

Smithton Primary School

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Harmony Day



Last Friday our 1/2 classes were invited to celebrate Harmony Day at St Peter Chanel. The message that we may come from different schools but we all belong in the Circular Head community was demonstrated with play, friendship and respect.

Mr Smith believes that it has been at least 20 years since both schools have come together to connect and build friend-ships both for students and teachers.

The students participated in creating a Harmony Day chain with each student creating a link of chain to connect with one another. They also enjoyed the playground, sandpit, parachute activities and of course a sausage in bread.

The most popular activity by far was the Ga Ga Pit and there were a lot of "Mr Smith, can we get one of these please?" from our students. Mrs Goodwin, Mrs Jackson and Miss Irvine can see some amazing persuasive letters going to Mr Smith very soon!

We anticipate that this will be the beginning of many years of celebrations and opportunities for our students from Smithton Primary and St Peter Chanel.

A special thanks must go to the 1/2 teachers, the Principal of St Peter Chanel for the invitation and Mr Smith for supporting the event.

















Communicable Disease - Gastro



Gastroenteritis, also known as 'gastro', can cause vomiting and diarrhoea, as well as nausea and stomach pains. It spreads easily from having contact with an infected person.

It is a DECYP requirement that if your child has vomiting or diarrhoea due to gastro they are to be excluded from school until they have not had a loose bowel motion or vomiting for at least 24 hours.

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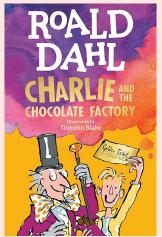
3/4 Gausden

In 3/4 G we have been reading Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl. We listened carefully to find adjectives that the author had used to describe characters and settings. We used these adjectives to draw what we thought characters and different rooms in the factory looked like.

We have now begun to create our own magical candy room to include in the factory. Our drawings will help us to write a narrative that would fit with the story.

We also created our own candy bars complete with a Golden Ticket.

On the last day of term we will watch the movie with the other 3/4 Classes and Mrs G has a surprise treat for us.







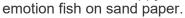






1/2 Jackson

On Tuesday afternoons, 1/2 Jackson pair up with 5/6 Smith and share in some buddy reading. All children are engaged and either read to their Buddy or are able to listen to a story read to them. During our first session, we read the book Happy. This story was about fish showing their emotions. We had a go at drawing our own













5/6 Smith Year 6 Choc Chip Cookie Challenge

To celebrate the end of NAPLAN the Year 6 students got together to conduct a chocolate chip cookie challenge. Students were divided into groups and the ingredients and instructions were left in their all too capable hands.

There were some interesting concoctions created that I have taken the liberty of naming. 'The Artery Attack' famous for its 2 cups of butter, 'The Chooks Funeral' a 4-egg special cookie and 'The Legen-Dairy' that boasted an impressive I cup of milk to a 3-cup recipe ratio.

A lot of fun was had by all, with some Year 6's offering their Year 5 peers a taste of their creations. Mr Tuxworth and Mr J Smith were the official judges of the day and were quoted saying "We should do this more often" as they loaded up plate after plate for "testing".







Science in 5/6 Squire

It has been a busy start to the year with lots of exciting events keeping us all busy.

This term we have been focusing on micro-organisms in Science and have been looking at the role some play in the creation of some of our food, such as bread, cheese and yoghurt. We have also been exploring the conditions they need for growth.

In addition, we have been learning about the importance of bringing a growth mindset to all that we do, but especially applying that determination in mathematics. We have also been working on our reading fluency with reading buddies and by doing some paired reading aloud sessions.

Seeing all our learning experiences as opportunities to put into practice our school values, sharing our ideas with one another and discussing different perspectives respectfully, has been an important part of building connections within the class.













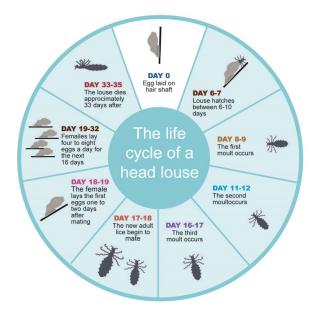
Head Lice

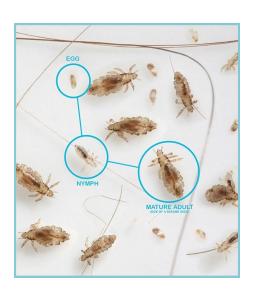
Did you know? Parents and carers have the primary responsibility for detecting and treating head lice. If your child has head lice you must treat your child with a treatment recommended by the pharmacist.

Your child will be welcome to return to school as soon as treatment is started.

Anyone can have head lice - head lice do not care if your hair is clean or dirty.

- People get head lice from head-to-head contact, but head lice cannot jump or fly.
- Head lice can be hard to spot but look out for brown or grey insects about the size of a match head that sit at the roots of your child's hair.
- To help prevent head lice spreading we ask that you notify the school if you detect head lice in your child's hair.
- Teach your child not to share hair bands, swimming caps or combs and brushes.
- Wash bedding and clothes to avoid recurrence after treatment.
- Long hair should be braided or tied back for school.
- For more information go to: https://www.decyp.tas.gov.au/parents-carers/parent-fact-sheets/headlice/





You are always welcome to call me at the school if you need any assistance

Nurse Rob - School Nurse

Author Visit - Aleesah Darlison

A big thank you to Aleesah Darlison for coming along to visit us at school on the 20th March and inspiring us to draw, write, read and tell stories.

















APRIL DAY CAMP 2023 | GRADES 1-3 | APR 12TH - 14TH

\$25.00 - \$65.00 inc. GST



This camp is a day camp only for Grades 1-3 held over April 12th -14th. Campers come for the day and go home at night to sleep. Lunch is provided.

Booking in commences from 8.30am each day and campers are to be picked up around 4.00pm Because this is a day camp, children will not sleep at camp and may choose to attend all 3 days or just 1 day.

The cost is \$25 a day with a discounted cost of \$65 if a child attends all 3 days.

We want to introduce local children from Grades 1-2 to Riverbend and our facilities.

Parents/carers/guardians are asked to book a ticket online: https://riverbend.org.au For enquiries phone 6452 1635.



CIRCULAR HEAD NETBALL

JUNIOR WINTER ROSTERS



STARTS MONDAY 1ST MAY

At the Circular Head netball courts

Cost is \$80- \$52.19 to netball tas (12 month registration, which is recommended if playing multiple rosters) , \$4.59 to netball Australia and \$20 to CHNA.

Rosters will be 10 weeks long including finals and will finish on July 3rd.

Grades 3,4,5 will play at 4:30

Grades 6,7,8 will play at 5:30

These rosters are mixed.

Contact Lara Johnston on 0455204158

before April 24 to enter names

Smithton Library School Holiday Activities

Paper Craft Thursday 13th April 2pm Ages: 4+ Materials supplied

Paper crafts can ignite your child's imagination. In a world of over-stimulation, arts and crafts help us slow down. Work through tasks step-by-step, and reach a goal while exploring your creativity. From lanterns and sun catchers to animals and bookmarks, we've got lots of fun paper crafts for your kids!



Nature Craft Monday 17th April 1pm Ages 4+ Materials supplied

Create your very own nature person using leaves and flowers.

The crafts can be composted and return to nature when you're finished with them. Nature crafts can be a great way for children to explore natural textures, shapes, smells, and colors with all their senses.



Decoupage Oyster and Abalone Shells. Thursday 20th April 2pm Ages 6+ Materials supplied

Using real recycled oyster and abalone shells you will decoupage using patterned tissue paper, Mod Podge, gold paint. Use as a ring/jewellery/trinket holder for a pretty accent!

By reusing what we already have, we're leaving more resources behind for a sustainable future.

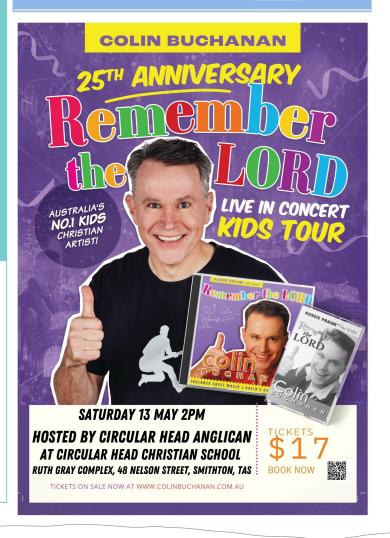


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All sessions must be booked via Eventbrite or call 6478 9574



Scan for bookings



Dates To Remember	
April	
Every Monday - 11:15am to 12:30pm	Launching into Learning - Mother Goose with Mrs Charles (Birth - 5 years)
Every Friday - 9:00am to 10:00am	Launching into Learning - Launch Pad with Mrs Charles (Birth - 5 Years)
Wednesday 5th	Whole School Assembly 9:10am start Last day of Term I
Wednesday 26th	Students back for Term 2
May	
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Every Friday - 9:00am to 10:00am	Launching into Learning - Launchpad with Mrs Charles (Birth - 5 Years)
Friday 5th	Public Holiday - Agfest





2023 School Term Dates	
Term I	Wednesday 8th February to Wednesday 5th April
Term 2	Wednesday 26th April to Friday 7th July
Term 3	Tuesday 25th July to Friday 29th September
Term 4	Monday 16th October to Thursday 21st December
Student Free Days	
Tuesday 7th February	
Thursday 6th April	
Monday 24th July	
Friday 3rd November	



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