Showcasing Launching into Learning

At Mowbray Heights Primary School we offer Early Years programs to support families and young children’s learning prior to Kindergarten. These programs are funded through the Department of Education’s Launching into Learning Program. Launching into Learning is based on the belief that parents are their child’s first, ongoing and often most influential teachers. During our sessions school staff and families work together to give children the best start.

The Early Years Learning Framework guides us in the ways in which we work with young children. Our aim is for every child to experience a genuine sense of belonging; to have time and space to be themselves; and be supported in who they are becoming. Our goal is to support the growth of the whole child, including social and emotional development and early literacy and numeracy.

Children’s experiences in the earliest years of their life are critical to their ongoing development. These experiences have a significant impact on their future achievements at school and the extent to which they are able to take advantage of opportunities later in life. We know that support and intervention before children begin school is likely to be more effective in achieving success than trying to do things to help children ‘catch up’ once they are at school.

At Launching into Learning you will see Teachers, Teacher Assistants, parents and children playing and learning alongside each other, and having fun through a range of play experiences. At Mowbray Heights we offer Baby Playgroup, Playgroup, Pre-Kindergarten sessions, Beat and Bop, and Kindy Gym.

We invite participation from all families with young children and look forward to working together and developing successful partnerships which will last the entirety of their years at primary school. Please refer to Page 4 of this newsletter for session times.

Sharon
### Diary

**Thurs 4th Aug**
P & C Meeting 7.30 pm

**Thurs 4th Aug**
Whole School Assembly 2.05 pm (PAC)

**Fri 5th Aug**
Brooks High Transition Visit

**Mon 8th Aug**
EAL Parent Meeting 2.00 pm (PAC)

**Tues 9th Aug**
SRC Jeans for Genes Day

**Tues 9th Aug**
Kindergarten A, B, C Home Reading
  Afternoon Tea 2.20 pm

**Tues 9th Aug**
Family Outreach activities 3.00 pm

**Thurs 11th Aug**
Early Childhood Assembly 2.10 pm

**Tues 16th Aug**
Science Expo in PAC 9.30 am - 4.00 pm

**Tues 16th Aug**
Breakfast Club Cancelled today

**Tues 23rd Aug**
Book Week Dress Up Day

### Science Expo

On Tuesday the 16th of August we will be holding a Science Expo as part of National Science Week. The theme is drones, droids and robots. We will have lots of hands-on Science experiments as well as many other activities to explore.

This Expo will be held in the PAC from 9:30 am until 4:00 pm. Students will visit with their classes during the day. Parents are most welcome to attend during the school day or come along with your children after school.

*Claire Ashman and Julie McKenzie  
Science Co-ordinators*

### Breakfast Club & After School Care

**Breakfast Club & After School Care**

Due to the Science Expo being held in the PAC on 16th August, there will be changes to Breakfast Club and After School Care on that day.

Breakfast Club will be **cancelled** and After School Care will be **moved** to the GP Room.

### Student Awards

**Merit Certificates:** Last week’s EC winners were - Akash Acharya, Matilda Schenk, Lincon Badcock, Jett Maynard, Nathan Thompson, Nadia Hatmantari, Erin Leedham, Lily Lanham, Sophie Foon-Nibbs, David Hall, Aman-Ali Nor, Adren Baliaosamang, Corin Williams, Madee Spencer, Arpana Rai, Moaad Alenezi, Rylee Perkins and Bridie Pyke.

### Premier’s Reading Challenge 2016

**Premier’s Reading Challenge finishes on Tuesday 23rd August.**

Students who have already read 10 books can return their log to Mrs Tolputt or Mrs Morgan in the Library.

All completed reading logs **must** be received by Friday 26th August so that certificates can be arranged.

*Janah Williams & Jill Merrington*

### EAL Parent Meeting - Monday 8th August

**Where:** In the PAC  
**When:** 2.00 pm - 3.00 pm

The School Nurse, Jenna Bayes, will be talking about Nutrition and providing information about Healthy Eating. Interpreters will be there to help. We hope to see you there.

*Denise Coyne and Lisa King  
EAL Teachers*

### Transition to Brooks High School

In 2016 every Year 6 student attending Brooks in 2017 will have the opportunity to spend time at the Brooks site, being supported by a Grade 8 Peer Support Mentor, who will then be available for further support to students in 2017.

On Fridays this term, students will visit Brooks High School in small groups. Students spend almost the whole day with their Grade 8 Peer Support person, attending their classes and experiencing a little of what life is like at a secondary school.

A member of the Leadership Team (Mr Smyth, Mrs Wright, Mrs Baker, Miss Bird and Mrs Symes) will transport students to and from Brooks High School in their car.

If families are at all concerned about the transport arrangements please contact Mrs Wright on 6326 1892.

### Important Dates for your Diary

**Mon 12th Dec** - Leaver’s Dinner 6.00 pm

**Mon 19th Dec** - Early Childhood End of Year Assembly 1.30 pm

**Tues 20th Dec** - Primary End of Year Assembly 9.00 am

### Dollarmite Award

Last week’s winner was - Hana Moore from Prep Adams.

### LSSSA 5/6 Sport - Friday 5th August

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Registration to Work with Vulnerable People

If you volunteer at this school, you will be required to register for “Registration to Work with Vulnerable People”. This will be mandatory by 1 September 2016. In July 2014 the Registration to Work with Vulnerable People Act 2013 commenced in Tasmania. This registration aims to significantly improve safeguards to help keep children safe from harm.

Under the new legislation:

Employees and volunteers must apply for their own Working with Vulnerable People Registration (RWVP) once every three years.

Employers can check a person is registered using the Tasmanian Department of Justice (DoJ) website at http://www.justice.tas.gov.au/working_with_children.

The same RWVP will apply to everyone – employees, self-employed people and volunteers.

There are two forms of Registration, they are Volunteer Class and Employment/Volunteer class registration. This second class allows a person to both work and volunteer with children.

Everyone with registration will be continuously monitored for serious offences.

It is extremely important that staff and volunteers are registered and that their school or business unit is recorded against the registrant. This information is used to communicate decisions about the suitability of people to work with children. This information can be checked and recorded using the DoJ website using the registrant’s registration number and surname.

HOW DO I APPLY FOR RWVP?

Complete the online application form. This is available from the website: http://www.justice.tas.gov.au/working_with_children.

It is critical that you choose Department of Education from the drop down box.

DO NOT PAY Print the ‘application receipt’ which is generated when the application has been completed in full (if you do not have access to a printer, record the reference number and take that to a Service Tasmania Shop). Take the ‘application receipt’ to a Service Tasmania Shop, have your photo taken and have your identity confirmed. You will need to satisfy the identity requirements. A driver’s licence will do this if it displays your correct name and address. Advise the staff that you are a volunteer with DoE and ask for a deferred payment. DO NOT PAY. The bill will be sent to the DoE.

The Tasmanian Department of Justice will assess and process applications and issue the Assessment Notice and Working with Vulnerable People Registration card directly to the applicant.

Generally applicants will receive their results within six weeks of completing the application process. There may be delays, however, depending on the applicant’s personal information.

P&C Raffle Fundraiser

This Fundraiser is usually our biggest for the year. Funds from last year went towards Christmas Craft for each class, the icy poles and BBQs to celebrate the end of the 2015 school year, and for many other student orientated activities.

Are you able to help with donations of prizes for the raffle? Do you have a workplace who would be willing to donate a prize? We are desperately short of Fundraising volunteers so if you can help out in any way please contact Tanya Niekamp, in person or phone the school on 6326 1892 and leave a message.

Fundraising Committee

Jeans for Genes Day

On Tuesday the 9th of August the SRC invite all students and staff to wear their jeans and denim clothes to school and bring a gold coin donation to support the Children’s Medical Research Institute.

SRC Executive Committee

NORTHERN SUBURBS
COMMUNITY CENTRE

Presents

Family Outreach
Tuesday afternoon 9th August, 2016
At Mowbray Heights Primary School
Join us for
Free games and activities
Tea, coffee & fruit provided
Times are 3.00 pm to 4.30 pm
Cadorna Street entrance

All children are to attend with a parent or carer

In event of rain activities will be cancelled.

Come along and grab some information.
We can fill you in on what’s happening in your community.
2016 Primary Schools Regional Basketball Tournament

Year 3/4 Boys and Girls  Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th October
Year 5/6 Boys and Girls  Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd October

Our school would like to once again enter this competition. To do so we require coaches and team managers for our four teams:
- Junior Boys (Year 3 & 4 students)
- Junior Girls (Year 3 & 4 students)
- Senior Boys (Year 5 & 6 students)
- Senior Girls (Year 5 & 6 students)

If anyone is interested please let me know as soon as possible so that we can register our school, organise teams, provide information to families, and get our training underway.

Let’s go Mowbray!  Mrs Symes

Launching into Learning Session Times

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Uniform Sales

Due to unforeseen circumstances, there will be no Uniform Sales on THURSDAY this week. Sales will continue be held on Tuesdays at 9.00 am.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

Jenny Broad

Children’s Art

Using the artistic style of the artist Leonid Afremoz the students in Grade 5-6 Geale experimented with using a palette knife to create the ‘Eiffel Tower’ at night. Below are two examples of this created by Amie Broad and Mana Hung Le.

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