Principal’s Message

Last Friday we held this year’s Surf carnival. It was an outstanding success with the best participation and the lowest absence rate in years. Congratulations to all students who participated and assisted, and to Mr Hampton and Mr Pieremont for their organisation. The weather and tide were just right for the day.

This week we have held our first social for the year. Students get an invitation to attend socials through meeting work and behavioural expectations. If students wear full uniform, attend on time every day, complete work to the best of their ability and follow our DR BAT values then an invitation is extended to them. This is an extra activity for staff, who give their time voluntarily. I appreciate very much their extra efforts to support this event for students.

I am pleased to report that Wynyard High attendance is well above last year’s rates. Please ensure your child gets to school every day – unless they are unwell. Contact the school office in this case.

Over the next few weeks the Wynyard Council will be at school surveying students to gain information for their 2040 vision planning. Please talk with your child about what you would like Wynyard to look like at that time. What industries do you think would be a natural fit with Wynyard, how could we ensure there are opportunities for all people in Wynyard?

There has been plenty of talk about the merits of year 11/12 education being added to 7-10 schools. We have discussed this and feel more discussion is needed to establish the educational benefit for students remaining at Wynyard for years 11/12, given the excellent facilities and specialised nature of many of the courses currently offered at Hellyer College. We would not be able to provide a broad range of options, nor would we be staffed or resourced in a way that would allow a successful broad 11/12 program to operate. However, the School Association will discuss this during the year.

A reminder of the School Association AGM at 7pm sharp on 22 March. I invite any interested parents to attend. A reminder to parents that nominations are being called for parent and two community representatives. If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact the office. Meetings take an hour and a half.

This week the first of the student reports is sent home. This report is designed to inform you how your child has started the year. This report contains information on effort, attitude and behaviour in class. There will be an opportunity for parents to meet with teachers on Wednesday 16 March from 3pm – 7pm. Please take the opportunity to meet with as many of your child’s teachers as possible on the evening. Some possible questions you can ask are:

- What is my child currently learning about?
- Is my child making good use of his/her time?
- Is the work appropriate to my child’s ability levels?
- How do you know what standard my child is capable of working at?
- Are you setting homework?
- What can I do to support my child’s learning?

I look forward to seeing you there.

Alex Downes
PRINCIPAL
**Mouthguard Awareness**

Now school has started and the sports season is upon us, did you know, only 36% of children aged 5-17 years wear a mouth guard during games? Sporting accidents are one of the most common causes of dental injuries and properly diagnosed, designed and custom made mouthguards are essential in the prevention of oral and facial trauma.

Children under 18yrs who do not have a healthcare card are ineligible to receive a custom made mouthguard in the public dental system. Fees are dependent on type of sport played and a rebate may be claimable on dental extras if you have private health insurance. There are prizes to give away and a chance to win a school/club sponsorship!

We can arrange an appointment to suit your busy schedule, before or after school, with the convenience of two clinics on the northwest coast. Please call our friendly receptionists:

Burnie: 03 6431 3111 or Wynyard: 03 6442 1200

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**WHS SOCCER**

We are currently seeking interested people to coach our school soccer teams. The roster commences in term 2. Games generally start at 3:30 and will be on a Monday or Tuesday. The season will only run in term two, with each team playing around 8 games. We are also looking for people to referee our home games (each team has 4 home games).

If you have the necessary skills and time for this role, please contact the school on 6442 2385 or email Mr Pieremont at luke.pieremont@education.tas.gov.au.

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**SCHOOL PHOTO UPDATE**

Leading Image from Hobart visited our school recently and photographed our students both individually and in class groups. SEC, Peer Support, House Captains, Singing group and the Grade 10 year group were also photographed. The photographers, Andrew and Jeff commented once again on how well behaved our students are, and what a pleasure it is to visit our school. Our photos are currently being processed and will be here within the next couple of weeks. If you missed out on ordering don’t worry….you will be given a second chance. Your child will bring home a personalised photo form, from which you can place an order directly through Leading Image.

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**STUDENT REPORTS**

Student progress reports have been posted home. This report is a progress report against some key work elements. This report does not contain ratings against the Australian Curriculum, it simply explains how your child has settled into the school year.

Formal parent-teacher meetings will take place on Wednesday 16 March from 3.00pm—7.00pm. These meetings are for a ten minute duration only, allowing teachers the opportunity to speak with as many parents as possible.

If you would like to arrange appointments to see any of the teachers please contact the school office on 64422385.

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COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

We have introduced three Community notice boards at school—one in the Library Office Foyer and the Western student entrance. This information can also be found on the WHS Internet Page—click on the Community Notice Board. Tab and attached you will find all the community notices we have received. Unfortunately some weeks we simply do not have the room to publish all notices, yet understand the importance that you have access to this information.

Penguin District High School—Asian Flavours
Encore Performing Arts—Class Timetable
Female Football Week 8-14 March
Write a Book in a Day Competition
Somerset Soccer Club—females
NW Umpires Association
Burnie Concert Band—Junior
Mouthguard Awareness Month
Co-Pilots Mentor Program
Rhee TaeKwon-Do
Guitar Lessons
Wynyard Baptist Youth Group Car Wash

ART UPDATE

These are surreal faces where the student had to draw by touch. It also provided them with some colour theory.

Artists Top Row Left to Right—Brodie Walsh, Mya Shrowder, Layla Wilson
Bottom Row left to Right—Sky Miller, Indianna Walker
Our annual Surf Carnival took place at Boat Harbour beach on Friday the 4th of March, in glorious conditions. The beach and surrounding area came alive with the colour and enthusiasm as the competition took place. Two hundred plus students chose to make the most of our first whole school carnival for the year. Students are to be congratulated on the way in which they supported each other throughout the day. Many thanks must be extended to the numerous members of the Boat Harbour Beach Surf Lifesaving Club and volunteers who gave up their time to help the day run smoothly. Participation levels were high in all events across all grade groups. This year’s Surf Carnival champions are listed below, along with the house points.

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1st Gibbons
1884 points

2nd Austin
1608 points

3rd Jenner
1519 points
and more......
Wynyard High School Skoolbag App

Our school has our own Skoolbag iPhone and Android App to help us communicate more effectively with our Parent/Carer community. We are asking parents/carers to install our Skoolbag School App. To install it, just search for our school name "Wynyard High School" in either the Apple App Store, or Google Play Store.

Co-Pilots

Reaching new heights in community learning

Volunteer Mentors Required

Co-Pilots is a community-mentoring program commencing soon in the Wynyard area. It aims to encourage young people to develop skills and confidence and to find new pathways to learning and work. Co-Pilots links a young person with an adult volunteer to plan and work together on a two-month project that has a community focus.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST are invited from adults who would like to be mentors for 12-16 year olds in the Co-Pilots program. Mentors from a range of backgrounds are welcome and no previous experience is required. The commitment involves free training and at least 16 hours contact time with a young person over a two month period, that is, 2 hours per week over eight weeks. Please consider this as you could make a real difference in someone’s life.

For details contact Peter Massey on 64422385(BH), Mob:0408351388 or Email: peter.massey@education.tas.gov.au by Wednesday the 23rd of March, 2016

Student Absence Text Line:
If your child is absent, please text with name & reason to: 0400 516 328

If you would like to receive the School Newsletter by email please fill in the attached form and return to the school office or email details to wynyard.high@education.tas.gov.au

Name………………………………………………………………………………
Email Address……………………………………………………………………
Child’s Name……………………………………………………………………
Contact Number………………………………………………………………

DR BAT

Our expectations, which apply to all students and all staff in all settings, are that each of us will:

- Do our best
- Respect people and property
- Be Fair
- Act responsibly
- Think and act safely

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