Fathers, grandfathers, uncles and family friends were up and about early on Wednesday 3rd September to enjoy a Fathers Day Breakfast celebration in the Primary sector.

More than 70 fathers enjoyed a cooked breakfast including eggs, bacon, sausages, baked beans, toast and tea and coffee while over 100 children enjoyed toast and fruit boxes. There was so much talking, laughing, eating and introductions all round as our guests mixed and enjoyed spending time getting to know other fathers. The bright red sea of tablecloths and hot steaming coffee relieved the late winter coolness but the beautiful blue sky, smell of crispy bacon and happy guests made the morning a huge success!

Such an amazing morning cannot occur without a hard working team of organisers and volunteers. From BBQ cookers to toast spreaders – thank you for helping our Dads and families to have a fantastic morning.

Most of all thank you to our fathers, grandfathers and friends for coming along to spend time with your child and get to know our friendly school community.

Anna Goss, Primary AST
**FROM THE PRINCIPAL:**
A big welcome to both Kyle Williams and Leonardo Castles who have started at Cressy District High this week.

**Father’s Breakfast:**
Thank you to all the fathers and male family members and friends who came along to our breakfast. Your attendance was greatly appreciated and meant a great deal to us and in particular, your children. What a fabulous and outstanding event!

**Netball Grand Final:**
Our Senior 3rds netball team will be playing their final against Exeter this Wednesday at Hoblers Bridge at 1.30. We wish our girls and their coach Mrs Maurita Taylor all the best for the final and know they would appreciate people going along to support them.

**NAPLAN Results:**
You may have noticed through the media that NAPLAN (National Assessment Programme Literacy and Numeracy) data has been released and we are currently undertaking an examination of this information. We are expecting individual student reports to arrive very soon and we will be sending these home to parents as soon as possible.

We have received some excellent and very encouraging results this year. In Year 3 Reading, Persuasive Writing and Grammar and Punctuation our scores are above similar, Tasmanian and Australian schools. In Year 3 Numeracy, our scores are above similar and Tasmanian schools. In Year 9 Numeracy, 98% of students were at or above the National minimum standard. Our scores this year have improved on the last two years in most data sets. In Year 5, 81% of students showed medium to high gains in Reading, 83% in Spelling, 85% in Grammar and Punctuation and 75% in Numeracy. In Year 7, 91% of students showed medium to high gains in Reading and 79% in Spelling. In Year 9, 72% showed medium to high gains in Persuasive Writing and 78% in Grammar and Punctuation. Many teachers, individual students and classes can look at the data with satisfaction and pride in the achievements and results. We are making very good progress in our quest to improve every students’ standard of literacy and numeracy. It is now our task to continue to raise the bar even higher.

Annette Hollingsworth

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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GRADE 10 INFORMATION EVENING

Our last information session for parents regarding future pathways into Grade 11 was held earlier this Term. It was wonderful to see many of our Grade 10 students attend with their families. Throughout the year students have had a range of opportunities to assist in making decisions about which college to attend and what subjects they need to select to allow them to reach their future pathway goals. We also had a representative from the university attend and provide further information that connects students between college and university courses. This was a great opportunity for students to refine their choices in preparation for 2015.

Following this event David McIntee shared a range of great messages for learner drivers as well as provide supportive information and resources for supervising drivers.

OPTION SUBJECT EVENING

Last Thursday was an opportunity for parents and students attending years 7-10 next year to come along and find out about subjects on offer, discuss the content with teachers of each subject and view some of the work completed by this year’s students.

Students now have a booklet of descriptors for each subject to read and review in order to make decisions for next year. These need to be returned to the office by the end of Term 3. It was wonderful to talk to parents throughout the evening and meet some of our new parents.

Julie Pike
9/10 AST

SCHOOL SATISFACTION SURVEY

This year, school satisfaction surveys for students, parents and staff will be conducted during September. These surveys contain questions on a range of matters about our school.

This survey provides an opportunity for students, parents and staff to provide important feedback. This feedback is valued by our school as a means of identifying what Cressy District High does well and opportunities for us to make improvements.

Students (from Year 5 and above), parents and staff will be invited to participate. Those students who are selected to undertake the survey will do so during school time.

You will receive a letter in coming days if you have been selected to participate in the parent survey.

Your responses will be secure and anonymous.

We encourage you to participate and complete the survey so that the school has a clear direction when planning for future programs and services for students.

Please contact the office on 6397 6281 if you wish to use a school computer to complete the survey.

DON'T THE SHEEP LIKE THEIR NEW FEEDER?

SCHOOL BANKING.........
Leadership Report Term 3

It's been a full and fun term 3 for us all, particularly as student leaders. Here's a quick run down of some of the wonderful events and activities we’ve done so far.

On August 1 we held our annual Jeans for Genes Day fundraiser which raises money for genetic research. It was fantastic to see so many people participate by wearing their jeans at the price of a gold coin donation, with Cressy raising over $400! A big thankyou to everyone who were involved.

On the 14th, our Primary Liaison leaders held the Infant Social and Pink Day in support of the McGrath Foundation. The high school also got involved, with many secondary students decked out in pink, from pink scarves to hoodies; even some onesies! It was a great day for all sectors of the school. All up, we raised $407.95 for the McGrath Foundation, so well done everyone!

Over the past few weeks, the 9/10’s have been out and about in the community, learning and laughing. We recently went to the Princess Theatre to see Seussical the Musical, with the Drama and Music classes also attending Godspell and Cats, all of which were magical. Both grades have visited Launceston College, with the grade 9’s set to see Newstead College later this term, and in recent times, a group of grade 10s were lucky enough to attend a lecture given by Professor Brian Schmidt at the University of Tasmania.

Science week was memorable, with Cressy participating in many fun activities surrounding all things scientific. The grade 9/10 s were treated to some talks given by members of the University of Tasmania about their respective scientific fields, and the whole secondary were taught about air pollution as part of the Burn Brighter project ran by the Environment Protection Authority (EPA). I’m sure we all went away from the week feeling a little more enlightened about the world around us.

The Leadership group has welcomed its newest member in these past few weeks: our sponsor child! Gabriel lives in Rwanda, and is a part of World Vision’s sponsor child program, which we decided to take participate in. We hope that through Gabriel, we can help educate people about global poverty, and what we can do to help. Leading on from this, students from the high school have participated in the recent 40 Hour Famine, aimed at raising funds and awareness about developing countries. After going forty hours without food, I can truthfully say I now feel a lot more thankful for what I have. All money raised by participants will go towards helping developing countries achieve their goals.

Comming up, the Leadership group has its second inter-school leadership day on Friday 15th of September at Brooks High School. This is a fantastic opportunity for our leaders to further their leadership skills whilst connecting and learning with other school leadership groups in our surrounding areas.

You can see (or read), we’ve been very busy already, and we're not done yet! I hope you all continue to have a marvellous Term Three.

Jemimah Clifford
Media Leader

Quote of the week: “In some parts of the world, students are going to school every day. It's their normal life. But in other parts of the world, we are starving for education... it's like a precious gift. It's like a diamond.” – Malala Yousafzai
Kindergarten Enrolment Day

Is your child turning 4 years old before 31st December 2014?

Then they are eligible to enrol in Kindergarten for 2015

Please come along to the Kindergarten Enrolment Day at Cressy District High School

In attendance will be -

Mrs Angela Jenkins: Administration Assistant who will assist with enrolment

Mrs Lyn Illingworth: Current Kindergarten Teacher

Mrs Sandy Long: LIL Co-ordinator and Learning Support Leader

Mrs Anna Goss: Primary AST

Please bring along your child’s immunisation records and birth certificate.

Kindergarten enrolments on 6397 6281

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P.E.T. is hosting a Parent Effectiveness Training Course in Term 4 and we would like to invite you to consider joining us.

P.E.T. is all about wanting to be the best Mum or Dad that you can possibly be and helping your children to be creative, independent and responsible for their own actions.

The skills talked about in PET are as relevant for interacting with babies as they are for interacting with teens (not to mention other family members like grandparents and spouses).

A wonderful opportunity to feel good about yourself and good about those you love, and connecting with other parents from our local community.

WHEN: Wednesday evenings for 8 weeks starting 15th October and ending 3rd December
WHERE: Riverlands Centre - Stay & Play Playgroup room, 159 Wellington Street, Longford.
COST: $25 which includes manual and supper.

To register please contact Robyn McKinnon on 0419 544 110 or stayandplay@riverlands.org.au by Wednesday 1st October

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Longford Primary School Shopping Night

Friday 19th September
6.30pm - 9pm

Come and enjoy a night of fun while supporting a fabulous school and local small businesses. A silent auction will also be held.

$5 Entry Fee

*Entry fee includes lucky door prize ticket and a plate of supper.

Cakes, slices, jewellery, toys, wooden items, candles, homewares and loads more

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Longford Primary School
Corner Catherine & William St, Longford
entry via Catherine St

For more information phone Sarah Swain on 0417 195 095

THURSDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 6:30PM
Cressy District High School Multi-Purpose Hall
TICKETS ONLY AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE
ADULTS $5.00; CHILDREN $2.50; FAMILY OF FOUR $12.00

EXPRESSIONS PRODUCTIONS
Search for a Smile
PRODUCTION AND VARIETY CONCERT
Wednesday Sport Results
Round 13

Football
Prospect 10 – 7 – 67 dft Bulldogs 8 – 4 – 52
Goals: C Neil 2, J McGrath 2, B Fish 2, M Hayward, R Brazendale
Best Players: D Perry, B Fish, C Lockett, J McGrath, C Neil

Outdoor Soccer
(2nds - Andrews) Cressy – 3 draw Riverside Gold – 3
Goals: D McCullagh 3
Best Players: D McCullagh, R Kiriona-Hodge, J Clark, A Chugg, A Cross

(3rds C – McKinnon) Cressy C – 5 dft Cressy B – 0
Goals: D Dwyer 2, J Coulter 2, L Niekamp
Best Players: J Tubb, D Dwyer, J Coulter A Niekamp, Z Cherdron

(3rds A - McCormon) St Pats A – 4 dft Cressy A – 2
Goals: T Wakefield, W Laverty
Best Players: C Pitt, C Connell, W Laverty, B Williams, C Campbell

(3rds B – Chapman) Cressy C – 5 dft Cressy B – 0
Best Players: T Wakefield, J Glover

Hockey
Cressy – 5 dft Deloraine - 1
Goals: J Morris 4, L Walford 1
Best Players: J Morris, L Walford, B Richardson, K Cooney, E Bernard

Indoor Soccer
Kings Meadows – 5 dft Cressy A – 1
Goals: S Johnstone
Best Players: S Johnstone, C Burt, E Acheson

Port Dalrymple – 3 dft Cressy B – 2
Goals: C Burt, S Barnes
Best Players: S Barnes, C Burt, G Jenkins

Netball
(3rds) Cressy A – 28 dft Deloraine - 4
Best Players: L Spencer, H Brooks, B Goss, M Campbell, K Caithen, S Baker

(3rds) Cressy B – 18 dft Kings Meadows - 13
Best Players: M Hillier, C Harris, T Barron, N Franklin

(3rds C – McKinnon) Cressy C – 5 dft Cressy B – 0

(3rds A – McCormon) Cressy A – 4 dft Cressy B – 2

(3rds B – Chapman) Cressy C – 5 dft Cressy B – 0

Mr Steven Andrews - Wednesday Sport Co-ordinator

BRACKNELL PRIMARY OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE
Vacation Care 29th September – 10th October
For more info or to make a Booking, Call or Text 0429 327 370
Find us on Facebook

Canteen Specials
Please place your order on the daily canteen order form.

8th - 12th September
Beef Curry $3.50
Served on bed of rice.

15th - 19th September
Macaroni Cheese $3.50

22nd - 26th September
Potato Bake $3.50
MIDDLE SCHOOL CELEBRATES BOOK WEEK

Do you know the name of the family feuding with the Capulets, in the story ‘Romeo and Juliet’? Or, the name of the shape-shifting monster in the Harry Potter series which takes the shape of the person’s worst fears? These were some of the questions asked at the middle school trivia afternoon to celebrate Book Week. Students were also able to dress up as their favourite book character which earned them extra points for their team. With so many avid readers in the middle school, it was great to get all the Grade 7s and 8s together to flex their brain power and share their enthusiasm for reading.

Miss Karin Weustenfeld

“BURN BRIGHTER”

In National Science Week we were visited by Maree Bakker from the Environment Protection Authority Division. She met most of the students across the school in a jam-packed three days and her topic was air quality, more precisely, particles from wood smoke. Some of the younger children had fun making windmills, to complement the learning and remind them of Maree’s visit.

The reason Maree came to our region, in particular, was that Longford has experienced many days already this winter of woodsmoke particles above the national reference level. In essence, these levels are higher than acceptable for good health. Of course many of our students live in Longford, so it was relevant to our school. In fact, the learnings are relevant to anyone using a wood heater.

The things that the children learnt from Maree’s visit were:

- The Menzies Research Institute Tasmania has found that smoke from wood heaters negatively affects our health.
- The smaller particles in wood smoke can be breathed into our lungs and even enter the blood stream causing more visits to the doctor or hospital.
- Those most affected have existing illnesses such as asthma and heart conditions, and the very young and the elderly, even after only short exposures to smoky conditions.
- The Environment Protection Authority (EPA Division) has been monitoring the night-time air in many towns and cities, including Longford.
- The Northern Midlands Council are working with the EPA Division on an education program in the Longford area this winter called Burn Brighter, to try and encourage a reduction in wood smoke levels.
- The program isn’t about fines or wood heater buy-back schemes, it’s about how we use our heaters.

The message for effective wood heater operation is simple.

Use wood to keep warm and be a good neighbour by reducing smoke:
- After adding wood, burn fire on high for 20 minutes, especially before going to bed.
- Use only dry, well-seasoned wood in your heater.
- Don’t smoulder – always burn with a flame.
- Maintain a clean flue (seek the help of a professional if need be).

For more information see [www.epa.tas.gov.au](http://www.epa.tas.gov.au)
What an amazing breakfast!