

### **NWCS CALENDER 2023**

**September 6-8**7/8 Kayaking (Day Only)

**September 7**3/4 HIVE Excursion

**September 7** 9/10 ThinkUKnow Program

**September 11**K-6 RACT Incursion

**September 12** 5/6 HIVE Excursion

September 14 RUOK Day

**September 14-15** 9/10 Kayaking (Overnight)

**September 15**7-10 Futsal Competition

**September 20**3x3 Basketball Competition

**September 21** 5/6 Futsal Competition

**September 22** 3/4 Futsal Competition

**September 25-27** 9/10 Cradle Mountain Hike

September 29
Last Day of Term 3



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# **NWCS NEWSLETTER**

SEPTEMBER 1 2023 | TERM 3 | WEEK 6



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Term 3 has been an exciting period for us. We, as a school community, have had a great time with various events, including Science Week, Book Week, Year 9/10 camps, hosting Hong Kong Exchange students, conducting school re-registration meetings, and much more.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the families who could join us at these events. Your presence enriches our school community and strengthens the bond between home and school.

I want to express our heartfelt gratitude to the families who took the time to provide feedback on our school uniforms and their experiences with School Locker. Your insights have proven invaluable during our discussions with the company, enabling them to better align with the needs of our community.

Your willingness to share your thoughts and experiences underscores the strong sense of partnership we strive to have within our school community. Through open communication and collaboration like this, we can continually improve what we offer to our families.

At North West Christian School, we strongly emphasise the importance of parents and families in our educational community. We believe that the collaboration between our dedicated educators and supportive families is fundamental to the success and growth of our students.

We value your input and perspective, as they play a crucial role in shaping the educational experience we provide. Your feedback helps us continually improve our programs and services, ensuring that we meet the unique needs of each student.

We invite you to actively engage with us, share your insights, and participate in our school activities and events. Your involvement strengthens our school community and fosters a sense of unity and shared purpose.

If you have any feedback to share with us as a school that you would like to see happen or improve around the school, please let me know: principal@northwest.tas.edu.au

I would love to hear your feedback.

God Bless, Brayden Morton

## **PRIMARY NEWS**

**Values:** We are focusing on the value: Service. The focus of Service is: lending a hand to help peers and school staff.

**Water Bottles:** Please ensure your child/ren brings a full water bottle to school daily to stay hydrated.

**Packed Lunch:** Please aim to send a packed lunch every day with your child that includes fruit break, recess and lunch – sandwich, wrap, sushi, etc (that doesn't need to be heated). This will allow your child to eat all their lunch in the 10 minutes allocated before they go out to play.



**Out of Uniform:** Please send a note with your child explaining why they are out of Uniform. They will need to hand the note into the Office and get an out of uniform sticker.

**Book Week:** 19th – 25th August. Thank you to all the parents for the time and energy you put into organising your child's costume. A big Thank you to Mrs. Ackland and Mrs. Winchcombe for organising the Book Character Parade and Book Fair.

If you have any concerns and questions please contact me via email: Keryn.Kofeloa@northwest.tas.edu.au

God Bless, Mrs. Keryn Kofeloa Head of Primary

# **Primary Awards**



*Kindy/Prep:* Alexa Jones, Myami Smith, Mia McDermott, Lukas Morton, Zaria Redman, Jireh Redman, Leighton Cummings & Cassidy Winchcombe.

Year 1/2: Lucas Seal, Piper Hinds, Jake Thomas & Abel Cummings.
Year 3/4: Mahmud Patterson, Morne Van de Merwe, Tekim Margetts &

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**Year 5/6:** Eomer Cayao, Justace Schultz, Chrissy Warner, Larry Southon & Rosie Reynolds.

#### Week 6

**Kindy/Prep:** Leighton Cummings, Mia McDermott and Steven Diprose. **Year 1/2:** Scarlette Schultz, Jonathan Orr, Anja Morton and Jake Thomas. **Year 3/4:** Mahmud Patterson, Azura Clarke, Christopher Castillo Asto & Solomon Orr.

**Year 5/6:** Rosie Reynolds, Eomer Cayao, Elijah Finch, Anastasia Churchill, Aalijah Robbie, Grace Velde, Mia Grey, April Sykes & Alaska Scheermeijer.

#### **Mr Beaty's Sports Awards**

Harriet Charles (K/P), Samuel Steed (1/2), George Morton (3/4), April Sykes & Meila Morton (5/6)









# "So you see, faith by itself isn't enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless." James 2:17

There was a third grade teacher who noticed one of her students wearing a Fitbit watch. The teacher was curious and asked the student, "Are you tracking your steps?" The student replied confidently, "No, I am wearing this Fitbit for mummy so she can show daddy when he gets home." (Paraphrased, from James Avery).

In that story, I cannot help but wonder what the response of the dad would be over time. It would not surprise me if the child completed the recommended 10,000 steps because most kids are very energetic, especially after being in a classroom for a couple of hours. If the mum was not doing many steps, I think the dad would determine that something was not right. Evidence would show through the mum's lifestyle as to whether she walked lots of steps, including diet, active wear, physical appearance, and daily activities.

In the bible, it is clear that Jesus saves people on the condition of their heart, not by what they have done. The common misconception is that we need to do more to achieve the best possible outcome. Paul says that Jesus has done all the work, all that is required of us is to accept the gift of life Jesus offers.

# "God saved you by His grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God." Ephesians 2:8

Does that then mean I do nothing? Absolutely not. It means I reflect the values which I have decided to shape my heart. I therefore, show the fruits that I have been saved by Jesus through how I interact with others. Merely saying, "I am a C.H.R.I.S.T.I.A.N" is not enough, rather living it out is more effective. As the saying goes, actions speak louder than words.

Just as the daughter did all the work for her mum, and the mum gladly received the reward and satisfaction, may we also accept the free gift and be completely satisfied by what Jesus has done for us. May we show the evidence of a heart that has been changed.

If ever you have any questions about Christianity, faith, or Jesus, or if ever there is a way I can be of any assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me. It would be my privilege to provide any support that I can to you and your family.

God's Richest Blessings, Jacob Ellis

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#### SAMARITAN'S PURSE: OPERATION SHOEBOX

It is exciting to see how much the students have enjoyed filling a shoebox for a child in a third world country. Our 'service to others' really counts. Most of the primary students have now filled their boxes, written a letter for the child, and the boxes are waiting to be checked. Years 7 to 10 students have had their first day at filling boxes, however we do still need some much needed supplies. We have enough clothes (aged 5 to 14), however items in the 'Something to play with' category (marbles, small cars, skipping ropes, yoyo, plastic animals, balls – the size of a tennis ball) are needed. This year we have depleted our supply of beanies. If you know of a family member or friend, who would start now to make some for July 2024, we would much appreciate it.

#### **OUTDOOR RECREATION**

### 7/8 Kayaking Expedition

Students will be involved in a Kayaking expedition which will run during the day on 6-8th September. Students will not be camping overnight but will be returning to school each afternoon at the normal time. Not all students will participate in all days but will be grouped to reduce numbers and increase staff/student ratios.

## 9/10 Sea Kayaking Expedition

Students will participate in an overnight Sea Kayaking trip to Anniversary Bay on 14th - 15th September.

#### 9/10 Cradle Mountain Hike

Students will participate in an overnight hike to Cradle Mountain on 25-27th September.

#### **BOOK WEEK 2023**

Mrs Ackland and I would love to say a huge thank you to all the parents, families, and friends that helped our students create such amazing costumes for our book week parade last week! We loved the wonderful and creative costumes everyone wore from their chosen book. We sold over \$700 worth of book at our book stall! Thank you so much for supporting our book stall, we hope you enjoy reading some great books.



Mrs Belinda Ackland & Mrs Charmaine Winchcome

#### 2023 BOOK WEEK PARADE WINNERS

*Kindy*: 1st Zaria Redman, R/U Harriet Charles, Great Effort Jireh Redman

**Prep**: 1st Cassidy Winchcombe, R/U Mia McDermott, Great Effort Alexa Jones

**Year 1**: 1st Lucas Seal, R/U Jonathon Orr, Great Effort Caewyn Morton and Piper Hinds

**Year 2**: 1st Solillaphi Ackland, R/U Martina Scheermeijer, Great Effort Jake Thomas and Maya Kofeloa

**Year 3:** 1st Morne Van De Merwe, R/U George Morton, Great Effort Sebastian Sykes, and Solomon Orr

**Year 4:** 1st Lillian Diprose, R/U Azura Clarke, Great Effort Natalia Allen

**Year 5:** 1st April Sykes, R/U Meila Morton, Great Effort Starly Ackland, Eomer Cayao, and Alaska Scheermeijer

**Year 6:** 1st Rosie Reynolds, R/U Mia Grey, Great Effort Annabelle Orr, and Grace Velde

















