

# Bruny Island District School



Where every child is empowered to develop the skills and confidence to enrich their lives and the lives of others.

16 NOVEMBER 2022

Current Yearly Attendance: (Present In Class)

K	P	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
85%	82%	85%	80%	83%	85%	85%	85%
Previous Fortnightly Attendance Data:							
85%	83%	86%	80%	83%	85%	85%	84%

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Little Penguins

Wednesday and Thursday 9:00– 10:45

### TMAG Excursion (Y4-5-6)

Wednesday 16 November

### Year 6 Transition Day

Wednesday 30 November

### Pantomime (K-3 Excursion)

Wednesday 30 November

### Triathlon

Friday 2 December

### Athletics Carnival (NEW DATE)

Wednesday 7 December 10:00am

### Final Celebration Assembly

Tuesday 13 December

### Year 6 Big Day Out

Monday 19 December

### Year 6 Leavers Dinner

Tuesday 20 December

Dear Families

Welcome to the latest school newsletter.



I would like to start by saying **thank you** to our families for your support during the recent *Stop Work Meeting* strike that occurred. Every single child was collected from school at the earlier time and this was done in a positive, safe way. I truly appreciate your support, acknowledging that changes such as this places additional pressure on families. We have felt seen, heard and supported by our community. Thank you.

We are currently in the process of preparing, administering and reviewing our school based assessments to inform our end of year annual review, to draft our new school improvement plan for next year and to enable us to give an on-balance rating for your child’s end of year reports. This is a time for us to reflect on the learning that has occurred throughout the year and to measure the growth for each individual across the curriculum.

*Can you help?* The Bruny Island District School Parents and Friends Committee is seeking someone to join them in the role of *Secretary*. If you would like the idea of joining the committee to complete this group in service to the students next year, please make contact directly to: [mal.holland@gmail.com](mailto:mal.holland@gmail.com) or WhatsApp +61 468 915 886.

We hope you enjoy viewing our latest newsletter.

Take care and kind regards,

Ashley McPherson

Principal



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### WHAT LASTS?

Last week we went *off-island* as a whole school group to visit **putalina**. This excursion was planned to support our current inquiry of learning into the concept of *permanency*. We were learning as *researchers*. We were listening, wondering, documenting and asking further questions to better understand and to make meaning.



You might remember from our last newsletter that putalina is a site that has ongoing and longstanding significance to the Aboriginal community of Tasmania. It is a landscape rich in the evidence of occupation by Aboriginal people over thousands of years.

We were divided into two groups and had a very special guided tour around the lands and waterways of this site. We talked about the significant history of the site, the way the site was used to sustain life and culture and how this information has lasted over time.



We are incredibly proud of our students for engaging with our guides and asking important questions related to their learning. We have returned to school with many new questions and wonderings and we look forward to continuing our learning over the coming weeks.







### KITCHEN - GARDEN LEARNING

This term our Prep to Year 3 students are taking turns to cook within our Kitchen - Garden Learning programme. They are making various salads, various meals with potatoes and beautiful bread rolls.

Using produce from our school garden, we are teaching our students how to turn these raw, fresh ingredients into delicious meals that can be easily made and shared with others.

Later this term we will be hosting a very special luncheon made by our senior students to say **thank you** to the Ladies Who Jump that fundraised the money to help us offer this program to our students. We are very grateful and we look forward to sharing this special meal with each of them.

We would also like to say **thank you** to Jo for her generous offering of new seedlings for our school garden. Each week our classes are learning how to grow this produce and then harvest it for our Kitchen programme.







## INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Congratulations to each of the students that represented our school at the recent Interschool Athletics Carnival. We would like to acknowledge their incredible effort and courage to participate in multiple events and represent our school with pride.

Thank you to Ashley Kestle and the Families that supported us with transporting and supervising this event.



## REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY

Last Friday we hosted our annual Remembrance Day Ceremony. This is an important day each year to discuss and consider our history and to take a moment reflect on the past and what this could mean for the future.

We thank the community for engaging with us on this day and to Mr Hamilton for leading the ceremony. We also thank Senior Constable Leonie and Callum Stewart for the important words they shared with us.



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**KINDERGARTEN  
2022 ENROLMENTS  
NOW OPEN**

We are now accepting enrolments for Kindergarten for 2022.

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## DIABETES AUSTRALIA—TASMANIA



This QR Code will take you to the Just Giving website where Isla Young is collecting donations to support children with Type 1 Diabetes. If you are able to help, please scan the code and follow the link to the Give Now button. Here is a little bit of information from the website:

*Let's make a difference together for Diabetes Australia—Tasmania because Kids Camps for children with Type 1 are super fun and super important.*

*My name is Isla Young and I have been attending these camps for kids with type 1 since I was 3.5 years old. They are great fun with action packed activities and every year I really look forward to catching up with some of my mates from all over Tasmania.*

*The volunteers who run the camps are amazing people and help me understand a bit more about managing my diabetes.*

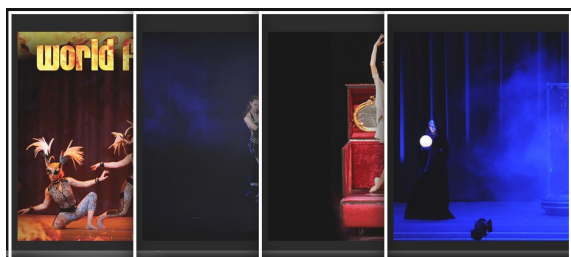
*Did you know? Type 1 diabetes affects 5 times as many Tasmanian children as cancer. The cause of type 1 diabetes remains a mystery, with no known cure. You cannot prevent type 1 diabetes and once diagnosed you will live with it 24/7 for the rest of your life - requiring daily insulin, making up to 180 extra decisions a day about diabetes management, monitoring blood glucose levels and the list goes on.*

*This years' Schools Triathlon Challenge is challenging every participant to not only do their best and have fun, but to also help our Tasmanian children living with type 1 diabetes. Funds raised will go towards Diabetes Tasmania's youth program, which includes diabetes camps: there are 5 run through out the year from birth right through to young adults, helping every child transition through childhood, into the teen years and onto becoming a more independent young adult. Helping them to become more confident in self managing their diabetes. Thanks for your support!*

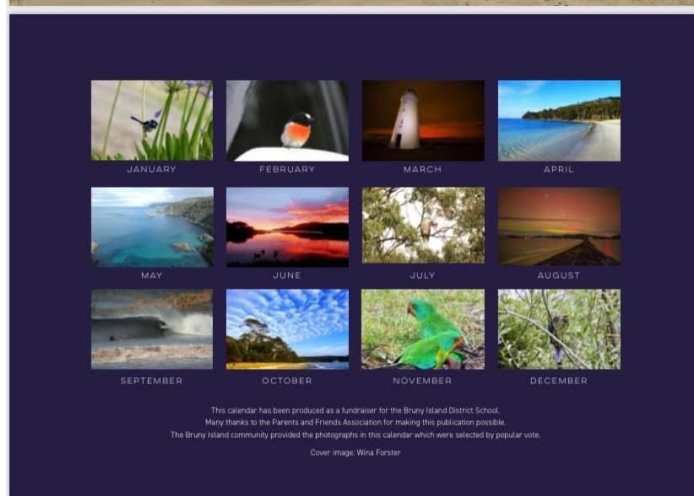
## WORLD FESTIVAL OF MAGIC

We have a limited supply of free tickets to attend the World Festival of Magic Show to be held at the Federation Concert Hall on Sunday 27 November at 11:00am.

If you would like a ticket, please contact our office.



## NEW P & F CALENDAR 2023



Congratulations to each of the winning photographers that have had their photo selected for the new **Bruny Island District School Calendar for 2023.**

We would like to thank everyone who submitted a photo and for taking the time to participate in voting.

The calendar has been published and you can now purchase a copy from the school office and from various outlets across Bruny Island.

The calendar is selling for \$17.00 each and we can arrange for postage if needed at an additional cost.

We would like to thank the P&F Committee and Sarah Owen for your incredible support with this project. We have already received wonderful feedback from the community about the quality of our calendar and it seems like it will be a popular Christmas gift once again this year.

Thank you.

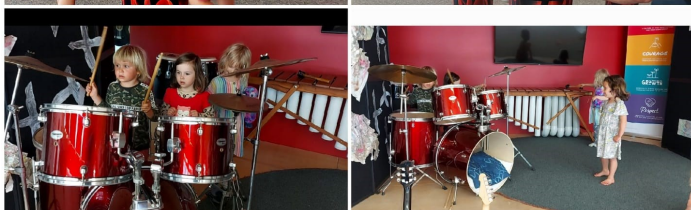


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## LITTLE PENGUINS



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# LITTLE PENGUINS

Launching into Learning

Wednesday and Thursday morning from 9:00 – 10:45.

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## REMINDER: PRE-KINDER

Pre-Kinder is an important part of helping your child to transition to school. We offer a number of Pre-Kinder sessions to support your child to build relationships with the space, the teacher and their peers. We also offer these sessions as a way to get to know your child and to help with the transition to a classroom environment.

This information has been prepared for those families that have indicated that their child will be starting Kindergarten at Bruny Island District school in 2023.

The Kindergarten teacher for 2023 will be Liz Hollanders. Our Kindergarten days are: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9:00– 3:00.

Here is a timetable for the remaining Pre-Kinder sessions that started on 2 November, 2022:

Week:	Date and Time:	Session Details:
Week 6	Wednesday 23 November <b>Time:</b> 9:00-10:00	<i>Parents are encouraged to <b>leave</b> their child with the class if they can as this will help build their independence and supporting with transitioning to formal schooling next year.</i>
Week 7	<b>NO</b> Pre-Kinder this week	
Week 8	Wednesday 7 December <b>Time:</b> 9:00-10:00	

If your child is turning 5 years of age throughout 2023 and you have not yet completed an enrolment form, please contact our office. We will send you an enrolment form and include you in our Pre-Kinder sessions.

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