



WHAT'S ON AT THE FRIENDS' SCHOOL

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Quaker Query of the Week

Each person has their own individual worth. Do we strive to find it in each person?

We acknowledge the current Year 11 students for contributions to the Quaker Query of the Week.

Immunisation Forms

Parents are reminded to return the immunisation forms that were mailed out last month.

Farewell to the Lycée Callot Students

It is very sad to have to say goodbye to our five French exchange students after six weeks at The Friends' School. They adapted and settled in very quickly and showed that they belonged to our community. They wore our uniform with pride; indeed there are no uniforms in France. They were able to experience and participate in our School life. They also contributed on many occasions to different events in our School such as the LOTE Assembly and the LOTE Food Fair. Their visits of our surroundings included Bonorong Park, Cadbury's Factory, TMAG and Art Mob. They were also received by the Lord Mayor and were invited to watch the TSO's *Fire and Ice* rehearsals. I am sure that they have gone back to France with many stories to tell, many experiences to share but most of all many fond memories of their Clemes and High School families. We wish them a safe journey back to France.

School Calendar 2010

The Public Relations class has begun preparing the School Calendar for 2010 and is looking for images that reflect life at Friends'. The class would be very grateful for any good quality, landscape-format photographs, especially of activities or events that have not yet been featured. They can be emailed to prclass@friends.tas.edu.au.

Families Matter

Families Matter is a group to support parents at The Friends' School. We invite you to an evening with Margaret Meijers, a local teacher of international acclaim on Tuesday 11 August at 7.30pm. Come to Hodgkin Hall and follow the signs to room S299. The subjects for the evening are - What are our kids doing online, social networking, gaming and keeping our kids safe. RSVP by Monday 10 August to mwood@friends.tas.edu.au.



Performances

The School Production of Annie can be seen on 20 and 21 August at 7.30pm and 22 August at 2.00pm and 7.30pm. Tickets are on sale now at the Theatre Royal, \$25 Concession \$18. Good seats are still available.

'Neath the Scarlet, Blue & Grey' - Auction Update

Parents who have made bookings for the Parents & Friends Gala Auction are asked to collect their tickets in the next few days. There are still a limited number of tickets available for those who have not made a booking.

We also have just three rooms available for the evening of 14 August. For just \$150 you can enjoy a night's accommodation and cooked breakfast for two at one of Hobart's icon establishments - The Henry Jones Art Hotel.

Please direct all enquiries to Kalli McCarthy, telephone 6210 2282 or email kmccarthy@friends.tas.edu.au.

Laptop Power Leads

As part of our risk management program, the School has an annual process of inspecting and testing laptop power leads for signs of damage or wear and tear. Leads are also examined when laptops are submitted to the School's technicians for repair. Whilst the School has these active testing procedures in place, we ask that parents and students perform regular examinations of the power lead for their laptop. This assists the School to ensure the ongoing safe usage of this equipment.

A general visual check for obvious burns, nicks or cuts and bent prongs should be performed daily. Another important periodic check is to look for a slight bulge in the cable where it enters the moulded end that attaches to the power pack itself.

If the lead displays any of the symptoms described above, or any other signs of wear or damage, it should be immediately handed to a Help Desk Technician.

Uniform Centre Opening Times Term 2

| Mon | Tues | Wed | Thurs | Fri |
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| Closed | 8.00-9.30am | 1.00pm-4.30pm | 3.00-5.00pm | Closed |

Wednesday Morning Meeting for Worship

Members of The Friends' School community are welcome to attend a short Meeting for Worship held each Wednesday morning during term time, starting at 7.45am. Just come quietly in when you can and join us until 8.20am in the Hobart Quaker Meeting House, which is located just below the Clemes office on Boa Vista Road.

Metro Greencard



Metro will introduce the new Greencard ticketing system to its bus operations in Hobart on Sunday 13 September 2009.

Metro is encouraging parents and students to register for a Greencard online at **www.metrotas.com.au**

Paper applications, are available from Greencard ticket agents, the Metro offices in Hobart at 212 Main Rd Moonah or the Metro Shop located in the GPO Building or your school office.

If you require further information about Greencard, please telephone **13 22 01** during business hours and select option 1 (Greencard enquiry) from the menu option to speak with an operator.

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Year 1 Excursions

Year 1 will be going on two excursions in the coming month as part of the current unit of inquiry. On Wednesday 12 August we will be visiting China Beach at Sandford to do some archaeological digging to discover artefacts from the past. We will depart School at 9.00am and return by 2.00pm. Parents are more than welcome to join us on this day.

On Tuesday 18 August, we will visit the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery to look at exhibits related to fossils, dinosaurs and extinction. We will depart school at 9.45am and will return by approximately midday. Some parent help on this day would also be appreciated. Please see Jess Lund or Whendiey Gearside if you can assist on either of these days.

HIGH SCHOOL

Maths Relays - Sunday 9 August

We wish our High School students well for the Maths Relays on Sunday. Teams of four students from each year of High School will be representing Friends'. It is an exciting and challenging experience where teams compete against other schools in a statewide competition. Our thanks to the Maths staff for preparing and supporting the teams on the day.

Hello 今日は **Bonjour** **Ni Hao** **Guten Tag**

The 2009 LOTE Week concluded last week and the LOTE Staff would like to thank all who supported this year's event. As we reflect on the week, we cannot help but be impressed with our School! At our first Committee meeting we had over 60 students express an interest in helping with the arrangements. For our Food Fair, we were overwhelmed by the amount of food donated and the time given to make this a wonderful occasion for our students.

Throughout the week, as is always the case, there were a number of activities for staff and students to take part in. Of particular mention, the Tour de Friends challenge at Friends Health & Fitness, the International Food Fair on Wednesday and handball and calligraphy throughout. To kick off the week we were treated to a performance from the UTAS Taiko Team, and on Friday at lunchtime the festivities concluded with kite flying on the bottom green and several musical performances from our ensemble groups.

The Food Fair was once again an overwhelming success. Thank you so much to all of the students and families who so generously donated items. All containers were returned to the High School Office for collection. A big thank you to the Year 10 Japanese class for preparing the delicious Yakisoba, the Year 10 German class for their Brezeln, the combined efforts of Sally's French classes for their Crepes and the Year 8 Chinese class for their Dumplings. Thank you to Silvia Boden for arranging the Bratwurst stall. Without the efforts of the LOTE Staff and their classes this event could not succeed.

I would particularly like to thank the following parents who gave up the better part of their day to prepare and serve food: Sharyn Beswick, Debbie Chung, Lyndall Hannaford, Heather Rose and Judy Stronach.

The week concluded with the annual tutor LOTE Quiz – congratulations to all tutors for their efforts and thank you to all staff for their support throughout the week.

Merci Beaucoup ありがとうございます Danke 谢谢

CLEMES

REACH Foundation

On Friday 14 August we have invited the REACH Foundation from Melbourne to run two workshops with our Year 11s to address the issue of bullying and harassment. The title of the workshop is *Self-Esteem, Confidence and Positive Peer Dynamic*. It has been funded

by a generous donation from the Parents & Friends Association and runs for 90 minutes. Each student will be allocated to either an 8.30am session or an 11.30am session.

TCE Planner

During tutor periods over the next two weeks all students will be required to check their courses for eligibility for the TCE by completing the Tasmanian Certificate of Education Course Planner as provided by the TQA. All students have been emailed this. For Year 11 students they will need to list the subjects they intend doing in 2010. Subject choices should have been made by this time. Information about qualifying for the TCE is in the TQA newsletter which was distributed to all students this week. We encourage both students and parents to read through the criteria and if there are any questions to contact Lyn Tunbridge.

Clemes Certificate

We are very keen for many of our students to complete the Clemes Certificate for this year. Year 12 students aiming to receive the Clemes Certificate need to submit their forms and essay by the end of Term 2. Record sheets need to be signed by the appropriate supervisor. If students aim to start any activities for the Clemes Certificate now that are outside of the School then an approval form needs completing.

2009 TCE Dates

Registration for early email release of results - 1 August

Language orals - 2-6 November

Written exams commence - Monday 9 November

Written exams finish - Friday 20 November

Certificates, Statements of Results and Tertiary Entrance Statements are posted to students on 15 December.

The exam timetable is not available until 1 October.

Pathways

We would like to remind parents that over the next few weeks our Year 12 students will be completing University applications. If they would like assistance with this we encourage students to meet with Laurel Carland.

Course choice forms for 2010 are due from Year 11 students on Wednesday 12 August. Students can get advice from their tutor and various subject teachers.

Clemes Exams

Students will have received most of their exam results this week. It is hoped that mid-year exams will have provided them with the guidance and experience necessary to ensure success in November.

Reports will be completed in the following week and should be posted to parents the week ending Friday 28 August. Should parents wish to follow up on exam issues prior to this, they should contact their child's subject teacher or tutor.

Parent/Teacher evening will be on Thursday 3 September.

Audio Design Excursion

On Wednesday 12 August, Audio Design C and A students will visit the Theatre Royal to look at the Theatre's sound system and to discuss with the Operations Manager the role of audio in theatre. The excursion will take place during the students' normal lesson time.

CO-CURRICULAR

Music

We are pleased to share with you the good news that The Friends' School has been awarded The *Lord Mayor's Outstanding Secondary School Award* for 2009, due to our recent success in the Hobart Eisteddfod. This is the fourth consecutive year we have been awarded this prize. The School is delighted by this news, and wishes to congratulate our musicians and music staff.

Other Success

Regarding The Friends' School instrumental groups and choirs, the feedback from the adjudicators and audience members was very positive, with compliments for our students, and the quality of our performances.

Adjudicators were very thorough and competition was high. Collecting prizes is of course a bonus, however the opportunity for the students to perform the best they can, to enjoy the performance experience and see performances from other schools is the ultimate aim of Eisteddfod participation.

Results Summary

Our Year 3/4 Cellists from Morris - "*The Friendly Celli*" and the *Morris Strings* received Awards of Merit.

The Senior String Ensemble (High School and Clemes) received First place.

The Senior Wind Orchestra (Year 9-12 Concert Band) and *The Stage Band* (High School and Clemes) achieved First place in their section.

The *High School Choir* and *The Friends' Vocal Ensemble* received Awards of Merit.

Craig Fullerton, Director of Music

Sport Rosters

| SPORT | LOCATION | TIME |
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| Badminton | | |
| Friday 7 August - Semi finals | | |
| Year 9 Girls v Ogilvie 3 | Cascade Road | 4.00pm |
| Year 10 Girls v Fahan | Fahan | 4.00pm |
| Year 10 Boys v Geilston Bay | Cascade Road | 4.00pm |
| Hockey | | |
| Friday 7 August | | |
| 1 st Grade Boys v Rosny | THC2 | 5.00pm |
| 2 nd Grade Boys v Hutchins Black | THC3 | 4.00pm |
| Saturday 8 August | | |
| Girls Div 3 v Sacred Heart | Bell Street | 11.00am |
| Boys Div 3 | BYE | |
| Girls Div 4 v Ogilvie | QB2 | 10.00am |
| Girls Div 5 v MacKillop | QB2 | 9.00am |
| Girls Div 6 v Collegiate | HC1 | 9.00am |
| Monday 10 August | | |
| Girls Div 1 v Rosny | THC2 | 5.00pm |
| Girls Div 2 v St. Mary's | THC3 | 4.00pm |
| Thursday 13 August | | |
| Girls Div 2 v Elizabeth | THC2 | 4.00pm |
| Netball | | |
| Monday 10 August | | |
| Y8 Div 1 Girls v Collegiate | Friends' | 4.15pm |
| Y8 Div 2 Girls v MacKillop | MacKillop | 5.00pm |
| Tuesday 11 August | | |
| Y9 Div 1 Girls v St. Mary's | St. Mary's | 4.15pm |
| Soccer | | |
| Saturday 8 August | | |
| U13 Boys Div 3 v Hutchins Magenta | Bell Street | 9.00am |

CALENDAR 2009

For all calendar and term dates, please refer to our website www.friends.tas.edu.au and click on school calendar located on left hand side.

August

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| 7-9 | Year 10 Winter Skills |
| 11 | Year 7 Backhouse Winter Skills Board Meeting Families Matter evening with Margaret Meijers |
| 12 | Year 7 Mott Winter Experience |
| 14-15 | SATIS Winter Finals |
| 14 | Year 7 Penn Winter Experience Gala Auction |
| 18 | Parents & Friends Association AGM |
| 20-22 | School Musical <i>Annie</i> |
| 22 | 1989 Reunion |
| 24-28 | Book Week |
| 31 | Mary Stanfield Year 10 Speaking Competition |

Term Dates for 2009

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| Term 2 | Tuesday 16 June | Friday 4 September |
| Term 3 | Monday 21 September | Thursday 10 December |

Term Dates for 2010

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| Term 1 | Thursday 4 February | Friday 28 May |
| Easter | Friday 2 April | Friday 9 April |
| Term 2 | Wednesday 16 June | Friday 3 September |
| Semester Break | Monday 19 July | |
| Term 3 | Monday 20 September | Thursday 9 December |