## Dates to Remember

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Dear Parents,

I hope that you all had a safe and relaxing Long Weekend.

On Wednesday night at 7.00 pm there will be a presentation to potential new parents for our Kindergarten classes in 2017. If you know anyone who is interested in a Kindergarten enrolment for 2017, please encourage them to attend. Current families who are familiar with our School are not required to attend. The meeting will be approximately 50 minutes.

This week the Parent/Teacher meetings are occurring. This is an important opportunity for parents to talk to teachers about the start of the school year for students and goals for improvement. The role of parents in their child’s education is vital. You are the primary educators of your children and your influence is vital. Please take this opportunity to have the necessary conversations and ensure that the supports from both home and school are aligned to achieve the best outcomes.

I wish all the best for our students who will represent St Finn Barr’s at the NUSSA Swimming Carnival today. I know they will do their very best and represent our school with pride.

Have a great week,

Anthony Healey,
Principal.
On Friday, Matthew Burns participated in the World’s Greatest Shave. He was supported by our school community, with many students participating by having their hair coloured. Thank you for supporting Matthew in this important event and raising money to support research into the prevention of, and cure for cancer.
Prayer

Loving God,

You created each one of us in a unique and special way and you want us to be the best person we can be. Help us to celebrate that we are different and wonderfully made. May we learn to rejoice in the gifts and talents of others and use our own gifts for the benefit of all.

We ask this in Jesus’ name.

Amen.

Holy Week Prayer Service
Led by 5/6 Edwards
When: Thursday, 24th March
Time: 10:15 a.m.
Where: St Finn Barr’s Church

Rainbows Program

In Term Two we will commence weekly support groups for children who have experienced grief in their families. This may be due to death, separation/divorce of parents, or other painful loss.

A Rainbows group comprises children of similar age, who have experienced loss, offering peer support to each other with the guidance of a trained adult facilitator. Rainbows facilitators are caring people committed to supporting children on their journey from hurt to healing. Students are able to express their feelings, work through their grief, build self-esteem and begin to accept what has happened. Facilitators and children must agree to strict confidentiality. With the exception of children sharing what they say or do with their own parents, what happens in the group stays in the group.

If you feel your child would benefit from participating in this program or would like further information, please come and see Alice Cannon.
St Finn Barr's SWPBS News

My Top 5 Tips for being Safe, Respectful and Resilient

- We use ICT responsibly and we share it
- We help each other
- We work together to get tasks done
- We share our "class stuff"
- We always try our best - we never give up

The Spirit of Jesus at Home and School

We are a COMMUNITY of SAFE, RESPECTFUL, RESILIENT LEARNERS
**GRADE 5/6 FRIDAY SPORT – FRIDAY 18TH MARCH**

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**Scholastic Book Club**

The 2\textsuperscript{nd} issue catalogue for 2016 was sent home last week and on-line ordering (LOOP) will be available until the 18\textsuperscript{th} March, 2016 for this issue. LOOP allows parents to order and pay via the Scholastic website or app. Books are sent directly to the school and distributed to students. The school receives commission from sales in the form of books for the Library and the classroom.

**LOOP**

- For a quick start, just click on ORDER in the top menu or REGISTER first to save your details for next time
- Select your school and your child’s class
- Add your child’s name (so the school knows who the book is for)
- Enter the item number from the Book Club brochure
- You can order for multiple children at once if they attend the same school
- All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic
- Books will still be delivered to your child’s classroom if you order by the closing date
Easter Raffle
Easter Raffle tickets have gone home so look out for them. They need to be back to the office by Friday, 18th March to be in the draw. It will be drawn at 8.30am on Monday, 21st March and winners posted in the newsletter.

Footy Margin Tickets
These are great and tickets are selling fast. The tickets sell for $25 and are valid for the whole football season. See flyer for more details.

Entertainment Books
St Finn Barr’s P & F will be running the Entertainment Books again this year and pre-season sales and additional vouchers will be available soon. All ordering will be online including payments. All past purchasers will receive a reorder email. The Books will be sent home with your child so ensure you complete details on your form. Digital copies are available on up to two separate mobile devices and are becoming the most popular version. This allows you to have the book with you at all times and easily scan vouchers – no more leaving vouchers at home or in the car. More details next week.

Mother’s Day Stall
Mother’s Day is on Sunday 8th May which is the week after we return to school for second Term. To make the Stall successful, we need donations as soon as possible so that we can ensure there are enough gifts for all mothers. Suggestions are chocolates, bath products, coffee mugs, candles, books, photo frames.

Fair
A Fair or similar event is held every 2 years and this is the year. It takes a lot of time, effort and volunteers to get an event like this together. If you are interested in helping organise or have any great suggestions, please let us know at pandf.sfb@catholic.tas.edu.au

Steve Biddulph
After the success last year of Steve’s Raising Boys evening, the P & F is looking at holding a Raising Girls event. Watch this space for more information.

St Finn Barr’s Parents and Friends Association

AFL MARGIN TICKETS - AVAILABLE NOW

$25.00 EACH - FOR THE FULL 2016 SEASON

Your ticket will be valid for the first match of each round for the full season this year (23 weeks).

Each week the person who holds the ticket with the correct points margin will win $50 (how many points the winning team won by).

The person with the winning ticket will be advertised in the weekly newsletter and also be contacted.

GET IN QUICK - 1st game 24th March so get your ticket now.

Contact Allison Woodland - 0408 175 224 or leave $25.00 with your contact details at the school office.
St Finn Barr's P & F Mother’s Day Stall is on again!

This is for the children to buy their mums a present.

We need donations of small gifts, i.e. chocolates, coffee mugs, bath soaps or something that a Mum might like to receive.

The children will then be able to “go shopping” and purchase a $2.00 gift for them.

Please send in a gift ASAP to the school office.
Kindergarten Enrolments 2017
Kindergarten Enrolments for all Catholic Schools in Launceston are now being sought for 2017. If you have a child turning 4 this year you are reminded that enrolments for Kinder 2017 need to be in the office by the end of May. Our Enrolment forms are available from the school office or they can be downloaded from our school website http://www.stfinnbarrs.tas.edu.au/contact-us/enrolment. If you know of any families who are interested in Kindergarten for 2017 please ask them to contact the school office. Enrolment applications close on Friday 27th May, 2016.

2017 Kindergarten
The Catholic Primary Schools of Launceston invite prospective parents of 2017 Kindergarten students to Parent Information Evenings. We encourage parents to attend any information session of potential schools for their child. Listed below are dates and times for each school. If any further queries, please contact individual schools during office hours on numbers provided.

- **Larmenier Catholic School**
  - Tuesday 15th March 7:00pm
  - 6339 1910

- **St Finn Barr’s Catholic School**
  - Wednesday 16th March 7:00pm
  - 6326 3082

- **St Anthony’s Catholic School**
  - Tuesday 22nd March 7:00pm
  - 6327 3618

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**ORAL HEALTH SERVICES TASMANIA**

**Healthy Mouth Healthy Body**

**FREE dental care**

Oral Health Services welcomes ALL children from babies up to 18 years of age for FREE dental care. Oral Health Services Tasmania will:

- **BULK BILL** Medicare when parents present their Medicare card
- **Provide almost all dental care for FREE**

*Some dental care may attract a small fee and be subject to eligibility conditions.*

*Don’t forget to bring your Medicare card*

Contact your local dental clinic to make an appointment for your child or teen.

**Where?**
Mowbray Dental Clinic
Child Health Clinic,
Cnr Beatty and Jellico St, Mowbray

**Phone:** 6336 4199

www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/oralhealth
Community News

Learn to SWIM Programme and Mini-Squad Programme

TERM 1 PROGRAMME
1 February – 9 April 2016
TERM 2 PROGRAMME
26 April – 2 July 2016
TERM 3 PROGRAMME
18 July – 24 September 2016
TERM 4 PROGRAMME
10 October – 17 December 2016
Classes from 3.30pm Monday – Friday and from 8.30am Saturday

HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES
TERM 1 HOLIDAYS
Week 1: 11-15 April
Week 2: 18-22 April
TERM 2 HOLIDAYS
Week 1: 4-8 July
Week 2: 11-15 July
TERM 3 HOLIDAYS
Week 1: 26-30 Sept
Week 2: 3-7 Oct

Discounts are available for one or both weeks. 
Monday to Friday from 9.00am

For further information or to make a booking please call the Grammar Swimming Pool on (03) 6336 6083

Grammar Swimming Pool, Jelph Street, Moonlounge 2248

PICNIC & PLAY IN THE PARK

Mount Stuart Park, Newnham
Located off Alabare Rd
Wednesday 30th March 11-12.30
If raining, Friday 1st April

Ponies, Jumping castle,
Face Painting, BBQ & drinks FREE

For more info please call Northern Suburbs Community Centre on 0326 5500
or Community Family Workers on 0444 915 193 or 0455 201029

COMMUNITY HARMONY DAY
18 March 2016

Help celebrate Launceston’s Harmony Day, Princes Square
Friday 18th March 5.30pm - 9pm

Doing a choir or sing and join our FREE community celebration, featuring:

- International food stalls
- Traveling Musical Bus
- Multi-cultural entertainment
- Activities for kids including jumping castle, Gianom and much more!

For more information call 6334 3321, find us on Facebook or visit cityofla.com.au

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Thank you for supporting this raffle.