



School Newsletter Number 33 October 29th 2019

PRINCIPAL'S REFLECTION

We are curators of our own life story, relying on our perception of reality, which is anchored to our memories, to provide us with what we assume to be a broad and deep repository of knowledge, understandings and skills that equip us with life's engagements. There is a memorable line in George Orwell's classic book, '1984' that states, "The past is whatever the records and the memories agree upon." Our beliefs become the foundation for our actions and behaviours, and form the core of who we believe we are and, subsequently, what we believe we can do in the world. As people who often pride ourselves as being intrinsically caring, compassionate individuals, we are sometimes challenged by others who have a contrary perspective of our self-belief. As I have become older (and unfortunately not necessarily wiser) I have come to accept that I need to ask myself three questions prior to responding to those who challenge my 'self-belief':

1. *What is it that I find most challenging about the other person's behaviour or attitude?*
2. *Do I present with the same or similar behaviours or attitudes?*
3. *How should the answers to the above questions frame my response?*

Friedrich Nietzsche, the 19th century German philosopher stated that, "All things are subject to interpretation; whichever interpretation prevails at a given time is a function of power and not truth." Our attitudes, our consciously held beliefs or opinions, lead to behaviours that, through repetition can become quite fixed and automatic - we often fail to self-reflect and we are all prone to accept the 'truth' of our memories and thoughts, accepting them as facts, which we come to believe, correct or not, as how we define ourselves and others. There is significant research that highlights that, whilst we 'are' our memories, there is a danger in underestimating the fallibility of these memories; the acceptance of thoughts, opinions and memories as facts, which leads to a distortion of the truth. This is a phenomenon that affects us all and it is one reason why I am often asking myself the three questions that I mentioned above.

Julia Shaw, a Canadian scientist, focuses her studies on implanted memories and she highlights how each time we tell a story, we change our memory; we can internalise a thought or opinion into a memory that convinces ourselves that it is fact. One of our goals as educators is to assist each person to form healthy attitudes and to have confidence in any application in life. To enable integrity in this life-long undertaking, research in attitudes and beliefs compels us to be honest curators of our life, which may challenge our current perception of ourselves and others.

Regards, Rod Linhart

Principal

SCHOOL CALENDAR

OCTOBER

Monday 28th	9.00am Year 3 morning prayer assembly 6.00pm School Board meeting
Tuesday 29th	10.30am school choirs visit Strathdevon P&F Meeting 6.00pm - Staffroom
Wed 30th	9.30am Years 3 & 1 Parish Mass 'Soctober' casual clothes & socks day Year 6 MJR session with Paul Crennan.
Thursday 31st	NO Canteen this Day - BBQ Lunch Only School Athletics Carnival

NOVEMBER

Saturday 2nd	Lego League competition - Hobart
Monday 4th	Public Holiday (Recreation Day)
Wed 6th	Parish members invited to morning tea after Mass
Monday 11th	9.00am Year 5 morning prayer assembly
Wed 13th	9.30am Years 5 & Prep Parish Mass
Thursday 14th	Allison Davies Evening - P&F Initiative
Friday 15th	9.00-10.30am Kinder Orientation/ Pre-Kindergarten session
	Afternoon - Childcare Christmas Party

SCHOOL STUDENT TERM DATES 2019

Term 4: Monday 14th Oct - Wednesday 18th December.

SCHOOL STUDENT TERM DATES 2020

Term 1 Thursday 6th February - Thursday 9th April

Easter break Friday 10th April-Tuesday 14th April

Term 2 Mon 27th April - Friday 3rd July

Term 3 Mon 20th July 2020 - Friday 25th September 2020

Term 4 Mon 12th October 2020 - Thursday 17th Dec 2020

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SCHOOL-WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT, W.E.S.T. and MERCY VALUES

WEST Award

Congratulations to Oliver Singline (Year 1) who received a WEST certificate during Monday's morning assembly. We will continue to acknowledge those students who exhibit WEST (Welcoming, Encouraging; Sorry; Thankful) qualities and Mercy Values (Hospitality, Compassion, Mercy and Respect) by presenting awards at our Monday morning assemblies. Families are always most welcome to attend our weekly assemblies.

House Raffle Winners

Byrne House: Leon Garrad

Dooley House: Evie Bracken

Martyn House: Brad Jones

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Prep: Owen Christie for a great start to Term 2 and Zander Bloomfield for being a responsible student.

Year 1: Hamish Crawford - great recount writing about our Hagley excursion.

Year 2: Jake Bracken for his diligent application of feedback during writing tasks.

Year 3: Ryan Jackson for his positive attitude and application to our work on Cyber Safety.

Year 4: Eamon Young for being a caring and considerate class member.

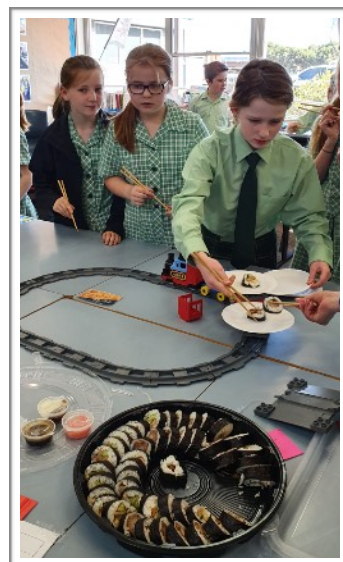
Year 5: Alexander Brown for his contributions in Religion, to discussions about caring for others and summarising his choice of a 'Success Stories'.

Year 6: Thomas Hartwell for his outstanding presentation and effort on his island project.

LOTE: Japanese

Last term, Year 4 achieved the highest points for positive attitude and application to learning in Japanese. Students were awarded the opportunity to taste different types of Japanese sushi from Bento. Students got the opportunity to test out their chopstick (nashi) skills at the same time! We looked at how different places serve sushi and created a miniature sushi train. Thank you to Mrs Hyland for taking some photos and your support to make this a wonderful cultural experience. What's happening in Japanese this term? Students will be learning more about the following concepts:

- Hiragana- recognising different characters, writing in stroke order and writing words
- Japanese money (yen) - looking at Japanese money and making connections to similarities and differences to Australian money
- Traditional Sushi - students have started to design their own sushi with some traditional sushi ingredients and experimenting with different flavours. Students will get the opportunity to create their own sushi very soon.
- Japanese project - students will create a Japanese quiz to demonstrate their understanding and knowledge learnt in Japanese.



eSafety Website Update - Correspondence from the eSafety Commissioner for families.

We are very excited to share with you the new and refreshed esafety.gov.au website, a comprehensive, dynamic and interactive national online safety hub for Australians. There really is no other place online quite like it! We've spent the last 18 months working alongside various experts to create, refresh and streamline eSafety's content. Every page on our site has been updated with tailored advice, resources and support to ensure we help Australians have empowering and positive experiences online. Almost a third of the website features exciting new material, including our section for young people, guided by young people. Not only is this a great resource for students, but the topics can help with online safety conversations in Australian classrooms. Over 300 of our resources, including our popular education resources, have been refreshed and rebranded and are easier to find using our new filter feature. Now, you can search by education level and topic to ensure you find what best resonates with your specific school context and classroom needs. We have also retired some of our older resources — with new research and technology, they have become outdated and are no longer relevant. Our new online safety hub presents an incredible opportunity to reach a broader range of Australians and make them aware of eSafety's resources and services. The updated website: esafety.gov.au



School Athletics Carnival - Thursday 31st October

Mrs Hayes has been very imaginative and she has created an extremely interesting athletics Carnival, which should bring out the best in all participants. The parents and friends are providing lunch for all the students on Thursday for the athletics carnival. A sausage or hamburger and a fruit box will be on offer for all students free of charge. **There will be NO canteen available this day.** For parents attending the carnival on Thursday we will be running the coffee machine and will have treats available to purchase from 10am-12.30pm. Homemade egg and bacon pies, sausage rolls, cupcakes and scones to name a few this will be cash only purchases. This stall will be available to parents and spectators only.

A detailed program will be sent home on Wednesday, however, a summary of the day includes:

Classes walk with class teacher over to Council Oval, (staff and children have hat, and drink), ready for a 9.20 start please.

9.25 – 10.25 Grade 3-6 Running Races
 Kinder- 2 Tabloid Events

10.30 – 10.40 INSIDE RECESS FOR EVERYONE, return to oval - including Kinders - ready for 10:45 start

10.45 – 11.50 Grade 3-6 Tabloids
 Kinder – 2 Running races

****Everyone come together at tents at 11.50****

12.00 – 12.25 Tug-o-War Competition - students;
Parents/Staff.

12:30 **100m FINALS for Gr 3-6

Students return to school for lunch - end of carnival.
Please contact Mrs Hayes or Mr Linhart if you require any clarification or elaboration.

Library News: Who created a RAINBOW?

Congratulations to the following students for being consistent with borrowing library books for term 3 2019..... you are all in the prize draw for the reading pack. GOODLUCK!!

Kinder - Alice, Alivia, Amir, Angus, Archer, Ethan, Fraser, Indiana, Jackson, Jaxon, Oliver, Ross, Tom A, Xavier
Prep - Alexander F, Axel, Edmund, Henry, Porter, Seth, Victor, Zander

Year 1 - Emilia, Harper, Oliver S, Violet, Zita

Year 2 - Egan, Frank, Jimmy, Jon, Lulu, Melia, Rose, Sebastian, Sophie F, Zara, Zarna

Year 3 - Cameron, Gabbi, Indy, Ruby A, Ryan, Salma, Sasha, Suraya, Tyla

Year 4 - Abbie, Emily P, Georgie, Grace, Gideon, Jasper, Loretta, Nathan, Stella

Year 5 - Himash, Lily, Matilda, Melanie, Ruth, Zarlia

Year 6 -

Socktober



WEAR YOUR CRAZIEST SOCKS!!!
+ plain clothes day

Wednesday 30th October
gold coin donation

* donations will go to Catholic Mission,
who work towards ending global poverty

 **catholic
mission**
Reach out. Give life.

Student Success

Kyle had a wonderful weekend competing in Launceston at the Tasmanian All Schools Athletics Championship. He won a bronze medal in the 200 m 11 years final, a bronze medal in the discus and a bronze medal in the shot-put on day one. On day two he was competing in the combined event, which involves a points tally across 4 disciplines that include 800m & 100m on the track and long jump & shot-put on the field. Kyle came away with the silver medal for the combined event. He was 5th place in 1500m final and 4th place in the 100m final. He has had a busy weekend but loved every minute! One impressive aspect of Kyle's sportsmanship is his habit of shaking all his competitors hands at the end of each event - well done Kyle!



Staff News

We welcome back Mrs Gregson who has returned from long service leave; Mr Linhart will be involved in 2020 teacher recruitment tomorrow, Thursday and Friday.

Library - Book Club

Issue 7 of Book Club is out now. Orders are to be in no later than today 29th October 2019.

PARENTS & FRIENDS

Parents & Friends meet tonight, Tuesday 29th October in the school staffroom at 6.00pm. All are most welcome to attend - discussions will include some fund-raising ideas and focus areas and some initiatives for welcoming new families to the school community in addition to supporting the school's Sustainability and Care & Concern initiatives.

The parents and friends are providing lunch for all the students on Thursday for the athletics carnival. A sausage or hamburger and a fruit box will be on offer for all students free of charge. We will also be selling coffee and offering homemade treats for sale (cash only) for parents and spectators attending the carnival on Thursday.

A flier went home in last weeks newsletter for the Allison Davies evening. Tickets are available for purchase from the school office. The event will be held on Thursday 14th November from 6.30pm in the school hall. For more information check compass, Facebook or chat to one of the P&F committee.

REMINDERS & COMMUNITY NEWS

Staff Professional Learning Day/Student-Free Day

Monday 25th November is timetabled as a whole-staff professional learning day. Staff will be provided with professional learning in the 'Seven Steps to Reading' program, which will further enhance some significant professional learning (Initial Lit; Macq Lit) that we, as a school, have provided to staff in our endeavours to enhance our mastery of literacy learning. **Students will not attend school on Monday 25th November.**

Merseylink Bus Services - Not available this Friday 1st November: any questions please give the Merseylink office a call.

Please be advised that due to a Kinder to Grade 10 State School Student Free Day on Friday 1st November, the following bus services will not operate;

Bus 7 – Shearwater to all Latrobe Schools

Bus 29 – Port Sorell to Latrobe schools

Bus 35 – Parkers Ford Road to all Latrobe Schools via Sassafras, Bass Highway

Bus 63 – Tarleton Road, Spreyton Bus Interchange to all Latrobe Schools

Bus 66 – Baker's Beach to Andrews Creek Primary via Latrobe High School

Bus 77 – Railton to all Latrobe Schools

Bus 85 – 307/317 East Devonport to Latrobe schools

St Brendan-Shaw College Newsletter link is: <http://sbsc-au-tas-251-website.digistormhosting.com.au/newsletters/term-4-24-october-2019>



Latrobe Cricket News

With the season getting underway **LAST** Friday October 25th, we encourage you to register ASAP!

<https://www.playcricket.com.au/club-finder/club-details?id=5880> Please contact Kylie French (Treasurer) if you have any questions about payments. If you need assistance with the registration process, please contact Nathan Dennis (MyCricket Manager) on 0429 961 700 or speak to him on a training night. We hope to see lots of junior & masters blasters @ the club this season. It should be a fantastic year!

Student Swimming Program - Monday 11th November to Friday 22nd November.

Over the past two years we have asked for feedback from families and staff in regards to our water familiarisation program. After reviewing the feedback, discussions amongst the School Board and staff and with the swimming instructors, we have decided to focus the program on developing swimming competency, rather than water familiarisation. Therefore students in Prep, Years 1 and Year 6 will not be involved in the program this year, with the focus instead being on developing swimming competencies for students in Years 2, 3, 4 and 5. Each class level will have three instructors, with the majority of the allocated daily class session being in the pool. Our 10 day school swimming program will be offered Monday 11th November to Friday 22nd November.