Dear Parents and Carers,

Future Directions Group (FDG) Environment Centre and Farm

This group met last Wednesday and the focus was mainly on discussion related to the current model of operation. Increasing educational connection and financial trends over time were explored, and strategies for strengthening both were generated. These strategies are being considered by the school leadership team. Some elements will be referred to the Farm Management Group which will meet in a fortnight to provide consideration, advice and action. The Future Directions Group (FDG) will meet again in 3 weeks time. General notes from last week’s meeting will be made available on the school website along with a slide show presentation used at the various meetings. Please note the feedback and ideas provided by previous staff, Parents and Friends and the School Association meetings are being used to inform discussions in these groups. The main goal of this process is to use the expertise, experience and skills of our school community to shape an educationally outstanding and financially sustainable model for the Environment Centre and Farm for the next decade.

Lead Teacher Agricultural Education Position

As communicated through the newsletter previously, this position currently occupied by Mr Andrew Harris, has been funded by the current government for 4 years, amounting to a total of $400 000. The role supports the implementation of Agricultural Curriculum across a state-wide network of schools. Mr Harris will include a short report on his excellent work in this role so far this year. A further $100 000 was provided to establish the Centre and to provide much needed funds to improve/refurbish the facilities of our visitor centre. Projects either completed or underway include: Cottage B - significant refurbishment of sub-standard toilets and showers, replacement of 6 rotten windows, cladding, blinds and exterior painting. Improvements to the lunch/toilet area including construction of disability access toilet and change space, landscaping, resurfacing and improving the BBQ “hut”. As a school community we are extremely grateful to have received the additional funding to improve our facilities.

Dairy Tas Visit

Mark Smith, Executive Officer and Board Member, Simon Bennett, visited our Environment Centre and Farm last Friday. Dairy Tas have been active in supporting our Dairy Enterprise and thankfully are keen to continue. A strengthened partnership possibly including Dairy Australia was discussed focusing on enhancing the educational opportunities at Hagley. I will keep you informed as to progress over the next weeks.

Naplan

I am very pleased to report that our school Naplan results this year have been excellent. We have exceeded similar schools, State and Australian performance in these areas: Grade 3 Reading (40% of students in the top Band and 90% with medium to high gain since Prep); Grade 3 Numeracy (significantly exceeds Australian mean score with 51% of students showing high gain since Prep); Grade 5 Persuasive Writing (96% of students had medium to high gain since Grade 3) and Grade 5 Reading. Our students have also performed above state and similar school levels in the following areas - Grade 3 Grammar and Punctuation, Grade 3 Persuasive Writing and Grade 5 Numeracy.

These very positive results are due to a range of factors including targeted high quality Professional learning including regular timetabled collaborative planning and assessment. I would like to recognise the fantastic leadership from our skilled and knowledgeable team of Sharyn Cook, Lauren Beams and Maree Duggan-Lead teacher (Literacy and Numeracy) and the outstanding commitment of teachers and teacher assistants. Individual results for those that took part will be sent home this week with students. Please keep these in a safe place as sometimes they are needed for high school enrolments.
**From the Principal’s Desk continued...**

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Regards,
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**2016 Term Dates - for Students**

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Merit Certificates
Early Childhood
Isabel, George, Grace, Lucy, Ethan, Jackson, Tobey, Isabella, Mia, Tayla.
Primary
Ethan, Elisa, Blake, Jesse, Adele, Ben, Trishelle, Jesse, Sam, Niekaylah, James, Connor, Zak, Tyler, Baylee.
GT4GC
Primary—Travis, April, Amber, Rhianna.

Book Week: Let's get dressed up!
Launching into Learning, is celebrating Book Week, this Friday, 28th August. Parents/carers and Children are encouraged to come to Launching into Learning dressed as their favourite book character.
Who will you dress up as?
Launching into Learning is held each Friday (except for school holidays), in the Hagley, Kindergarten classrooms. New members are always welcome.
Session Times: Toddler (Birth-3 years) 9:00-10:00am
Pre-Kinder: 11:00-12:30pm and 1:00-2:30pm
There is no cost for Launching into Learning sessions.
Sarah Cleland, Launching into Learning, Coordinator

COUNTRY GOLD REPRESENTATIVES
Well done to all those students who tried out for the Country Gold Carnivals.
We would like to congratulate the following students who were successful in gaining a place in the teams and wish them well for the Carnival.
Netball: Lucy, Sophie, Hollie, Kelly, Caitlyn, Zoe, Niekaylah, Briella.
Football: Declan, Casey, Alex, John, Brayden.
Hockey: Xavier, Porsha, Lachlan, Freya, Danielle, Chloe, Sam, Joseph, Ethan, Connor, Travis, Holly, Isabelle, Zachary (Reserve).
Soccer: Jarryd, Thomas, Tyson, Job, Alanah, Tayla, Bella, Jade, Adele. Reserves - Joshua & Rachel

Parents & Friends News
RSPCA Cupcake Day raised $300!!
Thank you to everyone involved cooks through to buyers-what an awesome effort!

The BUSHDANCE is heading our way this Friday and we all a bit excited....
We will have limited fizzy drinks due to many requests for it not to be sold. However we will have flavoured milk and water for purchase as well and of course the Python snakes!!
Liv Johnston
0438 558 782 hagleypandf@outlook.com.au
NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

Book Week is here!

Book Fair – Wow! The Book Fair is underway and the response has been overwhelming with well over $1000 in sales already. A huge thank you to all of the amazing people who are helping out. The Fair is open before school, recess time and after school until Friday (will not be open after school on Friday).

Book Parade – A reminder that the Book parade will be on this Thursday. Children can wear their costumes to school if they wish, but must bring their uniform to change into afterwards. Any pre-school aged children who are coming along to watch are most welcome to dress up too. We will aim to start at 9.15am in the Gym.

Delightful Dogs – Lots of lovely doggy creations have been making their way to the library. Entries close on Monday 31st August. Entry forms available from the library.

Happy Book Week from the Library Team – Mrs Jessica Marston (Teacher-Librarian) and Mrs Martha McQueen (Library Technician).

CANTEEN

Recess
Milo $1.00 per cup
Assorted home baking $1.00 each
Pop corn .50c
Vege Chips/Rice Wheels/Corn Chips $1.00
Two fruits in berry juice $1.00
Liquorice 0.10c (5 piece limit)
All drinks now $1.50 -Flavoured milk & water.

Wednesday
Wraps - order at the office $4.50 or $5.00 with a drink.

Thursday 27th August
Nachos $4.00 - corn chips, salsa, cheese & sour cream (sour cream will be provided separately in a tub with every order).
Dixie Cup $1.00

Tuesday 1 September
Pizza $3.00
Rainbow Paddle Pop $1.50

SINGFEST

The Grade 5/6 Vocal Group will be performing at Singfest at the Albert Hall on Wednesday 23rd Sept. from 6.30pm.

Tickets are on sale now at Theatre North at the Princess Theatre for $8.50.

Cherie Partridge

Hagley Farm School Open Day

Saturday September 19th
10.00am - 2.00pm

Come and help us celebrate the 160th Anniversary of the Hagley Farm School - 150 years on the present site.

Look through the Olde Classroom(150 years old) and Agricultural/Activity Museum.

Peruse the gallery of historic photos.

Pick up your pre-ordered copy of the book "Hagley - The First 100 years", or order yourself a copy.

Food and beverages will be available for purchase.

For further information please contact the school on 6392 2272
Hagley School - Book Orders

Book Orders are coming in fast - if you still have not placed your order please do so ASAP to help us ascertain how many we need to order.

Please complete the form below and return to secure a copy from the First Edition and for the discounted price of $35.

Your Chance to Secure a First Edition Copy of

Hagley School
The First 100 Years

This handsomely printed book is a collection of contemporary accounts of the school at Hagley from 1855 to 1954, together with the collected reports and images of the school, its founders and early staff and students.

This 200 page book is the work of Jenny Walters, a task that has taken over four years, and will be a record that every Hagley family will wish to own.

To secure your first edition copy at the release on 18th September, you need to pre-pay yours as soon as possible. The bookshop price will be $39, but for prepaid and picked up there is a 10% DISCOUNT, so you pay only $35.

Please return your order form to:
Hagley Farm School,
2508 Meander Valley Highway, Hagley Tas. 7292

Please reserve my copy of:
Hagley School: The First 100 Years

Cheque [ ] Electronic Funds Transfer [ ] Cash [ ]

Only $35 a copy (normally $39) for prepaid first edition.
Cheques Payable to Hagley Farm School Historical Book
For EFT: BSB 037012 Account Number 341434
(Put your name as the reference, so we know who you are!)

My name is: ........................................................................................................
Address: ........................................................................................................

Pre-ordered books will be available at the launch at the school on Friday September 18th, at the Open Day, Saturday, 19th September or at the school office afterwards.
MEANDER VALLEY NEWS:

Westbury Champions’ Parade
Nominations are now being called for the induction of nationally recognised sporting heroes of any generation from the greater Westbury area. Deadline 11 Sept. Details attached.

Play Space – have Your say!
Meander Valley Council plans to establish a nature play space at Prospect Vale Park. A community consultation session will be held at the Park playground on: Saturday 29 August 2015 11.00am – 2.00pm. Come along, view design options and HAVE YOUR SAY! There will be a sausage sizzle available. For more information call Natasha on 6393 5314

Backyard Birds Project - Westbury
Council is teaming with NRM North to deliver a Backyard Birds Project for the Westbury residential area.
We are seeking property owners in Westbury who are interested in having some native plants to attract more native birds to the town. We have come up with a range of plants for you to choose from, that will benefit many native bird species. No cost - your only obligation is to find a good spot for them and give them some care until they are established. Complete an application form by Monday 14 September 2015. Note: this project is limited to the first 200 properties registered through applications. Apply soon to avoid disappointment.

Community Safety Group
The Meander Valley Community Safety Group meets quarterly to progress safety initiatives on wide topics. It has Police, Health Service, Red Cross, Council and Community representatives. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday 27 August at the Australian Italian Club, Prospect, 7.00 pm – 8.30 pm. Interested community members are warmly invited to attend and share their thoughts on local safety issues. For information contact Patrick Gambles on 6393 5300.

SKATE DAYS
Skate tour to Devonport and Burnie on 30 Aug. 10 places available. Bring your board, blades, scooter & helmet. No helmet, no go. Limited spaces for bikes. Call Vicki Jordan on 0400 155 690. Need drink and lunch. Cost $5.00
Free Skate Training and Competition -Hadspen Skate Run
Thursday 8 Oct. 10.30 – 3.30
Richard and Rachel from “Ownlife” will run the day. Richard has been named in the Australian top 20 riders 3 years in a row. Rachel will be teaching too. Boys and girls both welcome. Boards and helmets provided.
Contact Vicki Jordan 0400 155 690 Meander Valley Council

Stepping Stones Leadership Camps
These camps are for young people who want to share 3 days of fun, activities and learning. Music, cooking, outdoor education, challenges, consultation, choices ……..

30 September- Grade 9 – 12
5 to 7 October - Grade 6 – 8
27 to 29 Nov – 18 to 25 years

Camps are supervised by staff and team of volunteers.
Contact Vicki Jordan on 0400 155 690

Meander Valley Council