

Term 4 - Week 3 28th October 2025

Upcoming events

OCTOBER	
Wed 29 th	ECE Assembly @ 1.30pm
	Primary Assembly @ 2.10pm
Fri 31 st	Student Free Day
NOVEMBER	
Mon 3 rd	Long Weekend Holiday
Tues 4 th	Kinder Excursion – Zoo
Fri 14 th	Swimming Carnival Grade 3-6
Tues 18 th	Colour Run
Wed 19 th	ECE Assembly @ 1.30pm
	Primary Assembly @ 2.10pm
Thurs 27 th	Prep Excursion – Theatre North

Date	Host	Sharing
Term 4 Week 3	Primary – 3/4 Cini	3/4 Mc
Wednesday 29 th October	EC – Mr Ankin	Prep M
Week 6 Wednesday 19 th	Primary – 3/4 Mason	Open to all 5/6 classes
November	EC – Mr Ankin	Prep W/G
Week 9 Friday 12 th December	Grade 3 to 8 Assembly	5 Presentation
Week 10	EC Presentation	n Assembly
Tuesday 16 th December	Grade 6 Presen	tation Assembly
Week 10 Thursday 18 th December	Whole School Team	 Leadership

Values Token – Week 2 Term 4 Early Childhood -

Oscar, Scarlett, Maggie, Charlie, Harry, Penny

From the Principal

You will by now be aware that the Australian Education Union, along with other state service unions, have implemented an Industrial Action for their members this Wednesday 29th October. The Minister for Education has implemented a Statewide DECYP school closure until 11am. All union members have the right to attend these meetings that will be held in Launceston. The meeting will take place at 9am and staff will be expected to be back at school for duty of care at 11am. This of course means that there will be few, if any teaching staff at Hagley Farm School until 11am on this day.

Please support us during this time by sending students to school between 11 and 11.30. We look forward to welcoming as many of our students as possible to school. Please let us know if your child will not be attending once school is open, by messaging or calling the office.

In two weeks time Hagley Farm School will be involved in an External School Review. All DECYP schools are a part of this process every four years. We are really excited to share our teaching and learning processes with the review team and we look forward to their findings after three days in our school. They will be speaking with students, parents, teaching and non teaching staff during the three days. Within this newsletter is an invitation to participate in the parent /carer information discussions. Parent feedback for our review is very important.

Over the last few weeks I have mentioned that we will be beginning the process of developing classes for next year in coming weeks. To support this process, we ask that you consider sharing important information with us that will guide our decision making. This information should be relevant to educational concerns, such as social/emotional information or previous history of relationships. It is not an opportunity to request a specific teacher.

We place significant focus on teacher input in this process, as well as taking student requests for friendships, and parent requests into account. This process takes us a number of weeks to work through, and we always have the best interests for teaching and learning for every student at the centre of our decisions.

Any information that you send to us is confidential. We will do what we can to support your request, but it may not always be possible. Where we can, we will reach out to families to discuss complicated issues.

If you would like to make a class placement request, please contact the School Office, either by email, or by phoning, and they will provide you with an online link to submit your information. All information MUST be submitted using this link.

EXTERNAL SCHOOL REVIEW

As part of our focus on continuous school improvement, Hagley Farm School will be involved in an External School Review in Week 5 of this term. The purpose of External School Reviews is to support schools to raise achievement, sustain high performance and provide quality assurance to build public confidence in government schools.

All Tasmanian Government Schools will be externally reviewed every four years. The focus of the Review is to evaluate school performance. The Review Team consists of an External School Review Leader and trained Principal Peer Reviewers. The Hagley Farm School review will occur from November 10th to November 12th.

We will find out the effective school practices that are verified through the Review processes as well as the improvements that we need to make in the future.

During the External School Review, the panel will meet with most teaching staff – including teachers and teacher assistants as well as administration staff, and some groups of students. They would also like to meet with members of our school community, including parents and carers. These meetings can take place individually at school or through phone conversations. Some groups of parents may also be involved.

The allocated times for Parent/Carer discussions are Monday 10th November between 2:00 – 2:30 and 2:30 - 3:00 Tuesday 11th November between 11:00 – 11:40 and 11:40 – 12:10 and Wednesday 12th November between 9:00 – 9:30.

We appreciate your support and time in helping us with this External School Review process. Please respond to the office through email or phone, including the details required below by: **Monday 3rd November.**

Please consider if you are available to participate in our feedback process during the times allocated below and respond to the Office to indicate your availability.

Please consider your availability during these times: Monday 10th November between 2:00 – 2:30 Monday 10th November between 2:30 - 3:00 Tuesday 11th November between 11:00 – 11:40 Tuesday 11th November between 11:40 – 12:10 Wednesday 12th November between 9:00 – 9:30

I am happy to be contacted by phone. My number is:	
OR I am happy to come to school to be a part of the discussions.	
Thanks so much.	

Jeanagh
Jeanagh Viney
Principal

Grade 3/4 Chatterton-Eyles & Grade 3/4 McNeair Camp

On Monday we brought our bags to school, and it got picked up by a trailer. On the way to the cabin, we had a pillow fight! Then we went in the cabins, the boys were in one cabin and the girls were in the other. We loved our new beds, so we unpacked everything, it was so comfy!

Then we went and had recess and played on the tractor playground. Then we did fun activities on the farm like we went in a paddock and dug dirt to see how many worms were in the soil. Then we had lunch and played on the tractor playground. Then we went to the veggie patch to dig up some soil to see how many worms there was.

Then we had a snack break. Then we went to weigh the cows with this cool scanning thing and there was a tab that showed us the weight. We went in the milking shed and the teacher sorted us out in 2 groups, 1 with the cows with Mr Fox and Mr Tyson. We were with the dairy we had to sort out which one was milk and which one had fake milk.

Then we went to see the crop drone fly. The drone was massive it could lift up 15kg. Then went back to the cabin. Then we went out to dinner we had pumpkin soup, chicken tenders, and for dessert we had warm brownie and vanilla ice cream. Then we went in the pool at 7:00 to 8:00. Then we had a shower brushed our teeth and went to bed.

On Tuesday we woke up and played for a little bit then we went and we played gaga ball, then we went and had breakfast. We had cereal, and toast with vegemite, butter, jam and honey. It was really good. Then we packed our bags. Then we watched people shear sheep then put the sheep through the yards. Then we went to the vegie garden and picked flowers that were edible. They were really good. Same with the leaves. We went to the hall and did knife skills and we picked the leaves and flowers off. They looked really nice. Then we had the leaves and flowers for lunch.

Then we had another play on the tractor playground for the last time. We went on a mat to try flip it we didn't really do a good job.

By Niall, Cohen and Hunter Grade 3/4 Chatterton/Eyles







Grade 3/4 Cini & Grade 3/4 Mason Camp

On Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th, 3/4 Cini and 3/4 Mason went on camp for two days and one night.

Thursday: we came to school and dropped our bags off at the old hall and all met in the classroom. A bit later we went to our cabins and found out who was with us. Next, we went to the tractor playground for morning tea. We went on a tractor ride to a paddock and to the garden to investigate worms together. Then we had lunch and had a play.

After lunch we went to the dairy shed and split into two groups. One group stayed in the shed and talked about dairy products and the other group rated and weighed cattle. Before we went to afternoon tea Mr fox showed us a big drone that they use on the farm to spray the crops. We got to watch the drone take off in the paddock and watched it on the TV. Then we had lunch and had a play. After lunch, we went to the museum and got to hold the baby chickens. Then we went back to our cabins and had tea in the old hall. After tea we went swimming in the pool for an hour. Following our swim, we went back to our cabins and to sleep.

Friday: we woke up and packed all our stuff up and got ready for the day. Then went to have breakfast. After breakfast we went to the shearing shed and we got to watch farmer John shear a sheep, and round the sheep up in the gates. We went to the tractor playground to have some morning tea and a play.

Our last activity was in the old hall where we made fruit kababs, tried salad items and made a bag to put some seeds in.

Then for lunch we had a big selection of fruit, veggies, meats, bikkies, pasta and potato salad. We got to play for pretty much the rest of afternoon before going back to our cabins to get our bags. Then, we met in the hall again and just talked about our time on camp.

We are all very grateful and would like to say a big thanks to: Mr Tyson, Mrs Bunker, Farmer John, Mr Fox, Mrs Cini, Mr Mason, Mrs Beams and Mr Ankin.

Jessica and Ella – 3/4 Cini and 3/4 Mason







Literacy Update

In our Prep to Year 2 classes, students have been learning to read with Letters and Sounds. Letters and Sounds is a phonics program that helps students build strong reading skills.

Letters and Sounds is a program that builds the early skills needed to become a confident reader through short daily lessons focusing on the sounds and letters needed to spell, say, recognise and read words. We have been using Letters and Sounds for the last 6 years, which is based on research on how children learn to read.

This year the Department for Education, Children and Young People have endorsed another program called UFLI Foundations. UFLI (pronounced you-fly) Foundations is a phonics program that, (like Letters and Sounds), builds strong reading skills to become confident readers and is based on research. It is an interactive way to learn reading skills that allows our students to practise, revise and build on their skills each week.

In 2026, our school will switch from using Letters and Sounds to UFLI Foundations in Prep to 2 classes. Teachers are already preparing and planning ahead for next year. We look forward to continuing our great work in reading for all students.

Justine Page

Instructional Coach for Literacy

Canteen News

We need more helpers to keep the Canteen Open!

To enable us to keep our successful Canteen operating we need volunteers. We are asking for just a few hours of your time, as little as once or twice a term will help make a difference to our small team.

If you are able to join our school community as a valuable volunteer, please feel free to leave your name and contact details at the office or call Tracy on 0409 544 576.



Early Childhood Fun Day -

Last Thursday, our Prep to Grade 2 students and teachers had an absolutely fantastic time at the Northern Midlands West Early Years Fun Day, hosted by Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School (OLOM) at the Deloraine Football Oval.

The day was packed with engaging activities spread across the oval and surrounding grassy areas. Students rotated through stations that included dancing, bubble blowing, and other playful experiences, many of which were led by OLOM's upper primary students. We extend a huge thank you to the staff and students of OLOM for their incredible effort in planning and running such a memorable day.

We're already looking forward to next year's celebration!







COLOUR FUN RUN/WALKATHON 2025!

This year our Colour Fun Run, suggested and organised by our School Parliament, will be held on Tuesday, November 18th. All classes will spend 25 minutes on the school oval with their buddy class, completing as many laps as possible of the 'COLOUR FUN RUN/WALKATHON' course. Students are asked to wear a white or light-coloured top/old sport clothes. Students will also need to bring a towel and their school uniform to change into after the event.

Money raised will go towards three different causes:

- 1. **Dogs' Homes of Tasmania** is one of our final nominated charities of the year. Our goal is to raise \$500 to donate to this cause.
- 2. **Make a Wish Foundation** is our other chosen charity for this term. Our goal is to raise an additional \$500 to donate to this cause.

If we manage to raise beyond the amount required for this, our School Parliament has elected to:

3. Donate any remaining money being used to resources and equipment for **Hagley Farm School**.

This is a fantastic opportunity for all students, families and the wider school community to come together for an event that is fun and also teaches students how each of them can make a difference. It also provides great photo opportunities for those who come to watch!

Accompanying this information is a sponsorship form for your child. Their aim, with your help, is to raise as much money as possible towards our goals –whether through sponsorship per lap or direct donations. We <u>do not</u> encourage students to doorknock to collect sponsorship.

We ask that sponsorship forms are not returned until <u>after</u> the Fun Run is complete. Students will bring home an additional signed note to inform families of the number of laps they have completed in the Fun Run on that day. Sponsorship forms are due to the school office by **Tuesday, December 2**nd.

Due to the added element of the colour at this year's Fun Run, we are in need of additional adult support, in particular, to man the colour stations. This is a potentially 'wet and messy' job, however we are sure it will also be enjoyable. Adults who wish to volunteer are please asked to contact Jaclyn Mclean via email: jaclyn.mclean@decypt.tas.gov.au. Volunteers are required to have a Working with Vulnerable People Card, as well as having completed the DECYP mandatory safeguarding training.

We hope to see lots of family members and friends at school on the big day. Specific times will be published in next week's newsletter and on our school Facebook page.

Kind regards,

Mrs Jaclyn McLean and Ms Heather Styles, Student Parliament Coordinators

Colour Run Sponsorship Form

Signed Teacher:

:	Teacher:			
SPONSOR'S NAME	AMOUNT PER LAP	DONATION	SIGNED	
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			← Total Donations	
r of laps completed:		Amount to	be collected:	

School Association News

School Association Committee Meeting is being held tonight, Tuesday 28th October 2025, 6pm @ Iron Horse Bar & Grill, Prospect Vale.

Food and drinks will be available to purchase on the night at your own expense, with the opportunity to eat your meal during a break in the meeting. All very welcome to attend, we would love to see you there!

If you are attending please RSVP to hagleyschoolassociation@gmail.com so we can ensure enough seats are booked at the table.

Agenda



Hagley Farm Primary School Association

'To foster the well-being of students by engaging with our school community'

Committee Meeting

Date & Time: 28th October, 2025 @ 6pm Venue: Iron Horse Bar & Grill (Prospect)

Meeting recorder: Sharon Williams

Chairperson: Chris Gee

Agenda	Presenter	Time
Welcome & Introductions	Chair	1 min
Present & Apologies	Chair	1 min
Conflict of interest declarations	All	1 min
Minutes from the previous meeting	Secretary	2 min
Business arising from the previous meeting	Chair/Secretary	5 min
Correspondence In/Out	Secretary	10 min
Reports:		
 Principal's Report 	Jeanagh	5 mins
 Chairperson's Report 	Chris	5 mins
 Treasurer's Report 	Abbey	5 mins
Subcommittee Reports:		
o Catering	Chris	5 mins
o Fundraising	Teann	5 mins
o School Garden	Jane & Shelley	5 mins
Any other business:		10 mins
Date of next meeting	Chair	-
Close	Chair	-

Westbury Remembrance Day

The Westbury RSL Sub Branch
will hold our community
Remembrance Day Service
and wreath laying on
Tuesday 11th November 2025
at the Westbury Cenotaph
commencing at 10.45am.

The Tartan Terrors Pipes and Drums will play prior to our service on the Westbury Village Green from 10.20am.

A light lunch will follow in the RSL





Join the Western Storm Netball Club!

Are you ready to get involved, have fun, and be part of a great local community?

Western Storm Netball Club welcomes everyone aged 6 to 80 — no matter your skill level, experience, or background!

Players: Whether you are brand new or returning to the court, we have got a place for you.

Volunteers: Not playing? You can still join in as a coach, umpire, scorer, or committee member!

Support & Benefits:

- Indoor training in Launceston
- · Payment plans available
- Ticket to Play vouchers accepted
- · Umpires are paid for games
- Coaches are supported and paid for their online learning

We are a proud, inclusive club that values teamwork, fairness, community, and connection — on and off the court.

Scan the QR code to register your interest or find out more!

Contact: Alison Filgate

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