Principal’s Message

Dear Parents,

On Saturday night, one hundred new arrivals families and their support people gathered to share a meal, engage in conversation, share food and express the joy that having these families as part of our community enriches and makes our communities better.

The Tamar Peace Festival held many events over the weekend celebrating the roles of art, diversity, education and sport in building community cohesion and goodwill between people. Under the banner of the Peace Festival many activities were conducted that support the concept of community kindness, tolerance and non-conflict resolution.

The Community Meal was a great success and I can assure you that the food was excellent. A number of family recipes were exchanged.

The plans for the carpark are now on display. If you have any suggestions, ideas or queries please write them in the book at the Office provided for this, email the Office or myself or talk to your child’s teacher.

Last week the Prep and Gr 1/2 classes performed Eddie the Penguin to packed audiences. All the plays were tremendous and a number of great budding stars revelled in the opportunity to be the stars of the show. Congratulations to Mrs Boyle on the success of the musical plays.
After a number of delays the NIJSSA Cross Country was run last Tuesday. The course was muddy and slippery and many of the participants suffered spectacular falls to coat themselves in wet mud. Congratulations to all the students who participated and represented our school. They did a magnificent job. We came sixth, which is normal for us. The size of the competing schools varies greatly from 400+ students down to 120 students, so the results are heavily influenced by school size. Congratulations to Kaidan Stacey-Baker who came 1st in the Grade 3 Boys and Kate Healer who came 3rd in the Grade 4 Girls. **Well done to all participants!**

On Tuesday and Wednesday some of our Gr 3 and Gr 5 students will participate in an On-line trial of NAPLAN tests. This process is being done across Australia with selected schools in preparation for everyone doing On-line tests.

SFB teachers will, over the next few weeks, be attending Network Meetings in Grade Levels. This is a requirement of the TCEO and teachers are required to attend. The days are staggered and are an important PD for your child's teacher.

On Friday Gr 5-6 Pat lead the PE activities for the ECE classes and then the Primary classes. It was very successful, with the leaders doing a great job of leading the activities and the other students enjoying it. We will continue to do this on Friday afternoons.

Have a great week.

Anthony Healey,  
Principal.

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**REC NEWS**

Please pray for our students who have begun their Sacramental journey, as we support them as they prepare for Confirmation and First Eucharist.

**Prayer**

Loving God, we ask you to bless these children.  
May they always feel your presence in their hearts and lives.  
We take them to our hearts as you take them to your heart.  
We pray that by our word and example we will help them along their journey of faith.  
May our community always be a place where they feel welcome and cherished.  
We make this prayer in Jesus’ name.  Amen
Winter Appeal
For St Vincent de Paul

On Friday the 12th of August, the St Finn Barr’s Mini Vinnies will be holding a Winter Appeal.

Items required for donation include: blankets, jackets, jumpers, socks, beanies, scarves.

All items are much appreciated.
Items will be donated to St Vincent de Paul.
From the St Finn Barr’s Mini Vinnies students.
P & F Meeting.
We have our first meeting for Term 3 this Tuesday, 2nd August at 7.30pm - 9pm upstairs in the Staff Room. Everyone is welcome! The P & F needs your support to make our school a great place for our children.

Rock N Roll Night!!
We will be finalising our Rock N Roll Night!! The P & F is continuing to build community spirit with our annual Rock N Roll Night. An enjoyable night for the children. Over the years the evening has gone from Rock N Roll to a Disco, but this year we return to the Rock N Roll Night with live music from Mr Barry Nas.

Save the date - Friday, 12th August 6-8pm at St Ailbe’s Hall. With a FLURO theme. Tickets available at the door $10 per family with lucky door prizes!

Entertainment Books
Entertainment books are still available — get in quick as we only have a few left, or order yours online with the St Finn Barr's link.

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Hope to see you Tuesday.

KINDER NEWS

Last Thursday, Kinder Newman and Kinder Young were excited to open the new Mud Cafe and Water Wall play area. The children had a fantastic time exploring the new play space. Many mud pies, cakes and muffins were created and as one happy customer expressed, ‘This is the best Mud Kitchen EVER!’

On behalf of the Kindergarten children, families and staff we would like to thank the P & F for their generous support in creating this space. We would also like to thank the crew from ‘Over the Hedge Landscaping’ for their work in preparing the area, the Men’s Shed for making our water wall, Mrs Newman’s husband Josh, for creating our mud kitchen and any families who donated items.

Please have a look at our wonderful photos on display in the window of the Kindergarten classroom.

From the Kinder team,
Danielle Newman, Kate Dobber, Siobhan Young and Lynn Cooper.
Welcome to the Kinder Mud Cafe!
Scholastic Book Club
All orders must be done online and finalised by 9am Thursday, 4th August. Thank you for supporting book club.

Student of the Week

| Grade 1/2 | Sophie McCarthy | For a great start to Term 3 |
| Grade 3/4 | Montana Coote   | For her growing confidence in all areas of school |
| Grade 5/6 | Chloe Hume      | For her helpful nature and trying her best |

Team App

ST FINN BARR’S CATHOLIC SCHOOL
NOW HAS ITS OWN APP

Download our awesome new app now and stay up to date with all the latest information!

Install the St Finn Barr’s Catholic School App on your smartphone or tablet now!

Follow these steps:
1. Download Team App from the Apple or Google Play app store.
2. Sign up to Team App. You will be sent an email to confirm your registration.
3. Log into the App and search for “St Finn Barr’s Catholic School”.
4. Choose your applicable access group(s).
5. If you don’t have a smartphone go to stfinnbarrcatholicschool@teamapp.com to sign up and view this App online.

Need help?
Contact: Sharon Young
Email: sharon.young@catholic.tas.edu.au
Phone: 0363263082

Just over 50% of families have registered with Team App.

Newsletters, class notices and important messages are being sent out by this app.

Please follow the instructions and download so you don’t miss out on any important information.

If you have any questions or need any assistance please call into the school office.
### An evening for parents and teachers

**About Early Entry to Kinder**

- Eligibility for Early Entry
- The assessment process
- Benefits of Early Entry
- What a parent could expect of the school
- Making the right decision for a child

All welcome
- Current members - free
- Non-members - $5

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### CALENDAR

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#### Kidspot Baby & Kids Market

**SATURDAY**

13th August, 2016

9am – 12pm

**ST AILBES HALL**

46 MARGARET STREET

LAUNCESTON

$3 ENTRY FEE

(Children free)

GOOD QUALITY, PRE-LOVED BABY & KIDS ITEMS AT BARGAIN PRICES!

PHOTO GALLERY – GRADE 5/6 EXCURSION TO AURORA STADIUM TO WATCH CARLTON FOOTBALL CLUB TRAIN