Hello Staff, Parents, Carers and friends

Goodness, days pass by so quickly and the Easter break which is included in the term holiday is almost upon us! Teachers at both campuses are planning some whole school special Easter activities which will be undertaken next Wednesday, 16th April! The Easter raffle will be drawn on this day also!

Catalogue Delivery – the first step towards work experience

As many parents and carers are aware, the senior students at both campuses participate in a weekly session of carefully folding catalogues, putting them in bags and then either walking or using our school bus to drive to the designated street where the delivery to the letter boxes takes place.

Teacher’s professional conversations

All teachers from both campuses met after school on Wednesday 9th April at the Renaissance cafe in Penguin to discuss the new learning goals shared and agreed upon with parents and carers at recent meetings. These conversations support all teachers to develop consistency when writing up new goals and information. Consensus between teachers ensures that goals are meaningful and achievable within a given time frame. It is an expectation that parents and carers will verify and sign off on their son/daughter’s new IEP. Once signatures are completed, all students updated IEP’s, behaviour management plans and medical action plans will be electronically entered onto the NCCD (Nationally Consistent Collection of Data) base.

Student Free - Professional Learning Day
Thursday, 17th April

Teachers and support staff will be meeting together on this day to discuss timetabling and plan specifically for Term 2. A hydrotherapy/swimming training session for all staff will also be held to share theoretical information and practice skills as described on individual student’s hydrotherapy and swimming programs. This training will be undertaken by the Paediatric Physios from the Department of Health & Human Services who are responsible for servicing our students.
**Photos**
I am proud to make a comment on how well our students coped with having their photos taken last Friday! We were so fortunate to have young photographers who spoke quietly, had happy facial expressions which certainly impacted on every student producing some great smiles as the camera constantly clicked! I’m sure all parents and carers will be extremely pleased with the photo packs when they are available.

**Birthdays**
There have been lots of birthdays celebrated by staff members and students during March and April. Happy Birthday to everyone – we all enjoyed many delicious morning teas!!

**In Conclusion**
I am on Long Service Leave for 5 days commencing Friday, 11th April. In my absence, Ms Jo Corvinus will be responsible for the management of the Devonport SOSE campus whilst Mrs Allison Hardstaff will oversee the day to day running of the Burnie SOSE campus.

*I hope you all enjoy a relaxing Easter break and term holiday.*

Best Wishes
Grace

**Students return to school on Monday, 5th May**
On Saturday the 29th March our school held a fundraising stall at the Natone School Fair.
In the week before the fair, our students enjoyed cooking items to sell including: jelly cups, relish, jams, lemon curd and play-dough cupcakes.

A big "thankyou" to Michelle Williams, Jaime, Brendon and Chelsea for their organisation and running the stall on the day and all staff for their contributions.
We raised approximately $400 for our school.

We would also like to thank our school community for the wonderful response we have received for our School Easter Raffle — your generosity and support is greatly appreciated.