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Kinder - Prep Sharman



In Kinder/Prep we have been busy getting back into our learning for the term!







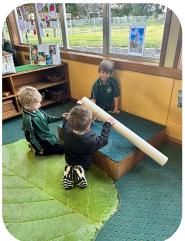












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Dear Families,

It has been a fantastic start to Term 3, with students getting stuck into their classroom routines and more importantly the learning. Already this term we have seen students setting new goals which is pleasing to see. Hearing from our staff, I can tell that they've had a good break and feel energised, ready to take on this term. This term is notorious for back to back events and so is often seen as a fairly exciting term for the students. This term brings:

Olympics Day 1st August – with our country competing at the Summer Olympics over this next fortnight, we are having a whole school celebration where students will be completing activities run by our Student Leadership Council and are encouraged to wear green and gold... just another good excuse for me to wear a wig!

5/6 Winter Sport – All 5/6 students from the CH Cluster schools meet at the Smithton Rec for three Fridays in a row (starting this week) to participate in some sporting activities (Hockey, Basketball, Football, Netball, Taekwondo). This is a good opportunity for our students to meet other students across the cluster who they may be attending high school with in future.

5/6 Country Gold – Winter Sports is an opportunity for our budding sport stars to be selected in a Circular Head team. This team will travel in week ten to Launceston to compete in Footy, Hockey and Netball.

Robot Man – Next week we have Robot Man (one of our students' favourites) coming along for three days to excite our students in the area of technology.

Science Gig – With Science Week in week four of this term, we look forward to the Science Gig happening at the CH Rec Centre, starting at 5pm on Monday August 12th. I strongly recommend this event as something really positive that you can take your own kids to.

Book Parade - We will be having our Book Parade on Wednesday 21st of August at 9:10am. The whole school will come together to show off our costumes and more importantly, to celebrate books.

Maths Relays – Our Upper Primary students will compete in our annual Maths Relay on the 22nd of August and our Year 1/2 students will have their turn on the 28th of August. The focus is about participating and challenging yourself in a team atmosphere. As always, students are competing for the very prestigious "Golden Abacus" and the Upper Primary students will have the opportunity to be selected in the SPS Maths Team who will be competing against other CH Cluster schools at Forest Primary on the 5th of September.

Visiting Musicians & Concert – Last year we had Claire Anne Taylor come and inspire our whole school with live music. This year we are doing something very similar, but this time with a different band. We will be having workshops on the 29th of August and then two concerts on the 30th of August. This is a part of the CHArts Festival that occurs every year. The band that we will be collaborating with is a bit of a secret, so watch this space and you'll find out the details very soon!

Early Childhood Swimming – EC Swimming will be held in the last week of this term (23rd Sept – 27th Sept). It is a fantastic opportunity for our youngest students to learn a very important life skill.

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As always, if you have any questions or queries about your child's education or about the school, please don't hesitate to book in a time to see myself or your child's teacher. The strength of our partnership is one of the key elements of giving your child the best possible education and outcomes. We work hard to improve and we want to be approachable and open to feedback. This term you will get the chance to complete a survey which is another way to do that. Lastly, I want to make sure that parents are aware of an ADHD parent session that is running in our Assembly Hall on Tuesday 27th of August (3:30pm – 5:00pm). I often have conversations or overhear conversations about ADHD and knowing how to support someone who has a diagnosis. I would really recommend any member of the community to come along to this session to be better informed on this topic by two experts (Dr Anagha Jayakar and Charl Fourie). Have a fantastic couple of weeks!

Thank you for your ongoing support.









Smithton Primary School Kinder 2025

Do you have a child born in 2020?

Applications for 2025 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.





Children and Young People



3/4 Wilson - Kindness

Year 3-4 Wilson have been working on kindness in the classroom. These are some of the quotes they came up with around being kind.

"We should always be nice to people, even if we're not best-friends with them"

"Kindness is cooler than being mean to people."

"I think that being kind to someone is the best"





"Even a smile can brighten someone's day and is really kind"

"I can find ways to be kind to myself, and to others.

It's better than being mean to them."



Wanted

Donations of recyclable materials

The STEAM class is in need of recyclable materials including:

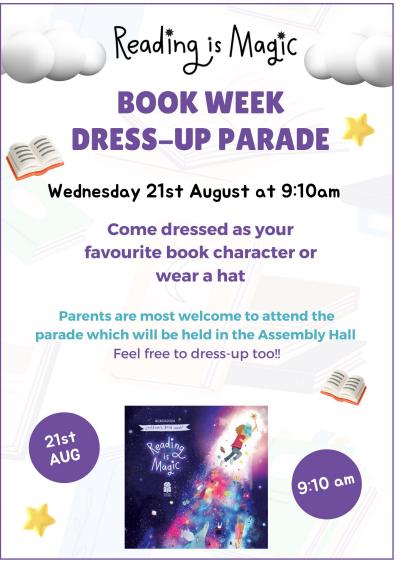
- cylinders (foil, cling wrap etc)
- bottle top lids, especially pop top lids (juice, water bottle etc)
- plastic
- any other useful recyclable items.



Items can be dropped into the school office.
Thank you!!





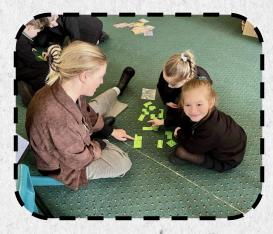










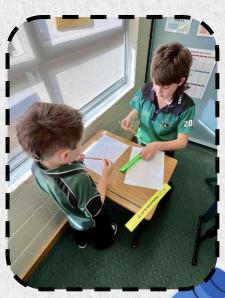






















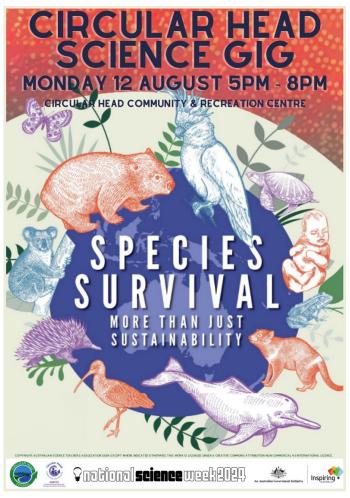




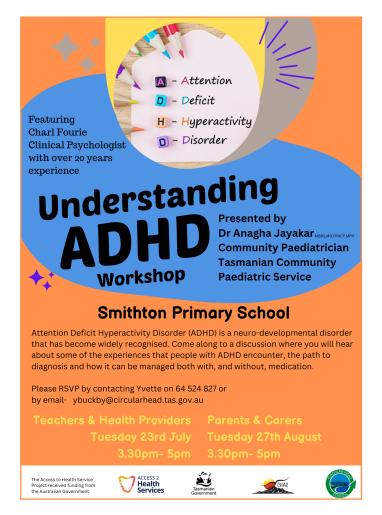




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Dates To Remember - 2024	
August	
Every Friday - 9:00am to 10:30am during school terms	Launching into Learning - Launchpad with Melissa Coombe (Birth - 5 Years)
Every Friday - 11:30am to 12:30pm during school terms	Pre-Kinder - with Melissa Coombe (for children starting Kinder in 2025)
Thursday 1st	Olympics Day - come dressed in green and gold!
Fridays 2nd, 9th, 16th	5-6 Winter Sport
Monday 12th - 5:00pm to 8:00pm	Circular Head Science Gig - CH Community & Rec Centre
Wednesday 21st - 9:10am	Book Week Parade
Friday 23rd	Country Gold selections
Friday 30th	Musician Concerts (more information to come)
September	
Every Friday - 9:00am to 10:30am during school terms	Launching into Learning - Launchpad with Melissa Coombe (Birth - 5 Years)
Every Friday - 11:30am to 12:30pm during school terms	Pre-Kinder - with Melissa Coombe (for children starting Kinder in 2025)
Friday 27th	Last Day of Term 3 - Enjoy the holidays!
October	
Every Friday - 9:00am to 10:30am during school terms	Launching into Learning - Launchpad with Melissa Coombe (Birth - 5 Years)
Every Friday - 11:30am to 12:30pm during school terms	Pre-Kinder - with Melissa Coombe (for children starting Kinder in 2025)
Monday 14th	Students return for Term 4

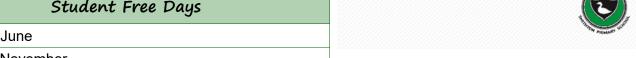
2024 School Term Dates	
Term 1	Thursday 8th February to Friday 12th April
Term 2	Monday 29th April to Friday 5th July
Term 3	Monday 22nd July to Friday 27th September
Term 4	Monday 14th October to Thursday 19th December
Student Free Days	
Friday 7th June	
Friday 1st November	

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