Hello Staff, Parents, Carers and friends,
This first term has really gone quickly and here we are into the last week before the first term holiday which commences for students on Friday, 19th April. Teachers and support staff however, will be attending a professional learning day to be held at the Acton hub on Friday, 19th April.

Anzac Day which you’re all aware is held on 25th April, will occur during our first term holiday this year. Sophie Townley, a student in the early childhood class at the Burnie campus will represent SOSE students from both campuses as she will accompany her mother Adele, at the service and will present a floral tribute at the Burnie Park cenotaph. Thanks Adele and Sophie for taking on this very important role. We hope that families will consider attending the 11 a.m. service to support Sophie and Adele on this special occasion.

Combined Autumn picnic held at ‘Otto’s Grotto’ on 5th April was a sensational day enjoyed by all staff and students from both campuses. The weather was perfect which allowed the students to have a thorough explore of the several pathways that led to an outdoor stage area, sections of commemorative wartime memorabilia, a bridge to the beach and the playground. The students collected in small groups with a teacher and utilised their iPads to search for various clues around the area. This was a great learning initiative which was lots of fun. Students and staff took photos and video clips using their iPads to record their search efforts.

End of Term Assembly on Thursday, 18th April will be held in the gym at the Mooreville Road campus commencing at 1.30 p.m. Gumtree Room will be hosting the assembly which will showcase individual student’s achievements and whole class learning initiatives in Term 1 including some special photos and video clips from the Autumn picnic. Parents, carers and friends are invited to attend.

‘Circle of Friends’ Artwork. This large piece of art is currently on display on the ground floor entrance area of the Burnie Linc and was completed last year during the “Artist in Residence Program” with Jan Marinos – paper and textile artist. Why not make a visit during the school holidays to see it?

CONGRATULATIONS to Allison Hardstaff our Kinder/Prep teacher, for her University Award of Excellence & being placed on the Dean’s Roll of Honour for 2012.
Staff and classroom changes in motion for Term 2:

From the notice last Friday, parents and carers will have already noted that the early childhood class will be relocating to the spare classroom in the Acton hub and the Links and Primary class will be utilising their classroom at the Mooreville campus for 5 days per week.

Ms Jess Alexander and Mrs Allison Hardstaff will be continuing in their teaching roles for the remainder of the year and will work collaboratively at the Acton hub to develop and support a program which will promote peer socialisation and play based curriculum between both classes.

Mrs Sue-Ann Beaumont will continue to teach on Mondays and Wednesdays in the Primary class (Mooreville Road) whilst undertaking administrative duties attached to the Teacher in Charge on Fridays.

Ms Laurie White will teach the Primary class on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays for Term 2 only.

Both Sue-Ann and Laurie will work constructively to provide a jointly planned weekly program that is centred on consistent routines and management to ensure that the students in the Primary class will remain settled with their individualised learning needs fully addressed and maintained.

I would like to sincerely thank Sue-Ann for her genuine commitment to the Teacher in Charge role during Term 1. She has engendered clear foresight, energy and initiative in her capacity to gain all staff member’s trust and assurance.

Work Experience at Vincent Industries:

Mrs Bronwyn West has worked hard to ensure that Tom Allen (Burnie Campus) and Jake Groome (D'port Campus) participate in a transition pathway to work during 2013 as a preparation for adult life. Bronwyn has been responsible as the Transition teacher across both campuses for negotiating a work experience plan for both students. Meetings have been held with their parents and the initiatives in the plan including travel to and from Vincent Industries at Wynyard via the Metro bus have been carefully negotiated with the teacher assistants, Mr Adam Hardy and Mrs Jo Wunder.

Congratulations on last Friday’s success. We can never under estimate what our students can achieve!

I hope you all enjoy a wonderful term holiday.

Kind regards,

Grace

LAMINGTON DRIVE

Our first fund-raiser for the year will be a lamington drive.
Ordering sheets are attached with this newsletter.

Student-Free Day this FRIDAY 19th April

Students and Staff RETURN to School on

MONDAY 6th May
The School Association

The Annual General Meeting for the Burnie Campus will be held on Thursday, 9th May, where several positions are vacant. I urge in particular, any new parents who may wish to further support the school to consider contacting the school office and filling out a nomination form to become a parent representative.

The whole school community of SOSE NW relies on the dedication and foresight of the School Association’s President and members to discuss school issues, problem solve, lobby within the local community and determine ways forward particularly when inequities occur that adversely affect the educational pathways of our student population.

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School of Special Education NW (Burnie) SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

I,.................................................................................................................. wish to nominate for the position of:
(please print)

☐ Staff Representative
☐ Community Representative
☐ Parent representative

with the School of Special Education NW (Burnie) School Association

Signed:..................................................... (Signature) Date:......................
Seconded:..................................................(Signature) Date:......................

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Received at the school office: Date: .........................

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