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#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members

Welcome to the 2024 school year. Our start to this year at Campbell Town is the most settled, orderly and productive that I have been a part of in my career in schools. I am very grateful to the staff for the time and effort they have put into preparing classrooms, grounds, learning materials and lessons to enable this outstanding beginning to the year.

The addition of a class in the primary sector has reduced class sizes and increased the support available to students to improve their learning. We have established a new Year 9/10 area in the rooms where the library was previously located and the library has returned to its previous location in the centre of the school.

We are pleased to announce that building on our new Agriculture facility will commence at the end of this month. The building is scheduled to be completed by the end of this year and will support programs in agriculture and food and fibre across all grades.

We are delighted to welcome Ms Halana Knowles to our team as K-6 AST. Halana replaces Mrs Unsworth who has moved into our Quality Teaching Lead position for 2024. Halana brings extensive teaching and leadership experience to this position. She has particular expertise in Early Childhood Education, LiL and Pre-Kinder programs. Halana will commence in her role this Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February.

Thank you to parents who have supported our focus on road safety for students around our school. We had witnessed unsafe behaviour by students crossing Bridge Street, including failing to use the pedestrian crossing. Please continue to remind your children about the importance of using the crossing and stopping to look both ways for cars.

We are really excited about the development of Outdoor Education programs in the secondary school. Mr Martin and Mrs Lowe have commenced teaching the skills needed for students to participate safely and successfully and planned a series of exciting excursions to challenge and engage our students. We will be announcing camps dates and locations for upper primary and secondary students shortly. The aim of our camps is to develop a sense of community, resilience and pride in achievement. With similar goals in mind, our secondary students attended seminars in study skills this week. Skills developed included time management, reading texts for understanding and note taking.

NAPLAN testing commences on for Year 3, 5 7 and 9 students on March 13. Our staff will support students to prepare by orienting them to the test format and developing skills in comprehension and responding to questions. If you wish to support your child to practice at home, you can access practice questions on the NAPLAN public demonstration site. NAP - Public demonstration site

We have started the year with excellent attendance in all grades, every school day is vital and it is important that students attend each day unless they are unwell.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your child's education, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind Regards

Mike

#### **EVERY SCHOOL DAY MATTERS**

Welcome back! Let's make every day count.

Here we go, another exciting school year ahead! We hope you enjoyed your holidays.

By showing up to school every day, your child will have the best opportunity at a bright future. It gives them every chance to be around friends, learn new things, and find interests.

Good attendance habits can sometimes be hard to stick. But creating a solid routine, from the start of Term 1, can set your child up for success for the year ahead.

If you are looking for tips on how to create better attendance habits, visit the Anything can happen website.

Please always talk to us if you are having trouble getting your child to school. We are here to help.

#### SAFEGUARDING LEAD





Campbell Town DHS has recently appointed Nic Bowerman as our Safeguarding Lead.

Safeguarding Leads have been appointed in all Tasmanian state schools to help ensure all children and young people in Tasmania are known, safe, well and learning.

Nic will support the wellbeing of all our students and help us all understand that keeping children and young people safe is everyone's responsibility.

For further information on Safeguarding in Schools please click here

# SAFEGUARDING TRAINING IN OUR SCHOOLS

We all have a role to play in keeping children and young people safe.

This year, there is important training that anyone who works with children or young people must complete. This includes all our volunteers, including parent help, and service providers.

The training is compulsory under new laws designed to better safeguard children and young people in Tasmania.

It will help you understand what to do if you believe a child or young person is or may be being harmed, and to make sure you are doing all you can to prevent this from happening. The training will also tell you what you must report under the new laws.

This simple, online training must be done as soon as possible, and you will need to complete it before you work with any children and young people this year.

Once completed, you will receive a certificate, which you can save to be presented to the office when signing in.

To complete your training, simply visit Safeguarding Training.

Thank you for leading the way in caring for our children and young people safe so that they can focus on living bright lives with positive futures.

Nic Bowerman

Safeguarding Lead

## SCHOOL ASSOCATION

## School Association - 2024 Nomination Form Did you know? All parents of children enrolled at CTDHS and all staff, as well as some member of our community are members of the CTDHS School Association which works closely with the Principal and Student Leaders on the management of the school. A committee of representatives meets once per term to discuss policies, strategies, performance, and all sorts of other relevant issues Every year we need our members to nominate representatives for this committee. Terms of Office are 2 years after which committee members can choose to retire or be re-nominated. If you feel motivated to carry the voice of your peers and participate in the decision-making process, please join us in helping this school provide the best education for our children! ons are now open for parent, staff and community members on the form below. They must be made by two individuals coming from different families and endorsed by the nomine Nominations forms must be received at the School Office by Friday 16 February 2024 at Campbell Town District High School School Association Nomination Form 2024 Parent representative Community representative to the CTDHS School Association Committee. Please return this form to the school office by 4.00pm on Friday 16 February 2024. Forms can be delivered in person, by post or via email to lucy.powell@decyp.tas.gov.au

#### PARENTS AND FRIENDS



Our Parents and Friends committee are looking for volunteers. If you would like to get involved and assist with fundraising events please contact Lucy Powell via the school office.

### LIBRARY BAGS



Please remember to pack your child's library bag on their return to school.

Waterproof library bags are preferred and are available for purchase from the school office for \$10.00. Kinder students are provided with a bag.

#### COMMUNITY NOTICES

CAMPERVAN & MOTORHOME CLUB of AUSTRALIA (CMCA)



## MARKET & OPEN DAY Sunday, 25 February

at CAMPBELL TOWN SHOWGROUND



Once again Campbell Town will be welcoming around 200 motorhomes and caravans to the showground for the club's annual rally.

It's on again 22-27 February, with vans arriving from 20 February and many staying in the region for longer. This event is good for the local economy, attracting not just Tasmanians, but visitors from the big island also.

The 'Market/Open Day' is an opportunity for the public to come and visit us to find out more about van life and vans. Visitors can register to have a table at the market or just come to enjoy all that the market offers. There will be tables at the market focussing on items for vans. As well as stalls, Perth Lions Club will have a BBQ along with a coffee van, ice cream van and donut van. The West Tamar Band will also be playing.

If you would like to set up a stall to **sell your home-made products** (please, no *bric-a-brac*) **contact Jan** by <u>email</u>: cyoukee@yahoo.com.au or by <u>text</u> to mobile 0400 589 936 to **make a table booking**.





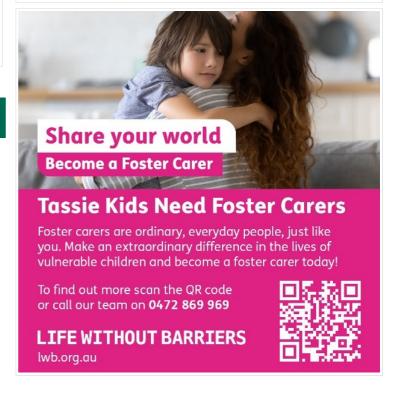












#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### 2024 TERM DATES

Term 1: Thursday 8 February to Friday 12 April

(Thursday 28 March 11/12 Moderation Day)

(Easter Break Friday 29 March to Tuesday 2 April)

Term 2: Monday 29 April to Friday 5 July

(Friday 7 June Kinder to Grade 10 Student Free Day, 11/12 students attend classes as normal)

Term 3: Monday 22 July to Friday 27 September

(Friday 6 September 11/12 Moderation Day)

Term 4: Monday 14 October to Thursday 19 December

(Friday 1 November Kinder to Grade 10 Student Free Day, 11/12 students attend classes as normal)

"Togeth	er we will achieve"		Calendar Term 1 2024	
Week 2 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	14th Feb	15th Feb	16 <sup>th</sup> Feb
	11/12 Ag excursion - Riccarton, Campbell Town		11/12 Art excursion to	11/12 Ag excursion - Fairfield, Epping Forest School Association nomination forms du
Week 3 19th Feb	20th Feb	21" Feb	22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb
Week 4	27th Feb	28th Feb	29 <sup>th</sup> Feb	1 <sup>st</sup> Mar
26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	11/12 Ag excursion - Purefoods, Longford and Kings Meadows sorting facility School Swimming	Public Holiday- Launceston Cup		Swimming Carnival Back Up Day
Week 5 4th Mar	Carnival 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	6th Mar	7th Mar	8th Mar
School Association AGM - 9.00am Week 6 11th Mar	12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	14th Mar	15 <sup>th</sup> Mar
Public Holiday - Eight Hour Day	11/12 Ag excursion - Powranna Saleyards and Feedlot	NAPLAN	NAPLAN	NAPLAN
Week 7 18 <sup>th</sup> Mar	19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	20th Mar	21 <sup>st</sup> Mar	22 <sup>rd</sup> Mar
NAPLAN	NAPLAN	NAPLAN	NAPLAN	NAPLAN
Week 8 25th Mar	26th Mar	27th Mar	28th Mar	29th Mar
25" MOF	11/12 Ag excursion - Watering Downs, Relbia		Year 11/12 students - Moderation Day	Public Holiday - Good Friday
Week 9 1" Apr	2 <sup>nd</sup> Apr	3 <sup>rd</sup> Apr	4 <sup>th</sup> Apr	5 <sup>th</sup> Apr
Public Holiday - Easter Monday	Public Holiday - Easter Tuesday			
Week 10 8 <sup>th</sup> Apr	9 <sup>th</sup> Apr	10th Apr	11 <sup>th</sup> Apr	12th Apr
				Last Day of Term 1