How lovely to walk through our classes and see new faces! We have welcomed 5 new students this term and will welcome 3 more next term. How encouraging to hear their comments when arriving about how fantastic our facilities are, how welcome they have been made feel by our staff and how supportive they find their classmates. A very big welcome to Shriah, Felix, Bonnie, Abby, Savannah, Logan, Emilyah, and Lucy. We know you will love being members of Yolla District High School, and we are glad to welcome you to our community.

We had some students spend the day at Table Cape Primary school last week competing in the Chess Kids tournament. What a great opportunity to test out your chess skills and meet new people. Congratulations to our Primary School team who came second and will now compete in the statewide competition. Also a big congratulations to all competitors. Many of these students have only recently taken up chess and it is wonderful to see them having a go and making the most of the opportunity to improve their skills. Well done Billy, Errol, Ethan, Zac, Zye, Kayden, Luke and Tarni. Thanks again to Mr Cramp, Ms Maartensz and Mr Reg Harvey for their assistance in running our Chess Club.

Our school held its second “Buddy afternoon” today. What a wonderful way for us to make the most of the family environment we have being a Kinder to Grade 10 school. The benefits of this are far reaching and is lovely to hear our younger students being excited about spending time with the “big kids.” Similarly, it is wonderful to see our older students enjoying the company of their younger school-mates, assisting them with the planned activities. Programs such as this one, along with our buddy classes, helps to build compassion and care in our students, helping them to understand, look out for and support each other.

I would like to acknowledge the time and effort Ms Cathy Bester has given to our school as our Student Support Teacher. This term she has worked tirelessly to work alongside our teachers and parents/carers to complete Individual Educational Plans (IEPs) for our students who receive educational adjustments in their learning program. This means that any student who has a different, individualised program now has an IEP that is referred to by his/her teacher when planning and delivering the teaching and learning program. Each IEP sets out specific goals for each student linked to the Australian Curriculum and will be reviewed regularly. Parents have and will be part of this process and we value the opportunity to work together to provide the best learning programs for our students. Ms Bester has been recognised by the NW Learning Services for her work in this area. Congratulations and thank you Cathy.

Reports have been sent out to parents this week. Please take time to read these very comprehensive reports, and discuss them with your children. Remember to celebrate their successes, and there have been many! Also discuss the future focus that has been identified for your children, and encourage them to work towards achieving these goals. We look forward to discussing these reports with you during parent teacher week, beginning Monday 28 July. Phone our school to make a time that suits you. Research shows when home and school work together the benefits for student learning are greatly enhanced. We look forward to seeing you!

Thanks to our entire staff for your continued dedication and commitment to our students. It has been a very busy and successful term!

To our students, enjoy the next two weeks whilst you are on holidays. Help around the home and perhaps introduce yourself to the vacuum cleaner. Play and stay safe, and we will see you back ready for third term on Tuesday 22 July. Monday is a professional learning day for our staff.

See you then, ready with a smile and positive focus for learning.
Yolla District High School
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**Cultural Performances**

This morning Brainstorm Productions presented ‘The Human Race’ to the K-5 students. This was a show about bullying and cultural diversity. This humorous and entertaining way to help children understand that although we are from different cultures and have different abilities, human beings all have feelings and need to be accepted and respected for who we are.

Also this afternoon our 6-10 also enjoyed a Brainstorm Production “Verbal Combat” a play about cyber bullying and harassment. The performance makes it clear to students that certain behaviour, such as excluding people, spreading rumours and sending unwanted messages, is in fact bullying and will not be tolerated at our school. This is an entertaining way to promote discussion and give students strategies to avoid being a bully or a target.

*The message is clear: Don’t tease or bully - in person or online!*

**Science week**

As a part of National Science Week, we at Yolla will be providing an exciting look into science.

The year 10 students have been working on understanding and practicing hands on science at school. They will be presenting their experiments to the school and also giving the other classes a chance to get hands on with science.

The presentations will be held in the Gym as follows;

- **Kinder to Grade 2** on Monday 18 August from 9:30am to 11:00am
- **Grade 3 to Grade 5** on Monday 18 August from 11:30 am to 1:00pm
- **Grade 6 to Grade 9** on Tuesday 19 August from 9:30am to 11:00am

Parents, grandparents etc. are most welcome to attend one of the sessions to observe some of the science happening in our school.

**Year 10 Exams**

During the period 5-7 August grade 10 students will be engaged in exams.

All Grade 10 students will sit Mathematics, English, Science and History exams. The results of these exams will go towards understanding where the students are in their assessment levels. The exams will also be used to allow teachers to give feedback to students and allow students to experience what may be in their very near future in year 11.

If the student is absent on any of the exam days, they will sit the exams that they have missed upon their return.
In 2K we have been learning about Place Value and how large numbers can be represented using MAB blocks. The children were challenged to build a tower using these blocks and then had to calculate its value. 2K created some very interesting buildings and worked cooperatively with each other to find out how much each of the buildings was worth.

Burnie Eisteddfod

On Tuesday 24 June the grades 3,4 and 5 choir sang at the Burnie Eisteddfod. They sang two songs - Down on the Corner and Fireflies. The choir was awarded 80 points for their efforts. The children involved were outstanding. They performed with style and confidence and their behaviour for the entire session was fantastic.

Some comments from the adjudicator: “Down on the Corner - an enthusiastic opening with everyone fully involved in the song, which is awesome. Good harmony at the end. Fireflies - lovely soloists. There was real enthusiasm and integrity in this singing. Thank you for your hard work today”.

We are very proud of all students who performed at the eisteddfod. It can be very daunting standing on stage in front of so many people.

Thank you to Mrs Guest and Mr Cocks for their help and their enthusiastic support on the day!!
The Grade 10 Drama
Burnie Eisteddfod Report

On Tuesday 17 June Mr Cramp and Ms Brown’s Grade 10 Speech & Drama class travelled to the Burnie Arts And Function Centre to attend the 2014 Burnie Eisteddfod, where we performed Rapunzel Uncut.

When we arrived, Mr Cramp went inside to talk to the people in charge and find out what time we were performing. While we waited we all went over lines and tried to calm our nerves down.

Mr Cramp told us we were performing at anywhere between 3pm and 6pm. So we had to go in and watch some Marist plays, which were actually really good considering they only had about a month to prepare. One of their teams did Rapunzel Uncut as well. It was interesting to see it from their perspective as well as observe our own characters.

Soon after that we had the chance to have a drink and then get into our costumes. Riley was Townsperson 2 and 4, Lachlan was Townsperson 1 and 3, Sakura was The Witch and The Mother, Cory was Narrator One, Abbie was Rapunzel, Callum was Narrator Two and Cameron was The Father and The Prince. Our star was Dobbin, playing the role of Dobbin.

The Adjudicator rang the bell and introduced us. Then we started our play. For the most part it actually went well. We forgot a few of our lines but made it look like it was part of the act.

Luckily for us we won our section and because there weren’t many teams in total, we were up against the 7/8’s from Marist. From what I hear, they had some excellent plays and we were lucky to beat them and take out the shield for the second year in a row! Well done everyone.

Everyone did a great job! Callum made a fabulous contradicting, argumentative Narrator and Cory did an awesome job getting mad at him and finally spitting it all together and stage punching him.

The two Townspeople, Riley and Lachlan, looked especially cute in their castle hats and tower cones. Cameron and Sakura looked excellent as the Mother and The Father. I loved Sakura’s sassiness. Rapunzel was just weird. On one hand she loved the Prince but she was also a bit nasty to him. Dobbin was the star. He looked so fabulous in his black coat and golden horse shows. Congratulations Dobbin!

A big thank you to Mr Cramp and Ms Brown for putting up with us in Drama and having the patience to train us and get us ready for this occasion.

Riley, Cory, Lachlan, Abbie and Callum pictured here with the shield. Absent Sakura and Cameron.

By Abbie Kern.
On Wednesday 18 June Mr Woolnough’s grade 10’s helped Mr Cocks’s grade 3/4’s learn about microscopes and how to use them in the science lab. The younger students were fascinated by the detail of the animal, plant and insect slides once they were magnified. The grade 10 students were very helpful and by the end of the lesson the grade 3/4 students were able to adjust and use the microscopes by themselves. Thank you to Mr Woolnough for organising this afternoon and for the Grade 10’s for being excellent assistants.

Also a big thanks you to Mrs Harvey for bringing the embedded specimen slides for the students to use.

As a part of expanding the awareness of science within our school, displays have been set up in various locations. The displays are changed at the start of each term so that the different areas of the school experience the wide variety of topics available within science. During term two the early childhood area have had the use of microscopes and magnifying glasses. The primary area currently share a large number of specimen jars with many varied animals and plants to observe. Within the high school area is a geology display with many different rocks and the descriptions of types and formations of rocks. The science laboratory also has an anatomy display with posters and some body parts to inspect.

During term one some of the displays were magnets, basic machines, electronic circuits and distilling equipment set up around the school. All displays have attracted interest and are also hands on, allowing students to not only look but also to inspect. Many of the teachers within the school are also using the displays to extend their students within class. Mr Woolnough has also been working with some of the primary classes on experiments and demonstrations. Some of the year 9 and 10 students have also been assisting with these classes which extends their understanding of science through the teaching of other students.
The Partnership’s Approach
Partnership broker 3TL approached Southern Prospect seeking their support and involvement with our work skills group. The management of Southern Prospect saw the value of learning, and readily agreed to consider projects students could participate in on the grounds of the business. It was identified that students could be involved in the research, design and costing of an irrigation system that was needed for the gardens on the grounds of the business this saw Southern Prospect approaching Irrigation Tasmania to be involved and to provide technical expertise and guidance for the project.

“This was a great joint project and the students gained valuable work and life skills in delivering on the project brief. The students learned about the challenges of working on a real work site and all that goes along with that environment. They scheduled around adverse weather, analysed irrigation system plans, took instruction from a workplace coordinator, and applied their educational/ academic knowledge to a real world situation. This was an absolute win-win for all concerned” Managing Director – Southern Prospect.

The outcomes of this partnership have been
- Students learnt team work skills on a real life work site and received basic training in the use of tools of trade
- Improved curriculum understanding through practical application i.e. – measuring irrigation spray and the importance of accuracy
- Improved attendance at school
- Improved literacy and numeracy
- Increased self-esteem as students acquired skills and experiences that they can take into the workforce when they leave school
- Exposure on how to manage a work site and leave it in a neat and tidy state.

Our plans for the future
The key partners are committed to finding further projects for our students to work on during the latter part of the 2014 school year. Students will be provided with opportunities to further develop their work readiness skills, their curriculum outcome, and connections between school and the world of work.
Girls Soccer

Western School Soccer Association
Is seeking interest from girls in the under 11 age group who wish to play soccer in a WSSA Girls soccer team against girls representative teams from Ulverstone, Devonport, Launceston and Hobart.

There are two tournaments remaining this year:
Launceston Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 September
Burnie Saturday 4 and Sunday 5 October
Cost for each player to play in both tournaments is approximately $50 (to be confirmed). There will also be a cost for socks (approximately $10). For further information please contact the school office.

Saturday School Netball

This year of netball hasn't been that successful but everyone has given it their best go. The team wouldn't have been able to play if it wasn't for Ethan Knights, Claire Harman, Abraham Shires, Maddison McCulloch, Anna Hamilton, Sam Hiller, Holly Diprose (from St Brigids) and Harry Hamilton. So far our best effort was a 3-3 draw and all the other games have been losses.

This season has now got one game to go, hopefully that game will go more successfully. Thank you Kylie and Emily Shires for coaching us!

Harry Hamilton

Congratulations to Emily Shires for being awarded the runner up Best and fairest for BNA school girls - Div B2

Tae kwon-do Championships

On Saturday 21 June Emma Jones, Leah Beamish, Gracie Beamish, Michael Dick and Fraser Symes competed in the Tas Tae kwon-do Champs at Table Cape.
With this being the girls first competition there was understandably big smiles and a lot of nervous energy. The divisions were allocated by rank and size.
Starting the day off with patterns Emma showed a lot of technique in her 4 Directional punch. Fraser was into the gold medal round and after an extra tie breaker round Fraser come away with the silver medal, only missing gold by one point.
Next into the sparring, Leah sparring well and advancing into the second round after some very fancy foot work. Michael sparred off for gold and with some very solid strikes Michael won a deserved silver medal. Meanwhile Fraser also sparred for gold up against a higher ranked opponent with Fraser winning the gold medal.
Rounding off a long day was the special technique section, this was clearly a crowd favourite. With all 5 competing in the high kick sections every one enjoyed this event with Gracie starting off her rounds with some very solid high kicks. Fraser took out gold in his division kicking a whopping 197.5 cm to see him finish an impressive 2 kicks clear of silver.
Well done and congratulations to Emma, Leah, Gracie, Michael and Fraser. on a very successful championships.
SPORTS

Squash Tasmania 2014, Northern Region Junior Tournament.
On 20 and 21 July, Kayden and Ryan Gardner competed in the northern region junior squash tournament.
   Ryan played well against some tough competition placing 3rd.
   Kayden played great, going through undefeated to win his division.
   Well done boys.

State Netball Carnival
Congratulations to April Potter, Ellie Johnson and Amy Symes for a great carnival in Launceston on June 29. The Girls represented the Burnie Netball Association playing seven games on this cold but clear day. Amy’s 14’s finishing second with April and Ellie’s 12’s finishing third.

CHESS CLUB

Kayden Gardner has been nominated to try out for the under 15 state badminton team. Selections will be held on Sunday 6 July in Hobart.

HEALTHGLO

LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAMS

Infant Aquatics program 6mths-5 years
Lessons run Mon & Thurs mornings, commencing 28 July $112.00 per term (8 lessons)

Swim and Survive program 4-12 years
Monday, Wednesday, Friday after school & Saturday mornings, commencing 28 July $96.00 per term (8 lessons), discount available if enrolling two or more children

Stroke Development up to 16 years
Lessons held Wednesday and Friday afternoons Commencing 30 July, $112.00 per term (8 lessons)

All our programs use fully qualified AustSwim Instructors.
For more information or to enroll call us on 6431 4708

U15 State Badminton

Kayden Gardner has been nominated to try out for the under 15 state badminton team.
Selections will be held on Sunday 6 July in Hobart.

We wish him all the best.
**Cattle Handlers Report**

The team held their meeting on June 24. Mr Lehman presented his proposal of our muster, which in general was agreed with a few minor points to be finalized and confirmed. The Dairy All Breeds Camp (incorporating teams beef handlers) camp is pencilled in for Saturday August 30 and Sunday August 31. This will be a hands on workshop with our handlers receiving tips and mentoring from some very successful youth including some ex team members. We appreciate all those involved for their time, handlers are looking forward to this.

Thanks to Mr Lehman for organizing, to Warren and students who have completed work ready for this camp e.g cattle wash etc. Thanks to those who will be loaning cattle for judging, clippers and clipping frames for the weekend.

We have had items kindly donated to our team and rather than attempt to sell raffle tickets we just wish to sell these items. So if you're interested please contact Mel 0409607596 or leave a message at the office. The items are a Milwaukee Battery Drill valued at $400.00 donated by Auslec and a Tiffany sandwich maker valued at $25.00 a chocolate drive reward. These funds go towards the expenses of operating our team for the forthcoming season.

Still in negotiations regarding the sponsor advertising signage. We have agreed on jackets and are waiting for arrival and printing and hoping this will be completed by our camp. Thanks to Katie at Sig Signs for her time and wisdom on these matters.

Enjoy your break and come back ready and rearing for more work. Please take care over the holidays and enjoy the Winter weather (wouldn't say that to too many dairy farmers whose cows have started calving).

Time flies-half a year already gone and scared to admit that I have no idea where its gone (age thing I'm told). As we were dutifully informed at our meeting on June 24 there were 184 days to Christmas. This information received many a groan and a few choice words to the source of this invaluable information.

Remember take care over the holidays, enjoy and talk to you all next term.

By Sonja Dudfield.

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**Parents and Friends Update:**

**Meeting:** Don’t forget to note our next meeting in your diary: it's on Wednesday 20 August at 9.15 am.

We will be talking about selling Pavs at the Tulip Festival on Saturday the 11 October. This has been a major fund-raiser in previous years. October may seem a way off yet but it’s good to be prepared and we do need quite a few people to make it work.

We will be organising the Father’s Day stall which will probably be on Thursday 4 September. Your help would be appreciated for that too, and any items you have to donate would also be welcome.

We will also be looking for ideas for further fundraising and about the future of the P and F. Please come along and tell us what you think!

The oval ronson slow cooker is still waiting to be reunited with its owner: please call Rachel on 0407 363 140.

If meetings aren’t your thing but you would still like to help, ask at the office for a contact number or email us at: yolla-parents-friends@hotmail.com

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**WANTED FOR OUR OUTDOOR AGRICULTURE MUSEUM**

We are in need of donations of any old agriculture machinery, implements and equipment for an outdoor agriculture museum.

From horse drawn to the modern day. Please contact the school office if you are able to help.

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**GRANDSTAND**

The grandstand was kindly funded by our Parents and Friends Association.
Emusicians Excel

On Thursday June 26, Daniel Gladwell, Josh Hall, Harry Hamilton and Aydn Martin performed with the Emusicians at the Burnie Arts and Function Centre in the Primary Concert Band Section of the Eisteddfod. They played 2 wonderful pieces of music – *Let the Journey Begin* (arranged by James Swearingen) and *Don’t Stop Believin’* (arranged by Paul Murtha).

This was the first polished performance for the year and it was quite evident their skills have improved since the music marathon in May. They did so well, the Adjudicator awarded them first place with a score of 86! They were the largest performing primary group there and they provided a ‘full’ and near flawless sound that had the Audience Rockin’ in their seats!

They now have been given the challenge by their Conductor, the talented Mr David Turner of learning a total of around 18 items between now and November to perform each day for 3 days during their Music Tour; and for 3 end of year Concerts!

A great job Lads – Keep up that beautiful music practice in the holidays!

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Early Childhood Students

We would encourage all of our classes to wear gumboots for outside play and to bring along slippers for indoors, as the ground becomes wet and muddy during term 3.

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**Parent-teacher conversations**

We will be holding parent-teacher conversations in the second week of term 3 and would love to see every family along to discuss and celebrate your child’s progress. For students in grade 5 and above, we would like to invite our students to these conversations. This allows us to have a round table conversation where the student has the opportunity to discuss their work and progress with you their parent and their teacher. I strongly encourage our Grade 5 – 10 students to attend these sessions.

The times and days are:

**Monday 28 July 3.30 – 5.00pm, Tuesday 29 July 5.00-9.00pm, Wednesday 30 July 3.30 – 5.00pm Thursday 31 July 3.30 – 5.00pm**

Please complete the form below, or phone our school to make an appointment. If these times do not suit you, again please let us know and we will make an alternate time.

We look forward to seeing you at these sessions.

Julie Jacobson
Principal

Parent/Guardian to complete this section – please nominate the teachers you would like to see and return to the office.

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Second term is quickly coming to an end and it has a very busy term in regards to Pathway Planning and delivering Pathway Planning activities. All Grade 10 students have met with me and had their first introduction interview.

This term, Grade 10 students have been working in with me in Mr Wilson's class, completing their resume and forming cover letters. Throughout third term we will be meeting again to start preparing their course selection for Hellyer College in 2015. Students will be taking home an “Intended” selection course form. The purpose of this form is to start having discussions about the possible course they may undertake at Hellyer College. It is not set in stone; this is just the first stage of the counselling process. Next term I hope to be working with the Grade 9 students to explore their pathway and complete career activities in class.

This term has been extremely busy with Pathway events in and outside the school here is some of what Yolla students have been involved in:-

**Hellyer Thinking Day:** Grade 10 students went to Hellyer College to have a familiarisation tour about what it will be like at College next year.

**Coast FM – Our first radio spot** Selected Students are given opportunity to promote Yolla High and its Agriculture Program on community radio and work with me to practice media skills. More are scheduled next term.

**Grade 9 “Try a Skill”** at the Burnie Art Centre. Students that are interested in Trade related occupations had the opportunity to experience a number of trade activities.

- **Grade 10 Health Career Day**
  - Aged care – Taster day
  - Nursing and Midwifery-Taster Day

**Coming Up in Term three**

**Grade 9 Health Career Day** - Selected students go to UTAS Rural Clinical School. Students participate in health related activities and heard from professional about career pathways into the Health Sciences.

**Grade 10 Discover UTAS trip with Penguin High School** - Grade 10 students who indicated they would like to participate in this trip, will be travelling to UTAS Hobart and Launceston and participating in UTAS activities to learn more about the many university courses available.

**Hosting Narrogin Agriculture School from Western Australia:**
This should be fantastic day for Yolla District High and chance to showcase our Agriculture practices and programs.

**Grade 10 - Pathway interviews and “first draft” subject selection**

**Coast FM Radio- Pathways Agriculture Program**

**Master Builders Presentation** August 7 – Grade 9 and 10 listen to a presentation about the many career opportunities training within the building industry.

If you would like some more information about our pathway planning programs careers, future education and training opportunities as well as employment, please contact me at school on 64372102 or email Deb Winton
Pathway Planning Officer
Yolla District High School
deborah.winton@education.tas.gov.au

**Coming soon**

Master Builders Tasmania is coming to our school, to give an industry presentation on **Thursday August 7 at 2.00pm.** This is a fantastic program which looks at all the possible career pathways within the building industry. This presentation is open to all Grade 10 and 9 students.
Devonport 2014

Brixhibiton is Tasmania's premier Lego exhibition event, and is coming to Devonport for the first time.

Presented by the Taz-Brick Collectors Club and the Lion Club of City of Devonport

Where:
East Devonport Recreation Centre
Caroline Street

When:
Sunday 13 July 2014
9:30am - 3:30pm

Cost:
Gold Coin Donation per person

There will be a big display of 'All Things LEGO', including City, Trains, Planes, Cars, Star Wars, Castles, Technics, Mindstorms Robots, With guess the Lego competition, Lego sales from Birchalls of Launceston And FUN for the Whole Family....