Welcome back to all families, students and staff to the new school year! A special welcome to our gorgeous Kinder students who commence school tomorrow. Welcome also to our new families: Radford, Bramich, Krabbe, Langton, and O’Halloran who have children beginning in other grades.

It was fantastic to see, feel and hear the excitement and enthusiasm of all students and staff today!!

Thank you for preparing your children so well for the start of the year. Thank you also to our dedicated staff who have spent many hours during their holidays preparing classrooms and planning fantastic learning experiences for the children in their grades.

A very warm welcome to our Grade 3 Teacher Miss Kelsey Maher and Kindergarten Teacher Miss Madison Hope. Kelsey and Madison have spent many hours in preparation for the new school year and we are delighted to have them on staff.

ASH WEDNESDAY
Next Wednesday 10th February is Ash Wednesday, which is the beginning of Lent. This is a time for us to prepare for Easter. It is also a time to look for acts of kindness or service to others. Prep to Grade 6 will attend a Prayer Service in the Library at 11:45am.

Each year we have a Fundraiser for Caritas, which is an international aid and development organisation of the Catholic Church in Australia that assists people in poorer countries. Project Compassion boxes will be available in classrooms during Lent. Caritas uses this money to fight poverty and promote

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social justice in vulnerable communities worldwide.
For further information visit http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion

BIRTHDAYS
Birthday wishes to the following staff and students celebrating their birthdays this week and over the holidays: Claire, Logan, Ari, Jayden, Amira, Sophie, Noah, Caitlin, Aidan, Lillyana B, Mackenzie, Jakob D, Ashtyn, Eli, Lydia, Miss McNamara and Mrs Smith.

SUBWAY LUNCHES
Subway will continue to provide lunch this year. This will begin in Week 2 commencing on Thursday 11th February. Subway will collect class orders on Wednesday, ready for Thursday lunches. Subway accept late orders however, they need to be dropped into subway by parents before 10:00am on Thursday.

UNIFORM SHOP
Opening Times for the uniform shop are as follows: Thursday morning 8:15am-9:15am and Friday afternoon 2:45pm-3:30pm. Alison is only available at these times during the day. For out of school times please phone Alison at home.

PARENT INFORMATION EVENINGS
Parent Information Evenings will be held on Monday 15th February and Tuesday 16th February. A letter with further information will be sent home next week.

Monday 15th
6pm Kinder
6:30 Grade 1
7pm Grade 3
7:30 Grade 5

Tuesday 16th
6pm Prep
6:30 Grade 2
7pm Grade 4
7:30 Grade 6

PARENT HELP AND VOLUNTEERS:
We really appreciate the parent help that we receive in classrooms and around the school. If you are able to volunteer you are required by law to have a ‘working with vulnerable people’ card before being permitted to do any parent help. The online application process is available from the following website http://www.justice.tas.gov.au/working.
Parents are also required to ‘sign-in’ at the office when coming in for parent help and must wear a visitor’s badge and their working with vulnerable people card, then ‘sign out’ after parent help.

I encourage you to communicate regularly with your child’s teacher and to feel free to come and speak with me about any concerns that you may be experiencing. We also would love to hear about things we are doing well!

Warm regards

Annette

WYNYARD-SOMERSET TENNIS CLUB INC. - JUNIOR TENNIS

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Our club places a high priority on introducing children (from primary school to U18 years) to tennis and encouraging them to continue on in the sport.
The next junior tennis roster (played on Saturday mornings at the Somerset courts), begins on 6\textsuperscript{th} February and runs for 10 weeks until the end of Term 1.
The roster activities include basic coaching and organized games at all skills levels.
Beginner juniors start at 9:00am. Juniors start at 10:15am.
**Total cost for the whole roster is $20 per child.** Racquets and balls are provided.
The club also offers the following memberships for 2015/16:
- Social member $60
- Junior member (Under 18) $30
- Family membership $150 (up to 2 adults + 3 children)
Anyone wishing to take part in the next junior tennis roster is invited to contact:
*Mitch Martin (Secretary) Ph: 0499 029 919 Email: martin5160@hotmail.com*

**Wynyard Soccer Club**
The Wynyard Soccer Club is seeking a volunteer to take on the role of president which includes liaising between J-League and parents, liaising with Waratah Wynyard Council, forming teams, organising training and club fundraisers.
If you are interested and would like more details please contact Karin Luttmer - karinluttmer@hotmail.com.

**Burnie Concert Band**

**Junior Band Come and Try Day**
Are you 8 years of age or over?
Would you like to try a musical instrument?
Come along to Burnie Concert Band’s Come & Try Day.
Thursday 11\textsuperscript{th} February 2016 at 5pm.
Cooee Memorial Hall
Saundridge Road Cooee

Musical instruments available for use on the day, but if you have your own instrument, bring it along.
For more information, contact David Turner on 6431 6870.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**FEBRUARY**
- Tuesday 9\textsuperscript{th} Shrove Tuesday
- Wednesday 10\textsuperscript{th} Ash Wednesday
- Monday 15\textsuperscript{th} Parent Information Evening
- Tuesday 16\textsuperscript{th} Parent Information Evening
- Wednesday 17\textsuperscript{th} SRC Assembly - 1:45

**MARCH**
- Friday 4\textsuperscript{th} Swimming Carnival (Devonport) Grades 3-6
- Monday 14\textsuperscript{th} Public Holiday
- Monday 21\textsuperscript{st} ‘Getting to know Your Child’ - Parent/Teacher
- Tuesday 22\textsuperscript{nd} ‘Getting to know Your Child’ - Parent/Teacher
- Friday 25\textsuperscript{th} Good Friday
- Wednesday 30\textsuperscript{th} School resumes after the Easter Break

**APRIL**
- Friday 8\textsuperscript{th} End Term One

**NEWSLETTER COMMUNICATION**

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School Newsletter - Weekly on Thursday
PBS Newsletter - Weekly on Monday
Class Curriculum Newsletter - Twice a term

Whilst it is our preference that families receive these electronically, hard copies can be sent home with students.

Forms with a tear off slip to be returned to school will continue to be sent home as a hard copy.

Families that received their newsletters electronically last year need not complete these details.

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FAMILY NAME:

I/We would like a hard copy ☐

OR

Student................................................................. Class......

Student................................................................. Class......

Student................................................................. Class......

Email Address:

Mum

Dad

Grandparent

Other

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St Brigid's Buddies

Birth to 4 Program
St Brigid's Buddies is a structured program focusing on early years learning and development, including sensory play, movement, social and emotional wellbeing with a literacy focus. This is a learning opportunity, not only for children, but for parents to socialise in a relaxed and fun environment.

*Please phone 6442 2167 for further details*

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| **Week 3** | Monday 15th February 2016  
9:30am  
*Let's go camping!* |
| **Week 4** | Monday 22nd February 2016  
9 - 10:30am  
*Water & beach play* |
| **Week 5** | Monday 29th February 2016  
9 -10:30am  
*Caring for our environment* |
| **Week 6** | Monday 7th March 2016  
9-10:30am  
*Obstacle course* |
| **Week 7** |  
*Public Holiday - Eight Hours Day* |
| **Week 8** | Monday 21st March 2016  
9 -10:30am  
*Nan or Pop Day - You’re the Teacher* |
| **Week 9** |  
*Easter Monday* |
| **Week 10** | Monday 4th April 2016  
9-10:30am  
*Let's look at seasonal change* |

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