Hello Staff, Parents, Carers and friends,

This last fortnight has been quite hectic with prospective parents and carers contacting the school’s two main campuses to arrange visits to observe specific class groups in readiness for possible new student enrolments in 2015.

Pre-Kinder Orientation Group

Mrs Allison Hardstaff has commenced to meet with parents and carers of several students who will be kinder enrolments in 2015. She is offering a parent and child session on Friday mornings in the Mooreville Rd gym. This is a great initiative for both parents and new students to become familiar with our school setting. Staff members also begin to build trust relationships which support a smooth transition to coming to school. At this stage, it is likely that SOSE Burnie will be enrolling seven children into Kinder in 2015!

“Dusty and Friends” Country and Western Fundraiser

I am very pleased to report that $800 was presented to me at the end of an enjoyable afternoon’s entertainment on Sunday, 10th August at the Penguin Golf and Sport’s Clubrooms. ‘Slim Dusty’ favourites and original songs written and performed by the musicians filled the entire afternoon’s concert. There were lots of prizes which were raffled in segments throughout the program. The audience joined in to wish Dusty Winwood a very happy 80th Birthday!

Two Proxpads have been recently ordered! We look forward to trialling this new technology with individual students under the guidance of Felicity Lovatt (Speech Therapist) who has returned from Maternity leave and is servicing students at D’port SOSE on Mondays and Burnie SOSE on Wednesdays.

Condolences

Many parents and carers will have been informed already that our SOSE Burnie bus aide, Sharon Hingston who supports students on Garry’s bus has experienced bereavement this week. Sharon’s daughter, Nicolle passed away last Saturday. Nicolle was a Penguin High student who had suffered a health issue for several years. Our thoughts are with Sharon, her husband David and younger daughter at this very sad time.
Reminders

Parent-Teacher Conferencing
It has been pleasing to welcome parents and carers into the school to discuss each student’s progress, share information and to negotiate new learning goals. If you have not yet made an appointment with your child’s teacher/s then please ring up or write a note in your child’s communication book to make a suitable time and day for a get together.
If you are unable to attend before the last day, 29th August please negotiate another date with your child’s teacher.

Whole School Disco
This is a last minute reminder! The theme for the disco is ‘Puppet Characters’. The date is Wednesday, 20th August. We would like to see all students and staff dressed in a special costume for this annual event!
We wish Mrs Lindy Parker and her husband Rodney a relaxing holiday in Fiji as she takes a fortnight’s Long Service Leave.

Kind regards,

Grace

Sophie has been practicing her letter writing and drawing skills. Keep up the great work Sophie.