Walking through our school during the past week has been incredible. We have students looking happy and fantastic in uniform, classrooms buzzing with learning activities, and friendships re-established after the long break. Our rooms, corridors and grounds look wonderful. It has been a great start to the 2013 school year.

We welcome Ms Carol Boyd to our staff. Carol returns to the North West Coast from Launceston. She joins our staff as Assistant Principal for 0.5 of her load and as Raising the Bar Co-ordinator for the other 0.5. Raising the Bar is the additional funding our school has received to increase our Literacy and Numeracy outcomes. Please introduce yourself to Carol next time you are visiting.

I want to acknowledge and thank you, our parents, for the effort you have put into preparing our students for their school year. We have been very happy with the black shoes most of our students are wearing. If you are unsure of the suitability of your child’s shoes please contact us before making your next purchase. We have attached the flier that was displayed at book sales, which may help.

The weather has been wonderful also, for our return to school, with hot and sunny days. We are very keen for our students to be sun-safe, as stated in our uniform policy. Our policy says that students Kinder to grade 6 should wear sun-safe hats when outside until the end of term 1, and then again in the last term. Even though this policy was written for a three term year, I believe this time-frame is still appropriate. We have sun-safe hats available for sale at school if you need to purchase one. Again, we would love to discuss this with you if you have any questions. We will encourage our secondary students to wear hats, as is the policy for most Tasmanian secondary schools.

I am looking forward to sharing your children's learning journey with them and with you, this year. When we work together as partners the learning process is smoother and the outcomes are enhanced. Once again, thank you for your support and I am looking forward to this term being rewarding and successful.

Reminder

Students are reminded that they are not to leave the school grounds without written permission, this includes going to the shop before and after school.

Slave for a Day - Dunalley Primary School Fundraiser

This Friday the SEC will be raising money for Dunalley Primary School which was burnt down during the bushfire near Hobart. Students are encouraged to donate generously. The 5 classes which raise the most money will be rewarded by having a slave in their class for a day.

Parents and Friends News

The Parents and Friends AGM will be held on Wednesday, 20th February at 7.30pm in the School House. The AGM will be followed by a general meeting.

EVERYBODY WELCOME TO ATTEND!

Duty of Care

We wish to remind parents that our staff do not have Duty of Care for students who are on our school grounds before 8.30am and after 3.30pm (or until the last bus leaves).

If it is necessary that your child be at school outside of these hours, they will not be supervised by staff.
Hope everyone had a nice break and are ready and rearing to get back to work! During the break, several members of the team travelled to Somerset to present our major sponsor Mr Brad Nolan - Somerset Pharmacy with a certificate of appreciation. The support from Mr Nolan has benefitted our team greatly - assisting the team to be able to concentrate on their main task of showing cattle, not finances. Please support local business, as the support is returned!

The team also held a meeting during the holidays to discuss the option of attending Chudleigh Show, it was agreed to do so. Most of the team is heading off on Friday 15 March in preparation for show day at Wynyard on Saturday 16 March. A few won’t have seen their heifers since early December 2012, so there maybe a few fun and games whilst everyone gets reacquainted. The Show will be an experience - the team hasn’t been for many years. Good luck to those showing.

Also during the break some dairy breeds held calf days and a few of our members went and assisted some of the stud owners and anyone else who needed assistance. Keeps them in practice. The Ayrshire day was attended by Anna, Harry and Meagan (future member) Hamilton and Edward and William Dudfield. Assisting Brian and Julie Margetts predominately. Meagan ventured into the ring (with a calf) for the first time and went well. Good on you Meagan. Next calf day was Guernsey and Illawarras which was attended by Edward and William Dudfield. Observation the name of the day but they did do some leading and went okay. They got a few tips from the mainland judge and hopefully they can put them into practice next time. The final competition was the Holstein Friesian and Jersey day, attended by the Hamilton’s. All were kept busy, washing and leading but a good day.

The team will be showing at the Wynyard Show again this year. Preparations will start fully after the Chudleigh Show. After Wynyard some members start to organise their new heifer for the following season. We will conduct our AGM soon after showing has been completed. A notice will be placed in the newsletter, for anyone considering joining the team for the forthcoming season. So keep an eye out for the date and please don’t be scared to attend, (we won’t throw you in the deep end - not straight away anyway!). The year seems to be flying along - February already - Where does the time go? Enjoy being back at school and the parents enjoy your peace during the day and hope 2013 is a happy, fun, safe, successful and productive year for you all. Sonja Dudfield
Yolla School Soccer
Western Schools Soccer Association

If your child is interested in playing soccer this year please fill out and return the below slip. We require slips to be returned to the school as soon as possible so that we can determine if there are enough players to form teams.

Games will be held on Saturday mornings, starting 6 April, there will be 14 games, no games will be played during school holidays. Under 6’s to Under 10’s play at Acton Fields, Acton, whilst Under 11’s and Open’s play at McKenna Park, Burnie.

Cost will be $73.00 - $78.00 registration fee (depending on method of registration). Please see the J-League soccer pamphlet sent home with this newsletter for information regarding online registration. For those wishing to play but do not have access to the internet please see the school office.

Clothing requirements are as follows: Black shorts, long socks, shin pads (compulsory), soccer boots (compulsory), mouth guard (recommended) Shirts are provided by the school.

Any parents interested in helping coach teams are asked to contact the school office as soon as possible. There will be a free of charge 2 hour coaching course held on one of the following dates: Tuesday 5 March, Thursday 7 March or Saturday 9 March 2013. Coaches are required to attend one of these clinics.

Please sign the expression of interest form, and return to the office as soon as possible.

MY CHILD …………………………………………………………. DATE OF BIRTH ………………………………

I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS ONLY AN EXPRESSION OF INTEREST AND THAT I MUST REGISTER MY
CHILD ONLINE PRIOR TO MY CHILD PARTICIPATING.

SIGNED ……………………………………………….. DATE …../….../ 2013

Burnie Netball Association
Expression of Interest

We are currently taking expressions of interest for students wishing to play in the Burnie Netball Association’s Winter roster. If your child is interested in playing Netta (children in Grades 2 and 3) or Netball (Grades 4 and above) please fill out and return the permission slip below. We require slips to be returned to the school as soon as possible so that we can determine if there are enough players to form teams.

The roster is run on Saturdays starting early March. There will be no games over the Easter break and April school holidays. The roster runs for 17 weeks in total.

MY CHILD ………………………………………………………………………………….. Class……………………………

IS INTERESTED IN PLAYING FOR YOLLA SCHOOL IN THE BURNIE NETBALL ASSOCIATION WINTER ROSTER.

I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS ONLY AN EXPRESSION OF INTEREST AND THAT UPON TEAMS BEING FORMED A REGISTRATION FEE IS REQUIRED AND PAYABLE TO THE NETBALL ASSOCIATION.

SIGNED ……………………………………………….. DATE …../….../ 2013
Students in 4/5 Guest have been studying Sun Safety. They are learning to identify skin cancer spots, learning how to be sun safe and looking at the effects of sun damage. They were interested to find out about Katie who is so sensitive to the effects of the sun that she has to cover her body all over with sunscreen, wear sun blocking clothing and never expose herself to the sun. She is only able to be outside when the sun is down, ie when the moon is out. Her condition is known as XP (xeroderma pigmentosum). Katie’s school has blackout curtains on the windows and she cannot travel to school sitting in the front seat of the car because the sun coming through the specially tinted windows in their family car would burn her.

Yolla District High School Uniform

Thank you parents / guardians, for supporting our school uniform policy. We are asking your continued help in a couple of ways:

Trouser:
1. If you are considering buying trousers, from an outside retailer, can we please ask that they are **black or grey** and are **not low cut/low waisted trousers**.

2. If you are buying tracksuit pants, can we ask that they be **plain** black or grey, **without coloured stripes**.

Shoes:
3. If you are buying shoes for school, we strongly recommend firm and supportive shoes that have laces, velcro or buckles ensuring the shoe fits and stays on the foot firmly. This is for Occupational Health and Safety reasons as well as assisting correct posture for your child.

4. Joggers / sandshoes are acceptable, however all shoes should be predominantly black. A small amount of colour is acceptable.
EX-YOLLA HIGH STUDENTS START AT HELLYER 2013

450 nervous Year 11 students began their school year at Hellyer College on Tuesday 5 February. Students seemed to settle in well after their introductory assembly and once they’d worked out where they were going, headed off to their first class.

Sonia Hodgetts, Yolla High School’s Pathway Planning Officer, was at Hellyer for the Year 11’s first day. She spoke with two students, George Tiplady and Amber Taylor about how their first day had gone.

George Tiplady:  
What did you think of your first day? Was it what you expected?  
I think the first day was all right. We learned the basic stuff about Hellyer and had a tour. I was a bit nervous but not too bad. I didn’t think there would be so many people! I think that my classes will be ok.

Amber Taylor:  
What did you think about your first day? What was good about it?  
My first day was pretty good! I met a lot of new people, my classes were all right and my teachers seemed nice. I have met my Hospitality teacher before which helped. I was a bit nervous because I didn’t know what to expect. I am looking forward to cooking and hospitality. I think finishing at 4pm will be hard compared to what I am used to!

Wynyard Concert Band  
Beginners Band  
 When: Thursday 21st Feb 5.00 to 6 pm  
 Where: Band rooms Johnson Place Wynyard (near Squash Courts)

For all ages 10 to 100. From complete beginners to virtuosos!  
Come and try out some instruments and learn to play in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.  
For further info phone Alison 64381285/0408354574.  
If you can’t make it this week come another week at the same time.  
Intermediate Band starts again Feb 14 - 6.30pm.

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 international students arriving in Australia in July 2013 for their 3, 5 or 10 month programs.

Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Japan, and Spain 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, email scceaust@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!
The Wynyard Agricultural and Pastoral Society
125th Annual Show
Saturday, 16 March 2013

To further the participation of students in our 125th Show the committee have once again produced a special Students Show Schedule which is available now through your local school, the Wonders of Wynyard and the Health Food Store, Goldie Street, Wynyard as well as the Council Office at Waratah. This schedule covers all sections that students can enter. There are numerous classes for students to enter and great prizes and/or vouchers on offer. Hopefully there is something to interest every student.

Parents please encourage your child/children to enter even just one section. I’m sure that they will enjoy the experience and be proud to see their entry on display.

PLEASE NOTE: All student entries to be delivered to the showgrounds between 2.30pm - 4.00pm on Wednesday 13 March or between 8am - 9am on Thursday, 14 March 2013 for judging beginning on that day.

For further information or queries please contact: Wendy Walker-Weeks 6442 3777 or email wendyandkelvin@bigpond.com.au

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WYNYARD BASKETBALL REGISTRATION NIGHT

Wynyard Basketball Assoc. is holding a registration night at the stadium on February 12 between 4-7pm. There will also be a FREE clinic for children grades P-2 from 4.30 - 5.15pm and grades 3-6 5.30 - 6.15.

So bring the kids along and give basketball a try and register for the 2013 winter roster. Registration is $70 for an 18 week roster. Forms available on the night, from your school office or register online at www.wynyardwildcats.com.au