## Calendar of Events

### Issue 15 / 21st September

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### Footy Colours Day

**THIS FRIDAY - PLEASE BRING A GOLD COIN DONATION**

### REGULAR PROGRAM DATES:

#### Learning Treasures –

**Term Three**
Monday 18th July - Monday 19th September
9.00am - 10.30am

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### Banking Details:

**2016**

**Term Three** - Monday 18th July - Friday 23rd September

**Term Four** - Monday 10th October - Thursday 15th December

**Banking Details:**

BSB 067 -000

ACCOUNT 10273413

REFERENCE: Your Name
A word from the Principal

“Drag your thoughts away from your troubles... by the ears, by the heels, or any other way you can manage it.”
— Mark Twain

From a parent’s perspective, the biggest worry we can carry is that for our children. It is important for you to know that we are here to support you in your role as parents. If you are struggling with the challenges of parenting, you are invited to meet with staff at school. We can at the very least listen to your troubles, without judgement.

This is an aspect of what ‘true’ partnership in education looks like. Many would see this as ‘above and beyond’ in terms of what a school provides. Maybe it is?

At the core of our purpose is to respect the dignity of each person, giving all members of our community the opportunity to flourish. This actually include you, the parent. At the same time, we expect you to support us in our mission to help your child to be their best version of themselves.

You are the first and primary educators of your children, as well as being by far the most influential in your child’s life. It’s a big responsibility!

What might be worrying you at the moment? Are there parental challenges you are facing? Do not spend any longer worrying; you are warmly invited to see a relevant member of staff.

Best wishes for the school holiday period.

Best wishes,

Gregg Sharman
Student Progress
Mrs Lardner (AP: Early Years - Acting) and Mr Sharman have been analysing student learning data of late in the Early Years. The progress demonstrated by students to date is extremely impressive. Mrs Lardner is in the process of writing a community report to families to highlight the excellent work, particularly in Literacy, that our students are displaying. It is noted that large numbers of our students have already met or exceeding benchmarks for this year. When was the last time you spoke with your child’s class teacher regarding their progress?

Footy Tipping 2016
It’s Footy Colours Day for our Prep to Grade Six students on Friday and tomorrow for the Kinder class. There will be a parade happening on Friday morning at 8:45am and parents are most welcome to watch. With all this footy fever, this week’s newsletter seems like the most appropriate time to thank Mrs Natalie King for again running the Parents and Friends footy tipping this year. We really appreciate your time and energy, Nat!

New Court
Our bottom court is set for a refurbishment in early December. This comes at a considerable expense. With its upgrade, we will now have two quality surfaces at the school. The court will also have the infrastructure for tennis. Thanks must go to our Parents and Friends, as well as the wider community for supporting their ventures.

Bus Shed
We are so fortunate to have a 34 seater coach. Usually in each newsletter, we report a group of our students visiting an off-site location either locally or some distance away. You may have noticed that we are developing a space for our bus to be parked in near the school shed? We are looking at building a covered area for the bus to be stored in coming months to ensure the vehicle is well-maintained.

Trivia Night
Last Friday night the Parents and Friends hosted the Trivia night. Held here at school, there was a great attendance of not only families or the school, but also members of the community. Thank you to all of the local businesses who donated prizes and everyone who cooked food for the night. A big thank you to the Parents and Friends who put in a huge effort organising the evening. An extra big thanks must go to:
- Tarsh Corrigan for organising all of the questions
- Sharni Richardson and Leanne Everett for the running of the night
- Natalie King for organising all of the food
- Everyone who cooked food for the night - Amazing support!

After-school Maths
The After-school Maths tutorial program will be commencing this Thursday the 21st of October. Sessions will run from 3:00pm - 4:00pm every Thursday unless otherwise stated.
Mr Bellinger Leave
Mr Daniel Bellinger is on leave today, Thursday and Friday. We will welcome Daniel back on Tuesday 11 October.

Farewell - Jones Family
Tomorrow, we farewell students Lily, Claire, Chloe Jones, with their parents Craig and Hannah as they move to South Australia. They will be sorely missed by their classes and community! Thank you to the family for their contribution to the life of the school.

Bereavement - Mrs Maureen Armstrong
Last Friday, Mrs Maureen Armstrong, a former secretary and board member for the school, passed away. Her husband, Fred, built the convent, presbytery and church. She was a gentle, lovely, catholic lady. Her children all attended St Peter Chanel. Maureen will be laid to rest tomorrow, 1.00pm at St Peter Chanel Catholic Church. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Armstrong family at this time.

Miss Amy Pegg - Thanks for Volunteering!
Thank you to Miss Amy Pegg who has given up her time to run after school guitar lessons for students in Grades Three to Six. Miss Pegg has been running these lessons every Tuesday afternoon for the whole term in voluntary capacity. Thank you for your dedication, Amy!

Grade One Dance Event
Last Tuesday, our Grade One class travelled to Ulverstone to participate in the North West Dance event. They performed the routines that they have been practicing during their PE lessons.

Unclaimed Payments
Can parents please check their statements tomorrow as we have received some payments into our bank account that did not have a name attached. We have unclaimed payments from the 4th March, 11th March, 18th March, 1st April, 8th April and the 5th July.
Prep Excursion to Highfield
Last Friday, 16th September, our Prep class went on an excursion to Highfield in Stanley. For morning tea students went to the park and from there they made their way to Highfield. On arrival, students got to meet Mrs Newman in her period costume. They were then given a tour of Highfield House and the grounds. Here is what Sabella Hannigan and Lily Grey drew after the excursion.

Child Restraint Checks and Vehicle Inspection
On Tuesday the 4th of October, RACT will be offering free child restraint checks and vehicle inspections. This will be happening outside Woolworths from 10:00am until 2:00pm. They will also be offering advice and assistance on general insurance, roadside and driver training and road safety education.
Football vs CHCS
Here are some action shots from the Grade Four, Five and Six football played against Circular Head Christian School. Thanks to Kurt Everett for giving up his time over a number of weeks to help umpiring. Well done to our students for their exemplary sportsmanship, team spirit and performance.

Netball vs CHCS
A huge thank you to Rhonda Odgers for umpiring over the three days, Well done to our students on their excellent behaviour. We had three very enjoyable days.

St Patrick’s College Musical Performance
On Tuesday, 20th September, the St Patrick’s College band performed a range of songs for the whole school. A big thank you to all 30 students and staff who made the journey to perform for us. The entire performance was enjoyed by all.

Street Art
Have you checked out the new Mural/Street Art which has been happening on the carpark side of the Vinnies Building in Nelson Street? Dudley Billing along with Circular Head Rural Health has organised this project with the aim of conveying a positive community atmosphere with the emphasis on emotion. This has been channelled through cartoon/comic like figures and scenes with spray can art.

The Grade Five and Six at St Peter Chanel have had a hand in helping to create this masterpiece. Dudley visited the Grade Five and Sixes at school and brainstormed ideas and images for the mural before it started. Both grades came up with some good ideas and Dudley commended them for being the best behaved and most enthusiastic school children he had worked with!

Eight children were selected from both grades to go help with the process of stencilling and spray canning after school last week – Sienna Bryan, Hanna Mandia, Shail Stewart, Ben Pinner, Ashton Marshall, Jack Smith, Georgia Gale and Kaylah Bishop.

Working with Melbourne spray can artist Matt, they all had a turn at cutting out letter and word stencils as well as the school logo to go on the wall. Matt also taught them how to use a spray can properly and with creative flair. Students should be commended on their good behaviour, positive attitude and extended skills throughout the experience.
Grade Four Camp
On Wednesday the 7th September, the Grade Fours, along with Miss Hampton, Miss Pitt and Stuart left for their two night camp at Hagley Farm. First stop was Burnie Park for a morning tea break, next stop Hagley Farm. While on their stay at the far students got to feed the animals, make candles and bread, churn butter and participate in an Olde Classroom experience.

Parents and Friends News

Meeting
Our next meeting will be held tonight, Wednesday 21st September at 6:30pm at the school. All new and old members welcome

Meetings in Term 3 & 4
Wednesday 26th October at 6:30 pm

Football Tipping Competition
Thank you to all who participated in our Football Tipping Competition this year. We had the most members we have ever had and managed to raise $579.00 for the P&F which is a great effort. We look forward to seeing you again next year and congratulations to our final winners.

Thank you
Thank you to everyone who came along to our recent quiz night, it was a huge success. It was wonderful to see so many happy faces enjoying the night out. A huge thank you to our many helpers that contributed to make such an event happen. We would be lost without you all.
Social & Emotional Wellbeing

After accessing the RU OK? website for awareness earlier this month it was interesting to read results of a survey about time spent on devices VS family quality time.

New survey reveals Aussies spend more time with screens than quality time with family and friends

It revealed around half of Australians spend 2 hours or less of their weekly downtime connecting with the people who matter to them. Unfortunately we are more intimately acquainted with our devices than the highs and lows of our lives.

The hours spent engaging with those who matter to us needs to increase and screen time to decrease as the connection with the people we care about is so important for maintaining good mental health. Having these vital connections with family and friends helps to provide a safety net for coping with challenging moments in life.

Make time to reconnect

How much time do you spend on your device?

Do you know how much time your children are spending on their devices?

Do you know what games they are playing?

BREAKFAST CLUB

If you are unable to volunteer your time in the breakfast club but would like to help out in some way we are always in need of:

UHT Milk, Butter and Vegemite
Come along and join in the fun
There will be:

- Mini Jeeps
- Jumping Castle
- Photo Booth
- Show Bags
- Craft Stall
- BBQ
- Wendy’s Café
- Slipstream Circus
- Storm Troopers
- Pot Luck
- Go Fishing for Cash
- Guessing Booth
- Hot Spuds
- Hot Dogs
- Lego Competition & Mini Brixhibition
- Lucky Jars
- Giant Inflatable Slide
- Art Auction
- Hot & Cold Drinks
- Bake Stall
- Nachos

Access via St Brigid’s Church Car Park or
40-44 Jackson Street
Email: stbrigidsw@catholic.tas.edu.au
St Peter Chanel Catholic School accepting enrolments for 2017

- A Culture founded on learning, compassion and Jesus
- High student expectations
- Structure, organisation and discipline
- Future-orientated thinking
- Social and emotional well-being is prioritised
- Focus on quality home/school partnerships

Catholic Education is an affordable option for all families.
Please call 64521431 to arrange a tour of our school.
The Health Care Insurance 321-GO kids’ race will be held at Burnie’s West Park Oval on Sunday October 30 commencing at 11:00am

Loads of incentive prizes on the day including:

WIN a 1 of 3 $100 iTunes cards by signing up a friend* - Engage in healthy participation and sign up a friend who has not participated in the HCI 321-GO kids’ race before and you will go in the draw to win one of three $100 iTunes cards. *Prior entry will be checked.

ADDED BONUS: HEALTH CARE INSURANCE will donate $500 to every school that can reach 50% participation or more of enrolled students.

SPORTFIRST Burnie - The school with the highest participation rate (number of students / schools) will share in $1200 of sporting goods. The top 3 schools within a 25km radius of Burnie and the top 3 outside the 25km radius of Burnie will share the prizes.

Enter on line and be in the random draw for a $300 SPORTFIRST Burnie voucher.

Enter before September 7 and be eligible for the random draw prize of a 3 month family membership to HealthGlo Burnie.

SIX random prize draws each for a new bike and helmet, one for a boy and girl in each of the three age groups kindly donated by Caterpillar.

All 13 year old participants will receive additional appropriate incentive gifts including the chance to win 1 of 2 iPods courtesy of Burnie City Council (1 for girls & 1 for boys).

Entry forms will be available from your school, Health Care Insurance, The Advocate Newspaper, 7BU - 101.7 SeaFM, 7AD - 107.7FM, Burnie City Council, McDonalds Burnie and local sports stores.

Enter online @ www.321go.com.au
Steve Biddulph is a retired psychologist whose talks became world famous for their humour, honesty, and powerful stories. Steve’s books including Raising Girls, and Raising Boys have sold four million copies around the world.

“HAPPY” FAMILIES

Hear Steve talk about how to raise children and teenagers with backbone and heart, using ‘soft’ love and ‘firm’ love. Other topics covered will be an understanding of your parenting style and what might be missing, discipline, and helping your family to slow down and be more connected.

When: Tuesday 11th October
Where: Stanley Town Hall
Time: 6.45pm
Cost: FREE

Back by popular demand!

Manhood

Based on his bestselling book “Manhood”, Steve will discuss what it means to be a whole man and how to make your life more happy and free. It covers healing the past, getting along with women, and much more.

When: Wednesday 12th October
Where: Circular Head Community Recreation Centre, Smithton
Time: 6.45pm
Cost: FREE

*We regret that babies and children cannot be admitted to these events.

For more information contact Rural Health on 6452 1266.