Welcome back to Tasman District School for 2019. With all the building works being completed throughout 2018 we start afresh in the new classrooms and start with our resources that are tailored to student’s needs. I hope everyone had a relaxing summer holiday and are ready to get back into their learning for 2019.

This year we have a couple of changes with Mr Ben Vaughan-Williams returning to us as Assistant Principal from a short stint at Campania District School. We welcome Mrs Anne Hallam as our Instructional Coach working across the school. Anne has lived in the area for a long time and has a wealth of knowledge and experience that our school will greatly benefit from.

When considering the start of a new school year for our students we try to provide the best possible environment for our students to learn. We discuss ways in which we can best deliver the curriculum to all students no matter their level and how we cater for everyone’s needs. I like to reflect on our work on our five learning dispositions or our learning habits for which we try to instil in our students. I like to consider “what type of learner are you? And, what type of learner can you be?” Are you a Brave learner, a Curious learner, an Organised learner, a Focussed learner or an Ambitious learner? If we keep these in mind then we can take risks to improve our learning that we may not have felt comfortable with before.

Over the course of the year we are going to be involved in many different activities across the school. Our new Food and Fibre teacher Mrs Ashley Evans will be teaching K-12 all aspects of farming, food production, animal care etc. This is exciting and builds on the great work of our staff who have revitalised the farm into what is now an outdoor classroom and a place where students can really learn about Food and Fibre production. We have our partnership with Tassal which will assist in improving the prospects of our students as they consider what their plans are after they leave high school. The students will set goals and work with mentors to open their eyes to what is available as they leave school. The cattle handling team will continue building on its success and our sporting teams will again have a chance to showcase their prowess in the sporting arena.

I will be on Long Service Leave for the first week and returning next Thursday 14/2/19. In my absence Mr Vaughan-Williams will be acting Principal. I look forward to meeting new students, and connecting back with returning students as we look forward to a successful and productive 2019.

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This year large yellow envelopes have been sent home “bulk back to school packs” containing permission and information forms. **Students will not be able to attend excursions or activities until these forms are returned.**

Each student should have received the following forms:

- Student Information Validation Form
- Special Data Collection Form
- Annual Consent form for Aquatic (water-based) Activities
- Major Excursion Consent and Medical Form Off Campus
- Fissure Sealant & Fluoride Varnish Program Kinder, Prep, Year 1, 2, 6, 7 ONLY
- Immunisation Consent Forms - Year 7 ONLY

The following information:

- Asthma & Anaphylaxis Information
- Information on volunteering/RWVP
- Authorised absences for students
- School Lunch Order Price List

The Student Information Validation Form and Special Data Collection form is **IMPORTANT.** It’s required to ensure that we have the most accurate and up-to-date contact details for your child should an emergency situation present itself.

**Please sign and return all forms to the school office by Friday, 22 February 2019.**

Your co-operation and understanding with our student data update is appreciated.

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**Welcome to Launching into Learning at Tasman District School for 2019.**

Our program begins next **Friday, 15 February.** We acknowledge parents as their child’s first and ongoing educator and aim to work alongside families offering programs that promote children’s learning through play. Our programs support the whole child including social and emotional development as well as early literacy and numeracy awareness. We offer the following LiL sessions on Friday mornings:

**Moving On:** A Gross motor program incorporating music and movement. 9.00am to 10.00am in the school hall.

**LiL Learn and Play:** Opportunities for learning and play both in the classroom and outside. 10.15am to 11.30am in the Kindergarten classroom.

Extra activities throughout the year include:

**Out and About.** Explore our local community and fun in the pool. An opportunities for families to foster enjoyment of aquatic activities with their children in a supportive and positive learning environment.

We look forward to you joining our program. Please bring sunhats, a drink bottle, morning tea and suitable clothing for outdoor activities. A term program will be available on Friday, 15 February 2019 and will be in the fortnightly school newsletter. Any questions please contact Elizabeth Legge (Launching into Learning Coordinator) on 6250 2126.

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**Parents and Carers are reminded to notify the school office of any bus changes before 2.00pm, even if it is a one-off change.** This is essential for the school to fulfil our duty of care at the end of each school day. If there are any concerns about behavior on the bus or issues with the bus service then please contact the bus contractor Steve Mundy on 0407 603 673 or Dept of State Growth 6165 6626.
**Attendance and Sickness**

A reminder to parents and carers to please call the school office by **9.00am** to advise the school if a student is unable to attend school due to illness or any other reason.

- By phone **6250 2126** leave a message anytime on the answering machine.

- Email tasman.district.school@education.tas.gov.au

If your family is going away on holiday please email tasman.district.school@education.tas.gov.au with the details of your child/ren’s absence dates.

**Lunch Orders**

School Lunch Orders for Term 1 will be once again supplied by the **Port Arthur General Store & Takeaways** thank you for your continued support. Orders available **Fridays only**.

**School Term Dates**

TERM DATES 2019

**Term 1** Wednesday 6 February – Thursday 11 April  
**Term 2** Monday 29 April – Friday 5 July  
**Term 3** Tuesday 23 July - Friday 27 September  
**Term 4** Monday 14 October - Thursday 19 December

**Oral Health Program**

**Fissure Sealant and Fluoride Varnish Program**  
Oral Health Services Tasmania has developed an exciting new school based fissure sealant and fluoride varnish program to help prevent tooth decay in children around 6 and 12 years of age.

Envelopes containing information and consent forms were sent home to Year levels **Kinder, Prep, 1, 2, 6 and 7**.

These consent forms need to be returned to school by **February 15** for your child to participate in this **free** program.

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**Student Banking**

The Nubeena Bendigo Bank will be offering a student banking service every **Wednesday** commencing **20 February**. Students need to place their bank book in the classroom banking bag ready to be taken to the office each Wednesday morning. Forms to open new student bank accounts are available from the Nubeena Bendigo branch.

**Mobile Dental Van**

The **Mobile Dental Van** will be located in **Nubeena (Tasman Community Health Centre)** to begin dental services for children (0-17 yrs.) from the week starting 11 February 2019 until around the end of March 2019. Please contact **1300 011 013** to book an appointment.
Community News

Junk Art with Jill
Free after school activity
Tasman Neighbourhood House, Nubeena

Come and create some awesome art using mainly recycled materials.
Parent participation welcomed.
Course runs for 5 weeks
Starting Tuesday 26th February
Time: 3.15pm - 4.30pm

Bookings Essential:
Please call the Dunalley Tasman Neighbourhood House
Ph: 6253 5579

Event Booklet
Sunday 17th February 2019
@hobartrunthebridge #RTB9

www.hobartrunthebridge.com.au

Healthy headspace
Skills workshop

A SKILLS-BASED WORKSHOP DESIGNED TO PROVIDE YOU WITH THE TOOLS TO MAINTAIN YOUR WELLBEING

WHEN: Tuesday evenings from 5.30 to 6.30pm
WHERE: The Link, Hobart 57 Liverpool St (up the driveway)

THE PROGRAM
FEBRUARY 19th  Sleeping Well
FEBRUARY 26th  Physical Wellbeing
MARCH 5th  Communicating with Confidence
MARCH 12th  Mindfulness and Relaxation
MARCH 19th  Understanding & Accepting Myself
MARCH 26th  Understanding My Anger
APRIL 2nd  Understanding My Feelings
APRIL 9th  Healthy Thinking

WORKSHOPS INCLUDE -
Education on maintaining positive wellbeing
Discussion and activities on a range of topics
Take home booklet and resources

IT’S A DROP IN PROGRAM – NO NEED TO COME EVERY WEEK – COME FOR ONE OR AS MANY AS YOU LIKE
Please phone 6231 2927 to RSVP
**Dates to Remember:**

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**Scholastic Book Club**

Scholastic Book Club Issue 1 Out Now!

Don’t forget to look for the Book Club catalogue that will be coming home in your child’s schoolbag.

Book Club provides a fun convenient way of bringing the best in children’s literature into your home. It’s packed full of exciting books from bestselling authors, popular titles and series that kids love, as well as products and books that make perfect gifts for younger siblings who may not be at school yet.

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