Hello Staff, Parents, Carers and friends,
Term 4 has commenced well with staff members and students settling into the daily routines and timetable of programs and events with enthusiasm. We already have a series of dates in place on the term calendar and we are being especially vigilant with collaborative discussion to ensure all activities and events are organised well in advance. Term 4 is very busy!

‘The Arts’ Camp
Permission slips and information were sent home for parents and carers to read and return a signed form before the term holiday. Unfortunately, there are many parents/carers who have not yet returned the signed form! If you have lost the form, please let us know and the office will include a new form in your child’s communication book. For those students staying overnight an additional form will be sent home soon.
This year we have planned prior to the camp a series of opportunities for students to work alongside the artists who will participate in the workshops from Wednesday 12th November through to Friday, 14th November at Camp Clayton. Evelyn Antonysen has commenced working individually with students accompanied by teacher aides in the kitchen at the Devonport Campus whilst Jan Marinos is utilising the kitchen at the Acton hub to develop fine painting skills on special paper with individual students. These introductory painting and design experiences will continue for 1 day per week before the overnight camp. The aim is for every student to have a turn by experimenting with different paint mediums before the camp and also gain confidence to be creative under the guidance of the artists. This year’s project is based around creating 2D and 3D artworks with handmade recycled papers and also oriental handmade papers. Students will explore the concepts of ‘Sumi-e’ (oriental brush techniques with paper ink) and “Suminahashi” (Japanese paper marbling) which relate to Asian culture.
We will all be so interested to view their work and achievements on Friday, 14th November which is the date when parents, carers, friends and members of the School Association will be invited to attend the barbecue and celebratory concert at Camp Clayton.

Dates to Remember
29th October
Early Childhood Music Day at Burnie Campus
12th November
Junior Music Camp at Camp Clayton
13th November
Senior Music Camp at Camp Clayton
14th November
Final assembly & BBQ at Camp Clayton
10th December
Combined Athletics & Picnic Day
11th December
Christmas Lunch for Students
17th December
Christmas Assembly
18th December
Last day of Term 4 for students

Public Holidays
Monday 3rd November – Recreation Day
Friday 28th November – Devonport Show

Term Dates
Term 4 – 13th October to 18th December

Student Free Days
Friday 24th October

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Visit by Mr Jeremy Rockliff, Deputy Premier & Minister for Education

It was a great pleasure to welcome Mr Rockliff, his Secretary of Staff, Ms Jenny Gale and Ms Cheryl Larcombe (The Chairperson of the Special Education Taskforce) to the Mooreville Road campus on Monday 20th October from 9.30 – 10.30am. Whilst this visit was only one hour in duration, the visitors visited every classroom and met staff and spoke to students. I must congratulate all the students as each one was courteous, well-mannered and remained focused on their work tasks whilst the visitors were observing the programs that were in progress.

I would describe the visit as a ‘fact finding’ mission! All the visitors asked questions about our current student enrolments, current capacity of the building and program options and Mr Rockliff in particular, was willing to state that an alternative provision for the school must be funded as soon as possible to cater for increased enrolments.

Mr Rockliff promised to make a visit to the SOSE Devonport campus in the near future.

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following students who are celebrating their birthday this month:
Tom and Brandon.

Kind regards,
Grace

Sick Children

A reminder that if your child is unwell it is your responsibility to keep them at home to stop the spread of germs. If your child arrives at school unwell you will be asked to come and collect them.

Student Absences / Late Arrivals / Early Departures

- If your child will not be at school for any reason, it is the parent/carer responsibility to phone the bus company Phoenix on 6427 7626. You must also let Phoenix know if the bus does not need to pick up your child for any reason.
- You must also contact the school office before 10am to inform us. It is NOT the responsibility of the bus aide to pass the message along.
- If your child is arriving late or leaving early then you must sign them in/out at the school office.

School Hats

A reminder that we have school hats available at the school office for $10. It will soon be time to start wearing hats again.