



Prospect High School

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mondays and every second Wednesday
School Nurse, onsite
for details, please contact
danielle.seadon@education.tas.gov.au

19 December

Excursion to Greens Beach

2019 Term Dates

Term 4:

Finish: Thursday 19 December (students)

Friday 20 December (teachers)

2020 Levy payment, uniform sales and stationery collection

Available from the school's Administration Block on the following dates

- Wednesday, 29 January 9:00am – 6:30pm
- Thursday, 30 January 9:00am – 6:30pm

19 February 2020 5pm

School Association Meeting

2020 Term Dates

Term 1

Start: Monday 3 February (teachers)

Start: Wednesday 5 February (students)

Finish: Thursday 9 April

Term 2

Start: Monday 27 April.

Finish: Friday 3 July

Term 3

Start: Monday 20 July.

Finish: Friday 25 September

Term 4

Start: Monday 12 October.

Finish: Thursday 17 December (students);

Finish: Friday 18 December (teachers)

Student free days for 2020

Professional Learning: Days

Tuesday, 4 February

Monday, 20 July

Friday, 30 October

Moderation Day:

Thursday, 9 April

PROSPECTOR

18 December 2019

Dear Parents, Students and Friends of Prospect High School,
Presentation Evening

Congratulations to all recipients of awards at the Celebration Assembly held last Tuesday evening at the Door of Hope. This was an opportunity to celebrate and recognise the achievements and successes of Grade 10 students. Congratulations also to all involved in organising and delivering the assembly. Guest speaker Kahlia Perry, a former student of Prospect High School delivered an inspiring speech about how Prospect High School prepared her for her future as an Exercise Physiologist. Musical performances were outstanding. Thank you to guests, parents and family members and staff who attended. Thanks also to sponsors for donation of prizes.

Grade 10 Celebration Dinner

A very successful Grade 10 Celebration Dinner was held last Thursday night at the Country Club Casino. Students and staff enjoyed the catering, music and dancing. Well done and thanks to the Grade 10 team for the hard work and creativity that went into the preparation of the evening. The decorations and table settings looked amazing. Speeches by Rebecca and Wil were moving and reflective, acknowledging the enormous impact that Prospect High School has had on Grade 10 graduates over the past four years in so many ways.

Volunteer Morning Tea

Thanks to Mrs Deb Chancellor, Mr Mario Bergamin and Mr Brendan Poke for their assistance with organising a morning tea for community volunteers who assist with programs such as Mad Wheels, assist in the canteen and uniform shop and those who mentored students. Mr Josh Cassidy did a wonderful job with the catering. Many thanks to community volunteers for their services. We really appreciate your time, wisdom and support.

Reports

Reports and Learning Plans have been issued to students. Students are to be congratulated on a productive second half of the year where there has predominantly been sound progress.

Staffing

Schools are places of change and at this time of the year we farewell a number of staff. Mrs Jo Bracken (Foods), Mrs Lorraine Simmonds (EFA) and Mrs Michele MacFarlane (Eng/HASS) will be retiring after many years of service to Prospect High School and the Department of Education. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each for their hard work and huge contribution to education in particular to Prospect High School and wish them all the best in retirement.

Ms Sandra De Paoli will be on leave next year and Mr Tim Gregory will be transferring to Launceston College. These two long serving members have been part of the leadership team and I would like to thank them for their assistance with decision making and running of the school. We will be farewelling Ms Marie Delamore, Mr Andrew Swift, Mr David Potter, Ms Rachel Brain, Ms Allison Edwards, Mr Ekong Uko who will be transferring to other schools in 2020.

Principal's Report Continued Overleaf

PROSPECT
HIGH SCHOOL

All have been long serving teachers who have contributed to the culture and successful student outcomes over many years. I would like to wish them well in their new schools. Ms Lauren Hendersen and Teacher Assistants Mrs Rochelle Wright and Mr Adrian deHann will also be leaving this year and I would like to thank them for their contribution this year.

Joining the leadership team next year will be Ms Anna Woolley (Musovic), Mrs Carmen Slore and Mrs Jennifer Pollard. We welcome new teachers Mr Kieren Hume, Mr Tony Harrington, Mr Tony Gutierrez, Mr Brad Colson, Ms Tamiaka De Jong, Mrs Danielle Davey, Ms Helena Winnberg, Ms Ellie Couch and Ms Katie Matthews.

I would like to thank all teaching and non-teaching staff for their commitment and dedication this year. Everyone has made a significant contribution in an environment that is collaborative and respectful. Classrooms, grounds, facilities, support services and delivery of learning is high quality and always has the needs of students at the centre. Thank you to one and all.

Finally, I would like to wish all families an enjoyable Christmas and restful holiday and I look forward to working with the Prospect High School community in 2020.

Mrs Lee Barker

Principal

ADMINISTRATION NEWS

CARE CLASSES - Care classes are in draft form at this stage and will be finalised in the first week of term one. Some documentation may indicate incorrect class detail.

2020 LEVIES - Ratified by School Association

- Grades 7 and 8 \$500.00
- Grades 9 and 10 \$575.00
- Grade 11 and 12 \$575.00 Inclusive Levy.

The 2020 School Levy Policy can be accessed via the school Internet Site. <https://prospecthigh.education.tas.edu.au/Pages/Home.aspx>

Prospect High School Association requests your support via voluntary contribution.

2020 Levy payment, uniform sales and stationery collection

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Wednesday, 29 January & Thursday, 30 January 9am – 6:30pm
Should the above times be inconvenient please contact the school on Ph: 6344 4744 to arrange an alternative arrangements.

LEVY PAYMENT The Department of Education will mail an invoice to parents in late January 2020 and our preferred payment option is via BPay, prior to collection days.

Please bring your invoice on the day to allow faster processing. Payment options are available and can be discussed on the day, or call the administration office in advance.

Approved Student Assistance Scheme (STAS) recipients will not receive an invoice.

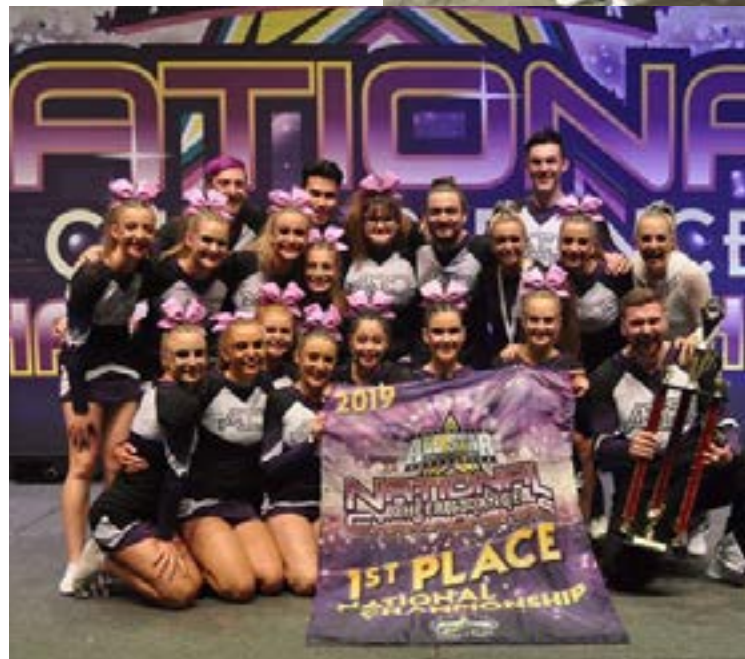
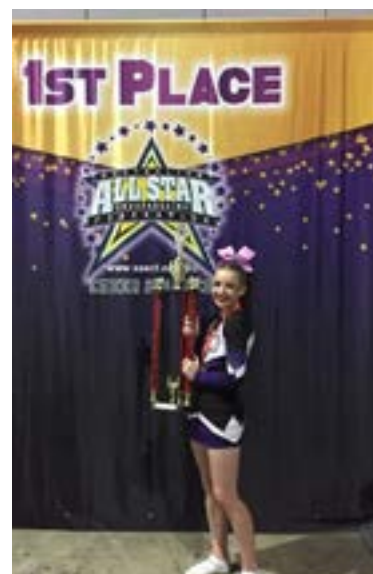
Student Assistance Scheme (STAS) - If you are a current 2019 recipient you do not need to reapply. Families who have been in receipt of STAS 2019 should have received correspondence directly from the Department regarding 2020 approval. STAS application forms are available from the school office for new enrolments or families whose circumstances have changed and wish to apply for 2020 support.

STAS is assessed on the below income:

Number of Dependent Children and Income per week				
1	2	3	4	5
\$717	\$825	\$941	\$1,063	\$1,193
Annual parental income				
\$37,284	\$42,900	\$48,932	\$55,276	\$62,036

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Recently Jada competed in the Australian All Star Cheerleading Federation Cheerleading Nationals in Melbourne. There were over 1900 teams and 13,500 competitors from all over Australia competing over 4 days. Jada's squad "Odin" represented Allstar Cheer and Dance Tasmania and competed in the Open Co-ed Level 2 category. The team placed first and are now National Champions.



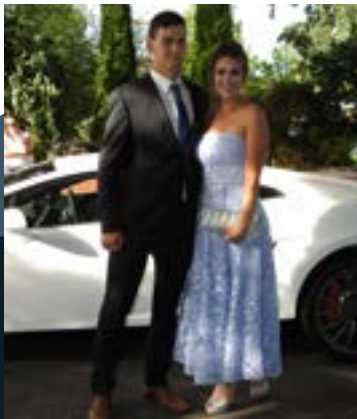
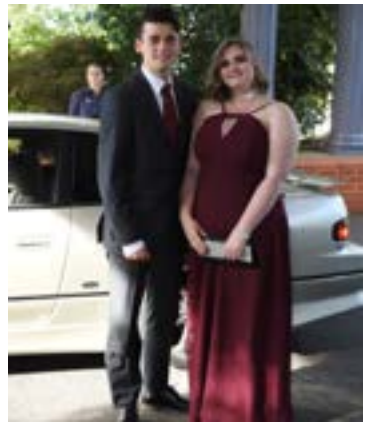
CUSHIONS MADE IN HOME ECONOMICS

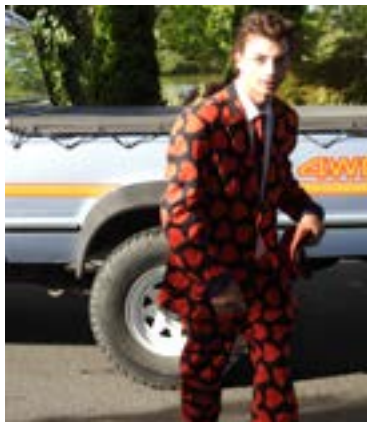
Recently 7-2 finished the cushions they made in Home Ec. They all look fabulous. Well done!



GRADE 10 CELEBRATION DINNER







GRADE 7 DOWNBALL CHAMPION OF CHAMPION TOURNAMENT 2019

Grade 7's love their Downball and they play for keeps. Nothing does such a good job of bringing the grade or boys and girls together like Downball does and no one does Downball better than Prospect High. So, every year to mark the sport of kings, we run the *Champion of Champions Grade 7 Tournament* to celebrate the awesomeness that is Downball.



This year we had a world record 95 participants, so the team was inspired to take the tournament to a whole another level with commentary, music beats, outfits and catering.

Face paint was applied, costumes were impressive, skills were hot, rallies were long, positive vibes were everywhere, chaos occasionally ruled and white line fever was low.



All competitions were incredibly hard fought with everyone wanting the ultimate shot at sporting immortality. The Double singles or two team mates per one square was a hit and made for intense viewing as was the Footises tournament for wannabe soccer heads.

The central commentary position was ran by Cayley and Ethan, who both proved to be a natural with a microphone in their hands and a crowd at their disposal. See you two on breakfast radio sometime soon.



Befitting of the generally high standard of play, the grand final went down to the last point, with a desperately unlucky Dylan beaten on the line, by overall winner Jakob. For the first time ever, we had an all girls grand final with Grace (1) taking out the chocolates over Emily (2) and Tori (3).



2019 highlights include Ethan's impromptu rapping on the microphone; Logan's superb save shot between the legs to take a point off the eventual winner; the 'get ready to rumble' wrestling atmosphere of the grannie; several players attempting to hijack the central commentary microphone and the occasional ball almost disappearing on the roof from a waylaid power shot. Our resident songstress, Mrs Phillips even joined in and busted out some lovely show tunes to add a touch of class to the event.

A huge vote of thanks to my Grade 8 super team of Zac, Brayden, Solomon, Ash and Noah, who soaked up all the heat in the umpires chair without breaking a sweat and who I



couldn't have ran the tournament without. A special thanks also to my Grade 9 BBQ crew who kept all our elite athletes fed and watered on the day. A special thanks to any teacher or class in a nearby classroom on the day for putting up with the excessive noise levels attached to having a sporting event of an MCG sized magnitude ran on site.

Thanks especially to the Grade 7's. A tournament is only as good as the players involved and you collectively are a ripper bunch.



Myself and the team loved your costumes, your enthusiasm, your crazy good sportpersonship and just the opportunity to spend some quality time with you.

See you all 2020 for more adventures in Downball.

Gene Colgrave
School Psychologist

STUDENT MEDICATIONS

From 3pm on Thursday, 19 December, could all students please collect your non prescription medication and EpiPens from the Student Office and could parents please collect prescription medications from the Admin Office. Unclaimed medications will be disposed of. If you would like to make alternative arrangements for the collection of medications, please phone the Admin Office. Thank you.

LAST DAY PICNIC

Thursday, 19 December is the last day of the school year for students. This day will be spent at Greens Beach, as whole school excursion. Students must return their permission form to be able to attend this picnic.

The 2020 SLB Elect will be running a BBQ and selling sausages and burgers, as well as cold drinks (water and soft drink). Students will also have access to the Greens Beach shop who will be selling hot chips, at lunch time.

Students are advised to bring plenty of food/drink, and be prepared for any extremes in weather, either hot or cold, so bring a warm jacket, a sun hat and sunscreen.



Northern Tasmanian Croquet Centre
Based at St. Leonards Sports Centre, Launceston

Come and try Croquet
12-18yr old students

at the

Northern Tasmanian Croquet Centre
St Leonards Sports Centre

School Holidays

2 sessions

Thursday 30th January 2pm

Friday 31st January 2pm

Must wear flat soled shoes

Equipment Provided

Groups, Families and Individuals welcome

First visit Free

Bookings by 28th January 2020

Lee 0439310070



LAUNCESTON YOUTH THEATRE ENSEMBLE

Enrolments are open for LYTE's 2020 acting ensemble, for young people from grades Prep-12.

Participation in theatre builds courage and confidence, and develops imagination, creative thinking, mindfulness, communication and social skills.

Over the past 21 years, LYTE has delivered excellent acting training and great insight into theatre craft and professional practise to thousands of young Tasmanians. As a LYTE member, you will participate in exciting theatre workshops and productions, and make amazing new friends!

We'd love to have the opportunity to welcome you to LYTE.

Contact: Jane Johnson
E: Qjanejohnson@gmail.com
P: 0402634820
FB: Launceston Youth Theatre Ensemble

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 & 11)
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 Ekong Uko (Senior Grade Leader)

GRADE 10

Ms Sandra De Paoli (Senior Grade Leader - AST)
Mr Scott Brewer (Grade Leader)

Support Staff Team

Aboriginal Education Worker

Mr Gareth Holt
every Thursday

Chaplain

Mr Pete Garwood
Tuesday and Thursday

School Nurse

Ms Danielle Seadon
Monday and every second Wednesday

School Psychologist

Mr Gene Colgrave
Monday and Friday

Social Worker

Mr Brendan Dixon
Wednesday and Friday and every second Thursday



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Student Intranet
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