**Newsletter**

**10th November 2011**

**Burnie Campus**

Principal - Mrs Grace Brown

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**Important Dates**

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Hello Staff, Parents, Carers and friends,

There’s an air of expectation spreading amongst staff and students this week. I think it’s because we’re putting the last minute details of organization in place for the Music Camp to be held at Camp Clayton on Monday, 14th and Tuesday, 15th November.

Next Week!  This opportunity to showcase the arts will allow students to listen and interpret music played by skilled musicians, work alongside musicians to create their own sound, observe creative dance and freely move to varying rhythms and participate in constructing artwork using a mix of media.

Staff and students from both campuses will work together in small groups with the program offering 25 minute workshops throughout the two days.

This arts experience was initiated by Jacqui Astley back in 2009 when she was nominated by the Devonport Campus School Association as an outstanding practitioner who deserved to be recognized by the SOSE NW community with a NEITA award. Jacqui was a finalist who wished to facilitate a music camp specifically for students with disabilities.

Parents, extended family and carers are invited to attend a music concert to celebrate on Tuesday, 15th November at Camp Clayton commencing at 12 noon. Please come and join us to enjoy the spirit of participation as our students perform. Afterwards, a BBQ lunch will be shared at 1.00pm. The students will then be bussed back to each school in readiness to catch buses for home.

Reminder

- Students staying overnight require sheets, doona, pillow case and towel OR sleeping bag, pillow case and towel + their own toiletries.
- Medication to be labelled with name and directions and given to class teacher upon arrival at school on Monday morning.
- Morning tea and lunch must be brought from home on Monday.
- Tuesday morning tea and lunch will be provided.

Please ensure that all signed permission forms are returned and money paid.
Digital Revolution ICT Funding

The School of Special Education NW ICT plan has been updated and the following equipment has been ordered to further support the educational programs of every student.

5 x All-in one – computers
1 x Adjustable stand
3 x Desk top computers

Commonwealth Bank Community Grant

As mentioned in our last newsletter we were successful in receiving a grant from the Commonwealth Bank for $5,000 to support the Bowen Therapy and Healthglo swimming programs.

On Tuesday 22nd November between 12 noon and 1 p.m. we will have a BBQ lunch to celebrate. Anthony White from the Commonwealth Bank will present the cheque. Parents and Carers are welcome to attend, however please advise the office if you are attending by Friday 18th November.

Holiday Program for January 2012

Ability Employment will again be funding a “Holiday Program” for students 12 years and over in January 2012 (specific dates to be confirmed) Mr Devin Cullis, teacher from our primary class will co-ordinate the program. Parents who are wishing to take advantage of this activity program over the long summer break need to fill out the information details below and return to the office as soon as possible so definite dates and arrangements can be finalised.

I am interested in my child ……………………………………………….taking part in the Holiday Program for January 2012.

SIGNED:……………………………………….

NAME:…………………………………………

Phone No: …………………….
Many parents and carers would be aware that these two teacher assistants who have been employed at the Burnie campus for many years, chose to take a year of leave to trial employment in an alternative support agency for 2011. I regret to say that Tammy and Petrina have now formally resigned from the Department of Education to take up specific roles with OPTIA.

We will certainly miss their camaraderie and friendship. Tammy and Petrina supported individual students at school but also cared for many during after ours within the community and in the student’s homes. They both possess genuine empathy and nurtured a unique understanding of each student over a long period of time. They built trust relationships with parents and carers which will no doubt continue to flourish within their OPTIA roles.

I wish Tammy and Petrina all the best for the future. I will certainly miss their radiant smiles, their sense of fun and their commitment to caring for students with special needs.

Grace
The students have been working this term moulding handmade cotton paper in a variety of ways to create a 3D mural. The hand moulded and painted elements include flowers, masks, butterflies, birds and figures in the landscape.
Firstly they worked laying and pressing the wet paper over fan shells. These were then constructed into butterflies and flowers which the students have painted. Next we have moulded the wet paper over face moulds and a plaster cast of the figure. During the coming weeks the students will help to paint the pieces and make as many flowers as we can to add to our mural.
It is going to be a colourful mural that ties in with the colours of the spring season.
The students handmade paper butterflies will make a colourful exhibition in the school foyer over the next few weeks. I hope everyone enjoys the lovely works that have been created.
CONGRATULATIONS to Laurie and husband Garry on the birth of their little girl Kaeli Leslie born on Sunday 6th November.

Staff took students to visit Laurie and her baby at the hospital.
Australian Mobile Recycling

We are collecting unwanted mobile phones to raise money. They will be sent away for recycling and our school will receive $3 for each one. Please send any old mobile phones lying around the house to school with your child. Also, talk to your friends, colleagues, neighbours and other family members and encourage them to clean out that bottom drawer and finally get rid of the old phones that have been doing nothing but collecting dust.

http://www.australianmobilerecycling.com.au