



Issue 2, Tuesday 13th February, 2018

Key Dates

Feb		March		April	
Wed 14	Swimming Carnival (P-Gr 6)	Mar 7	North East Swimming Carnival	Mon 2	Easter Monday Public Holiday
Thur 15	Launching Into Learning begins	Mon 12	Eight Hour Day Public Holiday	Tues 3	Easter Tuesday Public Holiday
Tues 20	Welcome Back BBQ	Mar 14	Athletic Carnival (P-Gr 6)	Thur 5	ENE Athletic Carnival
Thur 22	Grip Leadership Conference	Tues 27	North East Athletic Carnival	Fri 13	Moderation Day Student Free Day; Term 1 concludes
Tues 27	School Association Meeting	Fri 30	Good Friday Public Holiday	Mon 30	Term 2 begins
Wed 28	Launceston Cup (no school)				

From the Principal.....

Dear Community,

It was great to see the smiling faces back last week ready for the school year and it was a delight to wander around the playground and see students interacting with each other in such a positive way. It's also great to see the students who are using greetings in such a warm and friendly manner, as using greetings and names is a current key focus. The importance of showing respect and being responsible learners will continue to be a major focus at our school, in line with our school rules - Be Safe, Be Fair and Show Care.

Welcome back BBQ- Tuesday 20th February 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

All staff and families are invited to attend our Welcome Back BBQ. This will be a great opportunity for parents to meet and have a chat with their child/ren's class teacher. We hope to see as many parents and children there as possible. To help with catering, please return the welcome back bbq slip to the office by tomorrow, 14th February.

Support Staff

This year we welcome the following support staff who will provide additional support to students:

Social Worker - Natasha Williams

School Psychologist – Laura Love

Speech and Language Pathologist - Kate Barnett

Students can be referred to a school psychologist, speech & language pathologist or social worker by teachers, support staff or parents.

School Car Park

Please note that as a safety precaution, children should be entering the school via the school gates, not through the school car park. Please ensure that you close any gates that you pass through to ensure the safety of our students.

New Students

This year we welcome the following new students to our school from Prep to Grade 6:

Daisy and Jago George, Ricki Lawrence, Kayla and Kora Nicholson



All Kinders will be welcomed in our next newsletter.

School Times: A reminder to parents that the school day structure is as follows:

(The first bell goes at 8:55 a.m. ready for a sharp 9:00 start)

9:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m. Morning Block

10:50 a.m. - 11:10 a.m. Recess

11:10 a.m. - 12:40 p.m. Middle Block

12:40 p.m. - 1:40 p.m. Lunch

1:40 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Afternoon Block

Children are also encouraged to bring pieces of fruit or vegetables along to school as well as water, that they may consume in the fruit/vegie break that takes place in the middle of the morning block at about 10:00 a.m.

Children should not arrive at school before 8:30 a.m. as there is no supervision before this time. Similarly it is important that parents either collect their children at the end of the school day or make arrangements to catch the bus or be collected so that students are not left unsupervised at the end of the school day to ensure their safety.

Social Skill Focus

Throughout the year we will be focusing on the development of specific social skills. This week the emphasis will be on 'Greetings'.

Using a greeting is a sign of respect and helps to make people feel welcome. When you greet people:

- look at the person,
- smile,
- and use a loud, clear voice.

The year will also see a continuation of the Positive Behaviour Support program as we continue to strengthen our Supportive School Environment in order to nurture the development of all children.

School Bus

A reminder to parents of children who catch the bus that if your child is not going home on the bus, please notify the office. Parents wishing their children to travel on the Waterhouse bus also need to notify the office. We would also appreciate notification regarding any changes to the collection arrangements for your child/ren.

PIPS Testing (Performance Indicators in Primary Schools)

Children in Prep will be participating in PIPS testing soon. A separate notice will be sent home with more details about this program.

Swimming Carnival: Our swimming carnival will be held **tomorrow** at the Scottsdale Swimming Pool. This is a great day for our Grade 3-6 students to test out their swimming skills in the competitive races, as well as an opportunity to have fun in the novelty events. Children in Prep, Grade 1 and Grade 2 will participate in a variety of fun free swimming and novelty races.

Due to the number of students in Grade 3 who are not confident swimmers there will be an extra novelty race – kickboard in the middle pool, where children are able to touch the bottom. Please note that the 15 metre freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke events are also in the middle pool, hence even the less confident swimmers can enter these races. All students need to participate in at least two events unless we receive a note stating otherwise. Your child will also score a point for every race that they enter for their house.

Parents are reminded that children need to wear school or sports uniform with a top to cover their shoulders. Hats and

sunscreen are essential and bring plenty of food and drinks. A barbeque will be available during the lunch break for those who wish to buy lunch.

As for all off- campus events, children will need to be prepared with suitable clothing for the weather, such as jumpers and coats if necessary.

Heats will be timed to ascertain the fastest swimmers for North East Carnival which will be held later. Students who swim in 50m events will be given preference for selection in the North East Carnival where the children may be swimming in 50m, 25m or 15m events.

Parent help is required on the day so please contact the school if you are able to help.

To help with organisation of buses, could parents please ensure you have already returned blue Swimming Carnival transport slip. Parents need to also notify their child's class teacher if they are collecting them.

Bus times are as follows:

Grades	Depart Bridport	Depart Scottsdale
Grades 3-6	9:15 a.m.	2:00 p.m.
Prep-Grade 2	10:15 a.m.	2:00 p.m.

Sun Protection Policy

Our school is a SunSmart accredited school hence wearing of school hats in Term 1 and Term 4 is compulsory. Caps are not suitable, so please make sure your child has their named hat to wear during outside activities.

Parent Help and Volunteering:

It is an Education Department requirement that anyone helping with our children must have a Working with Vulnerable People card. We encourage all parents and volunteers to apply for their WWVP so that you can help with an excursion or in the classroom. Whilst we are a LIFT school, there is no cost for parents for this. Please contact the office to find out more about this.

Walking School Bus

Our Walking School Bus will recommence this term next Wednesday 21st February morning. Mrs Rachel Barron will be driving (walking) the bus, however parents are welcome to accompany the children on the way to school. She will meet the students at the Bridport Community Hall, outside the library near the carpark at 8:30 a.m. Please note that we do not provide any supervision for children who play on the playground prior to the Walking School Bus.

Regards,

Carol Stingel



SCHOOL NEWS



CANTEEN

The 2018 canteen menu went home yesterday. The canteen will be fully operational from Thursday.

STUDENT MEDICATIONS

If you have indicated your child has a medical condition and needs medication to be administered and stored at school you must drop this to the school office and complete a medical authorisation form. Asthma Action Plan and Anaphylaxis/Allergy forms must all be completed by your child's doctor and returned to the school office ASAP (if applicable). For more information please speak to the school office.

SCHOOL BANKING

School banking will be on Wednesdays, commencing Wednesday 21st February. All you need to get involved in the school banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in one of two ways:

1. Online: Visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.
2. In branch: Visit a Commonwealth Bank branch with identification for yourself and your child, like a driver's licence and a birth certificate.

Your child needs to take their completed deposit book and money to the school office on the Wednesday morning. An information flyer was sent home last Thursday with further details about rewards and setting up an account.

SCHOOL ASSOCIATION NEWS

UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop will be open on a Monday from 8:30-9:00 a.m. fortnightly starting Monday 19th February.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Scottsdale Football Club



Scottsdale Junior Football Club encourages all children that are interested in playing football this year to come to our training sessions and speak to the coach. Training for each team will be held at the Scottsdale Recreation Ground at the following times.

U/9 and U/10: Thursdays at 4:45 p.m. commencing on 22nd February

U/12: Thursday at 4:45 p.m. commencing on 22nd February

(There will be a training session this Wednesday 14th at 4:45 p.m. for those interested)

U/9-13 Girls: Thursday at 5:00 p.m. commencing on 22nd February

U/14 and U/16: Thursday at 5:30 p.m. commencing on 15th February

U/13-17 Girls: Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. commencing 14th February

Any enquiries can be directed to Angela Hall on 0448 922 286.

DANCE CLASSES

Join in the FUN!!!

Ages starting from 3 years

TAP & JAZZ



Classes are held in
Scottsdale on
Monday afternoons.
St Barnabas Church Hall
57 King St.

For more information

Please call

0400596648

Or email:

tapestrydancestudio@gmail.com

JETSONVILLE PLAYGROUP



RE-COMMENCES 13TH FEBRUARY 2018

NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS WELCOME

10AM – 12PM TUESDAYS (SCHOOL TERMS)

JETSONVILLE HALL

MUSKFIELD RD, JETSONVILLE

JETSONVILLE PLAYGROUP PROVIDES PLAY-BASED LEARNING FOR CHILDREN 0-5 YEARS, CONNECTING CHILDREN AND PARENTS IN THE DORSET COMMUNITY.

PLAY | CRAFTS | OUTDOOR FUN | SANDPIT | CUBBY | DRESS UPS | PAINTING
FRIENDSHIPS | LEARNING | A CUPPA FOR MUM

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ALLOWS ACCESS TO ANY PLAYGROUP TASMANIA PLAYGROUP,
INCLUDING JETSONVILLE, BRIDPORT & RINGAROOMA PLAYGROUPS IN THE NORTH-EAST.



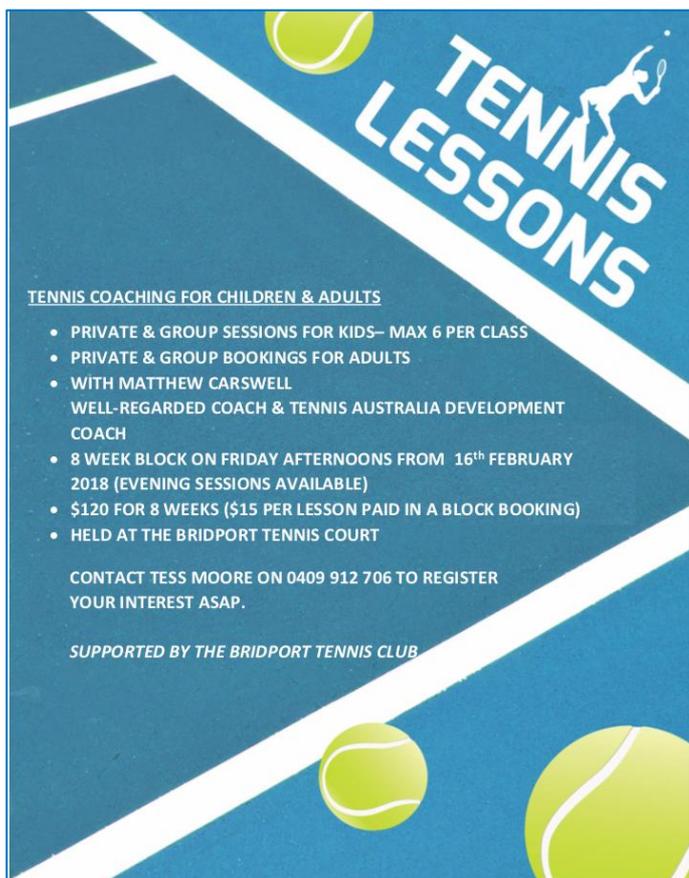
JETSONVILLE PLAYGROUP | QUERIES TO TESS MOORE 0409 912 706

School Term Dates

Term 1	Wednesday 7 th February – Thursday 12 th April
Easter Break	Friday 30 th March – Tuesday 3 rd April
Term 2	Monday 30 th April – Friday 6 th July
Term 3	Tuesday 24 th July – Friday 28 th September
Term 4	Monday 15 th October – Thursday 20 th December

Student Free Days	Monday 5 th February
	Tuesday 6 th February
	Friday 13 th April
	Monday 23 rd July
	Friday 2 nd November

Public Holidays	Launceston Cup	Wednesday 28 th February
	Eight Hours Day	Monday 12 th March
	Good Friday	Friday 30 th March
	Easter Monday	Monday 2 nd April
	Easter Tuesday	Tuesday 3 rd April
	Anzac Day	Tuesday 25 th April
	Queen's Birthday	Monday 11 th June
	Royal Launceston Show	Thursday 11 th Oct
	Recreation Day	Monday 5 th November



TENNIS LESSONS

TENNIS COACHING FOR CHILDREN & ADULTS

- PRIVATE & GROUP SESSIONS FOR KIDS- MAX 6 PER CLASS
- PRIVATE & GROUP BOOKINGS FOR ADULTS
- WITH MATTHEW CARSWELL
WELL-REGARDED COACH & TENNIS AUSTRALIA DEVELOPMENT COACH
- 8 WEEK BLOCK ON FRIDAY AFTERNOONS FROM 16th FEBRUARY 2018 (EVENING SESSIONS AVAILABLE)
- \$120 FOR 8 WEEKS (\$15 PER LESSON PAID IN A BLOCK BOOKING)
- HELD AT THE BRIDPORT TENNIS COURT

CONTACT TESS MOORE ON 0409 912 706 TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST ASAP.

SUPPORTED BY THE BRIDPORT TENNIS CLUB



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MEN'S, WOMEN'S & JUNIOR HOCKEY

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