

## **Smithton Primary School**

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As we say goodbye, you shall be waving hello to new experiences and opportunities, we wish you all the best!



Year 6 2020





### Dates To Remember

JANUARY 2021		
Thursday 28th January	Book pack collection & uniform sales day	
	FEBURARY 2021	
Term I Wednesday 3rd February	School commences	
Thursday 1st April	Student Free Day	
Term   Holidays Friday 2nd April—Tuesday 20th April		

Term 2 Wednesday 21st April School resumes

### **Upper Primary School Assembly**



Grade 6 Award Recipients



Upper Primary Class Award Recipients



Our 2020 Grade 6's



3/4 Gausden sharing the song they had written

Well we have made it to the end of the 2020!

What an amazing accomplishment for our whole school community. With all the weirdness of 2020, there have been many fantastic things come out of this year.

It has been a year where we as a school community have grown closer. We have decided to put together a Time Capsule for 2020 (pictured) that will be filled with photos and other things from this year. We will open in this in 2030.



The TEAM (Together Everyone Achieves More) approach has been pivotal to us moving forward and it has been awesome to see the way families have engaged with our school. All of our staff have done a brilliant job of being professional, adapting to the changes and continuing to provide the students with access to quality education.

#### **SOME NEW FACES IN 2021**

We have three new teachers appointed for 2021 (Ms Lisa Johnston in 1/2, Miss Isobel Latimer in Kinder and Miss Hayley Koehler who will be in our second Kinder class).



Miss Isobel Latimer—Kinder Koala



Miss Hayley Koehler – Kinder Bilby



Ms Lisa Johnston – 1/2

Personally, I would like to thank every one of you who have supported me as Principal of this school; I have enjoyed this year so much.

I think we are all in need of a break, and so I hope that over the Christmas holiday that you and your loved ones get the time that you need to be together, relax and enjoy the things you hold dear. I wish everyone a very safe and happy Christmas and I am looking forward to the exciting things ahead for Smithton Primary School in 2021.

**Thanks** 

Josh Smith Principal











Maximus working hard on his drawing.





Tayah & Laylah colouring their snowmen.



# Christmas craft in Prep Grey





# SCHOOL















Our Kinder to Year 5's enjoyed a trip to Green Point at Marrawah today, sandcastles where built, cricket played and tug of war won. We enjoyed a talk from Ranger Em about local birds and then we finished off the day sliding down the slippery slide.

A great way to finish the year!



# **AWARD WINNERS**



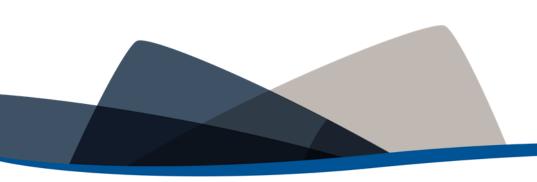
### **Grade 6 Awards**

Student	Award	
Piper Gleeson	Smithton Club Bursary	
Deacon Wells	Parents and Friends' Bursary	
William Hampson	U.S. and G.V. Lad Bursary	
Addyson Cameron	Bergman Family Award	
Cooper Bryan	Ruth Forrest MLC Book Award	
Ayla Van Kempen	Anita Dow Award (Peer nominated)	
William Hampson	Braddon Liberal Team (Peer nominated)	
Ayla Van Kempen	Shane Broad Award	
Monique Spencer	Jeremy Rockliff –( Minister for Education and Training) Respectful Student Award	
Shanaya Groves	Gavin Pearce Arts Award	
Jayden Watson	Merle Reid 'Wise Owl' Reading Award	
Desteny Stokes	Smithton High School Bursary	

These students were recognised by their teachers for respecting our school values - Be Safe, Be a Friend, Be REAL

Student	Class Awards
Mila Jaeger	K: 1 C
Jax Cotton	Kinder Grey
Zandah Martin	
Laylah Greene	Prep Grey
Jax Grey	
Zariah Van Kempen	P/I Ryan
Cash Randall	
Charlie Jaeger	I/2 Kemp
Mattea Brooks	
Alex Smith	2/3 Goodwin
Lucas Furphy	
Milly Grainger	3/4 Irvine
Ruby Swan	
Olivia Moll	3/4 Gausden
Tycan Weatherill	
Bella Cameron	5/6 Nichols
Sarah Al Sadoon	_,,,,,
Lucy Gourley	5/6 Watts

# CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYONE ON A SUCCESSFUL YEAR!





### Student Assistance Scheme 2021

The Department of Education recently announced that we would be expanding the Student Assistance Scheme for 2021.

Parents who have a current concession card as listed below can apply for dependent students for assistance under the STAS:

- Services Australia Centrelink Health Care Card
- Service Australia Centrelink Low Income Health Care Card
- Services Australia Pensioner Concession Card or
- Department of Veteran Affairs Pensioner Concession Card.

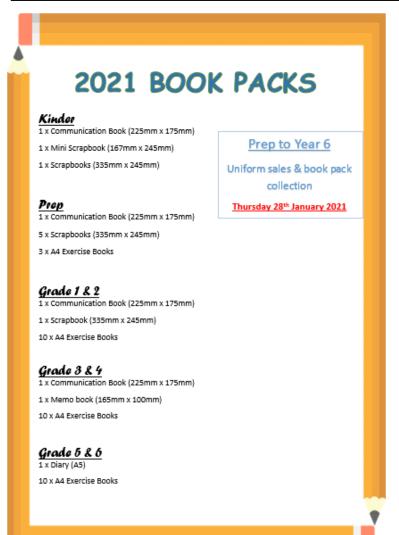
Please note that if you are already receiving student assistance you do not need to complete a form.

For 2021 a new on-line form has been developed to assist with processing applications for new applicants.

The online form can be completed here: <a href="https://stasonlinesubmission.education.tas.gov.au/">https://stasonlinesubmission.education.tas.gov.au/</a>
The form will be available for public use from the 10 November.

Once a validated form is completed the Department of Education will confirm the outcome of your application in writing, this process takes approximately 14 days.

We understand this online option may not be possible for all families, so if you require a hard copy form please contact your school or the Financial Assistance Unit on <a href="mailto:stas@education.tas.gov.au">stas@education.tas.gov.au</a> or I 800 827 077.





Wishing our families and school community a safe and relaxing Christmas and holiday break. Thank you for all you've done for us over 2020. We look forward to seeing you in 2021.

The staff of Smithton Primary School.

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