From the Principal:

In Hebrews 10:24 – 25 it says “And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.”

I wish to thank the school community for your participation in our MYTERN information night, Cybersmart information night, our Early Childhood Reading information night and I am looking forward to seeing you at our Welcome BBQ tomorrow night from 5pm. It is when we come together as a community that we build the foundations of a shared understanding of who we are and how we can support each other with good company and shared food.

‘As we journey through the first week of Lent which lasts for 40 days this parallels Jesus’ own 40 days in the wilderness as he prepared himself for the his mission of proclaiming the Good News of the Kingdom. This good news, embodied in the person of Jesus Christ, is the good news of mercy, love and compassion for all. During this time of Lent we strive to step back a little from the life’s hectic pace and with a focus on prayer, fasting and alms giving, review and renew our lives ensuring that they are a true expression of God’s mercy for all’. (Parish Priest Father Mark).

I urge you all to ensure you read our weekly communications to you via newsletter, Facebook, TeamApp and our website. We endeavour to communicate with you on many platforms so that you are all fully informed members of our community.

Carol Seagar
Principal

Welcome BBQ
Come and join us for our Welcome BBQ at 5.00pm tomorrow on the oval. Sausages, burgers and salads provided. BYO drinks, picnic rug, nibbles, bikes, scooters.
Project Compassion
“Funds raised through Project Compassion enable Caritas Australia to champion the human dignity and rights of all people as they map a route out of debilitating poverty.

Supporting Project Compassion gives expression to the Gospel imperative of pursuing justice and helping those suffering from poverty and disadvantage. Therefore I would encourage school communities to pursue the opportunity to reaffirm our Christian commitment to the poorest of the poor and to give selflessly in the name of social justice.”

(Director, John Mula)

Crossing Reminder
Please take care and abide by the road rules around the school. There was a near miss on the Campbell St Crossing today as a car did not slow down to the correct speed.

Kindergarten 2017 Information Meeting
There will be an Information Meeting for prospective parents of 2017 Kinder children on Wednesday 9 March, 7.00pm in the Kinder room. This meeting is for all new families in the wider community interested in Catholic education starting at Kinder, but anyone is welcome.

After School Pickup
Families of more than one child are to be picked up from Abbott St, single children are to be picked up from Campbell St. Please adhere to this rule to ensure an organised and smooth routine for children, staff and carers.

What’s On outside school

Music For Kids
General music, keyboard, violin.
Music and movement classes for children birth to 9, designed to enhance childhood development and instil a lifelong love of music.


AIA Vitality Mini Roos Kick-off
Introducing 4-9 year olds to the fundamental skills of football through fun and engaging game-based activities.

6 x 45 minute sessions
When: Starts 4.30 Mon 22 Feb
Where: Churchill Park, Invermay
Cost: $50 for 6 session, includes backpack, ball and drink bottle.
Register online at www.miniroos.com.au or call Alex Gaetani on 0408 721 506

See photos, newsletters, calendar and more on our website: stm.tas.edu.au
Dear Parents

You may be aware that Pippa Harmey (little sister of Georgia in Gr 1/2 LP and Alexis Gr KW) has been diagnosed with leukaemia.

We are sure you will join with us in keeping Pippa and her family in your thoughts and prayers as she undergoes her treatment.

Pippa’s parents, Yvette and Dave have asked for our help in a very important matter. If Pippa were to contract chickenpox or measles this would be very serious.

If you, your child or other friends or family have chickenpox or measles please inform the School Office as soon as possible.

This is especially important for families with children in Gr 1/2 LP and Kinder Wood.

This is a simple but very important way we can help Pippa on her journey to wellness.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Kind regards

Carol Seagar

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**Gallery**

**Miss Jaimee Underlin** has been teaching for 8 years and is the Prep teacher on Prep U. Jaimee feels that relationships are the most important part of her love for teaching.

**Mrs Rosemary O’Brien** has been teaching for 40 plus years and is currently one of the teachers on Prep O/N. Rosemary loves teaching as it allows her to be part of each child’s learning journey.

30 children made a commitment to Junior Joeys at Mass
Last year RATS monies were spent on picnic tables, kitchen/garden items, football and soccer tops, fencing at Campbell Street and goal posts.

This year we have $9500 available to support the school in resources – please fill out the form below with your ideas what it can be spent on and return to class or office.

I would like to see the RATS monies spent on:

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PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWSLETTER

P&F Executive
President         Jacquie Cross
Secretary         Sam Webber
Treasurer         Kylie Smart
Fair Coordinator  Wanted

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MYTERN Booklets
These will be sent home to each family.

P&F DATES 2016          BOARD DATES 2016
Wednesdays 7.00pm        Thursdays, 7.00pm
23 March                  17 March
27 April                  7 April
1 June                    19 May
20 July                   23 June
31 Aug                    28 July
5 October                 1 September
16 November               13 October
FAIR: Sat 22 Oct, 4.00-7.00pm

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