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

**Inter-school Swimming Carnival**

On Friday last week a team of 21 swimmers represented our school at the Northern Midlands Swimming Carnival at Cressy. Our team performed extremely well as the following results demonstrate:

**Freestyle**

- **25m Final**
  - Sam Bingham 1st, Oliver Triffitt 3rd

- **50m Final**
  - Sam Bingham 1st, Ella Bingham 2nd, Oliver T 2nd, Chelsea Rushton 2nd, Jacob Clark 3rd

**Backstroke**

- **25m final**
  - Sam Bingham 3rd, Oliver Triffitt 3rd, Ella Bingham 3rd

- **50m Final**
  - Sam Bingham 1st, Ella Bingham 2nd, Oliver Triffitt 3rd

**Breaststroke**

- **25m Final**
  - Sam Bingham 1st, Sophie Marston 2nd, Ella Bingham 3rd, Oliver Triffitt 3rd, Jacob Clark 3rd

- **50m Final**
  - Sam Bingham 1st, Rebecca Barrett 3rd

**Butterfly**

- **25m Final**
  - Sam Bingham 1st, Hallie Triffitt 3rd

**Relays**

- Gr 3/4 Girls – 1st
- Gr 5/6 girls – 2nd
- Gr 3/4 Boys – 3rd
- Gr 5/6 Boys – 3rd

**Farewell Maree**

After 13 months as our acting office clerk, Maree Smith will be leaving our school this week. I would like to thank Maree for all her contributions to our school and I know her caring nature will be missed by students and parents alike. Mrs Fiona Curtis will take up the permanent clerk position next week.

**Triathlon Schools Challenge**

Good luck to our triathlon team competing in Devonport on Thursday. A reminder that the bus departs school at 8am.

**Band Concert**

Next week the school instrumental band will be holding a concert on Thursday at 5pm in the hall. All parents/carers and family members are invited to come and hear our band perform.

*Marcus Cramp*
DATES TO REMEMBER

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November

Wednesday 25   Prospect High Transition Day
Thursday 26    2015 Schools Triathlon Challenge
               (Devonport)

December

Thursday 3     Assembly - 12.10pm Gr 1 - 2
Thursday 3     School Association General Meeting
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)

WESTBURY MAZE

Prep / 1 Walker will be visiting the Westbury Maze on Tuesday 1 December. We will be participating in some mapping activities and an eye spy treasure hunt fun activity. Children will need to wear school uniform and bring a drink and morning tea in a plastic bag.

We will leave school at 9.15am to walk to the maze and return to school by 11.30am.

There will be no cost for this excursion.

Karen Walker

BOOK CLUB NEWS

A reminder that Book Club Issue 8 orders are due 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.

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

MERIT CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to the following students who received Certificates at our Last Assembly:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The staff, students and wider Westbury community wish the following student, who celebrates a birthday during the week, a very happy birthday:
Brai Berne-Maynard

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Westbury Primary School

School Association
Notice of General Meeting

Date:    Thursday 3rd December, 2015
Time:    6:00pm
Location:   Taylors Residence, 48 William Street

Agenda

Special Resolution: “To consider and if seen fit, pass the special resolution to update the constitution of the Westbury Primary School – School Association”

Covering note to special resolution:

The WPPSA committee have reviewed the current WPPSA Constitution and determined it doesn’t adequately represent the active working function of the committee. As such, an updated constitution has been proposed and approved by the Minister of the Department of Education. A copy of the updated WPPSA Constitution (2015), along with the proposed alterations and reasons for alterations is available for review by members of the Association from the School Office.

HOT LUNCH ROSTER

Thursday 26 November  Simone Triffitt
                        Tasha Wilson
Thursday 3 December   Jayne Cresswell
                        Katee Bullman

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
KINDER PREP EXCURSION

Kinder/Prep enjoyed an exciting day learning and exploring at Tasmania Zoo last week. The children had a wonderful (scary) time on the Jurassic Walk and interacting with numerous wildlife throughout the day. The favourites were the fairy penguins, meerkats, the talking cockatoos, who thoroughly entertained us and the baby Tasmanian devil. It was decided by the class that we would help support the “Devils Heaven Conservation Breeding Program” and adopt our own baby Tasmanian Devil. The children are currently in the process of deciding on a very “cool” name for our devil. The class was also lucky enough to bring home a new class pet (toy devil) who will be given the same name as our adopted baby devil. Special thanks to our wonderful parent helpers on the day.

GRADE 5-6 WATER MONITORING

Grade 5/6 Trotman participated in the second session of water monitoring at the Town Common. This program was run by NRM North and Di Robinson. The students tested the water temperature, the turbidity PH levels and investigated what bugs were in the Brook.

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
Attention Grade 6 Parents!

In the next few weeks, the Tasmanian Association of PCYC Inc. will be providing School with a copy of the 2015 edition of their Child Safety Handbook for your child.

The Child Safety Handbook is a resource for children, their parents, teachers and carers that provides practical information on a range of child health and safety issues including road safety, water safety, basic first aid, bullying, fitness and nutrition, drug and alcohol awareness etc.

The Handbook is targeted at Grade 6 students and their families with the aim of generating conversations around health and safety issues, and providing helpful strategies that can be easily implemented by young people. Any questions around the provision of the Handbook can be directed to the Tasmanian Association of PCYC at admin@pcyctas.org or (03) 6343 3280.

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