



5th November 2020

Principal's Report

Farewell Senior Secondary Students

This week we farewell our 2020 Senior Secondary students. Once again I have been impressed by the growth in maturity and focus of this group. In a year that delivered many challenges and much uncertainty, our Senior Secondary students should be proud of the resilience and commitment to learning that they have shown. Whilst we look forward to continuing to work with many of these students next year in Grade 12, we wish our Grade 12 and Grade 13 students all the best on their next journey.

Athletics Carnival

Last week we held our annual Athletics Carnival – what a pleasure it was. Our student participation continues to grow – it really was a great two days. The competitive efforts of our many talented athletes was great to see across all grades – many of our students set personal goals to improve their own performance which provided some great results on the track. Whilst athletics is not the strength of all students, I appreciated seeing all students who attended enjoying the events and brining a great atmosphere to the day – well done. Once again our Early Childhood students stole the show – gee do they draw a crowd! Thanks again to parents for supporting this event and following our COVID requirements, it is greatly appreciated.

Learning

Being at school and ready to learn is critical for all students across our school. Learning can be tough and draining work. To ensure all students achieve their best, there are some things parents can do to set their children up for success.

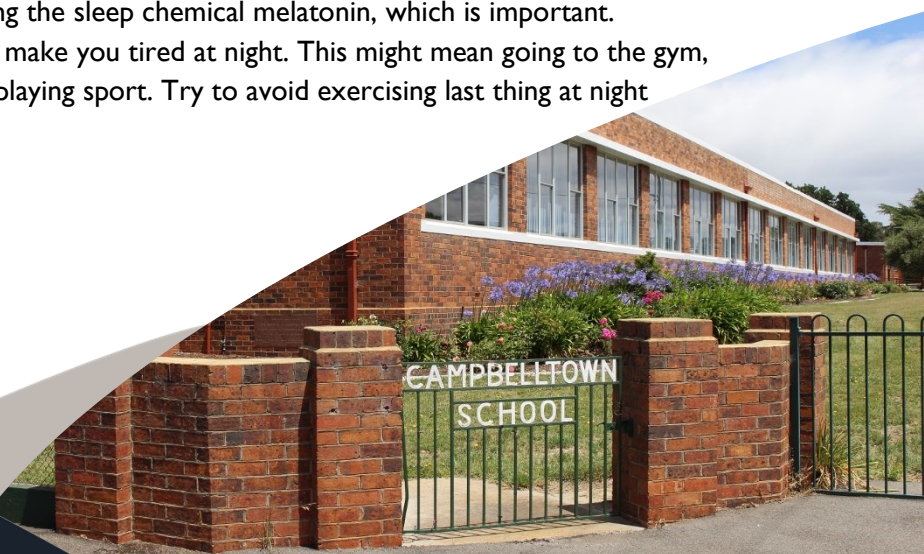
-Healthy and nutritious food is key. Ensuring your child eats healthy food throughout the day helps to support our brains for learning. To support this we have Breakfast Club, Fruit Break, Recess and Lunch to enable students to refuel. Ensuring your child has healthy options for each of these breaks will help them perform at their best for the entire day. Checking in on what your children have packed, or ordering lunch through the Qkr App can assist you in monitoring this. If you are looking for ideas or inspiration for a healthy lunch box, this site will help: https://www.health.tas.gov.au/healthykids/early_childhood/lunch_boxes

-Good sleep habits have been shown to improve mood, concentration and performance at school or work.

You can help your children get a better nights sleep with these few tips:

- Aim to get to bed and wake up around the same time each day, including on the weekend. This helps your body to get into a routine.
- Turn off your screens (such as your phone, TV and laptop) at least 30 minutes before bed-time. The light from screens can stop your brain producing the sleep chemical melatonin, which is important.
- Exercising during the day is a good way to make you tired at night. This might mean going to the gym, walking around the block at lunchtime or playing sport. Try to avoid exercising last thing at night though, as this can keep you awake.

Cindy Johnston - Principal



STAS

The Department of Education recently announced that we would be expanding the Student Assistance Scheme for 2021.

Parents who have a current concession card as listed below can apply for dependent students for assistance under the STAS:

- Services Australia – Centrelink Health Care Card
- Service Australia – Centrelink Low Income Health Care Card
- Services Australia – Pensioner Concession Card or
- Department of Veteran Affairs – Pensioner Concession Card.

Please note that if you are already receiving student assistance you do not need to complete a form.

For 2021 a new on-line form has been developed to assist with processing applications for new applicants.

The online form can be completed here: <https://stasonlinesubmission.education.tas.gov.au/>
The form will be available for public use from the 10 November.

Once a validated form is completed the Department of Education will confirm the outcome of your application in writing, this process takes approximately 14 days.

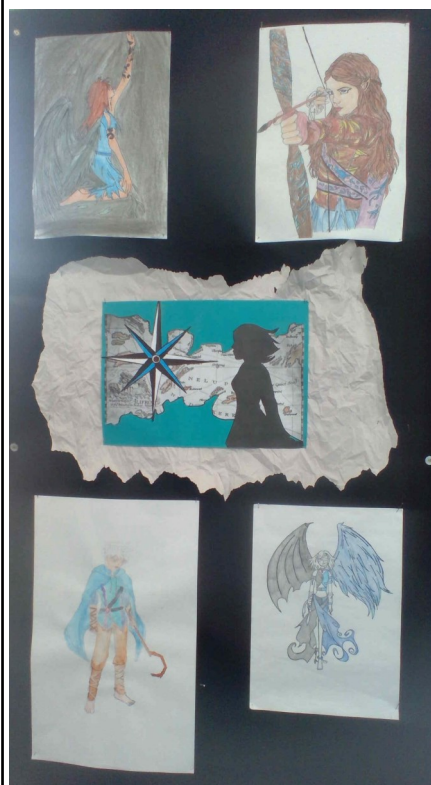
We understand this online option may not be possible for all families, so if you require a hard copy form please contact your school or the Financial Assistance Unit on stas@education.tas.gov.au or 1800 827 077.

Department of Education



Grade 11-13 Last Week!!!

This week sees our Senior Secondary students wrap up their studies for the year. They have all been busily completing assignments for all their courses and are looking forward to the end of the week. On Thursday night they will celebrate as a group with a dinner at Hogs Breath in Launceston. We wish our two departing students, Abigail and Ethan all the best for whatever adventure comes next and look forward to seeing our returning students in February for the 2021 school year. Julie Howard - AST



Animal Studies Report



A big thank you to our local community for the support they have shown our Animal Studies class by lending animals, whether it be for a day or several weeks. We have had Fletcher, the Golden Retriever, thanks Sharon and Barney, the white Suffolk lamb, thanks Alison. Thanks to all who have assisted in feeding Barney throughout the week and weekends, especially childcare who did the late evening feed.

Patrick and Sponge Bob proved very popular across the school. These rats were kindly lent to us by Adam Booth and they entertained many students. A very big

thank you to Adam, and anyone wishing to get pet rats (Christmas isn't far away), please give Adam a call on 0424 878517.



Thanks to Candice for taking the rabbits home during the holidays and looking after them. This was very much appreciated.



Students visited Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary at the end of last term. They had the opportunity to learn about caring for native animals and how some of the animals can't be released back into the wild. Students kindly volunteered their afternoon to assist in cleaning up the feed and storage area. It was an amazing learning experience as they saw meals being prepared with a vast variety of things, from fresh fruit & vegetable, to meat for carnivores.

For their final week, students will be learning about bandaging animal paws and washing dogs. A busy week as they rush to complete assessments for units.

Jill Bennett - VET Co-Ordinator

CRAZY HAIR DAY

WEAR YOUR HAIR IN A CRAZY STYLE



OR COLOUR!



FRIDAY, 20TH OF NOVEMBER

NO DONATION REQUIRED

LI Drivers Test



On the 22nd October, Michelle Walker from Library Tasmania came to school to conduct licence testing for those students who were ready to sit their LI test. We are pleased to say that all students who sat the test, gained their LI licence. On behalf of all the students involved, I would like to sincerely thank Michelle for coming to our school to conduct these tests. I witnessed lots of smiles, fist pumps and sighs of relief as students emerged from their test!!

Julie Howard - AST

Uniform Wanted

We are desperate for 2nd hand clothing for our first aid room.

All sizes needed please. Donations can be dropped at the school office.





Campbell Town Pedestrian Underpass

Calendar Term 4 2020

4	<u>2nd November</u> - Public Holiday	<u>3rd November</u> - Newstead College Enrolments	<u>4th November</u> - Big Biodiversity Day - 9/10B at Ross	<u>5th November</u> - 11/12 Dinner Hogs Breath - Kinder Wallaby Walkabout Excursion to The Gorge	<u>6th November</u>
5	<u>9th November</u>	<u>10th November</u> - 4/5 Hollybank Excursion - RACT Driving Lessons	<u>11th November</u>	<u>12th November</u> - Driver Distraction Day - Grade 10's - Keys2drive info session 5.00pm 11/12 room - Secondary Assembly	<u>13th November</u> - K to 2 Assembly
6	<u>16th November</u>	<u>17th November</u> - Campbell Town DHS 11/12 Enrolment Day	<u>18th November</u> - Grade 6 Excursion to Woodfield	<u>19th November</u> - Secondary Inter High Athletics Carnival - St Leonards - Infant Fun Day Kinder to Gr 2 - Longford Primary	<u>20th November</u> - Crazy Hair Day
7	<u>23rd November</u> - NMPSSA Country Gold Cricket Carnival - 9/10H Excursion to the Museum and Planetarium	<u>24th November</u> - NMPSSA Country Gold Cricket Carnival - RACT Driving Lessons	<u>25th November</u>	<u>26th November</u> - 7/8 Museum and Gorge Excursion	<u>27th November</u> - P/IB Swansea Excursion

Term Dates 2020

Term 4 - Monday 12th October to Thursday 17th December

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