Hello Staff, Parents, Carers and friends,

Welcome back to another exciting year at SOSE NW!
Many students appear to have grown during the summer break!
I am guessing that many parents and carers realised this when the school uniform was tried on just before the return to school!
I do hope that you all enjoyed a fun and relaxing Christmas and holiday break with family and friends!

Many students were included in the holiday program which was operating from SOSE Burnie in January.
This program will not be operating in its usual way again as Ability Employment will not be applying for funding to support it.
The new NDIS structure will be facilitating holiday programs and respite through their agencies e.g. Multicap and Optia from 2014 onwards.
I sincerely thank members of the support team who organised the day’s programs including an overnight stay to Launceston.
The children really enjoyed themselves. Your commitment to support every student who participated in the holiday program was greatly appreciated by parents and carers.

New Students and Staff Members
At the Burnie Campus, we are pleased to welcome the following families:
Matthew Greatz and his mother Margaret have relocated to Burnie from rural NSW. Matthew is a new member in the senior class.
Ian Roles and his grandmother Margaret have relocated to Burnie from Launceston and Ian is also a new member in the senior class.
Corey Marshall from Romaine Primary is attending the Primary class for 3 days per week.
Laura and Nicholas Jones are now both attending full time schooling at SOSE Burnie this year.

Miss Jaime Bradley is a new graduate teacher who is working fulltime supporting the early childhood and the senior classes.

Ms Robyn Cole is the new music teacher at SOSE Burnie. She has returned from Melbourne and relocated back to the North West coast with her 3 children.

Mrs Kathy Milne-Viney will be commencing a trial period as the SOSE Burnie phys ed teacher as from Friday, 14th February.
Congratulations to Mrs Allison Hardstaff, who was successful in winning the Teacher in Charge position which was advertised in December 2013. Allison will continue to be the early childhood teacher for 3 days per week in 2014. The early childhood class is now operating out of the Wattle Room at Mooreville Rd Campus.

Felicity Lovatt – SOSE Speech & Language Pathologist welcomed her baby son Otis Ted on Saturday 11th January. Otis was born 6 weeks early and weighed 4lbs 11ozs. He is progressing well at home with his mum, dad and big sister Sadie.

Kind regards

Grace

Reminders

There have been several notices sent home this week. Please take the time to read, sign and return them to school where appropriate.

Social Get Together – Barbecue on THURSDAY 20th Feb (RSVP)

IEP meetings with Teachers from Monday 17th Feb - Thu 27th.

Learn to Swim program 3rd - 7th March.

1st School Association meeting for 2014 – Burnie Campus 20th Feb 3 pm

PARENT - TEACHER APPOINTMENTS.

PLEASE make your appointments for Parent/Teacher Interviews as soon as possible.

If you missed out on ordering polo shirts or polar fleece jackets, please phone the office as there are some sizes available.

This Rugby Shirt is a size 14 and available at reduced cost of $40

Monday 17th Feb
Wednesday 19th Feb
Thursday 20th (3 - 4.30 pm – due to the BBQ)
Monday 24th
Wednesday 25th
Thursday 26st