Day at the Beach

Crash!
The sound of water fills the beach as waves assault the shore I touch water as I wade on out I hear waves crashing and cries of joy

Squawk!
I hear the seagulls playing in the background Nature sends forth waves of water as loud as jumbo jets Waves charge the beach and give out loud cries The shore is a defensive line, holding out against an incoming horde of waves

Scoop!
My shovel digs a cavernous hole in the sand I smell the gentle sea breeze The sand was soft as a pile of pillows Shovels scoop holes as sand succumbs to spades Sand flies out of the ever growing hole at the beach I taste sand as it finds a way into my food

Vroom!
I look back at the fading mass of sand and water

By Joe Thomas
7 White

EASTER MASS TIMES 2015

Corpus Christi 2 Alma Street BELLEVUE 7018
Holy Thursday: 7.00 PM
Good Friday: 11.30 AM
(combined Churches’ Way of the Cross - starts St Mark’s Anglican moving to Corpus)
Easter Vigil: 7.00 PM
Easter Sunday: 10.30 AM, 6.00 PM
Good Friday: 11.30 AM (stations of the cross)

Fr Peter can be contacted at bel.lincolnparish@bigpond.com or phone: 6245 0501
Fr Terry can be contacted by phoning: 6260 2189

St John the Evangelist St John’s Circle RICHMOND 7025
Good Friday: 3.00 PM (commemoration)
Holy Saturday: 7.30 PM (vigil Mass)
Easter Sunday: 11.00 AM

St Thomas’ 22 Arthur Street SORELL 7127
Holy Thursday: 7.30 PM (Mass of the Lord’s Supper - adoration till 10pm)
Good Friday: 10.30 AM (stations of the cross)
Easter Sunday: 8.00 AM

For more Easter Mass times please visit: http://hobart.catholic.org.au/parishes/mass-listing/south

Easter Sunday: 8.30 AM
Church of the Incarnation 1 Bay Road LUNCYFARNE 7015

FRANCIS COLLING

Happy Easter”….. But second there is the true story of the Resurrection. The Gospels tell how on a number of occasions Jesus raised people from the dead; the most famous was His friend, Lazarus. However, when the time came for Jesus, Himself, to die, it at first seemed that He had no power to prevent it. As He hung dying on the cross, some of the rulers mocked Him by saying, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.” Luke 23:35. Similarly, the soldiers told Jesus, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself?” Luke 23:37.

Lastly, one of the criminals also being crucified asked Jesus, “Aren’t you the Christ? Save yourself and us.” Luke 23:39. Finally, Jesus died and was placed in a tomb.

Behold, after three days Jesus did rise from the dead at the place and time of His choosing. This was not what everyone had hoped for; nor expected. The Resurrection showed to everyone that the way the “upside” Kingdom of God works is not what everyone expects. The Resurrection is a celebration of the anticipation of the life to come, that there is eternal life for all. On a personal level, Easter reminds us that even when hope seems as if it is dead and buried, Christ is there to call it from the grave. Easter is available to us every day.

According to St Paul, who wrote his letter to the people of Corinth between 53 and 57 A.D., only twenty years after Jesus’ death, the Resurrection is so central to Christianity that, without it, our entire Christian faith is empty: “… if Christ has not been raised from the dead, then we have nothing to preach and you have nothing to believe ….” 1 Cor. 15:17.

Jesus is our hope. Christ has died, Christ is risen. Christ will come again. At last … Happy Easter.

Alleluia Alleluia! God, our Father, We thank You for the life of Jesus. We thank You for the hope of eternal life. Renew our lives by Your indwelling within us. Amen.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

Congratulations to the following students who were elected as SRC representatives in Years 7-9 this term:

YEAR 7
BLUE
Hayley Sly and Bayden Nurse
GREEN
Sophie Williams and Jacob Braid
WHITE
Lauren Buck and Keely Wallace
RED
Macy Anderton and Bridget du Plessis
YELLOW
Hayley Downham and Charlo Nalbor
GREEN
Mollie Free and Noah Todd
BLUE
Jayd Hoban and Hayley Downham
RED
Riley O’Connell and Zephyr Wilson
WHITE
Max Hughes and Bella Lang

NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM – LITERACY AND NUMERACY (NAPLAN) 2015

NAPLAN (National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy) commenced in Australian schools in 2008. Each year, all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 participate in common national tests which assess the following:

- Reading;
- Writing;
- Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation);
- Numeracy.

The scheduled dates for the tests in 2015 are Tuesday 12 May, Wednesday 13 May and Thursday 14 May. The benefits of participating in NAPLAN testing include the following:

• Developing an understanding of strengths and needs;
• Identifying areas that need to be worked on;
• Recognizing areas of success;
• Setting individual learning goals.

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Celebrating 21 years of inspiring learning
NAPLAN tests the skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy.

NAPLAN results provide valuable information on how your child is progressing against national minimum standards of literacy and numeracy skills expected for each year level.

The NAPLAN tests provide results to determine your child’s areas of strength and where future focus is required and how best to provide support or extension activities.

School teachers use theonline NAPLAN Toolkit to analyse your child’s results. The Toolkit provides detailed information right down to the individual question with links to teaching strategies.

Principals, senior staff and others use NAPLAN results to inform school planning and to allocate resources and support including informing decisions around targeted programs and initiatives for individuals and groups.

The best way you can assist your child is by helping them to feel comfortable about the nature and purpose of the tests, and by assuring them that the tests will give them an opportunity to show what they have learned in class.

For more information about the national tests, please visit the national NAPLAN website at: http://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/naplan.html

WORKING WITH VULNERABLE PEOPLE REGISTRATION

If you work or volunteer with children within Catholic Education Tasmania (CET) you are required by law to register for a background check, called Working with Vulnerable People Registration, by October 1, 2015. The registration aims to significantly improve safeguards to help keep children safe from harm. Attached to this Newsletter is a flyer which contains all the necessary information about the registration process.

YEAR 7, 2016

Applications for Year 7, 2016 enrolments close on Friday, April 24, 2015. All students seeking enrolment need to complete applications by this date. Application forms are available from the College Office or downloading an application form from our website – www.mackillop.tas.edu.au

REPORTS

Term 1 Interim Reports were sent home last week. This report covers the following three essential areas:

• Whether a student has been accessing material at grade level;
• Whether the student has been engaged in the subject;
• Whether the subject teacher believes that there is cause for concern for the student in that subject.

There will be no formal Parent-Teacher Interviews following this report as we have just held the recent goal-setting conferences, but parents are encouraged to make contact with the teacher if there are any issues or concerns.

As we head toward a well-earned break for Easter I would like to wish all members of our community a safe and holy Easter. Remembering that, for the church, Easter is a celebration of the Risen Lord and a time to remember the sacrifices others have made on our behalf.

UNIFORM CHANGEOVER AFTER EASTER

As of April 20 all students should be in their formal winter uniform. We are encouraged by the number of students who take pride in their appearance and are always in correct uniform.

Winter Uniform

Boys

Navy blazer
College pullover
College grey trousers or shorts
White shirt with a top button
College tie
Grey socks
Black regulation laces
School shoes

Girls

Navy blazer
College pullover
Tartan skirt
Navy stockings or white ankle socks
Black regulation laces
School shoes

PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE GIRLS SUMMER UNIFORM

During 2014 I met with students across all year groups to look at possibilities for our present uniform. One salient point that emerged was that the girls love having a cool summer uniform option. As we have moved toward a darker shade of navy blazer, and with the girls’ thoughts in mind, we have sourced both a change of fabric and design for the girls’ summer uniform. Changes to uniform have a three year transition period. However, Year 7, 2016 will be expected to go straight into the new uniform. The new design is enclosed on an attached flyer and we are very keen to hear from parents on their thoughts on the uniform design. There is a link on the home page of our website which both gives you a clearer view of the colours and design and an opportunity to send feedback on our new uniform direction.

CAEANTECH CHANGES

The Student Leaders have approached the College Leadership Team about opening the Canteen at the start of the day prior to Home Room to provide students and staff with the option of breakfast. In consultation with the Canteen staff we plan to trial this in Term 2. The Canteen will open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8.15am to 8.25am. Mr Lahey will provide greater detail later in this newsletter.

The Term 2 Canteen menu is enclosed.

LITTER MINUTES TERM 2

Next term we will continue with our Litter Minutes roster, with the Year 9s taking on the responsibility of caring for our environment. This term it is the case that each Year Level is designated a term to be caretakers of our environment. Each class within the Year Level has a specific area of the school to maintain. Student leaders occasionally dress up in garbage-bag inspired costumes to encourage other students to “pick up the right things”. Litter Minutes will be every Friday during Period 6.

ANZAC DAY

Looking ahead to Term Two, the College community will be gathering as a whole school the first Tuesday back during Personal Development for a special assembly to mark the significant anniversary of Gallipoli and for our ANZAC service in preparation.