



Term 3 - Week 8

9th September 2025

Upcoming events

SEPTEMBER	
Fri 12 th	Country Gold Trial Matches
Tues 16 th	Open Classrooms 3.15pm to 5.30pm
Mon 15 th to Fri 26 th	Swimming & Water Safety Program Grades 3/4/5
Thurs 25 th	Country Gold Carnival
Thurs 25 th	Uniform Shop open 2.30pm to 3.30pm
Fri 26 th	Last Day Term 3

VALUES TOKENS

Week 7 Term 3 –

Early Childhood:

Josie, Archie L, Flynn, Bailey D, Hunter V, Jade H, Violet, Emily G, Phoebe, Lacey B, Ella H

Primary:

Huxley G, Emily R, Noah T, Archer R, Harry M, Hugo C, Jackson V

Assembly Roster

Week 10 Friday 26 th September	Whole School – Student Leaders
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From the Principal

Thank you to everyone involved in making our Father's Day Breakfast such a success last Thursday. We had a tremendous turn out – despite the cold and rain. Thanks to the Mums we had behind the grill in the van, those packing up the egg and bacon rolls, and those who prepared the Gym and took the photos and manned the payment stall. This is the first Father's Day Breakfast I have been able to attend due to clashing DECYP commitments, and I was thrilled to be a part of it. I hope all our Dads, Granddads and Dad figures had a wonderful time with their children. We were thrilled to provide the opportunity to celebrate together at school. And a final thanks to the School Association Committee, who make these events happen for our community. They are a tremendous team of parents.

I would like to remind our parent community that Seesaw is approved by DECYP as the school communication app for teachers and parents to use together to provide timely information to each other, and to share evidence of learning together. It is not intended to be the only source of communication, and we encourage parents and carers to call the school to make an appointment, or to speak with teachers when there is an important conversation to have. Recently a number of teachers have had messages on Seesaw that we regard as being inappropriate and crossing lines of respectful communication. These messages have been sent after school hours, when staff members are at home looking after their families. All messages must be sent at respectful times – teachers are not on duty after they leave school by 5pm. The messages sent must address concerns with positive intent and use respectful language. It is important to note that some messages need to be conversations - so please call the school office to make an appointment with teachers or request a call back.

Please be aware of our focus on maintaining respectful communications together so that we can support our students as the priority.

One last reminder – it seems that our 'drop off and pick up' spot in the car park is being increasingly used as a car park lately. Please use the car park and walk students into school rather than parking in the drop off area. At the end of the day please also ensure that you are not waiting in a space that inhibits others from leaving the car park. All too often I observe long lines of cars that are in the way of parked cars who are then unable to reverse. Car park etiquette is really important for safety and management. Please consider everyone when you drive in and where you choose to stop your car. Thank you.

Jeanagh

Jeanagh Viney
Principal

Open Classrooms – Tuesday 16th September

We're excited to welcome families to our Open Classrooms on **Tuesday 16th September**, from **3:15pm to 5:30pm**. This is a wonderful opportunity to visit your child's classroom and share in their learning journey. You are welcome to visit our Library, Performing Arts, and P.E. learning spaces, which will be open for informal drop-ins with the teachers. There will be a BBQ with a free sausage available for people who attend.

Using our online booking system, families can book a **15-minute session** in their child's class, alongside a small group of other families. During the session, your child will showcase their learning from throughout the term and invite you to engage in some of the classroom activities.

The booking system is open with the link and QR below. **The booking system will be closed Monday the 15th of September.** If you have any questions, please contact the office.

<https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/atdsa>

Your bookings are listed below.

Reminders will not be sent, so please add any appointments to your calendar, now.

The open classroom for you will run for 15 minutes only and will be held in your child's classroom.

The smooth running of our open classrooms relies on us all keeping to the timetable.

Please consider other parents and end on time.

Students are strongly encouraged to attend the open classroom with you.

If you have any further enquiries or if you need to cancel at short notice, please contact the school on 63922272.



The Big Six – Foundations of Literacy

Dear Parents/Guardians and Community

We are committed to helping every student become a confident, capable reader. That's why we use a structured and evidence-based approach to teaching literacy, built around what's known as the **Big Six**.

The Big Six are the essential foundations of literacy. They work together to support students as they move from learning to read, to reading to learn—and beyond. These six areas are taught explicitly and in a clear, sequenced way to ensure all students, no matter their starting point, can grow and succeed.

What are the Big Six?

1. **Oral Language** – The ability to speak, listen, and understand the sounds we use when we talk.
2. **Phonological Awareness** – Recognising the sounds in our speech.
3. **Phonics** – Understanding how letters and sounds work together.
4. **Vocabulary** – Knowing and using a wide range of words.
5. **Fluency** – Understanding the meaning of words and sentences as they are being read.
6. **Comprehension** – Using the other five skills to understand what is being read.

The Big Six are not just skills for early readers or young students. They continue to be important throughout your child's education.

How can families support literacy at home?

You play an important role in your child's literacy development. Talking with your child, reading together, playing word games, and asking questions about stories are all powerful ways to support what your child is learning at school.

If you'd like to know more about how the Big Six are taught in our classrooms or how to support your child's literacy at home, please contact to your child's teacher.

Together, we can help every student thrive as a reader, writer, and thinker

Singfest 2025

Congratulations to all members of the Vocal Group on their outstanding performance at Singfest 2025!

You represented Hagley with excellence, and I hope each of you feels a deep sense of pride in your achievement.

A heartfelt thank you to our school community for your ongoing support of the performing arts, to the families for the incredible effort involved in getting students to and from the event, and most of all to the students for your dedication in preparing for such a big day and evening performance.

I'm looking forward to sharing more performance opportunities with you throughout the remainder of the year.

Ms Reid.



Hagley Farm School History Projects

During Term 3 the grade 5/6 classes have been using their Options time with Mr Lynch, Ms Reid and Mrs Marston (45 minutes on Monday afternoons) to research a Tasmanian History topic.

A large number of students have chosen to delve into the history of our school.

Yesterday we had the pleasure of hosting a number of past students who were able to share their amazing memories of being a student at Hagley Farm School. Students were able to ask their prepared interview questions first-hand which was a valuable and memorable learning experience.

We are looking forward to sharing these projects with the school community in the coming weeks. You are invited to visit the library next Tuesday during the Open Classrooms evening to view those that are ready to share.

A very big thank you to local residents Kevin and Winifred Johns, Stephen and Lyn Tyson, Marie Richardson, Elizabeth Richards and Robert French for their time and the wonderful information they were able to share, along with school staff Jenny Walters, Mike Tyson, Melinda Badcock and past staff member Katrina Harris who also spent time being interviewed yesterday.



News from the Library

Premier's Reading Challenge Reading Logs – last chance

Tomorrow (Wednesday the 10th September) is the last day to be able to submit completed Reading Logs. Please give these to your teacher or bring them straight to the library.

Completed – at least 10 books read during the PRC. If you have lost your reading log, but have read at least 10 books, a note or email from your grown ups will be fine. jessica.marston@decyp.tas.gov.au

Lunchtimes in the Library

We are open at lunchtimes from 1.00-1.30 on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

On offer are a range of games, toys, colouring-in, drawing and of course children can also read.



On Wednesdays Harper, Zoe and friends run Puzzle Club. We wish our amazing Puzzle Club supporter, Katrina Coleman, all the best as she heads to Spain this week to represent Australia at the International Puzzle Championships. Good luck Katrina!



Happy Reading from the Library Team – Mrs Jessica Marston (Teacher-Librarian) and Mrs Bron Walker (Library Technician)



September/October **HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

Monday 29th Sep to Friday 3rd Oct a 5 Day Program

This is a great way for children to learn, consolidate and advance their swimming skills.

- 30 min lesson daily with the same teacher
- For ages 4 to 12
- Small classes
- Book now as spaces are limited

REGISTER ON OUR WEBSITE

www.justswim.com.au
6344 2244



Westbury Shamrocks Junior Cricket Club welcomes any new, returning, and existing players to the upcoming cricket season 2025/26.

Teams compete across the u12's, u14's, and u16's summer competitions.

New to the club or new to cricket; all are welcome!



Enquiries to Junior Development Officer:
Sam French – 0409 507 467

Complete your expression of interest by scanning the QR code:



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MAKE A MAILBOX



ANY MEDIUM

Metal, Timber, Recycled, Decorated

Let your imagination go wild !

Entries to be judged at our

November Long Weekend Steam Up

Saturday, 1st November, 2025

PEARNS STEAM WORLD

65 Meander Valley Road, Westbury

Enquiries to Anne on 0437 594 912

Entries to be delivered on Saturday the 1st no later than 10am
Judging commences at 11am.

GET CREATIVE !

Competition !

