

Monday 11 March
Public Holiday

Friday 22 March
Div C Athletic Carnival

Thursday 28 March
Professional Learning Day – student free

Friday 29 March – Tuesday 2 April
Easter Break (students return Wed 3 April)

Friday 19 April
Moderation Day – student free

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

Thank you to the amazing amount of parents and community members that have been coming along to school and offering to volunteer.

There are a wide range of things that can be done in a school to support student learning programs and improve educational experiences. Throughout the year staff will send requests home for support of parent help, excursions and other activities. If you do not have a current good character check, you can collect a form from the school office.

Yesterday, Miss Jones spoke with Grade 3-6 students about leadership opportunities. The process of considering, discussing and applying for leadership opportunities is excellent for students as it develops thinking skills and an awareness of others. Students learn to become empathetic for others and learn to think about big picture ideas.

Students that get to undertake leadership roles also gain further skills in time management, independence and team work.

Please have a conversation with your child about applying for leadership opportunities and encourage them to apply over the next few weeks.

Shane Oldfield, Principal
SCHOOL ASSOCIATION MEETING

The next meeting of the School Association is on Monday 18 February at 7pm in the staffroom. All welcome to attend.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS

The following students received certificates at this week’s assembly:

4/5N – Juliet for demonstrating a strong commitment to learning, Luke for working hard to complete tasks on time, Jarrod for designing a great folio cover; 1/2M – Harley for being a helpful and supportive class member, Cassandra for a great start to the year, Mia for her fantastic journal writing, Kyle for always doing his best; PG – Leah for making a wonderful dinosaur construction, Millie for always applying herself to set tasks; 3/4C – Connor for making a great start to year 3, Liam for being a great class helper, Holly for being a great class helper, Sean for helping the new teacher on duty; 5/6H – Gabrielle for always contributing in class, Brandon for a great banner.

MOVE WELL EAT WELL – PART WAY IS OKAY

Last year the school participated in the Part Way is Okay program – an initiative aimed to get more students walking to school through providing a safe drop off point for parents to leave their children. We will recommence from the same meeting place near the butchers in Geilston Bay (cnr Derwent Avenue and East Derwent Highway) on Wednesday 20 February. Miss Amy Jones will be there at 8.30am, and everyone will leave as a group at 8.40am. The program will continue (weather permitting) until otherwise advised. Please note that this program will operate on Wednesdays only.

STUDENT VALIDATION FORMS

Student validation forms were sent home last week. Please read the forms carefully and make necessary amendments. Forms should be signed and returned to the school office by Friday 22 February. Please ensure you also answer the question in relation to excursions. You will need to add any information about emergency contacts as only parent guardians are shown.

APPLICATIONS FOR STUDENT ASSISTANCE 2013

The scheme provides assistance for low-income families towards the cost of levies for students enrolled from kindergarten through to senior secondary level. It is available to students attending a Government or registered Non-Government school or college and those students eligible to pay levies at the Tasmanian Academy or the Tasmanian Polytechnic.

The scheme provides assistance to:
• Full-time students from kindergarten to senior secondary level in Government and registered non-Government schools whose parents/guardians meet the income test and have care of the student for a minimum of 50% of the time (as assessed by Centrelink).
• Students who are in “Out of Home Care” through the DHHS, Child and Family Services Section
• Grandparents raising grandchildren
• Some visa holders may be eligible. For further information contact International Services on (03) 6233 7016

Income assessment is applied to parents/guardians of dependent students applying for assistance under the scheme.

Applications are available at the school office and close at the end of Term 2.

Brenda McLarin, SEO
**GUITAR GROUPS**

Guitar will be commencing next week with Louise Goich. Due to the four term year the cost is down to $25 per term. Guitar hire from school remains at $10 per term. Students from Grades 3 – 6 that are wishing to join the guitar group should leave their name at the office by this Friday. Prompt payment would be appreciated.

**NEWSLETTERS**

If you would like to have the newsletter emailed, please let the office know your email address.

**FUNDRAISING NEWS**

We will be holding a Fundraising Meeting on Wednesday 20 February at 1:30pm in the staffroom. All welcome!

**PRIMARY SCHOOL NETBALL ROSTER**

The STNA runs a primary school roster for children grade 3/4 and 5/6 (girls and boys). Games are played on a Tuesday afternoon at either 4pm or 5pm. The season commences on Tuesday 26 Feb and runs for 8 rounds concluding on 16 April. Training is usually conducted at school during a lunch hour depending on coach availability. Cost is $25 per player and payment must be made by Monday 25 February.

If your child is interested in playing please leave their name at the office by Wednesday 20 February. (New and returning players are welcome). Please note we now have sufficient players for the 5/6 team. If you are interested in coaching or managing a team please leave your name and contact details at the office. For more information contact Amanda Robertson – 0419714924 or amandaleerobertson@gmail.com

**STUDENT BANKING**

Parents are advised that there will be no student banking on Thursday, 7 March, the day of our athletic carnival.

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**CANTEEN HELPERS REQUIRED**

This week’s winner of a free lunch (up to $5) for recycling is **Harmonie of 3/4C**. Congratulations Harmonie!

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We are urgently in need of helpers for the canteen (open Wednesdays – Fridays). If you can spare some time to help, even if it is for an hour to help with recess, it would be much appreciated. Please complete the slip below and return it to the office.

**Di Everson, Canteen Supervisor**

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**CANTEEN HELP – RETURN TO OFFICE**

I can help at both lunch and recess ☐

I can only help at recess ☐ or lunch ☐

On ____________________ (day)

Weekly ☐ Fortnightly ☐ Monthly ☐

(tick whichever is appropriate)

Name: ____________________ Ph: __________

**“MILD” ASTHMA IS VERY SERIOUS**

If your child has asthma, please let us know immediately. This is in light of information we have learned from our training with the Asthma Foundation of Tasmania.

“The people at greatest risk of death from asthma are those whose asthma is not considered severe,” said our trainer from the Foundation.
“Because they rarely have an attack or only usually have a mild attack there’s a tendency for the person with asthma or their carer not to take precautions – such as having a blue/grey reliever puffer available at all times. They are also less likely to know how to use their medications and devices properly and know what to do in an emergency. So when you have a bad attack - and that can happen even if you’ve never had one before – they tend to panic and have no medication available. That is unfortunately why people who have mild asthma die.”

Please call the office immediately if your child has asthma on 62430101. We’ll send you out a Student Asthma Record form. The Asthma Foundation recommends that you fill this form out with your doctor. If you need any help or advice on asthma or associated allergies, please call the Asthma Foundation on 1800 ASThma (1800 278 462).

OTHER NOTICES

Lady Gowrie Tasmania is a Community Based Child Care Provider, offering quality Education and Care from three to five years, Monday to Friday 8.00am-6.00pm. Our service is located on site at Lindisfarne North Primary Campus, next door to the kindergarten making it easy for families during the first years of formal schooling. Long Day Care sessions and after Kindergarten sessions are now available.

For further information please call 62306865 or 62306826 or email cluster1@gowrie-tas.com.au to arrange a time to view the service and discuss your child care requirements for 2013.

KUCA CLUB
Fun, games, craft, cooking, making stuff for Grades 3-6.
Friday, 15th February, 6.30pm – 8pm at Clarence Uniting Church (cnr Cambridge Rd and York St).
Cost - $2. Supper provided.
For more information contact Amanda Robertson – 0419714924 or email amandaleerobertson@gmail.com
A young people’s activity of the Clarence Uniting Church

30 Minute Bootcamp
We wont hurt you, laugh at you, make you feel silly
We will make you stronger, leaner and boost your metabolism
Tues and Thurs 6:15 am
Lindisfarne Primary School
Casuals welcome - Ph Jo 0409 862 206