February 2016

Principals Report
A warm welcome to all our students, parents, staff and friends. We have had a busy and extremely positive start to the school year with all students arriving ready to do their best at school. Each year we welcome a new group of students in year 7 and the feedback from the staff has been positive. On the whole, they have had a great start to their high school life. We are very excited about our year 7 camp happening this week. I am sure that the staff and students will have fun on the East Coast. I look forward to hearing about their adventures. A reminder to all parents of year 7 students about the importance of bringing back all permission forms in regards to camp, immunisations and excursions.

It is important as a school community that we remember the key values that lead to success at Cosgrove High School. Our core values are Learning, Respect and Safety. If members of our school community can always remember to be the best they can be, show care and consideration of others and think safety first, Cosgrove High School will be a positive and happy learning environment. If your child is having any issues at school it is important that this is communicated with the class teacher. We are unable to provide guidance and support if we are not aware of the issue.

It is critical that I remind parents and carers of the importance of students attending school. Every lesson of every day counts towards building a brighter and better future for the children in your care. If your child is unable to attend school for a legitimate reason please ensure you contact the school office or send a note with your child clearly explaining the absence.

Finally, we are seeking parents or carers to join our ‘Friends of Cosgrove’ support group. This group is crucial to the school and provides parents and carers with a clear voice in the community along with support with key fundraising and whole school events. Please contact the school on 6271 1111 to register your interest.

Michael Park
Principal
WELCOME NEW STAFF
We wish to extend a very warm welcome to new staff members commencing this year:
Mrs Emma Aorangi - AST
Ms Lauren Whyatt - Teacher
Mrs Amber Woods - School Social Worker
Miss Jessica Phair – School Physiologist
Mr Chris Killick – Teacher Assistant.

MOONAH ART CENTRE
Students have been participating in the Make Your Mark Project at the Moonah Arts Centre. The artists, Mitchell Burridge, Ty Monks, Gemma Stennings, Matt Richardson, Josie Gorranson and Erin Simms, will have their work exhibited at the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery from the 11th of March until the 3rd of April.

BREAKFAST AT COSGROVE HIGH SCHOOL 2016.
Glenorchy City Council held a breakfast BBQ for grade 7’s at Cosgrove High School last Wednesday. This event was organised to encourage every student to return their Immunisation Consent form. The BBQ was a huge success.

In previous years, the uptake of immunisations at Cosgrove High School has been low, with less than half of eligible students returning consent forms and receiving these extremely important immunisations.

This year, Glenorchy’s Mayor, Alderman Kristie Johnson, Deputy Mayor, Alderman Harry Quick and Alderman David Pearce generously donated movie tickets, which allowed Council to provide every student who had returned a completed consent form with a free movie ticket.

The smiles and excitement of the students when they were presented with their movie ticket was a hugely rewarding sight to see.
SCHOOL PHOTOS 2016
THURSDAY MARCH 3
Every child must bring their own envelope to the school before photo day even if payment is included in a siblings envelope. Please DO NOT place envelope inside each other. Photos are taken on a pre-paid basic.

Please put CORRECT money in envelopes as no change is given by the photographer or school.

Please note: Cash, Cheque, Visa and Master card.

FAMILY DISCOUNT: Families with 3 children or more pay for only 2 “B” packs; Third and Subsequent “B” packs are free of charge.

Family photo envelopes are available from the school office.

A $10 search fee will apply to late orders. Late orders must be sent to our studio. Money back guarantee if you are not satisfied with our photos within 14 days of purchase.

For any enquires, call the studio on 62286878

PIED PIPER SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHY
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GRADE 7 CAMP
As part of our 2016 Grade 7 program our Grade 7s will be attending a camp in this week at Spring Beach Orford on the State’s East Coast. The camp will run from Tuesday 23rd through to Thursday 25th February. The students will arrive back at school by 3.00pm on the Thursday.

ICT Resources Acceptable Use Agreement
It is a Department of Education requirement that all students in Tasmanian Government schools sign an Acceptable Use of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Agreement form for use of computers, internet, email and web devices in schools as well as mobile telephones. Parents or Carers of each student are also required to sign this form. A number of parents have already completed this form. Forms are available from the school office if you have not already received one.

VALIDATION FORMS
Validation Forms have been sent home and a number of parents have already completed this form. It is very important that all the information is correct (phone numbers, address etc) please check and make any changes sign and return to the school office ASAP.

CANTEEN NEWS
For your reference, we have included a copy of our Canteen Menu for this term. We would like to remind students of the importance of completing a lunch order if wishing to purchase lunch from the canteen. Paper bags are supplied from the canteen to do this. It helps with food supplies and ordering to be aware of requests. Thank you
NEWSLETTERS TO FAMILIES

In an effort to streamline our processes we are investigating the distribution options for our Newsletter. The Newsletter is always downloaded to the school app and can be accessed through Facebook. We are also happy to email to parents. At the moment we are posting a copy to every family. We wish to find the best way of getting this information to our families and seek your feedback for the best option for you. Please could you complete the tear-off slip indicating your preference and return it back to school.

Thank you

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School Newsletter

Student Name: .................................................................

Class: .................................

Address: ..............................................................................................................................

I would prefer to receive my Newsletter by:

☐ Post
☐ Email
☐ Viewed on Facebook – Cosgrove High School
☐ Viewed by the School App – http://coolschool.tools/#chs

Signed: ...............................................................................................................................

Parent/Carer

Please return this slip to the school office.

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