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Give the Lord glory and honor. Psalm 96  

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Early last week I was able to attend the Biennial Conference of the Association of Heads in Independent Schools in Australia (AHISA). It was one of the best that I have attended in recent years. At this week’s teacher meeting, I was able to share some of the learnings. Two speakers, in particular had impacts on me for different reasons. One, Alan November (see www.novemberlearning.com) gave a keynote and two workshops related to technology and education. I encourage students and parents to explore the following websites: www.khanacademy.org and www.learning4mastery.com. He also introduced us to the concept of knowledge engines such as Wolfram Alpha (see www.wolframalpha.com) as distinct from search engines such as Google, Bing, Safari and Firefox.

The other was Roko Belic, the producer and director of a documentary titled: Happy. Perhaps a visit to www.thehappymovie.com will give you a taste of what inspired me from this young man’s movie. I pray that each of you have happy contented and peaceful lives, and I will continue to nurture our school to be a happy environment.

Congratulations to Andrea Hendrey who was selected as part of the five member Tasmanian Equestrian Senior Mounted Games Team and travelled to Werribee in Victoria late last month to compete in the National Prince Philip Mounted Games competition.

Congratulations also to Elloize Galpin who was in Sydney on Friday of last week competing in the first round of the National Junior Track Series (cycling). She will also compete in the 2nd round of the series in Melbourne later this month.

Our best wishes to the SATIS Athletes who travel to Hobart to compete against other schools in the non-Government sector. It has been very difficult for the staff to fill a team, and it is disheartening for them when members of the team withdraw. I implore parents to encourage their sons and daughters to take up the opportunities that are available. These events do so much to build positive relationships with peers and staff that contribute to good learning, and also help build school spirit.

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School Based Immunisations – Grade 7 students
As a part of Devonport City Council’s school based immunisation program, Council will be attending SBSC on Monday the 17th of October to administer the 3rd and final Cervical Cancer (HPV) vaccination to grade 7 girls, and the 2nd and final Hepatitis B vaccination to grade 7 students.

Please note, only students who have successfully completed previous vaccinations earlier in the year will receive these shots. Furthermore, if you have received a letter from Council stating your child has missed an immunisation and have not notified Council of a catch up being completed, it is then your responsibility as the parent to ensure full vaccination in completed at your GP.

If you have any questions at all regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to call Council directly on 6424 0576 or 0448 340 300.

Mr Gavin Hicks  
Acting Deputy Principal  
Pastoral Care
HPE Week:
“HPE week is a celebration of health and wellbeing; being active, learning about how to look after ourselves and encouraging schools and their communities to think about ideas and ways of working to incorporate health and wellbeing into their school in a sustainable way (ACHPER Tas). From the 24th to the 28th October we will be celebrating HPE week at the College. Various activities are in the pipeline and the week should be a good opportunity to help celebrate health and well-being.

Cricket:
This season the College will be entering one team in the High Schools Cricket roster. Students participating will be required to wear cricket whites to the games, with the equipment being supplied by the Devonport Cricket Club. Those students who received letters and registration forms please complete and return them as soon as possible.

SATIS Athletics:
Tomorrow the SATIS athletics team heads to Hobart to compete in the 2011 SATIS athletics carnival. The team will leave at lunch time and participate in some light hearted activities as they make their way to Dysart where they will stay overnight at Woodfield Lodge. Saturday the group will rise early and head to the Domain Athletics track for the competition. I would like to congratulate the many students who have selfishly given up their time to compete and represent the College. It is disappointing and frustrating that some students have made themselves unavailable for the competition, leaving some age groups severely depleted. Good luck to those committed athletes and we wish you all the best for an enjoyable and successful day.

Beach / Aquatics Activities:
All students will be receiving a letter regarding information on consent to participate in beach / aquatic activities and your swimming ability. This is a follow up from the one sent out in first term. Please read the letter thoroughly and take the appropriate action.

Basketball:
Preparations are well underway for the High School Basketball Championships. The College will be entering six teams into the weekend long tournament which will take place in Devonport on the Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd October 2011.

Soccer:
Congratulations must go to the members of the North West U/16 Girls Soccer Team for their recent success. The girls played in Hobart and were runner up on 3rd & 4th Sept, backing in the Launceston Cup on the 17th & 18th Sept where they were the ‘Winners of the Tournament’. St. Brendan- Shaw College was well represented in this Team by having 6 committed girls, these being Kayla Freshney, Jasmine Squibb, Laura Briant, Shannon Ager, Eliza Lomax and Captain Georgia Foote. Georgia also took out the "Best & Fairest" for all under 16 Girls. The team was coached and managed by Stewart and Angela Lomax.

Mr Steve Ryan
Head of Health & Physical Education Faculty

JOIN THE BAND
Tuition Available for brass instruments or percussion
Instruments supplied
Beginners from 8—80 years (No experience required)
Phone Cheryl on 6424 4905— City of Devonport Brass Band
Or simply turn up at the band room any Thursday at 6:30 pm
Corner of Gunn and Nicholls Street
Experienced players also welcome
Rehearsals Mondays 7pm—9pm
Dylan Cooney has recently returned from Canberra and Britain after representing Australia in the Youth Commonwealth Games held on the small island off the coast of Britain and famous for the annual Isle of Man Tourist Trophy or TT motor cycle race. This year the IV Youth Commonwealth Games was held at Douglas, the island’s capital.

The Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra was Dylan’s first stop where he spent ten days working with an elite team of boxers along with six other boxers who also represented Australia. A team of over eighty athletes flew from Sydney to Singapore and then on to London. A tour of London’s highlights including driving past Buckingham Palace was a must for the travellers. From London there was a four hour bus ride across England’s countryside and on to Liverpool where the Australian representatives had a further two hour ferry ride across North Irish Sea before arriving in Douglas at their hotel for the next ten days.

Dylan was unlucky in the draw for the order of fights as he had to face the champion European boxer in his first round. Dylan lost to the English boxer who went on to win the gold medal. However, Dylan can be very proud of his efforts as he gained the second highest score after the gold medallist. When asked about the highlight of the trip, Dylan had no hesitation in regarding his fight with a champion as the best and most memorable moment.

Well done and congratulations Dylan!

Some students from Mrs Hicks’ Year 10 Science Extended class went on a ‘Night stalk’ adventure at the Don Reserve on Wednesday the 5th of October. This is an annual nocturnal marsupial survey coordinated nationally from the Perth Zoo. We spotted many varieties of wild life including pademelons, wallabies, brush tail possums and even two Eastern Barred Bandicoots, which are virtually extinct in the wild on the mainland due to predation by feral cats and foxes. Our College has contributed to the program every year since 1998, and is a great experience for students to get out and about and explore Tasmania’s night time wild life. Thanks to Mrs Hicks & Mrs Taylor for accompanying us.

Emily Tabart & Megan Hicks
Science Extended class

Uniform Shop
Tuesdays/Wednesdays 10.00 am — 4.00 pm

Year 12 (2012) Leavers Rugby Tops $94.00 money, nickname and size need to in by Thursday 27th October.
Footy Tops (Darwin Trip) $45.00 these need to be paid for by Wednesday 2nd November.

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**UTAS News for Parents**

Cradle Coast Campus  
October 2011

Heading towards the end of the year, it is decision time for many parents and students. Should students continue on to senior secondary and if so, which subjects will set them up the best for the future? Is university a good option for students finishing Year 12 or should they be looking for work or an apprenticeship? How much does it cost to go to university? Are there any scholarships available for North West students? Hopefully, we will address some of these questions in this edition of UTAS News for Parents.

**HERE, I have my friends, family and future**

Anthony Bailey from Sisters Creek finished Year 12 at Marist College last year. He is now studying for a business degree at UTAS Cradle Coast Campus.

For Anthony, it made sense to study locally.

“Studying here means that I can still live at home, see my friends and keep playing footy for the local team,” Anthony said.

“I might move somewhere else to live and work in the future, but it has been great to get my career started at home.”

**Study boost can make all the difference**

The UTAS Scholarship Program provides financial and academic support for students wanting to study at UTAS.

It offers more than 900 awards with the program valued at almost $7 million. While the program recognises academic achievement, it also offers a broad range of scholarships and bursaries based on other factors including musical ability, students moving away from home, sporting talent and more.

There is even a program dedicated to students from the North West coast. For more information contact the Cradle Coast Student Centre on 6430 4949 or visit www.studentcentre.utas.edu.au/scholarships.

**HERE, I am on my way to a career in engineering**

Alec Walsh is Design and Projects Co-Ordinator for Burnie City Council, and is currently studying for an Associate Degree in Engineering through the UTAS Cradle Coast Campus.

“I came straight out of college and enrolled in the Mechanical and Civil Engineering courses at the Polytechnic in Burnie. This gave me a start in the work force and a stepping stone to achieving a full degree through UTAS. It’s brilliant that I can get started on my engineering qualification studying locally and without leaving my current employment.”

**TRADE >DIPLOMA>DEGREE @ UTAS Cradle Coast Campus**

Want to know more about an Engineering career??

Then a pathway to engineering through a diploma might be for you. You can make a start in Years 11 and 12. The Cradle Coast Campus is hosting an Information Session for students and their parents on:

**When:** Thursday, 20 October, 5.30pm
**Where:** UTAS Cradle Coast Campus, 16-20 Mooreville Road, Burnie
**Details/RSVPs:** Dayna Broun 6430 4949 or email Dayna.Broun@utas.edu.au

**Decisions, decisions, decisions................**

- If, like the majority of Grade 10 students, you are feeling slightly panicked about subject selection—don’t worry. You’re not alone. The main thing is to pick a broad range of subjects and keep your options open. It is recommended that you do a Maths or English subject in either Year 11 or 12.
- Pathway Planning Officers in your local high school are available to help you with subject selections for Year 11 and 12. Take advantage of their expertise.
- If you have a work focus, there are plenty of Certificate or VET courses on offer. The courses can lead you directly to work, or you could pursue further education.

Information provided by Sonia Hodgetts, Pathway Planning Officer