You won’t know if you don’t have a go!

I wonder what our school community would think if I left this section of our newsletter blank? I wonder what reaction there would be if when asked why I hadn’t written my Principal’s report, my response was “I couldn’t be bothered. I didn’t feel like it, so I did something else instead.”

Apathy robs us of possibilities and opportunities. It is defined as a state of indifference, or the suppression of emotions such as concern, excitement, motivation and passion.

You may now be wondering why I am writing about this.

This week our Student Executive Council offered our students the opportunity to participate in a social. Our Early Childhood students enjoyed this event with excitement and enthusiasm. It was held during the school afternoon and was enjoyed by all. The Primary social was held between 6.30pm and 8.00pm. Those who came had a great time and had lots of fun, dancing and joining in the games organised by our Student Councillors. However, the number of participants was disappointing. The Secondary social was cancelled due to only 20% of our students saying they would attend. We could not afford to pay for the hire of a DJ, and ask our councillors and staff to give up their own time for such a small percentage of our students. This is also very disappointing for those students who wanted to attend, and it is sad that they had to miss out. We do appreciate the weather may have been a deterrent. Congratulations to our Student Councillors for organising and running these socials. And well done to our primary students who did take up this opportunity. Let’s hope next time you have more support from your peers.

On Friday, our secondary students were invited to participate in a cluster school sports day. Our grade 7/8s went to Smithton High and our grade 9/10s went to Wynyard High. Those who went were fantastic ambassadors for our school with wonderful compliments being paid by other staff regarding their manners, attitude and enthusiasm. Congratulations to all of you! You can be very proud of your commitment and behaviour and willingness to participate. However, it was very disappointing that so many of our students did not attend on this day. We acknowledge there has been much sickness and this would account for some non-attendees.

Wynyard High gave us the opportunity to participate in a Chess tournament. We had 4 volunteers. We would have loved more students take up the offer, but Zac Fraser, Zac Kentish, Zane Furley and Billy Beard represented our school with pride, enthusiasm and skill. Well done to the four of you! Hopefully our new Chess Club held during Monday lunchtimes will see more participants.

Four of our classes participated enthusiastically in an excursion on Monday. Even the weather couldn't dampen their excitement and the feedback from the supervisors at the venues they visited was very complimentary and positive. Everyone enjoyed themselves, and experienced new things, learning along the way. They "got in and had a go!" This is what our staff would love to see in all our students.

I truly hope that apathy does not rob our young people of these opportunities. Many staff work long and hard to provide different experiences that value-add to our weekly program. Through having a go we learn more about ourselves, make new friends, apply new skills and get to experience something a bit different.

We would love to hear from you, our parent body on this subject. Do you want us to continue to provide these extra activities to broaden your child’s learning? Do you value these opportunities? What experiences would you like us to provide your child? We value your feedback and look forward to hearing from you.

Let’s get out there, have a try at new things and enjoy all the opportunities that come our way!

I hope we can apply this motto to the two weeks holiday coming up, and then to our learning in fourth term. Stay safe everyone, have fun, help out at home and see you back at Yolla District High on Monday 14th October.
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## FOOTY FINALS DAY

Show your support for your favourite football team by coming dressed in your footy gear on Friday 27 September. Gold coin donation going towards Muscular Dystrophy Tasmania.

## Parents and Friends Update: Fundraising Date Change!!!

TERC (motorbike endurance racing) have altered their date. It is now Saturday and Sunday, 12 - 13 October; clashing beautifully with us selling Pavs at the Tulip Festival, also on the 12 October! These catering events can be great opportunities for fundraising for our School children. There would hardly be a child at Yolla who hasn’t benefited in some way by P & F fundraising so if you can please find an hour or 2 on this weekend to help we can again all be proud of doing a bit to support our children’s education. Karen Harman is organising the rosters so please contact her on pkharman@internode.on.net or 6442 1543 or leave your name at the office.

Don’t forget we are aiming to sell hot potatoes at the Burnie 10 on Sunday, 20 October too. Please put this date in your calendar as well!

**Meeting:** Our next meeting is on Thursday 19 September, 7pm, at the old school house. Our meetings are always open to all, hope you can come.

For further information about the Parents and Friends please ask at the office or email: yolla-parents-friends@hotmail.com

## YOLLA GENERAL STORE - RURAL SUPPLIES

The Yolla General Store is now stocking a range of rural supplies in partnership with CRT Sargents of Ridgley/Burnie.

Items include various stock feeds, flo-packs, gumboots, steel droppers, milking gloves, cement and rapid set concrete, a range of agricultural hose joiners, a variety of tail paints, ear tags and several other items.

We can also source any items stocked by Sargents within 24 hours at comparable prices.

If there is anything you would like us to keep in stock for you please ask.

Thanks Malcolm and Jenny.

## NETTA (NETBALL) PLAYERS NEEDED

Yolla is in need of more Netta players. If you are in Grade 3 or 4 and would like to play Netta (smaller version of Netball) please give your name to the office.

## NAPLAN Student Reports

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) reports for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 who sat the national tests in May this year that were due to be sent home during the week beginning Monday 16 September have been delayed.

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) has identified an error in the reporting format for Years 5 and 7. This has required the reprinting of Year 5 and 7 student reports with a consequent delay in distribution of all student reports (including Years 3 and 9 which contain no errors).

ACARA apologises for the delay and will provide advice to you when we have confirmed the date for the distribution of reports.

For students in Years 5, 7 and 9 the 2013 tests will provide parents and schools with important information on progress made since the 2011 NAPLAN testing.

## Australian Maths Competition

Well done to all those students who agreed to be nominated by the Maths Department to enter the competition. Loren Delbridge in year 7 received a distinction, needing only 2% more to have been awarded a high distinction. This placed her in the top 2% of students who entered nationwide. Riley Chivers also received a distinction and was recognised as being in the top 15%. Joshua Resta in grade 8 and Lachlan Dick and Cory Hannan in year 9 scored well receiving credits.

Students will be presented with their certificates at a future assembly.
The **Under 7 Soccer** teams had a wonderful year with three teams in the J-League roster: the Bears, Tigers and Pandas. We trained on Monday nights and worked on skills, games and working together. Saturday games played at Acton showed how much we have improved this year, how well we work as a team and our commitment to turning up each week. Eleven players went along to the recent Burnie Carnival and participated in some drills and games as an exhibition match.

Thanks to Mrs Hannah Bell for coaching each Monday and on the weekends for the Bears, Mrs Gardner for coaching the Pandas and to all the parents who came along and cleaned our grubby players each week. It was a great season!

By Mrs Pennington

Thank you to everyone who played soccer and did their best!! A big thank you to Mrs Pennington, Mrs Bell and Mrs Gardner for training and coaching us. By Meagan Hamilton and James Barker.

The **Under 9 Soccer** team were a ‘treat and tricky’ little group to coach. They put everything they had into the games we played and I felt proud as an assistant coach.

Oliver Radford gave up his time to coach every Friday after college, and some parents and I kept them busy till he came. All up the team would be training for an hour and a half so sometimes things got a little crazy with coaches and little people, but overall they did do exceptionally well.

The team did not come away with many wins for the season but they had good sportsmanship and their skills improved through the season.

By Nikki Knights

For soccer this year Sam Marshall and I went down to Wynyard to play **Under 11 School Soccer** as we didn’t have enough players to form a Yolla team. In the Under 11’s we won about 6 out of 14 games. We were pretty lucky as most of our games were dry however in one game it hailed half way through so it was cancelled. We had fun and got to make new friends and we improved as a team.

By Daniel Gladwell

In the **Under 12 School Soccer** roster, Shaun and I played for the Wynyard Soccer Club. We started the season off with a 4-1 win. We had a great season only losing one game and we made some great friends.

On Monday, 16 September we went to the Burnie United Soccer Ground at Montello to play the final as we finished on top of the leader board. We played against Forth/Wilmot as they also finished on top in their school roster. We were there at 5.30pm for a 6:00pm start on a very cold, windy night. In the first half we were in front by 1 goal then in the second half they scored 2 goals. At the final siren the score was 2-1 in Forth’s favour.

After the game we went to the presentations and then to McDonald’s to celebrate our season. We would like to thank Mrs Moore and Mr Purton for coaching and training us.

By Shaun Harman and Kayden Gardner

This year the **Under 16 girls soccer** team didn’t have such a great season, losing all of their games. Despite the fact that in most games we knew we were going to lose, enthusiasm was high and we pushed through devastating losses and turned them into something fun.

We would like to thank Mr Tim Potter for putting up with us and coaching us this season.

By Joanna Potter

If you can please hand in your soccer top as soon as possible it would be appreciated as we need to hand them back to Burnie Sports and Events.

Thank you to those people that have already brought their tops back.
LAUNCHING INTO LEARNING & PRE-KINDER SESSIONS
CHANGE OF DAY & TIME FOR TERM 4

WEDNESDAYS 9.30am - 11.30am
Starting Wednesday 16 October 2013

Playgroup will be held on Wednesday instead of Friday next term beginning 16 October from 9.30am to 11.30am. It will be a combination Playgroup and Pre Kinder with the children going into Kinder next year having the second hour in the Kindergarten with Mrs Pinner who will be their teacher in 2014. Families are welcome with their children at this session until they are happy to be there without their adult. Susan Nichols our North West Launching into Learning lead teacher will be visiting on 16 October.

For more information on upcoming events please email carol.j.boyd@education.tas.gov.au

Enrolling in VET Programs for Years 11 & 12 in 2014

The Your Guide to Education and Training for Years 11 and 12 (2014) is an important tool for students (and their parents/carers) to use in planning a course of study in Years 11 and 12. It provides information on the wide range of TQA courses and VET (Vocational Education and Learning, or Certificate based) programs available in 2014.

Copies of the 2014 ‘Guide to Education and Training in years 11 and 12’ have been distributed to Grade 10 students.

Enrolling in VET programs in Years 11 and 12 in 2014: Entry to VET programs usually requires a 'suitability process'. This is undertaken prior to completing enrolment to ensure that students commence their VET studies in the most appropriate course and at the right level for their learning needs. It may involve an information session, interview and/or an assessment task. Suitability is a prerequisite for enrolment in most VET programs offered in Years 11 and 12.

VET Programs at TasTAFE in the North West

Thursday 17 October: TasTAFE Suitability at Devonport Campus, Valley Rd, Devonport 9:30 – 11:30
Burnie Campus, Mooreville Rd, Burnie 12:30 – 2:30

There will be no further TasTAFE VET suitability sessions for students unless they:
• needed re-counselling after attending this session
• have a medical certificate.

In some programs with high student demand, there may be limited or no available spaces after this session. Therefore it is really important to widely publicise this date to all Year 10s and their families.

Cattle Handling News

Well once again, mother nature wasn’t kind to the team. We braved the wind, showers and cold on Sunday to train together. We were lucky enough to have some great guest instructors. Thanks to Denise Felmingham, Des Farrell and Courtney Hardstaff in the beef section. Also Jayde Lee and Matt Luck in the dairy section. I am sure the handlers were able to take something away from the day. I know there were a few older on-lookers who learnt something new on the day. Just goes to prove you’re never too old to learn something new.

We also presented life membership to Denise Felmingham (Leah and Gracie Beamish’s nan). Denise has been involved with the team in some form, or assisting our team since Kelly (Leah and Gracie Beamish’s mum) joined the team, when John Lehman and David Probert started the team 20 years ago. We are so pleased to have Denise as a part of our team. Congratulations Denise!

The dairy team are planning a few after school training sessions under the watchful eye of John Lehman. The beef team have been venturing to Des and Denise’s place on the weekends to train, under the expert eyes of Denise and Kelly.

Burnie Show is almost here. This is where most hiccups are ironed out. Nerves and excitement starting to fill our handlers. Hoping the weather starts to improve for all concerned - two and four legged! By Sonja Dudfield
Art Gallery and Makers Workshop Excursion Comments

“On Monday, 16 September grade 1/2, 3/4, 4/5 and 5/6 headed to Burnie to go to the Burnie Art Gallery to have a look at our work that is in the exhibition. Once we had had a look at the work done by everyone from all the other schools we had some lovely morning tea, mmm mmm mmmm it was delicious.” Hayden Wise 4/5G

“The second place we went to was the Makers Workshop. When we went there we were taken through a tour. We got shown how to make paper. You can make it out of denim, cotton, cloth, towel, roo and wombat poo. Then we went to the park. There was lots of equipment to play on but most of the boys played cricket. I got to bat once and I got to bowl twice. For lunch I had a chicken sandwich.”

Joshua Hall 4/5G

“When we were back at school Ms Medwin handed out the stuff from the prize bag from the Makers Workshop. I got a red balloon, a book mark and a sticker. My favourite part was seeing my friend Clare from Montello Primary at the Art exhibition. My least favourite part of the excursion was walking all the way from the Art Gallery to the Makers Workshop.” Marni Browne Harvey 4/5G

“We enjoyed having your students with us. Though excited, they were well behaved and interested in everything they saw. We were lucky to have some of our Makers in to demonstrate their skills for the students, especially Kit Hiller who I believe has a very special connection to one of the visiting children. I hope all the students and parents had a satisfying day. We would be more than happy to welcome your students back any time. Please pass on the thanks of all your staff and volunteers.” Cathy from Makers’ Workshop
ART DEPARTMENT DONATIONS NEEDED

The Art Dept. would like donations of old crockery and tiles for mosaics for the Sensory Garden project. It doesn’t matter if they are broken or chipped, all appreciated.

Milo in2Cricket Program

Hey Kids During your school holidays Cricket Tasmania will be holding MILO in2CRICKET Have A Try Days for 5-8 year olds at the Wynyard Showground’s. There will be two sessions one at 10am-11am and then 2pm-3pm.

This fun introductory program will involve bowling fast and taking spectacular catches, learning new skills along with of course playing some games.

The program will be run by Cricket Tasmania’s Game Development Staff on Tuesday 1 October at Wynyard Showground’s with two sessions being held at 10am-11am and 2pm-3pm with registration closing on 30 September.

To Register call Sam O’Keefe from Cricket Tasmania on 6424 1835 or 0448 904 609 or email sokeefe@crickettas.com.au
Get in2 Action, Get in2CRICKET

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Celebrate and support wellbeing

Mental Health Week
October 6 to 12, 2013

Join the fun in your community...

Where?
Gutteridge Gardens, Wynyard (Railway Hall if raining)

What’s on?
- Outdoor screening of “UP”
- Movie bags for kids
- Bring favourite snacks to share with friends
- Alcohol and smoking-free event
- FREE sausage sizzle

When?
Wednesday 9 October, sausage sizzle from 7pm, movie at 7.30pm

Find out more...
Contact Cameron on 6421 7660 or visit www.anglicare-tas.com.au

Mental Health Week in Tasmania will be connecting rural communities together to celebrate and support wellbeing.

The mental health issue is one that affects all Tasmanians, so join us. The theme of this year’s Mental Health Week is: Building communities of support through collaborative partnerships.

OPEN DAY AT FRENCHES ROAD NATURE RESERVE

Please come along to our open day
Sunday 13 October 2013
11:00am—2:00pm
At the Information Hut
(Frenches Road off Seabrook Road)

Barbecue Lunch Provided

Wynyard Landcare Group Inc will take visitors on short guided walks along the tracks in the Reserve and be available to answer any questions:
- Learn about the natural values of the reserve
- Observe the flora and fauna
- Look out for wet forest birds
- Observe the native vegetation