

Prospect High School

UPCOMING EVENTS

20 March, 3 April, 1 & 15 & 29 May, 12 & 26 June

Uniform Shop 2.45pm - 3.15

Parents can contact the office to arrange purchase of uniform if these dates are not suitable.

26 March

Grade 7 Immunisation – 1st booster

27 March

Grade 10 School Based Apprenticeships Presentation

29 March

Inter-High Swimming Carnival

3 April

School Association Meeting AGM followed by meeting to elect office bearers

5.00pm D Block Meeting Room

ALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS WELCOME

20 May

Grade 10 Immunisation – Meningococcal

23 May

for selected Grades 9 and 10 students
Science and Engineering Challenge

28 May

LC Visit to talk to Grade 10 students

11 November

Grade 7 Immunisation – 2nd booster

2019 Term Dates

Term 1:

Staff PL/Student free Day Friday 12 April

Finish: Friday 12 April

Term 2:

Monday 29 April

Finish: Friday 5 July

Term 3:

Monday 22 July

Staff PL/Student free Day Monday 22 July

Finish: Friday 27 September

Term 4:

Monday 14 October

Finish: Thursday 19 December (students)

Staff PL/Student free Day Monday 1

November

Friday 20 December (teachers)

PROSPECTOR

15 March 2019

Dear Parents, Students and Friends of Prospect High School

BBQ for International Students

It was lovely to see host families and Prospect High School staff mingling and getting to know our new international students at a barbecue recently. We are very thankful to families who host our students and appreciate your commitment to showing them our lovely state and supporting them with their education at Prospect High School. Thank you to Mrs Tatiana Hinds and Mr Don Hinds for organising this event, including the catering and cooking. Thanks to families and staff who attended.

Swimming Carnival

Well done to participants and organisers of this year's carnival and congratulations to Impara for winning. The day was a great mix of races and novelty events with good participation and fantastic encouragement from spectators. There will be acknowledgement of record breakers at the next whole school assembly. Thank you to parents who took time out of their day to support their child/ren. Thanks to Ms Rachel Brain and in particular the Health and PE team as well as non-teaching and teaching teams for their help and support on the day.

Grade 11 Students

Grade 11 students have made great start with their learning. Students have been participating in a range of activities which have included designing model parachutes in Physical Science Foundation, discussing dystopian literature in English 3 and participating on excursions to Art Rage for Art 2 and 3 and to Low Head for a number of subjects. Each student has been issued with their own laptop and whilst contractors are being finalised for the new building, students and teachers are enjoying a common space with new furniture and catering facilities.

Education Consultant Visit

Continual improvement of teacher practice is a priority of the Prospect High School Improvement Plan. Over the last couple of days we have had Education Consultant Vic Zbar from Melbourne visiting classes. He has been working with the leadership team to help develop classroom observation skills. Vic was very complimentary about how settled students were in class. He spoke to individual students and was impressed with how well students could explain their understanding of what they were learning. Vic really enjoyed working with us and has given feedback to help us on our improvement journey.

Parents Visiting the School

Parents and visitors are asked to report to the office when visiting the school for appointments or to pick up their child/ren. In order to keep students safe we cannot allow parents and visitors to walk through the school. Thanks in advance for your co-operation with this.

Lee Barker
Principal

PROSPECT
HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL ASSOCIATION NEWS AND ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

The Prospect High School Association Annual General Meeting, followed by a Committee Meeting, will be held on Wednesday, 3 April in the school meeting room from 5.00pm and all are welcome. There are five vacancies on the committee and we encourage you to nominate and consider being an officer bearer (President, Secretary and Treasurer). The nomination form is attached to this newsletter. The new school year has started with a Committee meeting being held on 6 March. A number of topics were discussed, including a draft uniform policy, fundraising options with a focus on updating the school sport uniform for students representing the school.

The School Association is made up of the parents, staff and community members of a school. The School Association is an important part of the school, working with the Principal to achieve shared outcomes for learners attending the school and for the benefit of the whole school community. The purpose of the School Association is to provide members with a way to participate and support the school.

The following people are automatically members of the School Association:

- parents (parents or guardians who have children or young people enrolled at the school). Should you wish to be exempt as member please notify the School Association in writing.
- staff (permanent and fixed-term employees at the school)
- the Principal, who is an automatic member of the School Association.
- community members can apply to be accepted as a member
- any member of the School Association can nominate to be involved in the Committee.

Nominations for the School Association Committee are now open. Please complete the attached nomination form and return no later than 3pm on 3 April 2019. Nominations can be forwarded to the Returning Officer, Debbie Chancellor, School Business Manager via email to prospect.high@education.tas.gov.au or the school office.

The School Association Constitution provides further information on the election process and the timings of the School Association Year.

**** A member of the Committee who is to retire, or who has retired, may nominate for re-election as a member of the Committee.**

What is the School Association Committee?

The School Association Committee (the Committee) is an elected group of School Association members that work together for the benefit of the school.

The Committee manages and conducts the affairs of the School Association and performs administrative and decision-making as a group that represents the School Association.

Being a Committee Member is a commitment that is highly valued and recognised by the school. Being on the Committee is a rewarding role, where parents and community members' skills and knowledge support the school. This contributes to

helping learners succeed. Being part of the Committee also provides an opportunity to be actively involved and engaged in the school. The Committee is also a place of learning, contributing to developing experience and skills for all members.

Anyone from the School Association can nominate to be on the Committee.

**School Association Annual General Meeting
3 April 2019, 5pm followed by a General Meeting.**

ILLNESSES AND SCHOOL

Too sick for school?



While this information has been checked by a pharmacist, it is a guide only.

Ask yourself:

- Is my child well enough to comfortably take part in the day's activities?
- Will my child pass on their illness to other children or staff?
- Will my child's teacher be able to care for my child without it impacting on their ability to care for other children?
- If I felt like this, would I go to work?

If you are unsure, speak to your pharmacist or doctor for advice.



Go to school **Could be catchy.** Some restrictions for school **Don't go to school**

Symptom	What to consider	Go to school?	Treatment
Fever	Children and older infants with a temperature of 38.5° or more		Give plenty of fluids and stay home until temperature is normal. Your pharmacist can provide advice on the most appropriate analgesic and formulation for your child. If your child seems worse or there's no improvement in 48 hours, see a doctor or visit the hospital.
Diarrhoea	If your child has 2 or more consecutive bowel motions that are loose or watery. They may also have stomach cramps.		Diarrhoea is a fairly common problem that usually lasts only a day or two. Diarrhoea must be monitored as it can cause dehydration which is potentially very dangerous in children. Your pharmacist can provide advice on the most appropriate treatment for an upset tummy, including advising on oral rehydration salt formulations. They can refer you to a doctor if more treatment is needed or the hospital for severe diarrhoea.
Vomiting	If your child has vomited more than twice in 24 hours.		Watch for signs of dehydration and encourage small amounts of fluid frequently. Your pharmacist can provide advice on oral rehydration salt formulations and can refer you to a doctor if more treatment is needed or the hospital for severe vomiting.
Cough	This will depend on the severity of the cough. Trouble breathing, wheezing or a harsh cough can be the sign of something more serious such as bronchitis, pneumonia or whooping cough.		If your child has a severe cough, take them to see a doctor. If the cough is not severe your pharmacist can help you to identify whether your child has a 'productive' or 'dry' cough and a suitable treatment for them.
Rash	A skin rash could indicate a contagious infection such as chicken pox or impetigo.		A doctor should evaluate your child before sending them to school.
Red eyes	Is the eye red and watery? The eyelids may also stick together on waking. This could be conjunctivitis which is highly contagious.		Unless your doctor has diagnosed a non-infectious cause, keep your child home from school while there is discharge from the eye and speak to your pharmacist about a suitable product.
Stomach ache	This can often be hard for you to judge as it could be caused by a number of things including constipation and even anxiety. If there are no other symptoms such as vomiting or diarrhoea, you might consider sending the child to school.		You might ask your child if there is anything making him or her sad or worried.
Sore throat	A sore throat and runny nose, but no other symptoms.		You can also speak to your pharmacist about products suited to your child's age to help relieve a stuffy nose and soothe their sore throat.
Earache	Evaluate along with other symptoms, such as a fever. Common conditions of the ear include infection, inflammation and wax build up and some of these can be quite painful and uncomfortable.		Your pharmacist can provide advice on treatment options and refer you to a doctor where necessary.
Runny nose	A runny nose, but otherwise fine.		Speak to your community pharmacist about whether there is a suitable product, such as a chestrub and nasal relief product to help ease your child's stuffy nose.
Itchy scalp	Head lice can cause intense itching. They live and breed on the scalp and are easily passed from student to student.		Your local pharmacy will stock special combs as well as shampoos, cream and other products which contain a special insecticide.
Hay Fever	Some of the symptoms can include sneezing; a runny or stuffy nose; itchy ears, nose and throat; red, itchy or watery eyes and headaches.		Your pharmacist can help you choose the best medicine for your child's symptoms. This may be a nasal spray, eye drop or oral antihistamines. Some of these medications should not be taken with other medications.

This week, students participated in the first Library Competition for the year - Boggle Challenge. Like the Boggle game students had a limited number of letters and had to list as many words as possible with each word longer than 3 letters earning them points. Congratulations to all participants, but especially to our place getters: 1st Jordan (7-4), 2nd Imogen (7-5) and 3rd Kristian (7-4).

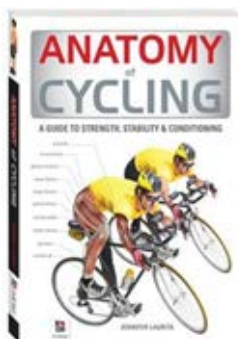


Scholastic Book club Issue 2 is available in the Library. Orders are to be placed by Tuesday 26 March.

Some of the new books in the Library:

Anatomy of Cycling by Jennifer Laurita

Designed for all cyclists, *Anatomy of Cycling* provides clear, step-by-step illustrated instructions on how to perform exercises correctly. Packed with detailed, true-to-life anatomical drawings showing the muscles used for each movement.



Girlltopia by Hilary Rogers

Adventure Fiction

Clara is the sort of girl who hates getting into trouble. She even hates it when others get into trouble. But when every single man and boy in the city are struck down by a mysterious illness, Clara realises this is no time to be worrying about being good. It's time for a daring rescue mission! Maybe the boys and men will just wake up, Clara thinks. Maybe everything will go back to normal. Clara didn't know how wrong she was. Only one thing is for sure - the girls are in charge!



The Rise of Wolves by Kerr Thomson

Adventure Fiction

Innis Munro is walking home across the bleak wilderness of Nin Island when he hears the chilling howl of a wolf. But there are no wolves on the island not since they were hunted to extinction, centuries ago. As the wolves rise from the darkness of history, and long-buried secrets resurface, Innis's adventure truly begins...



The Longest Whale Song by Jacqueline Wilson

Contemporary/Realistic Fiction

Ella's mum is in a deep coma having just had a new baby. That means Ella has to live with Jack, her hopeless stepfather and cope with her tiny newborn brother, as well as worrying about her Mum. The only thing that's going right is her school project. It's all about whales and how they sing out to each other to attract a mate, sometimes for hours. Maybe a whale song could reach Mum, wherever she is, and bring her back to Ella and baby Samson. Surely it's worth a try?



Limelight by Solli Raphael

Literature/Poetry

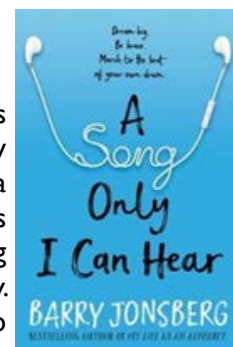
Limelight is a unique collection of slam poetry, paired with inspirational writing techniques. With over thirty original poems in different forms, the book features the viral video sensation 'Australian Air', which has been viewed 3.5 million times via Facebook. Solli's work tackles current social concerns for his generation, such as sustainability and social equality, all the while amplifying his uplifting message of hope.



A Song Only I Can Hear by Barry Jonsberg

Contemporary/Realistic Fiction

Introducing Rob Fitzgerald: thirteen years old and determined to impress the new girl at school, but it's a difficult task for a super-shy kid who is prone to panic attacks that include vomiting, difficulty breathing and genuine terror that can last all day. An anonymous texter is sending Rob challenges and they might just help. Or not.



Chasing Danger by Sara Grant

Adventure Fiction

When fourteen-year-old Chase Armstrong is sent to visit her grandmother on a remote tropical island, the last thing she expects is danger. But when modern-day pirates attack the resort, it's up to Chase and her new friend Mackenzie to outrun, out-think and out fight the pirates... before it's too late!



The Extinction Trials by S.M. Wilson

Adventure Fiction

Stormchaser wants to escape her starved, grey life. Lincoln wants to save his dying sister. Their only chance is to join an expedition to a deadly continent to steal the eggs of vicious dinosaurs. If they succeed, their reward is a new life filled with riches. But in a land full of monsters - both human and reptilian - only the ruthless will survive.



SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Congratulations to Impara for winning this year's swimming carnival with 719 points! Nyanda was second with 524 points; Karalta, third with 414 points and Warialda fourth on 315 points. A big thank you to the parents and spectators that came watch. A massive thank you for all of the staff that spent their day helping and supervising students! Thanks also to the canteen ladies! Most importantly, the biggest thank you is to the students who participated, danced, swam and/or cheered.

A few records were broken and these students will be recognised in our next whole school assembly, along with our Grade Champions: Grade 7 – Zoe and Lachlan; Grade 8: Sophie and Riley; Grade 9 – Lilly & Oliver; Grade 10 – Jazmin and Connor.

New Records:

Oliver Grade 9 boys 100m Free – 1.00.62

(previously held by S Jory (1988) 1.03.47

Oliver Grade 9 boys 50m back – 34.41s

(previously held by M Guy (2007) 34.51s

Riley Grade 8 boys 50m breast – 37.69s

(previously held by S Cassidy (2006) 38.87s

Lilly Grade 9 girls 100m Free 1.09.06

(previously held by D Adams (1977) 1.10.00

Lilly Grade 9 girls 50m back 36.40s

(previously held by D Adams (1977) 38.00

Lilly Grade 9 girls 50m free 31.42s

(previously held by K Warren (1995) 31.46



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Last weekend saw the BMX Tasmanian State Titles held in Launceston, at the Launceston BMX Track.

Cayley from Grade 8 is a member of Launceston BMX Club (under plate number 15). Cayley competed in the 14yr girls challenge class for the top State position.

Coming from a 4th last year, Cayley battled it out in her five motos, winning one moto against a very strong competition to take the place of second in the State in her age group. Well done, Cayley!



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM NEWS

This year, Prospect High School has opened its doors once again to a group of international students from across the world. In addition to our continuing students, Zhao from China, Pichanan from Thailand, Cassandra from the Philippines, Zahra from Iran and Jyoti from India, we welcomed a big group of students from Brazil: Anna, Arthur, Diego, Gabriel, Rebeca, Sara and Wanessa as well as two students from Russia, Yuri and Bulat, Yu Li from China and an AFS exchange student Josue from Paraguay.

We wish all these students a very successful time at Prospect and hope they will make lots of friends and enjoy their time in Tasmania.

Mrs Tatiana

International Student Program Co-ordinator



20/20 CRICKET REPORT

Over the past few weeks, Prospect High has been participating in the NHSSA 20/20 roster. Teams involved in the competition are Launceston Church Grammar School, Scotch Oakburn College and Kings Meadows High. This week, the team played Scotch Oakburn College. After winning the toss, the team chose to bat. Josh scored a solid 61 and Sol with 30 got the team off to a great start. After the wicket of Josh and Sol's departure, wickets fell quickly, eventually being bowled out for 119 runs.

With Scotch Oakburn College requiring 120 to win, wickets were hard to come by and Scotch got the win with 3 overs to spare. The bowling saw Sara (2 wickets), Sol (2 wickets) and Tyson get a dismissal. It was a great effort from everyone.

Owen
Grade 9



WORKING WONDERS

Grade 7

Summer (7-1) for being a wonderful role model and always caring for her fellow students. Well done on your great attitude, Summer!

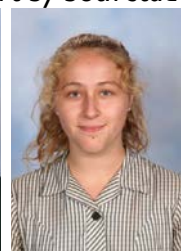
Logan (7-1) for his positive attitude towards others and his learning. Great work, Logan!

Grade 9

Lilly is to be congratulated on her fantastic effort and success in the recent school swimming carnival. Lilly was Grade 9 girls swimming champion. She set records in 50m freestyle which dated back to 1995, 50m backstroke which was a 42 year old record and 100 freestyle which was set in 1977. This is an amazing achievement Lilly, well done.

Grade 10

Congratulations to our swimming carnival Grade 10 champions Connor and Jazmin! A fantastic effort by both students.



Prospect High School Contact Details

Principal: Mrs L Barker

Assistant Principal: Mr G James

Assistant Principal: Mr M Bergamin

Senior Grade Leaders:

Grade 7: Mrs C Abraham

Grade 8: Mr B Poke

Grade 9: Mr T Gregory

Grade 10: Ms S De Paoli

Grades 11/12: Ms A Williams

Grade Leaders:

Grade 7: Mr W Reynolds, Mrs L Smith

Grade 8: Mrs S Matthews

Grade 9: Mr E Uko

Grade 10: Mr S Brewer

Support Staff:

School Business Manager: Mrs D Chancellor

School Psychologist: Mr G Colgrave

School Chaplain: Mr P Garwood

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