

Prospect High School

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mondays and every second Wednesday

School Nurse, onsite for details, please contact
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**21 August, 4 & 18 September,
16 & 30 October,
13 & 27 November, 12 December**

Uniform Shop 2.45pm - 3.15

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

21 August

School Association Meeting

27 August

Write a Book in A Day

29 August 5.30pm - 7pm

Course Information Evening for Grades 7, 8 and 9
students and their families

3 September

Reader's Cup intra-school competition

20 September

Reader's Cup inter-school competition

23-26 September

Grade 10 Exams

7-15 October

Queensland Trip

7 November

Athletics Carnival

11 November

Grade 7 Immunisation – 2nd booster

27 November

Schools Triathlon Challenge Grades 7-10

28 November

SLB Trivia Night

10 December

Grade 10 Presentation Assembly - Door of Hope

12 December

Grade 10 picnic

13 December

Grade 10 Celebration Dinner

PROSPECTOR

16 August 2019

Dear Parents, Students and Friends of Prospect High School,

Whole School Assembly

Last week, the SLB organised and hosted a whole-school assembly to recognise outstanding academic success and outstanding attitude to studies, as determined by results on mid-year reports. Congratulations to the SLB and all students who were recognised for outstanding mid-year results. Students also recognised were cross-country and swimming champions and respective record breakers. Highlights of the assembly were the music and dance items showcasing our very talented students. Congratulations to all performers. After the assembly, a morning tea for certificate recipients and parents was held. Thank you to Ms De Paoli for co-ordinating the assembly, to Mr Joshua Cassidy for the amazing catering and to parents who attended.

Japanese Visitors

Japanese students and staff from Kagawa and Murata have been farewelled over the past two weeks. It's been a privilege for Prospect High School to host our Japanese visitors. I know both the Japanese students and Prospect High School students have gained from this experience, and that many lifelong friendships have been forged. An assembly to farewell the Murata Girls High School and Principal, Mr Ono, was held on Tuesday. We were treated to singing and dancing, amazing mental arithmetic skills and a traditional tea ceremony by the Murata girls. WIN Television and Southern Cross Television broadcasted snapshots of the assembly on the evening news. Thank you to Mrs Tatiana Hinds for the enormous amount of time and effort spent organising activities, events and buddies for the exchange students. Thanks also to Mr Greg James for organising timetables for our visitors.

Course Selection Information Evening for 2020

A Course Selection Information Evening will be held on Thursday, 29 August and Course information assemblies will be conducted for students in Grades 7, 8 and 9 (Grades 8, 9 and 10 in 2020) in the next couple of weeks. Decisions about choices of subjects for next year are very important and need consultation, discussion and planning. I encourage parents to come along to this evening with their child, to discuss next year's courses with teachers.

School Association Meeting

The next School Association Meeting will be held on Wednesday 21 August at 5.00pm in the D Block Meeting Room. This is a great opportunity for parents to have a voice and be involved in school decisions. New members are welcome.

Student Success

Congratulations to Briella (Grade 9) who has been selected in the Tasmanian Under 15 Touch Football team.

Mrs Lee Barker
Principal

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ART EXCURSION TO MONA

Students had a great day wandering around MONA last week. It was a fantastic opportunity for students to be immersed in some weird and wonderful art. It was a long day, but well worth the experience.



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to Riley and Lilly for competing in the recent School Sports Australia Championships in Melbourne.



SPECIAL ASSEMBLY TO FAREWELL STUDENTS FROM MURATA



COURSE INFORMATION EVENING

For current Grades 7, 8 and 9 students and families.
Thursday, 29 August 5.30pm - 7pm In the Dance/Drama Room.
Come along and hear about subjects on offer for 2020.

SLB FUNDRAISER

Jeans for Genes Day was held on Friday 2 August. The SLB were thrilled that the majority of students chose to participate and help raise funds for this worthy charity. 1 in 20 children have a genetic disease or suffer birth defects. \$208 was raised, which will help to support children's medical research.

DRAMA NEWS

Recently, the Grade 8 Drama class went to the Earl Arts Theatre to view the Launceston Youth Theatre Ensemble's performance of *Arabian Nights*. This performance featured students from the Launceston area in Grades 8-12, most notably, Prospect High School's own Beth (Grade 9) and Natasha (Grade 10). Well done, to these girls, for their very strong performances!

When we returned to school, the class reviewed the performance, in terms of its entertainment value and use of the elements of drama to convey ideas. These were some of their responses:

- They all stayed in character (Seth).
- The actors used facial expression, vocal changes and body language. This made the performance more enjoyable for the audience, easier to read who they are and how they felt (Mikayla and Maddy)
- A few props were used very effectively through the use of Transformation (Jesse).
- I really enjoyed how they reused or repositioned the set – like using scarves as snakes, or using them as reigns to hold onto the horses. They moved tables/chairs to make different scenes. What was once a cave was changed into a doctor's house and chimney (Katie).
- I like the size of the theatre, because it made it so that we could see everything (Jackson).
- The costumes looked really well made (Cohen).
- They wore tunics with see-through scarves to make the clothing look Arabian. It made you feel like you were somewhere in the Middle East (Charles)
- When the time changed, the lighting changed along with it (Josh).
- They dimmed the lights and changed the colour (Lily).
- When it was night it had the black/starry sky. When it was day, it was orange, like a shining sun in the desert (Tyler).

The next theatre excursion will take place in September when the 9/10 Production and Music students will travel to the Earl Arts Theatre to view Newstead College's production of *Little Shop of Horrors*!

Mrs Viney

Drama Teacher

NEWS FROM THE PRODUCTION

The Interview of Oz Prospect High School has decided to conduct a production with their Grades 9 and 10 class. This production is of *The Wizard of Oz*. Many students are contributing in various ways, such as acting roles and working backstage. Each fortnight we will share an interview with a member of the cast or crew.

This week's interview is with Reuben.

Reuben will be playing the Wizard!



What is your role?

My role in this production is the Wizard, of Oz.

Why did you choose to do it?

I thought the wizard seemed like an interesting character. I thought this character would help me express myself more.

What does your role involve?

In this production I do not sing, but I do a lot of acting.

What preparation have you done?

To prepare for this role I have been rehearsing my lines and practising with the class.

What are you enjoying most about this production?

I enjoy being able to express my character. I also really like being able to act as a different person, because it allows me to experience new emotions.

The PHS production of *The Wizard of Oz* will be held in November – more information will be available soon!

HPE - GRADES 7 - 10 TERM 3

As part of our Health programme, HPE teachers will be starting a Sexual Health unit during this term. This unit will align with the Australian Curriculum and content will be delivered in a safe and respectful learning environment.

We like parents to be aware, so that they can be actively involved, communicating with their child about the changes that occur during puberty and adolescence, and being able to answer questions if they may arise.

Topics covered by Grade:

Grade 7 – sexual anatomy, puberty and physical, emotional and social changes, hygiene

Grade 8 – sexual anatomy, puberty and physical, emotional and social changes (revision), sexual intercourse and conception

Grade 9 – sexual anatomy (revision), gender and sexual orientation, consent, abstinence and contraception, STIs

Grade 10 - sexual anatomy, gender and sexual orientation, consent, abstinence and contraception, STIs (revision), legal aid speaker, sexual relationships

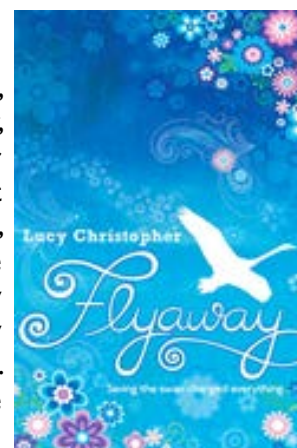
Please feel free to contact your child's HPE teacher directly if you have any questions or concerns about this unit, starting around Week 5 of this Term.

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

The library purchases new books all the time. Come in and see what is new. Following is a blurb on one of our new titles:

Flyaway by Lucy Christopher
Romantic Fiction

While visiting her father in hospital, thirteen-year-old Isla meets Harry, the first boy to understand her and her love of the outdoors. But Harry is ill, and as his health fails, Isla is determined to help him in the only way she knows. Together they watch a lone swan struggling to fly on the lake outside Harry's window. Isla believes that if she can help the damaged swan, somehow she can help Harry. In her quest, she embarks upon a breathtakingly magical journey of her own.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

fly as a kite

KITE FLYING DAY

PART OF THE WIE FLY GLOBAL KITES CHALLENGE!

SATURDAY AUGUST 24, 2019 10AM - 3PM

WOOLMERS ESTATE, LONGFORD

JOIN US FOR A GREAT FAMILY DAY OUT & BE PART OF THIS WORLDWIDE EVENT!

ENTRY BY GOLD COIN DONATION

BRING A PICNIC! PURCHASE A KITE & FLY! LUCKY GATE PRIZES EVERY HOUR! LOTS OF DISCOUNTED DISPLAY KITES FOR SALE

fly as a kite

FIND US ON FACEBOOK

GET INTO RUGBY

At Launceston Rugby Club

LOOKING FOR A FUN AND SOCIAL SPORT?

12. FREE WEEK PROGRAM
12. LEARN HOW TO PLAY TOUCH RUGBY OR RUGBY
12. AVAILABLE TO ALL AGES
12. NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED

STARTS FRIDAY 16TH OF AUGUST ROYAL PARK 5:30

\$45 Registration

FOLLOW LAUNCESTON RUGBY CLUB ON FACEBOOK FOR MORE INFORMATION

PROGRAM INFORMATION	
Who's running the Program?	Discover Agriculture is a program run by Rural Youth Tasmania and funded with support from industry.
Postal Address:	Rural Youth Tasmania PO Box 122 Launceston TAS 7250
If I have any questions who do I contact?	Ashley Evans (0417 776 900) discoveragriculture@hotmail.com
How many students will be going?	22 (10 places are reserved for Rural Youth Tasmania members)
Program Dates:	Tuesday 1 st October – Sunday 6 th October 2019
Applications open for all students	Thursday 2 nd May 2019
Applications close:	Friday 20 th September 2019
Acceptance Confirmed:	Sunday 22 nd September 2019 via phone or email
Cost:	\$300 +GST Invoices will be sent on Monday 23 rd September.
Payment required:	We need all paper work returned by either mail or email and payment in full, no later than Friday 27 th September 2019. If your school is contributing to the cost of the program you will need to make them aware of this deadline.

- Throughout the program we will be visiting a range of farms and agriculture businesses to look at what they are doing and why. Most but not all visits will also include hands on activities. Some examples of activities planned this year (but not all are confirmed yet) are:
- Fat scoring and/or weighing livestock
 - Wool handling in the Wool Store
 - Milking cows
 - Pasture assessment and measurement
 - Weeds identification
 - Laboratory work
 - Soil pH testing
- We visit value adding businesses to gain an understanding of their role in the supply chain and the strict requirements of their customers. Once again, we plan to add in activities such as:
- Farm Planning.
 - A look at the other industries built around agriculture
 - Learning about rural merchandising

In addition, we have a number of speakers who come along to talk about their experiences in the industry. The emphasis is on what opportunities there are in agriculture and what opportunities the people we meet see for the future. We also ask everyone we meet what skills they think are required or they are looking for when employing people and what their career pathway has been.

We try and show participants that agriculture isn't just a job on a farm, that agriculture is far broader than that, with emerging opportunities all the time. We also explore what training/entry pathways are available by visiting representatives from UTAS and TIA and doing a hands-on scientific based activity there as well as meeting with representatives of the TasTAFE to learn about courses and pathways and to learn some new skills.

We also have some agricultural based activities and guest speakers of an evening. I hope this gives you enough info about the program. Not all are set in stone at the moment!

What did the participants think about past programs?

At the end of every program we ask participants to rate the program on a scale of 0 – 10 where 0 is "Tape Day" - 10 is "Absolutely exceeded expectations". Of the students who completed their evaluation form over the last 3 years, scores ranged from 7 – 10 and averaged 8.8.

Here's some of their comments:

"This program has helped me realize where in the industry I would like to be." Eliza M, Year 9

"I'm very glad I did the Discover Agriculture program ... because it has really opened my eyes to my future life in agriculture." Jakob T, Year 10

"I was really surprised and I would recommend it to anyone." Kyle O, Year 10

"Over the six days I spent at the Discover Agriculture camp I have more about agriculture than I ever imagined." McKenzie, Year 10

16TH & 18TH JULY South Hobart

17TH JULY Austins Ferry

SMASH TAS TOUR

COME AND TRY BADMINTON

11TH AUGUST East Devonport

12TH AUGUST Wynyard

13TH AUGUST Devonport

14TH AUGUST Burnie

15TH AUGUST Ulverstone

16TH AUGUST Deloraine

Discover Agriculture

1st - 6th October 2019

If you're looking to explore the incredible opportunities agriculture has to offer then Discover Agriculture is for you!

6 km-packed day travelling around northern Tasmania visiting agriculture businesses and participating in hands-on activities.

Network & build your skills and knowledge!

WHO? year 9-12 students

WHERE: based at Quercus Rural Youth Park, Gorch

COST: \$300+GST (includes of meals, accommodation & travel during the program)

For more information or the application form contact Rural Youth on 6331 6154 or email support@ruralyouth.com.au

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 20th Sep 2019

SO, WHAT'S THIS PROGRAM ALL ABOUT?

We believe in inspiring young people to imagine a future for themselves in agriculture. We inspire them by introducing them to people who are positive and innovative in their approach to the industry, by challenging their thinking, demonstrating the possibilities and opportunities and through hands-on participation.

We do this by running Discover Agriculture programs throughout the year for young people from all over the state.

Discover Agriculture aims to provide young people with a better understanding of the diverse range of career opportunities available in primary production as well as the value adding and agricultural services sectors. The program is for year 9 - 12 students in schools and colleges throughout Tasmania and Victoria.

Participants do not need to have a pre-existing interest or experience in Agriculture, in fact, we encourage those who may not have previously considered agriculture as a career pathway to apply.

Our aim is to create opportunities for participants to develop an awareness of the wide variety of career options and potential pathways available in the Agriculture in Tasmania. This first-hand experience will assist students to determine their interest and suitability for a career in the industry.

As more applications are expected than there are places, applicants are encouraged to apply early. We don't favour those with the best knowledge and most experience, our main criteria is that you have the right attitude, are keen to learn and have a go and will benefit the most from the opportunity.

Students displaying a positive attitude, a keen learning approach, good communication skills, who are committed to participate through the whole program and display a keen interest in learning about the variety of career options available in the agricultural and agricultural supply industries will have the best chance of being accepted.

Students participating in the program will also be expected to submit a 1-2-page report within 2 weeks of finishing the program, outlining what they learnt by attending the program, what areas of interest they intend to pursue and what their next steps will be.

COSTS

- The cost of the 6-day program is \$300.00 +GST each (That's just under one half of what it really costs to run the program)
- A tax invoice will be sent to the school or the applicant's parent(s) for payment, prior to the commencement of the program
- All meals and accommodation will be provided during the program.
- Transport will be provided during the program.

FAQs

Where will the program be run? - The program is based around the north and northwest of the state. Our accommodation is at Rural Youth Tasmania's Quercus Park. We travel out from there each day and we return there each evening. We do quite a bit of travelling (1000km for the week) so be prepared for fairly long days.

When does it start? - We will be starting the program in Launceston on Tuesday afternoon to allow those coming in from all around the State to arrive by bus or private vehicle. The meeting place is the Rural Youth Tasmania's Head Office at 62 York Street, Launceston. We would like participants to be there between 12.30pm and 1.00pm. Southern students arrive on the Redline will have someone there to meet them at the bus depot. On Friday, we finish around 4.15pm. Southern participants will be escorted to the bus depot. We'll be finishing up at the Rural Youth Head Office on Friday so you can pick up students from 4.15pm in the Rural Youth carpark again.

Is there only one program or a number of them across the state? - This year there is only one 6 day Discover Agriculture program run in the state.

How many students will be accepted in the program? - 22 students.

What is the supervision provided? - At least two adults. This year the coordinator is Ashley Evans, who is a high school agricultural, maths and science teacher. The co-facilitator will be Josh Moore who works in the agriculture industry.

I'm a teacher/careers advisor, can I come along? - Teachers and Careers Advisors are welcome to join us at any stage of the program but because of space limitations on transport, they may have to use their own car to get around (car pooling is an option of course). We do however put a limit of two days and one night. There will be a proportional charge to cover food.

Is there a cost involved and/or is the program subsidised? - Yes, there is a cost to students/schools of \$300 +GST. This is a contribution towards for accommodation, meals and transport. We are lucky enough to have Industry Sponsors supporting this program to keep the cost down.

Is there a selection process? - Yes there is an application process (Primarily it's a written application but I would accept a recorded application, as in an MP3 file or YouTube type video, from a student telling me who they are and why they want to come on the program). Once the students receive the information about the program I want to know from them why they want to go on the program, what they expect to get out of it. It's like a job application really.

What sort of things will we be doing? - It's a very intensive course with activities all day and some evening ones as well. The focus is on the agricultural industry including, on farm opportunities as well as services to agriculture and value adding enterprises. We try and do a fair bit of hands on, a bit of meet and greet and we talk to a lot of people and cover around 1000 kilometres in the week.

What if I'm badly behaved? - We want to make this an enjoyable and valuable program for all participants and therefore expect that you will act as responsible, young adults, follow instructions and behave appropriately at all times, after all we'll be in people's workplaces. Although you are not at school, typical School Rules will apply (with a few exceptions).

Remember, always behaving badly or with a bad attitude will be sent home immediately.

Discover Agriculture is supported by:



Leadership and Support Staff

School Executive Team

Principal Mrs Lee Barker

Assistant Principal Mr Mario Bergamin (Grades 7 & 8)

Assistant Principal Mr Greg James (Grades 9 & 10)

Business Manager Mrs Debbie Chancellor

Grade Teams

GRADE 7

Ms Carolyn Abraham (Senior Grade Leader - AST)

Mrs Leonie Smith (Grade Leader and Autism Unit - AST) and

Mr Will Reynolds (Grade Leader)

GRADE 8

Mr Brendan Poke (Senior Grade Leader - AST)

Mrs Sonya Matthews (Grade Leader)

GRADE 9

Mr Tim Gregory (Senior Grade Leader - AST)

Mr Ekong Uko (Grade Leader)

GRADE 10

Ms Sandra De Paoli (Senior Grade Leader - AST)

Mr Scott Brewer (Grade Leader)

Support Staff Team

Chaplain

Mr Pete Garwood

Tuesday and Thursday

School Nurse

Ms Danielle Seadon

Monday and every second Wednesday

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