

+ 1-2 IRVINE +

In 1/2 Irvine, we have been learning about addition and subtraction. We have been learning to count forwards and backwards using number lines. We have worked independently and in groups to solve word problems.

We have also been learning how to double and skip count.

When you say 'it's maths time' I feel confident – Layla

When it's Maths time, my brain gets switched into maths time, feels ready and my thinking cap is on – Lilli

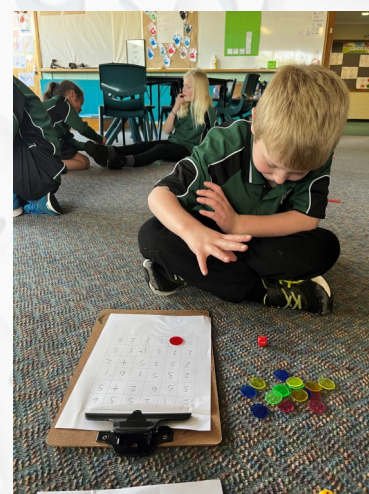
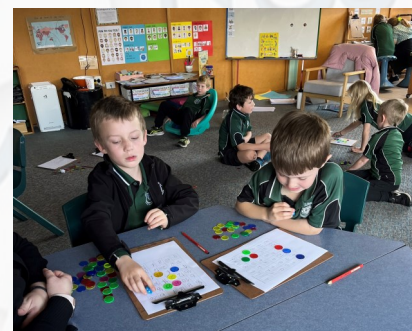
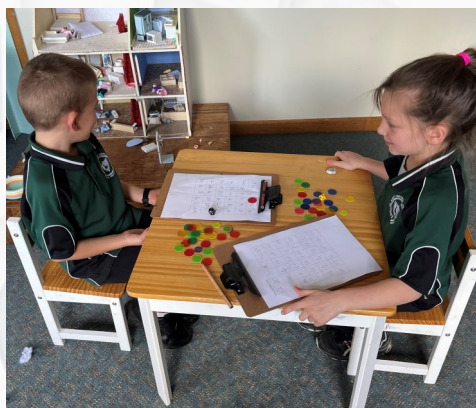
We try to get our problems right and it's fun. It is helping us learn for when we grow older and get smarter and know lots of things – Logan

I have learnt that I'm a super quick learner – Kobe

We never give up and always try our best – Piper

This classroom is very safe – Gemma

Teamwork makes the dream work - Talei





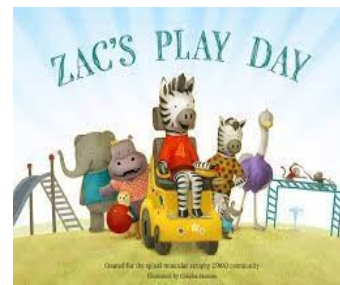
Amazing Learning Opportunities in Term 3

Dear Families,

We've had an excellent start to Term 3 with a lot of amazing learning opportunities being provided throughout the school.

August - SMA Awareness Month

If you have been keeping an eye on us on Facebook you would have noticed that we have had a focus over the August month of SMA (Spinal Muscular Atrophy) and we have raised funds and awareness for the charity "Move 4 Bella." This charity was suggested to us by Mrs Maddie Gale, whose son Vann was born with SMA. Classes have utilised the book "Zac's Play Day" (a book written to teach students about SMA) that was donated to the school by the Gale Family. So far we have raised \$503.15 that has been sent to Move 4 Bella.



Science Week

With this week being Science Week, it was great to see some of our students undertake the Science Trail in town, place entries into the Science Gig Competition and attend the Science Gig. It is a particularly big task for our staff to get entries together for this, so I would like to acknowledge the extra work that was put in by staff to make this happen. Some of our students were recognised on Monday night at the Science Gig and we congratulate them too.

Excursions


We have had several excursions continuing on throughout the school with all of our Year 3/4 students heading out to the Duck River Meadows Robotic Dry to learn more about how this technology is used in the dairy industry. One of the highlights for these groups was the cheese tasting! Our Preps had the chance to head out to a dairy farm to spend some time with newly born calves and we thank Annisa, Dairy Tas, Ag Warehouse, Yolla Co-op, Elders and De Lavel for making this happen. We have had an 'incursion' with Robot Man coming for a visit to our school to share his love of technology with our students. Our students were inspired and motivated to learn more about this aspect of STEAM.

Performance with Claire Ann Taylor

I wish to remind parents of the event that is occurring on the 1st of September in the afternoon. Our students have the opportunity to perform live with an amazing musician, Claire Ann Taylor. School families are most welcome to come along to the afternoon event for a gold coin donation (in our gym from 1:15 – 2:45). Our families are also welcome, along with the rest of the community, to attend the evening show, starting at 5:45pm. The tickets for this show are \$25 each. It would be great if families could make arrangements for their students to be involved in both of these events, but we understand that this might not be possible for some families. Our P&F raffle will be drawn on the night, so make sure you get your raffle tickets for this too (they can be purchased from the office).

This time of the year is notorious for being busy across our whole community, so now is a good time to remind ourselves to look after ourselves and those around us. With Spring just around the corner and with the days starting to get longer (and hopefully warmer soon), there is always positivity in the air. As always if there is anything you wish to speak with myself or my staff about, please ring the office and make a time to meet or speak with us. We want to partner with you, to bring about positive outcomes for all students in our school.

Thanks,

 **Josh Smith**
Principal

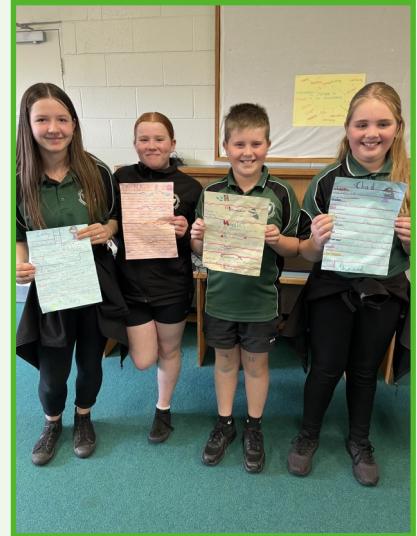


We have had a fantastic start to Term 3 in 5-6 JN

We have been learning about the purpose of an information text. We have been exploring the structures and subject specific vocabulary of an information text.

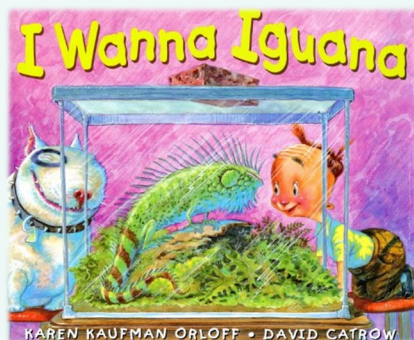
To create our own information text, we chose a buddy in our class and created an information text about our partner. Using a heading template, we came up with interview questions to ask our buddy to help us to gain the information we needed. Once we had the information drafted, we created a poster about our buddy.

By Chad and Caitlyn.



3-4 Gausden

After reading the story 'I Wanna Iguana' and learning about persuasive language, 3-4 Gausden followed instructions to create a drawing of an iguana.



STAFF PROFILE



Jenna Squire

YEAR 5 - 6 TEACHER

TELL US A BIT ABOUT YOURSELF

I am a mum of two wonderful adult children, who currently live in Hobart and NSW. I am also the unofficial grandma to children of two 'adopted' young people who are now both mums themselves, one of whom lives in London, the other on the West Coast of Tasmania. I love to read, write and create stories for small children. I also enjoy history, cooking, kayaking, cardmaking and other paper craft and I have recently developed an interest in foraged foods to boost healthy living. I have published one children's picture book, Scaddy, which is the story of the day my childhood imaginary friend went away, and I have story ideas brewing... albeit very slowly these days. I have travelled and lived in a lot of different places, but the most exciting of which were the two years I lived in the USA in the late 1990's, part of which was spent living in Alaska.

My favourite book is, I capture the Castle, by Dodie Smith (she also wrote 101 Dalmatians) and I love listening to playlists that my youngest daughter creates... she has great taste in music.

My favourite colour is blue and nothing beats a good bowl of strawberries and fresh cream. My favourite tv show is The Last Kingdom (I'm a bit of a history nerd) and my favourite films are the Lord of the Rings Trilogy.

WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO WORK IN EDUCATION?

As a young girl, I always loved learning and going to school with my friends. When growing up I was an extremely bossy girl, who always had to be the teacher or mother in games with my cousins and friends. When in high school I enjoyed babysitting and working with other younger children.

During my schooling, I was always inspired by my teachers, especially the way that they made learning fun and engaging. I admired the way some of them were extremely helpful and supportive. I remember admiring the way that teachers had such a huge impact upon the life of many. I left high school, well and truly knowing that I wanted to be someone who made a difference like the way teachers do.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE THING ABOUT YOUR JOB?

There are many things that I love about my job as a teacher. However, my most favourite thing would be the 'light bulb' moment. The moment when it finally clicks for a student, when they have made the connection and have learnt something new. I also especially love seeing students' growth from term to term.

Circular Head Science Gig

The CH Science Gig was held at the Smithton Rec on Monday night. What a great night everyone had.

The students put in a great effort and it was amazing to see all their hard work. Congratulations to the following students for their designs:

CLASS CHALLENGE - Design a Smart Farm,

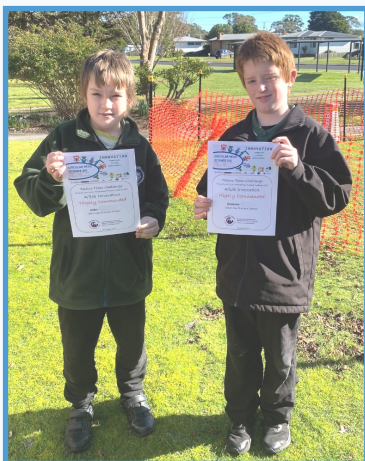
Winner - 1/2 Goodwin

TECHNO TEAM CHALLENGE

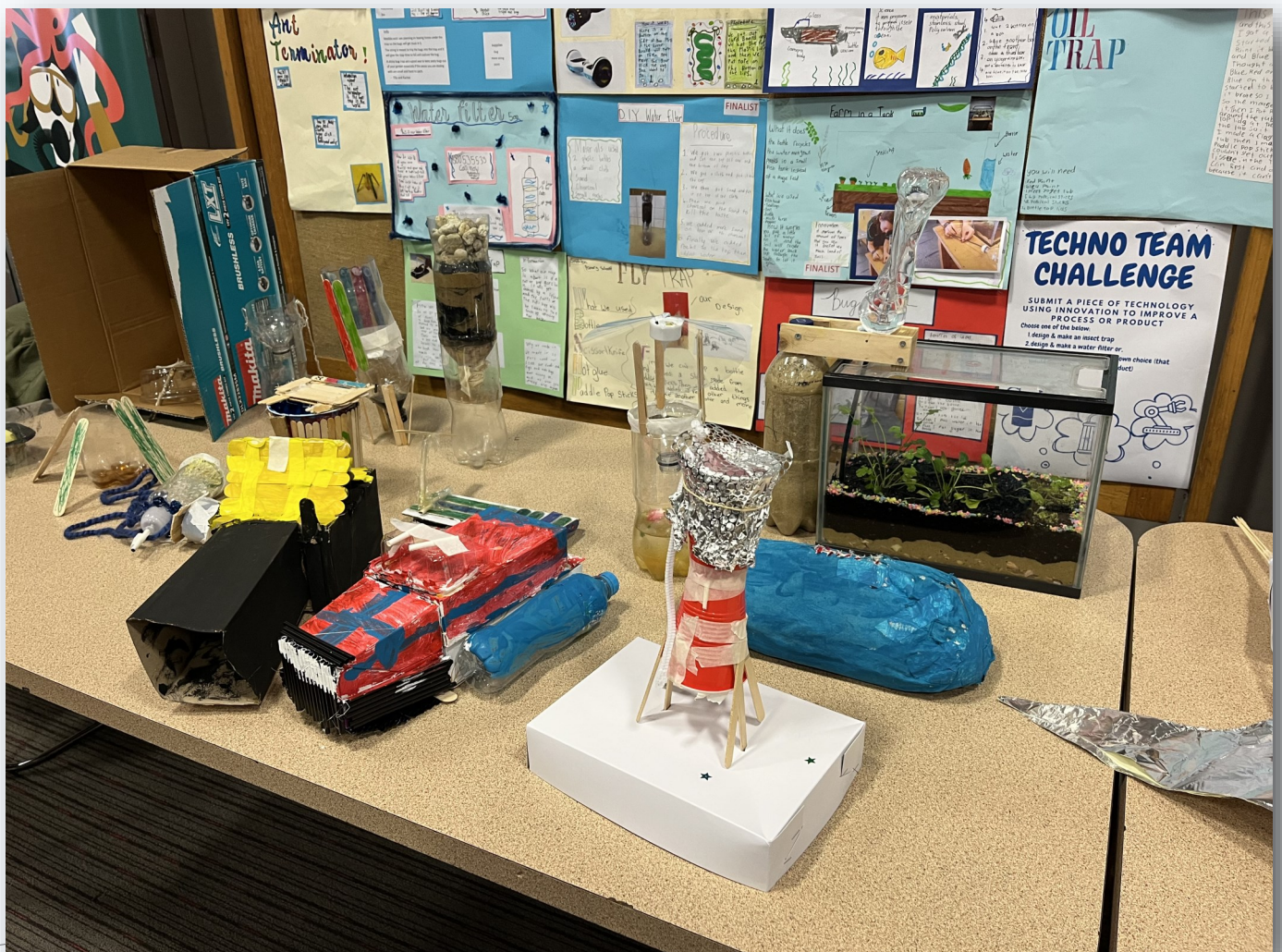
Design and make an insect trap (Years 1 - 3) 1st place - Rylah and Josie, 3rd Place - Charlotte, Alice and Jax

Design and make a water filter (Year 4 - 6) Runner up - Lucas and Westen

Design and make a model of your own choice (Year 5 - 6) Highly Commended - Holly, Haylee, Zoe, Ethan, John and Dominic P



Circular Head Science Gig



Claire Ann Taylor & Smithton Primary students

Friday 1 September, doors open 5.45pm

Experience a special evening as the students of Smithton Primary School collaborate with one of Tassie's most celebrated singer songwriters. Students from Prep to year 6 will accompany Claire and her band as she performs songs from her back catalogue and previously unreleased material. All proceeds support the Smithton Primary School Parents and Friends.

Smithton Primary School

Cost: \$25.00 adults
\$5.00 children

Bookings: Humanitix



Smithton Primary School P&F Winter raffle

1st prize



1st prize includes:
5 loaves of Cottage
Kitchen fresh bread
and a variety of fresh
vegetables. These will be
given to the prize
winner on the day of the
raffle draw.



There are many more prizes with a
variety of products.

Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

 Smithton Primary School P&F

Raffle tickets can be purchased from the school
office. Cash only.

We also have raffle books at the office if anyone
would like to sell tickets.

Book Week Dress-Up Parade

Wednesday 23rd August - 9:10am
NEXT WEEK!!

READ, GROW, INSPIRE

Come dressed as your favourite book
character or wear a hat



Smithton Primary School Kinder 2024

Do you have a child born in 2019?

**Applications for 2024 Kinder Enrolments
are now being taken.**

Parents and Carers wishing to enrol their child will need to complete
an enrolment form, which is available from the school office.

If you have any queries, please contact the office on 03 6452 1955.



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Dental Care

Did you know Oral Health Services Tasmania welcomes all children under 18 years of age, including preschoolers, for dental care?

Services available include-

- dental check-up
- any necessary treatment as determined by the check-up

When you present your Medicare card, Oral Health Services Tasmania will bulk bill all dental care for children through the Medicare Child Dental Benefits Schedule.

Almost all dental care will be **FREE** if bulk billed.

The Smithton School Dentist is located at the Smithton District Hospital. Contact 6478 9547 or 1300 011 013 to make an appointment.

Oral Health Services Tasmania

Protect your child's **smile!**

Oral Health Services Tasmania welcomes children from babies to teens under 18 years of age for *free general dental care.

**Bulk Billed to Medicare
No Gap**

Dental care is free when you present your Medicare Card for bulk billing to Medicare under the Child Dental Benefit Schedule (CDBS).*

To make an appointment:
Call 1300 011 013

Or scan and register for an appointment



Oral Health Services Tasmania
TASMANIAN HEALTH SERVICE


Feel free to contact me at the school if you would like to discuss this topic.

Nurse Rob - School Health Nurse



Open to students
in Years 6, 8 & 9
and their
parents/guardians

Smithton High School Information Evening

Wednesday 23rd August 2023

Year 7 Transition and Year 9/10 Electives

SMITHTON HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

Year 7 Transition 2023

(current Year 6 students interested in attending Smithton High School in 2023)

- Commencing at 6pm
- Meet & greet with senior staff and the Year 7 team
- Tour of the school and Year 7 area
- Parents are welcome to view the Year 9/10 elective displays

Year 9 & 10 Electives 2023

(students currently in Years 8 & 9 to select electives for 2023)

- Commencing at 6:30pm
- Welcome by the Student Executive Council and introduction to senior staff
- Year 9 and 10 elective displays in gym
- Event concludes at 7:30pm

We are looking forward to meeting you all and helping your child with their future pathways.

If you have further questions, please contact Smithton High on 6452 9222:

Nikki Clark (Principal)
Mel Watts (Year 7 Coordinator)
Tim Dunham (Assistant Principal, Year 9 Coordinator)
Andrea Wilson (Electives Coordinator)
Lydia Brown (Year 8 Coordinator)

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FOREST PRIMARY PARENTS AND FRIENDS INVITE YOU TO JIGSAW PUZZLE NIGHT!



**FRIDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER
7PM START - ADULT ONLY EVENT
SUPPER, TEA & COFFEE PROVIDED
BYO DRINKS**

\$80 PER TABLE - MAX. 4 PER TABLE

Come along and join in a great night of puzzle competition, go head to head with teams having 2 hours to complete their identical puzzle. Teams keep their puzzle when they're done! You can even win a prize or two!

**BOOK NOW - 0438 365 933 -
LYNNE VAN NORDEN BY
1ST SEPTEMBER**

Come & Try 2023

If you wish to get involved with Little Athletics you can do so at any of the nineteen Centres Statewide.

Little Athletics Tasmania accepts the Tasmanian Government Ticket to Play vouchers.

Little Athletics Tasmania are hosting Come & Try days at three locations this September! Bring your friends for a fun and **FREE** introduction to Little Athletics.

Domain Athletic Centre, Hobart
Saturday 16th September
10:00am - 11:30am

Penguin Athletic Track, Penguin
Sunday 17th September
10:00am - 11:30am

Northern Athletic Centre, St Leonards
Sunday 17th September
2:30pm - 4:00pm

To register for any of our Come & Try Days, please click this link



Phone: 1300 888 713
office@taslittleathletics.com.au
taslittleathletics.com.au

Tickets

NDIS

INFORMATION SESSION FOR COMMUNITY

SEP **14** 2023
AT **10 AM**

Smithton Library
130-140 Nelson St, Smithton

SEP **13** 2023
AT **1:30 PM**

Smithton Library
130-140 Nelson St, Smithton



REGISTERED
NDIS
PROVIDER

NDSP plan managers will be coming to Circular Head to provide some information sessions regarding 'NDIS'. The intent is to provide a safe space where knowledge can be shared. The sessions will encourage real life discussions about NDIS challenges and strengths. The information sessions will provide some education on how to better understand and utilise a NDIS plan. These community information sessions will provide an opportunity for NDIS participants, eligible participants, family members and community members to attain some guidance about the NDIS system and how to navigate this system.

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Dates To Remember

August

Every Monday - 9:00am to 10:30am	Launching into Learning - Mother Goose with Hayley Sharman (Birth - 5 years)
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Friday's 4th, 11th and 18th	Year 5-6 Winter Sports
Wednesday 23rd - 9:10am	Book Week Parade
Friday 25th	Country Gold Selection

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Friday 8th	Year 3-4 Sports Expo
Friday 22nd - 9:10am	School Assembly
Thursday 28th	Country Gold - Launceston
Friday 29th	Last day of Term 3

2023 School Term Dates

Term 1	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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