From the Principal...........

Swimming Carnival
Our Gr 3-6 swimming carnival was held last Thursday. A highlight were the relays with some very exciting close finishes. The final scores in the house competition was Westfield - 634, Egmont - 601. A school team has now been selected for the northern midlands inter-school Swimming Carnival at Cressy on Friday.

Excursions
Our Gr 3/4 and 5/6 classes had a successful excursion to Low Head on Monday. Feedback from the public guides about our students included, “a lovely group of students, “beautifully behaved”. On Wednesday our K/Prep class will be travelling to the Tasmania Zoo, while next Monday Gr 5/6 will continue their water monitoring at the Town Common.

Triathlon Team
Training will be held on Wednesday again this week. A letter with more information about race day arrangements will be sent home with the students this week.

Marcus Cramp
DATES TO REMEMBER

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November

Wednesday 18  Kinder - Prep Excursion
Thursday 19  Assembly - 12.10pm Gr 3-4
Friday 20  NM Swimming Carnival - Cressy
Monday 23  Town Common - Gr 5-6
Wednesday 25  Prospect High Transition Day
Thursday 26  2015 Schools Triathlon Challenge
                        (Devonport)

December

Thursday 3  Assembly - 12.10pm Gr 1 - 2
Thursday 3  Soiree Band Concert - 5pm
Tuesday 8  Presentation Evening
Wednesday 9  Whole of School Picnic
Friday 11  Christmas Celebration
Wednesday 16  Grade 6 Day Out
Thursday 17  Assembly - 12.10pm Gr P - 1
Thursday 17  Last day of School (students)

HOT LUNCH ROSTER

Thursday 19 November  Lorna Schonefeld  
                                     Tanya King
Thursday 26 November  Simone Triffitt  
                                     Tasha Wilson
Thursday 3 December  Jayne Cresswell
                                          Katee Bullman

PROBUS ROSTER

Thursday 19 November  Tricia Van Dijk
                                     Emma Clark
                                          Sally-Anne Burns

KINDER ENROLMENTS 2016

Do you have a child who turns five next year?

Do you know of any children in our school community who turn five next year?

If so:

They are eligible to attend Kinder in 2016. So please contact the school office for an enrolment form.

BOOK CLUB NEWS

A reminder that Book Club Issue 8 orders are due next Friday 27 November. Orders can be done on-line using the LOOP platform, or handed in at the office. Please note that this is the last issue for 2015.

Every Book Club order earns 20% in Scholastic Rewards, which can then be used to purchase items for classrooms or the library. This year so far we have earned almost $1000 in Scholastic Rewards! Teachers have used some of these Rewards to obtain items such as new home reader or group reading sets, maths resources and fiction, non-fiction and teacher reference books for the library.

Happy reading from the Book Club Team - Mrs Riley, Tenille Rosevear and Jessica Marston.

PRE-KINDER INFORMATION SESSION

For all Parents of Kindergarten children for 2016, an information session will be held on the following day:

Date 27 November
Time 11.00 am
Place Kinder Room

EVERYONE WELCOME

Kim Riley
Kinder/Prep & Launching into Learning Teacher

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The staff, students and wider Westbury community wish the following students, who celebrate a birthday during the week, a very happy birthday:

Angel Shaw, Indy Nutting
P & F NEWS

P & F ANNUAL CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE
The P & F are holding the annual Christmas Raffle as a fundraiser for our school. The raffle will be for Special Theme Baskets of Goodies. Each class has a theme:

K/P Baking
P/1 Chocolate
1/2 Christmas
3/4 Keeping Kids Busy
5/6 Stationery

To assist with the raffle, we are requesting donations to be placed in the baskets in the classrooms. All donations, small or large are welcome. It would be appreciated that the items are new, not second hand, and that perishable goods are within the use by date. Could donated items please be provided by Friday 4 December.

Raffle ticket books will be distributed soon. Raffle books and money will be due back to the office by Friday 4 December. The raffle will be drawn at Presentation Evening on Tuesday 8 December.

Thank you for your continued support of our fundraising.

STUDENT ASSISTANCE SCHEME (STAS) 2016
Application forms are now available from the school office for those families who are eligible to apply. Only those families new to the school or who did not receive STAS in 2015 need to complete applications. Families who have received STAS in 2015 have been sent letters regarding STAS 2016 directly from the Department. The income test table used for STAS 2016 scheme is as follows:

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* For more than 8 children, add $135 per week or $7,020 per annum for each additional dependent.
# Gross Taxable Income

Marli took out a bag full of prizes at our local Westbury Show last weekend. She was awarded “Most Successful Exhibitor” from all Primary School entries.

Emily and Mackenzie proudly representing our school on Remembrance Day, at the RSL.
COMMUNITY NEWS ITEMS
Check our Parent notice board for information on the following items of interest:

- NTSAS T-Ball & U13 Mod-Ball for boys and girls ages 5-13 years. See parent notice board for details.
- Meander Valley Twilight Fest! This is a few event to be held Wednesday 18 November at Deloraine High School Hall. See Parent Board for further details.
- Launceston BMX Club, St Leonards are having a Come and Try day on Saturday 5 December from 10 - 12pm.

ALISON LESTER
At Petrarch’s

My Dog Bigsy

Meet my dog Bigsy. He’s only small, but everyone knows he’s the boss.
Each morning he visits the animals on the farm.
Squawk, quack, quack, moo, buzz, chomp, purr, meow, ruff ruff!
What a lot of noise! And all because of Bigsy!
From Australia’s favourite picture-book creator, comes this energetic story about a little dog who causes a big commotion.

Alison Lester is one of Australia’s most loved children’s authors, having written many bestsellers including: From the Pool, My Arm, Django Street, We Were There Too and many more.

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Book signing
11am Friday 27th November

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2016 Term Dates

Term 1
Wednesday 3 February - Friday 8 April
(Easter - Friday 25 March - Tuesday 29 March)

Term 2
Monday 26 April - Friday 1 July

Term 3
Monday 18 July - Friday 23 September

Term 4
Monday 10 October - Wednesday 21 December