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## PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Tomorrow is Hump Day, half way through term 1 already. The learning across the school is evident as I visit classrooms, but not only in classrooms. The conversations and questions that our students share during Loose Parts Play never ceases to amaze me, and the skills and strengths that students can articulate as they engage in different sport at break times is also very pleasing. We are creating a culture of inquiry, where our students' curiosity is fostered and they are supported to facilitate their learning pathway, learning not how to hold all knowledge, but how to problem solve and find solutions. Teachers are exploring the 'why' of education, what is the moral imperative that drives them to come to school each day and work alongside your children, and with you in the home-school partnership. The Leadership Team are also delving into their leadership presence and what motivates them to do the work they do. As we explore this at an individual level first, then at a Collaborative Inquiry Team level, we will find the common threads that will be the foundation for our Vision and Mission statement. I look forward to sharing this with you in the near future.

**Kind Regards**  
**Cathy Young**

## FROM THE OFFICE

### School Times

Kindergarten Yellow & Blue: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 9am  
 2:45pm

Prep – Year 6 School buildings open and Duty of Care commences:	8:30am
Lessons commence	9:00am
Recess	10:30am – 10:50am
Lunch	12:35pm – 1:20pm
Classes dismissed	2:45pm

**The office is open daily from 8.15am until 4pm.**

**Messages for students** - Please phone the office by 2.15pm.

**Validation Forms** – IMPORTANT have you returned your child/ren Validation forms? Please update any details that have changed, sign and return to the school office.

**Levies** - Invoices have been issued. Statements will be received every month until payment is complete. There are a number of options for paying, please refer to your invoice.

STAS forms are available from the office if you are eligible for government assistance. If you are having difficulty with payment, please do not hesitate to come and see Kirby at the office.

## ATTENDANCE

If your Child is absent, please notify the school office via the below options.

- Schoolzine – clicking on the absentee form
- Phone – 6244 1897
- Email – [montagu.bay.primary@education.tas.gov.au](mailto:montagu.bay.primary@education.tas.gov.au)
- Note - send a note to the office

## WHAT'S GOING ON?

There are many ways to find out what is going on in the school.

**Add the App to your phone** so that all information is at your fingertips.

- **Schoolzine Calendar:** You can access letters from home and forms from the calendar. Click on calendar, click on event then view event then view flyer. (This will have further information about the event)
- **Montagu Bay Primary Website Calendar** - <https://montagubayprimary.education.tas.edu.au>
- Outside Noticeboards in Early Childhood and Upper Primary
- **Calendar of Events** outside the office.
- Paper copies of **Newsletters** outside the Office

## Week 5 and 6 Strength Focus



Perseverance is the ability and self-control that pushes you to work through challenges. Having perseverance means that when you are facing a challenge, you use your mind and your body to overcome it. Perseverance means you are able to wait and work through difficulties, whether they have to do with your mind, your body, or your emotions.

It's important to point out that the definition of perseverance is **not** "don't give up no matter what" or "never quit". Sometimes you'll do your best but it will still be time to move on to a different goal. However, perseverance is the ability to do your best toward a goal, even though it's a big challenge.

The strength of perseverance links with one of our 3Rs – resilience. Students will be involved in learning about how to handle challenges and the power of "YET". Students will learn that nothing is impossible... it just might not be easy YET. The strength of perseverance also allows us to practice our growth mindset.

## Free Dress day



SRC are having a "Dress as your Future Career" (or free dress day) Wednesday 8th April for K-6. Gold coin donation to The Smith Family Foundation

## Parents and Carers of students in Year 4 - 6

### Student Wellbeing Survey

The wellbeing of our students is important to us.

To get an understanding of how students across Tasmania feel about their own wellbeing, students in Years 4-6 at Montagu Bay Primary will be taking part in a wellbeing survey.

The Student Wellbeing Survey is part of the [\*Department of Education's Child and Student Wellbeing Strategy\*](#).

The details for the survey are:

<b>When:</b>	Monday 23rd – Friday 27th March
<b>Who:</b>	Grade 4 – 6 students
<b>What do I need to do:</b>	You and your child don't need to do anything, The survey will be done in class time and will not require your child to prepare in any way.

A letter with more information has been sent home with all Year 4-6 students, including Frequently Asked Questions and a form to sign and return to the school if you do not want your child to participate in the survey.

If you would like further information, please contact the School Office on 62441897.

Thank you for supporting us to ensure that all our learners are safe, feel supported and are able to flourish, so they can engage in learning.

## Introducing our SRC for 2020



**Back row:** Leo (President), Josh (Vice-President)  
**3rd row:** Fergus (Secretary), Abby (Treasurer), Jamie

(President), Millie (Vice-President)  
**2nd row:** Grace, Isaac, Luke, Kate, Rose  
**Front row:** Grace, Franklin, Meg, Oscar, Harriet

## Before/After School Hours Duty of Care

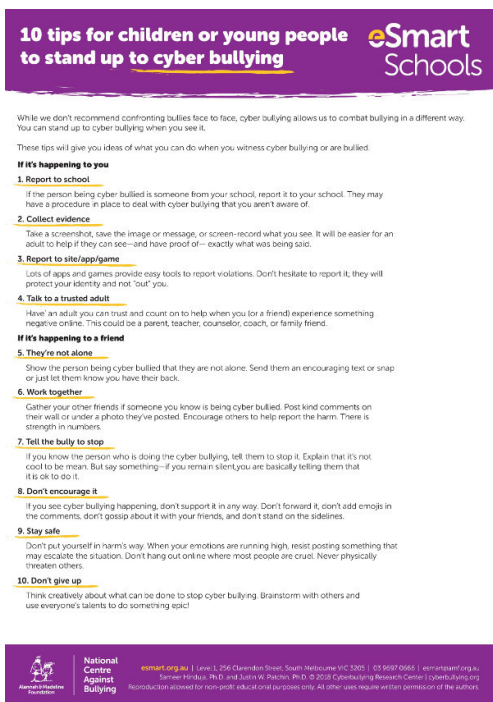
Clarence City Council after School Hours Care operates from the hall each school day from 7.30am – 8.30am and 2.45pm - 6.00pm. To obtain an admission form and parent pack, you may call into the Clarence Council chambers or phone the OSHC office on 6217 9610

Montagu Bay Primary school hours are from 8:30am through to 2:45pm.

## e-Smart School

March 20 is National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence.

We have attach a tip sheet with some suggestion on how we can stand up to stop cyberbullying.



**10 tips for children or young people to stand up to cyber bullying** eSmart Schools

While we don't recommend confronting bullies face to face, cyber bullying allows us to combat bullying in a different way. You can stand up to cyber bullying when you see it.

These tips will give you ideas of what you can do when you witness cyber bullying or are bullied.

**If it's happening to you**

- 1. Report to school**  
If the person being cyber bullied is someone from your school, report it to your school. They may have a procedure in place to deal with cyber bullying that you aren't aware of.
- 2. Collect evidence**  
Take a screenshot, save the image or message, or screen-record what you see. It will be easier for an adult to help if they can see—and have proof of— exactly what was being said.
- 3. Report to site/app/game**  
Lots of apps and games provide easy tools to report violations. Don't hesitate to report it; they will protect your identity and not "out" you.
- 4. Talk to a trusted adult**  
Have an adult you can trust and count on to help when you (or a friend) experience something negative online. This could be a parent, teacher, counsellor, coach, or family friend.

**If it's happening to a friend**

- 5. They're not alone**  
Show the person being cyber bullied that they are not alone. Send them an encouraging text or snap or just tell them how you have their back.
- 6. Work together**  
Gather your other friends if someone you know is being cyber bullied. Post kind comments on their wall or under a photo they've posted. Encourage others to help report the harm. There is strength in numbers.
- 7. Tell the bully to stop**  
If you know the person who is doing the cyber bullying, tell them to stop it. Explain that it's not cool to be mean. But say something—if you remain silent you are basically telling them that it is ok to do it.
- 8. Don't encourage it**  
If you see cyber bullying happening, don't support it in any way. Don't forward it, don't add emojis in the comments, don't gossip about it with your friends, and don't stand on the sidelines.
- 9. Stay safe**  
Don't put yourself in harm's way. When your emotions are running high, resist posting something that may escalate the situation. Don't hang out online where most people are cruel. Never physically threaten others.
- 10. Don't give up**  
Think creatively about what can be done to stop cyber bullying. Brainstorm with others and use everyone's talents to do something epic!

National Centre Against Bullying | [eSmart.org.au](http://eSmart.org.au) | Level 1, 256 Clarendon Street, South Melbourne VIC 3205 | 03 9597 0966 | [enquiries@eSmart.org.au](mailto:enquiries@eSmart.org.au)  
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3.30pm. A \$10.00 cash deposit required for top collection which will be returned at the end of the season.

Any further questions please contact Chris Thomas 0419 313 472 and Sheridan Wilson 0437 995 799

Attached below is the link to Play Football website to register your children.

Remember if you are using a Ticket to play voucher, you need to go to the Ticket to Play website, apply for a voucher and when registering your child, enter the ticket to play voucher code into the system.

<https://www.communities.tas.gov.au/ticket-to-play>

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## Soccer News

Montagu Bay Soccer Junior Soccer Club registration closes Tuesday 10th March. Soccer is available to all children Kinder through to grade 6.

Follow the facebook page for further updates.

<https://www.facebook.com/Montagu-Bay-Junior-Soccer-Club-246950678659583/>

Registration cost will be \$100 for first child and \$90 for subsequent siblings.

Season runs from Saturday 02nd May until 29th August. Not during school holidays.

Soccer information session and tops hand out Monday 2nd March in the junior school near canteen from 2.45pm until