



## DATES TO REMEMBER

### September

- 9 AASC Badminton last session
- 11 Singfest
- 12 Crazy Hair & Shoes Day
- 12 Crazy Hair & Shoes Social
- 15 School Assoc. Meeting - 3:15p.m.
- 16 'Toastie' Lunch Day
- 16 Centenary Meeting – 7:00p.m.
- 18 Country Gold Carnival
- 19 Country Gold Carnival
- 21 Vision Portraits
- 24 Grade 5/6 Camp
- 25 Grade 5/6 Camp
- 26 Grade 5/6 Camp
- 26 Last Day of Term 3

### October

- 13 First Day of Term 4
- 16 T20 Cricket
- 17 Sparky Schools Program
- 23 Prep Assembly
- 24 Student Free Day
- 30 1/2 Hailey Assembly

### November

- 6 Cultural Infusion Performance
- 13 2/3 Gerke Assembly
- 20 4/5 Hall/Lewis Assembly
- 24 Country Gold Cricket
- 25 Country Gold Cricket
- 27 Music Assembly

### Swimming & Water Safety Program

24<sup>th</sup> November – 5<sup>th</sup> December

#### LINKS

##### Singfest

<http://soundcloud.com/singfest>

##### Mathletics

[www.mathletics.com.au](http://www.mathletics.com.au)

##### Newsletter

<https://education.tas.edu/bridportprimary>

##### Reading Eggs

[www.readingeggs.com.au](http://www.readingeggs.com.au)

#### PROGRAMS

##### Launching into Learning

Mondays - 9:00 a.m.

##### Breakfast Club

Thursdays – 8:30 a.m.

##### Pre-Kinder

Fridays – 2:00 p.m.

Dear Community,

### ACARA School Satisfaction Survey

Last week a random sample of parents received a letter with a personalised password to complete a parent survey regarding our school. This is an opportunity for you to let us know what you feel are the strengths of the school, and what areas you would like us to focus on in the future. Parents have the option to complete the back of the letter or to complete the survey online. If you would like to complete the survey online, but are unable to access a computer, please contact the school.

### International Competitions & Assessments for Schools (ICAS)

Congratulations to Alex Phillips who received a Credit and Kirsten Munday who received a distinction in recent ICAS writing tests. Kirsten achieved within the top 2% of Grade 6 students- a fantastic effort!

### Singfest

Our Grade 4-6 choir heads off to Singfest this Thursday. This is an amazing event that brings together a number of schools at the Albert Hall to showcase and celebrate the singing talent of our choirs. We thank Mrs Lewis for the hard work that she has put in to help prepare the students for this special event, to Lynden Russell and Mrs Robyn Hall who are accompanying the students on the day. The Singfest performance starts at 6:30 p.m. and parents are urged to pre-order tickets through Theatre North.

### SRC News

The SRC will be holding a casual clothes day this Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> September. The theme is Crazy Hair & Crazy Shoes. This will be followed with a school social from 6.30 – 8.00 p.m. for the children in grades 1 – 6 in our school hall.

### Active After-schools Community Program (AASC)

AASC of Dance and Badminton has finished for this term. This program will continue in Term 4. Activities offered next term will be confirmed at a later date.

### School Association Meeting

The School Association will be holding a general meeting next Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> September in the Launching into Learning room at 3:15 p.m. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

Regards, Carol Stingel



# BOOK WEEK

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## **Bridport Primary School Centenary 2015 Committee**

BPSCC will be holding a general meeting  
Everyone is welcome!

Venue: Bridport Primary School Hall

Date: Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> September

Time: 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

For more information: Contact Gayle Edson on 0439 330 700  
or Bridport Primary School on 63561226.

### **Fun Times for School Holidays**

North East young people with disability have a new opportunity for fun activities and outings in the upcoming school holidays.

Optia, Tasmania's leading disability services provider is launching a new school holiday program for young people aged from 12 to 25 years, who live in Scottsdale and the surrounding area.

The holiday program will run on each Tuesday and Thursday of the two week holiday break from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Activities will be tailored to the interests of the groups such as bowling, going to the cinema in Launceston, dining out, BBQs and mini golf.

Optia has been delivering quality services for people with disability for 25 years. Program coordinator, Tracey Ryan, says the holiday program is being held as a trial and if well supported it will be held more regularly.

"We sometimes hear of people moving to Launceston from Scottsdale and other towns in the North East because they can't access services in their local area.

"We are experienced in delivering rural-based programs and would like to offer more services in this region so that people can stay in their local communities," Tracey says.

Holiday program details:

Date: Tues 30 Sept, Thurs 2 Oct, Tues 7 Oct and Thurs 9 Oct

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (may vary with some activities)

Where: Meeting in Scottsdale each morning (venue TBC)

For more information and to register for the program please contact Tracey on 0437 563 035 or [tryan@optiainc.org](mailto:tryan@optiainc.org). Registrations close on 22<sup>nd</sup> September.

To find out more about Optia go to [www.optiainc.org.au](http://www.optiainc.org.au)

### **TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER**

Volunteers needed to host one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in February 2015. Visit us at [www.scce.com.au](http://www.scce.com.au) or email [scceaust@scce.com.au](mailto: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!

**Living Well with Loss:** Weekly sessions, 8 weeks starting October 1<sup>st</sup>. Interested? Phone by 25<sup>th</sup> September Gaynor 63525504 or Anne 63525543.

### **For Sale**

Razor Scooter (as new) \$10. Portable DVD Player (car charger and remote control) \$15. M: 0427730115

### **Bridport U12s Football**

The U12s had a great game of football on the weekend against Branxholm. They played in front of a massive crowd and won by two points. They handed out the medallions to the St Helens team who won and received medallion themselves. They handled the big stage well. I would like to thank all of the U12 players for a great season and all of the parents who helped out this year. A big thank you goes out to our coach Heath Blair and we hope he will coach for many years to come. Go the Hawks!

Regards, Mr Lynden Russell

## **BFC – U12S TEAM PHOTO & MEDALLION**

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# Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra Grades 4/5/6 Excursion Reports

Grades 4, 5, 6 were lucky to experience the peaceful instruments played by the Tasmanian Mini Symphony Orchestra. There were four instrumental families, The String, The Wind, The Brass and The Percussion. We were gently serenaded to Beethoven's Ode to Joy and the Man from Snowy River. The gentle instruments sounded like a choir of angels, and they must return next year.

Written by Jenna Towns

There were four schools attend the TSO, but yet only one school was asked the questions at the end of the performance. I thought this was very unfair; it seemed the people running it were from that school. It seemed very one sided, NOT FAIR!

Written by Tom Barnett

The tuba had such a low note that it just disappeared under the beautiful sounds of the other instruments. It was unusual because usually the low notes stand out to the higher notes. It was disappointing in a way because sometimes you like to hear the low notes bring it altogether but the orchestra did a wonderful job.

Written by Kimberley Hall

The viola was played with ease, as it harmonised with the violin to make a sound as rich as singing angels. The viola played different tunes that brought the whole orchestra together as a group, to make a harmony as sweet as honey. What a sweet sound to make with a beautiful instrument. I wish I could play like that!

Written by Brennah Douglas

A special musical experience, something no one will forget! It was Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2014, when grades 4/5/6 were waiting with bated breath to play their instruments. They pulled out their homemade aluminium percussion instruments. Clash, bang, ting! It sounded like an erupting volcano! All sorts of different noises came from out of nowhere. What an ear ringing experience.

Written by Ella Stingel

CRASH, BANG, CLATTER. The sound of homemade instruments was like a stampede of elephants storming through a forest. The noise left many spectators' ears ringing as the rocket died down, after what seemed like a lifetime of boisterous sounds. This caused onlookers to cover their ears.

Written by Alex Phillips

The sound of the harp blew me away, taking me under its spell of peace and beauty. Filling the big hall with its twinkling sound, the harp made smiles appear on pupils' faces in amazement. Wow, just like twinkling stars over the midnight sky.

Written by Jemma Blair

The Star Wars theme song was the best song played at the TSO concert. The them song was real, it felt like I was in the movie. The song just made me stop and think. WOW!!

Written by Angus Cron

I thought that the Mini TSO was an amazing experience, my favourite part being the 'Pirate'. I thought the violins at the Mini TSO were amazing. There were two of them, so the sound was twice as amazing. I loved the sound of the violin harmony. When one stopped the other kept playing and it was a beautiful sound. They sounded like the instruments had a main part in each song.

Written by Warrick Hall

The Mini TSO played the 'Pirates of the Caribbean' theme song, sounding spectacularly familiar because I have played the music myself. The music has an adventurous feeling, with the sounds becoming louder and softer with a beat that touched me to my soul. It is an unforgettable theme song! Written by Kyron Clark

On the 5<sup>th</sup> September many children were in awe of the beautiful harp's sound, like a bee changing its mellow tune and pitch. The Mini TSO had a large, stunning harp that had a soothing, magical noise. Students kept their eyes glued to the harp during its solo, especially me....I loved it! Written by Kirsten Munday

## Hockey Report

On Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> of September, a group of Bridport Primary hockey players had a hockey match at the Launceston Hockey Arena. Both goalies were bored as the hockey ball zoomed one way, then the other around the astro-turf. Overall it was a splendid day for hockey.

Written by Vinnie Moore

### Merit Awards

**Prep Grace:** Ella Fromager for effort and improvement in maths. Maddison Sarich for improvement and effort in writing.

**1/2 Hailey:** Aric Clark for attentive listening and using great thinking in maths work on fractions.

**2/3 Gerke:** Lily Howard for a big effort to complete tasks more thoroughly this week. Waylon Wadley for persistence with his reading with Mrs Brooker this week.

**4/5 Somerville-Hall/Lewis:** T-Shony Young for showing greater effort, concentration and trying to achieve at a higher standard. Liam Byard for making an excellent effort in class and being responsible in completing his homework consistently. Jeffrey Darby-Norris for increased effort in class and positive attitude towards his learning. A huge improvement in writing. Teagan Richardson for being an independent worker who always tries her best. A reliable, solid worker. Logan Mountney for concentrating well in class today and working well to get tasks completed. Si'anna Atkins for being an independent worker who always tries her best. She has produced a wonderful story about a convict.

**5/6 Reid:** Ella Stingel for excellent science work. Brilliant science post – scientific understanding and creativity. Brennah Douglas for excellent effort with decimals. Showing great understanding. Tom Barnett for excellent leadership skills in small group reading. Great understanding of his leadership role.

### Reading Awards

**50 Nights Home Reading** – Chloe Gofton & Nate Coates.

**75 Nights Home Reading** – Jack Burke, Nicholas Hill, Nate Coates & Isaac Watts.

**100 Nights Home Reading** – Jack Burke, Leigh Holmes, Shakira Coker-Williams, Shellese Borg, Chaeli Barron, Tahlia Child, Harry Brown, Greer Barron, Nate Coates & Isla Richards.

**125 Nights Home Reading** – Belle Spencer, Leigh Holmes, Leila-Jayne Atkins, Shanique Blakeley, Maddison Sarich, Isla Richards & Tarkyn Atkins.

**150 Nights Home Reading** – Belle Spencer, Harrison Beard, Brayden Hall, Lily Howard, Asha Milne, Isabelle Watt & Lily Easter.

**175 Nights Home Reading** – Fergus Stewart, Lily Howard, Zoe Stingel, Emily Arnold, Caitlyn Burns, & Lily Easter.

### PBS Raffle

Congratulations to the following for our weekly PBS raffle draw: Phoebe Arnold, Ben Atkins, Jayden Hodgins-Pearton, Logan Mountney, Teagan Richardson, William Dolley and Nicholas Hill.

### From the School Office

**GRADE 5/6 CAMP:** Payments are due by next Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> September. This payment can be made at the school office by cash, cheque, EFTpos or by instalments.

Please return **medical forms** to the school office by this Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> September, if you haven't already done so.

**VALIDATION FORMS:** Validation forms will be sent to the main contact for updates of your child's details on the first week in Term 4.

### Attendance - SMS System

It is a departmental requirement that *all* absences are to be explained. Our current SMS system has been upgraded to SMS Global system. If your child has an unexplained absence you will receive a text message asking for your reply, with child's name, date absent and reason. The new system will only allow a reply text to the number on the day of absence. This number will change on a daily basis. Attendance can be explained via phoning the office on 63561226 or by email [bridport.primary@education.tas.gov](mailto:bridport.primary@education.tas.gov).

**SINGFEST:** Our Grade 4/5/6 choir members will travel to the Albert Hall this Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>, to rehearse all day and perform at Singfest 2014 in the evening. Tickets are selling fast so parents are urged to buy them before the night, as door sales cannot be guaranteed. Choir students are to:

- ❖ Be at school by 8.15 (we are departing as soon as the school bus arrives.)
- ❖ Wear school uniform, black shoes, white socks.
- ❖ Bring a packed lunch and plenty to drink.
- ❖ If possible bring some cupcakes or slice for dessert. (Singfest funds will pay for pizza, fruit and drinks for tea.)
- ❖ Make sure their transport home has been organised. (Please ring the office if uncertain.)

Regards, Mrs Jane Lewis

### Bridport Girl Guides

There will be no Guides for two weeks. Guides will resume on Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> September. Enquiries to Katrina Barnett on 0427596091.

### Vision Portraits Photo Fundraiser

Our school needs more bookings to go ahead!

Sunday 21st September 2014

Only \$15 for your Portrait with frame

We need lots more bookings so share the link with friends, neighbours and family, anyone can book in!

Book online at: [www.trybooking.com/FINC](http://www.trybooking.com/FINC)

**BOOKINGS CLOSE THIS FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 12th!**

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