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#### **Smithton Primary School**

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### 2/3 Goodwin

Year 2/3 Goodwin have settled back into school beautifully by exploring, drawing and writing about trees in our environment. As we were drawing our trees, Ondine stated 'there is a lot of rubbish here. We should do a poster about littering' and so we did.

We discussed where our rubbish goes, what we can recycle and why it is important. We decided that our animals and our planet need EVERYONE to put their rubbish in the right place so that we can all live happily.

We excitedly put our posters around the school for everyone to notice.









learners first



#### Dear Families!

Welcome back to Term 3! We hope you have had a good chance to recharge the batteries over the break after a big Term 2. This term no doubt will just fly by! Some of the things we have to look forward to this term include:

#### 5/6 Winter Sport

Our 5/6 Students meet with other Year 5/6 students from across Circular Head to participate in sports such as Taekwondo, Tennis, Football, Netball and Hockey. Students have elected which sports they wish to 'try out' for to represent the CH cluster, competing in a competition called Country Gold in Launceston later on in the term. The first session was last Friday and our students participated well with fantastic attitudes.

#### 3/4 Sports Expo

Just like Winter Sport, the 3/4's have a chance to meet with other Year 3/4 students in Circular Head to enjoy playing sports together.

#### Pre-Kinder

We are super excited to have Pre-Kinder start up next Thursday (11th August) from 11:15am – 12:30pm. This is a fantastic opportunity for students for 2023 to continue the process of becoming school ready. Mrs Melissa Coombe will run these sessions this term.

#### Science Week

We have some classes in the school entering into science competitions in the annual Circular Head Science Gig (4:30pm - 8:00pm at the REC on the  $15^{th}$  of August). This year's theme is "Glass, more than meets the eye!" We are encouraging all of our families to attend this event that we are incredibly lucky to have happen in our community once per year.

#### Book Week (22nd - 26th August)

Book Week's theme is "Dreaming with eyes open" and we will be participating in many class-based activities. We will have our Book Parade, where we encourage our students to dress up on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of August at 9am. This is a fantastic chance for us to celebrate books and reading.

#### Year 6 Transitions to Smithton High School

This term our Year 6 students will be spending time at SHS to familiarise themselves with the school in preparations for 2023. Later in Term 4, they will attend Orientation Day, where all Year 7 students for 2023 spend a day at SHS.

#### Surveys

This term is also the term where we have multiple surveys for staff, students and families to fill out for us. This provides us with data and feedback that allows us to improve as a school. I'm really keen to get as many parents as possible completing the survey this year so I have a better understanding of what families think about certain aspects of the school.

As I always like to people to know, we are a school that is continually trying to improve. As you would know, our priorities this year are in the two following areas:

- Strengthening the way our teaching staff working together to improve the way we teach, in particular Spelling and Numeracy.
- Improving student engagement for learning.

In each edition of the Newsletter this term, I will outline what we are doing to address these two priorities so that you are more informed on our improvement!



I would also like to welcome our new students for this term who have made an excellent start to the term in their new school:

Noah (Prep) – Prep Gale

Amiliah (1) – Prep/1 Grey

Scarlette (2) – 2/3 Goodwin

Dominic (5) – 5/6 Squire

Indee (5) – 5/6 Squire

This brings the total enrolment of our school up to exactly 200 students. This is the largest enrolment figure we have had in the last 6 years, which is very exciting for us as a school community.

Lastly, I want to continue to thank our P&F who continue to work tirelessly to fundraise and support the work happening in our school. Over the holidays the P&F were able to give the meat prizes out to the very excited raffle winners. They also represented the school well at the opening of the Smithton Library over the holiday break. The P&F are looking at a number of other events/fundraisers, so watch this space!

So far it has been a really positive start to the term, so let's continue to work together to make Smithton Primary a fantastic school for our students to learn in.

Thanks,



#### **STEAM Project**

Mrs Charles is trying to collect as many Pringle box lids for a STEAM project this term.

If anyone eats Pringle's in their family, could they please bring the lids into school for Mrs Charles please?





## National Tree Day

Last Friday, 5/6 Irvine and 1/2 Ryan combined to have a morning of learning around the importance of planting trees and they planted many Native Trees in our school yard.









## Making Butter











# Winter Sport session 1













# Aussie of the Month - June Congratulations Holly

- \* Mateship is always helpful, and often goes above and beyond to help peers and staff.
- \* Inclusion includes others in games and conversations. In particular, she looks out for other students who have not yet got a group.
- \* Fair Go participates in all that is expected of her without complaint and gives everything her best effort.
- \* Respect is always respectful towards her peers and adults, demonstrating our school values beautifully.





#### **Scholastic Book Club**

Scholastic Book Club is available to families who wish to participate.

There is one catalogue offering the best in age-appropriate reading choices

(3+, 6+, 8+, 10 + and 12+).

Please return the form below if you would like to participate in Book Club.

Forms are sent home with the eldest in the family.

#### **PARTICIPATION IN BOOK CLUB 2022**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_ (eldest in family)

## SCHOOL IS COOL every day counts

#### Book Week Dress-Up Parade

No canteen available on this day (Order forms to be sent home at a later date)

Tuesday 23rd August at 9am

Come dressed as your favourite book character or wear a hat









#### Supports + Services available in **CIRCULAR HEAD!**

Information Sessions for services and jobs



#### Multicap Tasmania is launching in **CIRCULAR HEAD!**

Multicap Tasmania is holding information sessions in Smithon to speak directly to those with a disability or those who support someone with a disability. Learn more about the services, supports and programs that available through Multicap Tasmania

#### Our services at a glance:

- assistance with daily living and life skills
- accessing the community
- school employment supports SLES supported independent living enquries SIL
- specialised disability accommodation enquries SDA
   short term accommodation and in-home respite

sign up to attend our Information Session

#### information sessions

10am Wednesday 3 August

11am Wednesday 3 August

#### sound interesting?

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#### **Wynyard and Districts Cricket Club** PRIMARY SCHOOL HURRICANES JUNIOR LEAGUE

The Wynyard and Districts Cricket Club Primary School Hurricanes Junior League is relaunching in Term 4 this year.

We are excited to bring this free sporting opportunity to our young cricketers, both boys and girls, from Somerset through to Smithton.

Games will be held from 3.30pm on Fridays until 5.00pm open to students from Grades Four to Six

If your child is very confident and is younger, please advise. We have a "stage, not age" approach to supporting and challenging our youth. Younger, confident children will be considered.

Matches will be played with a semi-hard ball, which will require helmets and protective equipment. It is recommended that players have their own gear. All players will need a groin protector.

Please register as soon as possible in Term 3. The competition coordinator is away travelling from August to October and would like registrations to occur over these months.

To register, please click on the following link: HERE

Or via the QR Code (adjacent)

Please email greggsharman@gmail.com should you have any questions.

**Gregg Sharman** 

Coordinator: WDCC Hurricanes Junior League





#### Dates To Remember August Mother Goose - Birth to 5 Years Every Tuesday - 11:00am - 12pm Starting Thursday 11th - 11:15am to 12:30pm Pre-Kinder (then every Thursday until otherwise notified) Launch Pad - Birth to 5 Years Every Friday - 9:00am to 10:00am 5/6 Winter Sport: Session 2 Friday 5th 5/6 Winter Sport: Session 3 Friday 12th Science Gig at the Smithton Recreation Centre Monday 15th 4:30pm—8:00pm Student Book Parade for Book Week Tuesday 23rd 9:00am September Mother Goose - Birth to 5 Years Every Tuesday - 11:00am - 12pm Pre-Kinder Every Thursday - 11:15am to 12:30pm Launch Pad - Birth to 5 Years Every Friday - 9:00am to 10:00am 5/6 Winter Sport: Session 4 Friday 2nd CH Athletics Carnival at the Smithton Rec Monday 5th 10:00am - 1:00pm 3/4 Sports Expo Friday 9th 3/4 Sports Expo (Back Up) Friday 16th NW Athletics Carnival Tuesday 20th - Wednesday 21st Country Gold Trip Thursday 22nd to Friday 23rd Last day of Term Friday 30th Footy Colours Day

2022 School Term Dates	
Term I	Wednesday 9th February to Wednesday 13th April
Term 2	Monday 2nd May to Friday 8th July
Term 3	Tuesday 26th July to Friday 30th September
Term 4	Monday 17th October to Wednesday 21st December

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