

Youngtown News & Views



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Dear Parents,

Welcome back!

Welcome back to school – I trust that you have enjoyed some great family time together over the last two weeks. It's fantastic to see some genuine spring weather this week, particularly after such a cold and wet winter term. Over the next 13 and a half weeks there is much to look forward to – the athletics carnival, our whole school Arts/PE production, end of year family picnic, Grade 6 presentation assembly and leaver's dinner, and our final whole school assembly on the last day. Once again children will enjoy a rich curriculum experience this term including biology, visual art, athletics, creative writing, numeracy, handwriting, music, drama, Indonesian and some lessons on electrical safety. In addition teachers will be working extra hard to ensure that you receive your child's comprehensive end of year report early in December.

NAPLAN Results

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) reports for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 who sat the national tests in literacy and numeracy in May this year will be sent home this week.

Your child's report will show national information including how your child performed in relation to other students in their particular year group, and in comparison to the national average score for each of the Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy tests.

It is also possible to get a sense of your child's achievement overtime by looking at previous NAPLAN reports, however caution should be exercised as the results refer to a single point in time only and may not reflect the full range of your child's ability. In 2011 a new writing scale has been established for persuasive writing, which is not comparable with the previous narrative writing scale.

Teachers will be provided with a complete analysis of their students' results and parents are invited to contact their child's teacher in order to discuss any aspect of the tests.

More information about NAPLAN results and reports is available from the National Assessment Program website www.nap.edu.au

Our Sculpture in Progress

Have you noticed our new sculpture currently in progress just near the chook shed? If you haven't then I strongly recommend you come and take a look! Eddie Freeman is renowned throughout Australia and even overseas for his amazing skills with a chainsaw. All of his sculptures are eye-catching pieces of artwork for all who happen to see them, and our latest creation will be no exception. Eddie is always ready to share his skills with onlookers.

This sculpture is a part of our overall landscape plan which is well underway and will eventually include new playground equipment for kindergarten, new paths, improved drainage, fencing and edging.

Troy Roberts
Principal




HELP REQUIRED PLEASE FOR A BUSY BEE

This year Youngtown is having a Whole School Production on Wednesday 7th December at the Door of Hope.

We are going to have a Busy Bee on **Friday 30th** September from 9.00am - 1.00pm. If you could please spare some time, even just an hour to come and assist with costumes that would be greatly appreciated.

We are also collecting really thick cardboard to make Egyptian collars and will need it for the busy bee.





Coles Sports for Schools is Back!!

Once again Coles will be running their Sports for Schools program where they will give out vouchers at the register. Please bring these to school and place in the box near the office.

If all families could.... **PLACE THEIR VOUCHERS IN AN ENVELOPE AND WRITE HOW MANY VOUCHERS THERE ARE ON THE FRONT OF THE ENVELOPE.** That would save my two helpers, Ella Morrison and Mikayla Smith and myself a lot of time.

*Thank you in advance for your support,
Lynda Colgrave
PE Teacher*

3 Day - Kindergarten 2012 Enrolments Now Being Taken

Do you have a child, or know of any children turning 4 by December 31st this year?
These little ones are eligible to attend Kindergarten next year. Our planning is well underway for 2012 and we are now accepting enrolments for Kinder. Please ask their families to collect enrolment forms from the main office.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday, 23 September 2011
Taekwondo using Multi-Purpose room
4.30-6.00pm

Thursday, 29 September 2011
1:40 PM Prep - 2 Assembly
Prep Chilcott/Walch to host

Friday, 30 September 2011
K-6 Performance - Solid State Circus
Taekwondo using Multi-Purpose room
4.30-6.00pm

Thursday, 6 October 2011
Royal Launceston Show

Friday, 7 October 2011
Student Free Day
Taekwondo using Multi-Purpose room
4.30-6.00pm

Tuesday, 11 October 2011
8:15 AM 3-6 Athletics Carnival @ South Ltn
Football Oval

Wednesday, 12 October 2011
Shot put & discus for 5/6s
3-6 Athletics Carnival - Rain Day

Thursday, 13 October 2011
1:10 PM Kinder B excursion to Music Tree
2:20 PM 3 - 6 Assembly
5/6 Thow to host

Friday, 14 October 2011
Taekwondo using Multi-Purpose room
4.30-6.00pm

Tuesday, 18 October 2011
12:30 PM Gr 6 Lton Council immunisation
9.00 AM ECE Athletics Carnival at YPS

Wednesday, 19 October 2011
Shot put & discus for 5/6s
9.30 AM Kinder Lohrey athletics carnival
ECE Athletics Carnival - Rain Day

Thursday, 20 October 2011
1:40 PM Prep - 2 Assembly
2/3 Van Winden to host
1:45 PM Performance in the GP room for grade 5/6 students. It's titled 'The Boy with the Longest Shadow'

Friday, 21 October 2011
Taekwondo using Multi-Purpose room
4.30-6.00pm

Thursday, 27 October 2011
2:20 PM 3 - 6 Assembly
4 Hudson to host

FATHER'S DAY STALL

YTEL would like to thank everyone for supporting this stall we raised \$748.30.



Book club news!

Issue 6 forms are coming home this week, they are

Due back

Next Thursday 29th of September at 9am.

If you would like to collect the books Yourself please write on order, "leave at office".

Any queries please contact Lisa Tatnell, 0418364861

School Association News

Welcome back to school we hope all families had a fantastic break.

Our next meeting will be held
Next Wednesday 28th of May at 7.00pm
In the staffroom.



Come along and have a coffee and find out what exciting things are planned for this term.

Literacy Room / Home Reading Program

Due to the commitments placed on the Literacy Team in the mornings, before the start of school, there is the need to limit the time students can visit the Literacy Room to record their progress in the Home Reading Program. The Literacy Room will be open from **8.30am until the start of the music for the start of the day on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.**

English Competition

The results for the English competition administered by the University of New South Wales have been received and the certificates handed out to the students that participated. It was terrific to see the number of students taking the step to participate, some for the first time, and all should be congratulated for taking part. The awards achieved by students are as follows;

Participation:

Eloise McKercher
Divyansh Sharma
Bailey Boon
Anabel Callaghan Thomson
Monique Brooks
Lillian Blackwell
Jacob Fitch

Credit:

Samuel Day
Hayden Walmsley
Paige Hollingsworth
Brenna Middlecoat
Sarah Robins
Miller Biggelaar

Distinction

Samuel Fitch
Benjamin Brown
Luke Day

Below is a picture of the participants to acknowledge and celebrate their achievement in taking part.





COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

Youngtown Little Athletics Club

Season starts 8th October at St Leonards. New and current members welcome from age 5 as at 1st October 2011. Pre-registration available outside Kindergarten at 3.10 on Thursday 22nd September has been cancelled but registrations can be taken at training on 27th September at Sth Lton Oval at 5pm. Further information available from Brett Gillow 0437 707 770 or Jane Stevenson (in Kindergarten Tuesdays and Thursdays after school) or on our South Launceston Centre website www.sllac.org.au

- *Training week 1:* 27th September will involve expert training with Kate Pedley in runs, warm ups and stretches.
- *Training week 2 will involve expert training in jumps - high jump (for appropriate age groups), long jump, triple jump*
- *Training week 3 will involve expert training in throws - shot put, discus, javelin/turbojav/vortex*

Piano Lessons Term 3

Vacancies exist on a Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. Lessons are fun, creative, encouraging and rewarding. Medals, trophies, stickers and certificates are awarded to encourage pupils and the opportunities are endless with concerts, competitions, examinations, piano parties and workshops an option. Email robbiewilson75@hotmail.com or phone 6327 4006 or 0400 070 375.

New Dance School

Free Hip Hop, Breakdancing and Funk workshops to celebrate the opening of a new dance school. Come and learn some new skills, learn some new moves and most importantly have some fun in an encouraging, friendly environment. No prior experience needed! and best of all it doesn't end there, if you really enjoy yourself comeback and become a member of Launceston's newest dance studio!

When: October 8th

Time: Junior aged 6-12year at 12.00 -12.45pm
Senior aged 13 and over at 1.00 - 2.30pm

Where: Newstead Baptist Church Hall

For further enquiries please email
Jasonbakes@hotmail.com

Launceston Futsal Term 3 Competition

A 10 week roster with 2 weeks of finals at Elphin Sports Centre.

All age groups are determined by Player ages as at January 1st 2011. Our 2011 Term 3 competition will commence on Friday 30th September 2011. Team nomination fee is \$70, player fees are \$6.00 per player per match. All matches are 30 minute duration for all age categories. Matches each Friday will commence at 4.30pm. Team and player details must be completed and returned to the office of Football Federation Tasmania or the N.T.J.S.A. no later than 5.00pm on Monday 26th September 2011. Nomination Fees must also be paid prior to competition. Contact Dale Itchins for further information on 62733 299 or 0415 568 434.

An evening with KAZ COOKE

Join one of Australia's most bestselling authors Kaz Cooke for supper and a discussion about her new book *Women's Stuff*. 28th September 2011 @ 6.00pm for 6.30pm at the Tailrace Centre. Tickets are \$40.00 and are available from Petrarchs Bookshop.

Take Home a Big Brother or Big Sister

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional students arriving in Australia in February 2012 for their 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Austria, Japan, the USA and Canada will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at www.scce.com.au or call us toll free pm 1800 500 501.

Run for your Heart

Clifford Craig Medical Research Trust invites you to join us to Run for your Heart on Sunday 2nd October, departing from Aurora Stadium at 10.00am. Look forward to seeing you there. Cost \$15.00 per adult, \$8.00 per child under 16 or \$35.00 per family (2 adults and 2 children). For further information or to enter www.clifforcraig.org.au

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