



Courage—Accepting challenges and embracing opportunities
Growth—Aspiring to learn, and improving even when it is tough
Respect—Caring for ourselves, each other and our environment
Responsibility—Stepping up and doing what is right
Connection—Building positive relationships and a sense of belonging

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 12 - Monday 24 March

NAPLAN (Year 3 & 5 students)

Thursday 13 March

Bead Bonanza (Golden Ticket reward)

Saturday 15 March

Bream Creek Show

Monday 17 - Sunday 23 March

Harmony Week - 'everyone belongs'

Friday 21 March

Harmony Day

Monday 24 March

Bush Walk (Golden Ticket reward)

Wednesday 26 March

Surfing Sessions - Gr 5/6 + Golden Ticket reward

Thursday 27 March

SPSSA Division E Athletics Carnival

Monday 31 March

School Association AGM + General Meeting 1:00pm

Monday 31 March - Friday 4 April

National eSmart Week

Tuesday 1 April

LiL excursion to Zoodoo

Friday 4 April

Whole school *Hot Lunch Day*

TERM DATES—2025

Term 1

Thursday 6 February - Friday 11 April

Easter: Friday 18 April - Tuesday 22 April

Term 2

Monday 28 April - Friday 4 July

Term 3

Monday 21 July—Friday 26 September

Term 4

Monday 13 October - Thursday 18 December

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING & MODERATION DAYS —2024

Monday 3 - Wednesday 5 February

Friday 6 June

Friday 24 October

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Dear Families,

As of today, we have 133 students enrolled in our school. This number is significant for several reasons:

Viability and Resources

Our current enrolment of 133 students puts us in a strong position for resource allocation and funding. This number allows us to:

1. maintain appropriate class sizes
2. offer a diverse range of subjects and activities
3. provide adequate support services for our students.

Student Experience

With 133 students, we have achieved a balance that benefits our school community through:

Social Interaction, Individualised Attention and Extracurricular Activities.

- **Social Interaction:** There are enough students to foster diverse friendships and social skills development.
- **Individualised Attention:** Our teachers can still provide personalised attention to each student.
- **Extracurricular Activities:** We can offer a variety of clubs, sports teams, specialist classes and other activities that enrich our students' educational experience.



Future Growth

Today I'd like to discuss an exciting opportunity for our school's future: expanding our catchment area and increasing our Kindergarten intake.

It has now been confirmed that from 2026 our catchment boundary will move to incorporate the community of Primrose Sands.

This strategic move will not only sustain our long-term growth but also bring numerous benefits to our school community.

Ensuring Long-Term Sustainability

Increasing our Kindergarten intake is a strategic move to secure our school's future. We are aiming to have between 15 and 20 Kinder students each year.

By welcoming more young learners each year, we are:

- building a strong foundation for consistent enrolment
- creating a pipeline of students through all grade levels
- ensuring the long-term viability of our programs and resources.

Community Engagement and Growth

Expanding our reach will strengthen our ties with the broader community. This growth will lead to:

- increased community involvement in school activities
- a more diverse range of perspectives and experiences in our classrooms
- enhanced opportunities for cultural exchange and understanding.

Financial Stability and Resource Allocation

A larger student body translates to increased funding and resources. This financial stability will allow us to:

- invest in new educational technology
- expand our extracurricular offerings
- provide more support services for our students.

Preparing for the Future

By taking this proactive approach, we're not just planning for today - we're building for tomorrow. Our expanded catchment and increased Kindergarten intake will position us to:

- adapt to changing demographics in our area

- meet the evolving educational needs of our community
- maintain our reputation as a leading educational institution.

Reading

This year we will continue to focus on one of the most essential skills for lifelong learning - **Reading**. Reading not only expands our knowledge and imagination but also fosters empathy, creativity and critical thinking.

We will be implementing engaging reading programs and activities to ensure that every student develops a love for reading and becomes a confident reader.

Positive Behaviour Support System

Another important aspect of our school culture is our **Positive Behaviour Support System**. This system encourages positive behaviours by recognising and rewarding students for upholding our five values - **Connection, Courage, Growth, Respect** and **Responsibility**.

We believe in the power of intrinsic rewards, which motivate students to do their best not just for external recognition, but because they genuinely feel proud of their achievements. This approach helps build resilience, self-esteem, and a strong sense of community.

Throughout the year we will also be celebrating our students' achievements and milestones, whether they are academic, artistic or personal. We are committed to providing a supportive and inclusive environment where every child feels valued and encouraged to reach their full potential.

A great way to recognise some of these achievements is through our Values Certificates that are presented by all our staff every Wednesday at our 'Meet and Greets' and through Principal's Awards and Leadership roles.

I would like to thank our dedicated staff for their hard work and commitment to making our school such a wonderful place to learn and grow. To our parents - your support is invaluable; we look forward to working together to make this year a memorable one for all our students.

2025 Leadership Roles

Leadership is not just about titles or positions; it is about the qualities that make each of us unique and capable of inspiring others. It is about empathy, resilience, and the courage to

take on new challenges. Our Grade 6 students have been given numerous opportunities to grow as leaders.

These opportunities are not merely extracurricular activities; they are formative experiences that shape our students into confident, compassionate and responsible individuals. By participating in leadership roles, our students learn to communicate effectively, organise events, and make decisions that impact their peers and the broader community.

At our school, we believe that every student has the potential to be a leader. Whether it's leading a team, organising a charity event, or simply being a positive influence in the classroom, each student has the opportunity to contribute to our school culture in their own way.

School Captains

Our School Captains were chosen based on a panel interview that enabled each of our year 6's the opportunity to speak about which of our values they best demonstrate. Students were given two minutes to speak about three of our school values that they best align to their leadership strengths.

Students that chose to be a part of this process displayed great courage to be faced with a 3-person panel to advocate for themselves. This year we had a record number of nine students applying for the two positions, which is absolutely amazing to see.

Based on these interviews, students were selected from their ability to speak confidently, making eye contact with the panel, as well as connecting to the values chosen in unique ways, and projecting themselves as leaders into the wider school context. The panel also considered the student's words being backed by actions in their day-to-day life here at Dunalley Primary School.

We are very proud to announce our 2025 School Captains for Dunalley Primary School: **Jesse Houston and Olive Harris.**

Sports Leader

This student has demonstrated exceptional leadership skills, sportsmanship and dedication to promoting physical activity and teamwork throughout our school. As Sport Leader, they have not only developed their own skills but have also inspired their peers to engage in sports and physical activities. This student was selected from a panel of our Grade 5/6 Teacher, Georgee Daly and PE Teacher, Georgie Cottier. Well done, **Owen Galton-Fenzi.**

House Captains

Chosen through student voice, these students have taken on a significant role in our school community, serving as role models and leaders among their peers. They embody the values that make our school special, such as teamwork, kindness and responsibility. House Captains spoke in front of their peers in their house meeting to be selected by a vote. They are in charge of helping at all sporting events throughout the year.

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House Captains: **Jesse Houston
Florence Taylor**
Vice Captains: **Caleb Daly
Isabella Bain**

Denison

House Captains: **Amity Riley
Jorja Harvey**
Vice Captains: **Pim Bate
Olive Harris**

Flag Monitors

These students play a crucial role in our daily routines, ensuring that our national flags are raised and lowered with respect and care.

Being a flag monitor is not just about performing a task; it's about representing our school and our country with pride. It's about understanding the significance of the flags we fly and the values they represent.

Well done: **Ava Pierce and Hunter Powe**

ICT Leaders

As you know, technology is a big part of our classrooms. We use computers and tablets to learn and explore, and it's important that we use them in a safe and responsible way. The ICT leaders assist with keeping the computers plugged in and ready to go each day as well as assisting with any Golden Ticket rewards that involve ICT. Well done, **Roman Jackson and Jaxson Harvey.**

Environment Leaders

Environment Leaders are setting an example for younger students, demonstrating that every small action counts, and that collective efforts can lead to significant positive change. They are helping us build a culture of sustainability and responsibility that will benefit our school and beyond. They are in charge of monitoring the recycling in each area of the school and ensuring that these are emptied every week ready for the recycling collection.

Well done: **Louisa Bujora and Amali Seabourne.**

Warm regards,


SEAN RYAN
Principal

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL Friday 7 March 2025

Last Friday was the perfect day for our School Athletics Carnival. Students came dressed in their **Blues** & **Yellows** ready to run, jump and throw. It was wonderful to see so many students competing for their house, cheering each other on and chanting their house songs. The competition was tight all day and there was only 4 points separating the 2 houses at the end.

The final points were:

Denison 651

Forestier 647

It was fantastic to see so many spectators in attendance. A highlight was the record number of parents competing in the Egg & Spoon race and 50 metre dash.

A huge thank you to Mr Coleman for his tireless work to allow the day to run so smoothly and for cooking the barbeque. Thanks also to Rachael Naumann and Fel Daniel for their delicious salads and to all the parents who helped with judging, cooking and serving. It was wonderful to have so many people helping.

An Inter School Team will be selected to compete at the Division E carnival on Thursday 27 March. A letter will be sent home this week.

Well done to all our students.

GEORGIE COTTIER
HPE Teacher

OUR NEXT ASSEMBLY WILL BE HELD ON

WEDNESDAY 9 APRIL

at 1:40pm

Grade 4/5 hosting

ALL WELCOME!

DUNALLEY TENNIS CLUB

Thank you to parents/carers for allowing their child to participate in the junior program provided by the Dunalley Tennis Club. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Session times are:

Tuesdays 3:10pm - 4:10pm
Grades 3 - 6
Prep - Grade 2

Fridays 3:10pm - 4:10pm
Match play for Grades 3 - 6

To help maintain the courts and to provide data for future grant applications the Club would really appreciate your child becoming a financial member for \$10.

Alternatively you could provide a donation - payment to:

Dunalley Tennis Club
BSB: 633-000
Acc: 210635579

Enquiries:
Roger Garth ☎ 0400 831 503



THE NEST SORELL

*'A strong, safe community learning
and thriving together'*

The Nest is a place for families with young people from pregnancy to 5 years to come together to grow, play and learn. The Nest is open Monday—Friday and is free.

Ph: 6100 9000

thenestcflc@decyp.tas.gov.au



Australian Government

HARMONY WEEK



Monday 17 - Sunday 23 March 2025

Harmony Week is a time to celebrate Australian multiculturalism, and the successful integration of migrants into our community. Australia is one of the leading countries in the world supporting multiculturalism and we should celebrate this and work to maintain it.

The message of **Harmony Week** is **everyone belongs** and at Dunalley Primary School we want that message to be loud and clear.

It is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background.

During **Harmony Week**, staff will run activities for students focusing on Harmony.

On Friday 21 March, students can dress in either cultural attire from countries near and far or in the colour orange in support of *Harmony Day*.

Note: this is about raising awareness, not a fundraiser, so students DO NOT need to bring a gold coin donation.

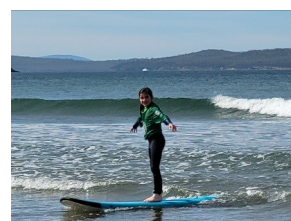
Surf's Up for 2/3

Wednesday 26 February 2025



The weather was great and the waves perfect. What a morning was had by the whole class at Park Beach. We are thankful to the coaches for helping us learn some new skills and assisting us to practice the skills we have been developing on the board. Everyone was thoroughly exhausted after our surfing session, and returned to school to continue the day in a more relaxed format to usual.

We are all looking forward to our future surfing sessions and continuing to develop our board skills.



SCHOOL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL ELECTIONS Parent Committee Members

The Dunalley Primary School Association Annual Elections will be held in coming weeks, prior to the Annual General Meeting on Monday 31 March 2025. Elections will be held for a minimum of 4 Parent Members of the Committee.

The School Association works actively to develop and promote the school within the wider community. The School Association also assists with and advises on policy development and decision making in a range of areas. The School Association is actively seeking new parent members who wish to:

- have a greater voice as a parent;
- be more involved in activities and projects within the school;
- be involved in fundraising activities and decisions about where money raised is spent;
- develop a greater sense of collegiality with a hardworking, committed group of parents; and
- work to further develop the profile of Dunalley Primary School.

If you would like to nominate for a position on the committee, or have someone to nominate, please complete the Nomination form included in our last newsletter. Alternatively please contact our office staff, who can email you another form.

Completed Nomination Forms are to be returned to the school office by **Monday 24 March 2025**.

We look forward to your continued support of our school.

NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION

Our default method of fortnightly newsletter distribution is by email, however if you prefer a paper copy sent home with your eldest child, please phone the school or email:

dunalley.primary@decyp.tas.gov.au

with your request.

Tasman Transport Talks

for the whole community to
share more ideas & solutions

SATURDAY 22 MARCH 2025

Held in two locations:

Nubeena CWA Hall 10.30-11.30am Presentation and discussion and/or 11.30am-12.30pm Drop-in to share ideas	Eaglehawk Neck Hall 2.00-3.00pm Presentation and discussion and/or 3.00-4.00pm Drop-in to share ideas
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Contact Debra at debra@healthconsumerstas.org.au
or 0447 428 722 for more information

TASMAN VOICES FOR HEALTH **Health Consumers Tasmania** **TASMAN COUNCIL**

STUDENT INFORMATION VALIDATION FORMS

To ensure that we have accurate up-to-date details on your child/ren (including annual photo permissions), please return these forms to school as soon as possible.

Thank you to the majority of parents/carer's who have already returned the forms.

DOGS ON SCHOOL PREMISES

A reminder to all parents and visitors to the school that dogs are not permitted on the school premises at any time, with the exception of assistance dogs and those being used for educational purposes.





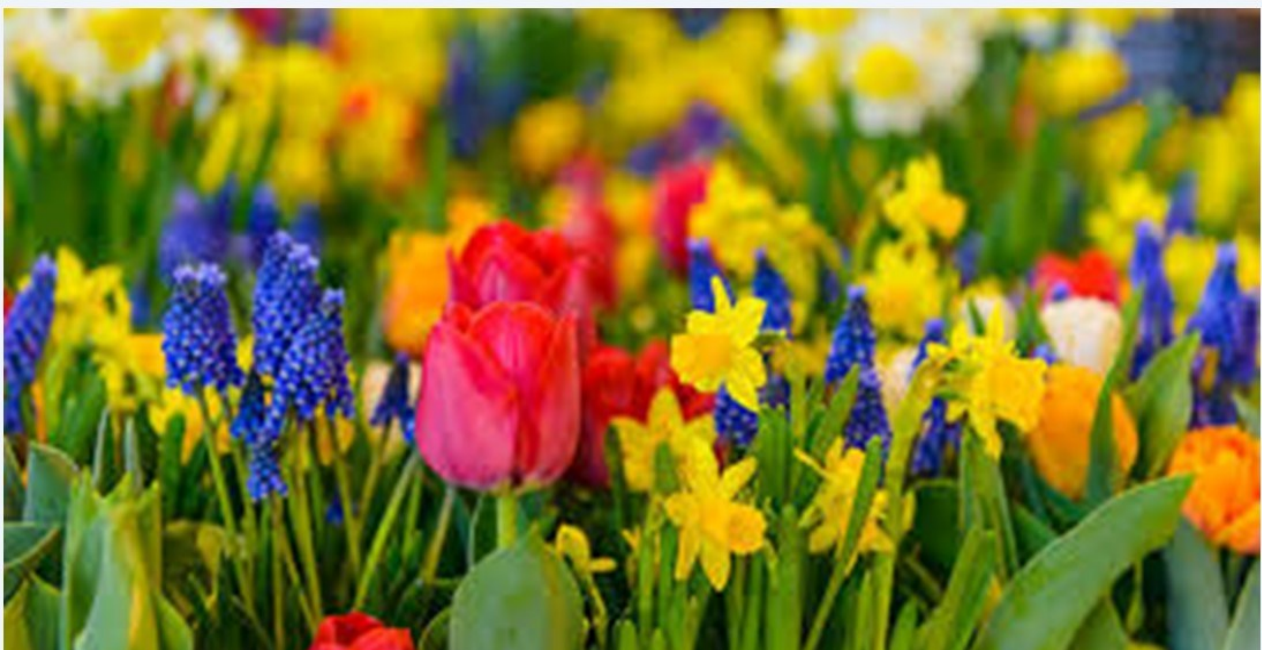
Tesselar Bulb Fundraiser

Time to think ahead to Spring colour and cut flowers!

Our bulb fundraiser is happening again with orders due by
Friday 11 April.

Pick your favourites from the online catalogue with our special
link: www.bulbfundraiser.com.au/DUNALLEYPS

Or keep an eye out for the catalogue



SAFEGUARDING TRAINING IN OUR SCHOOLS

We all have a role to play in keeping children and young people safe.

This year, there is important training that anyone who works with children or young people must complete. This includes all our volunteers and service providers.

The training is compulsory under new laws designed to better safeguard children and young people in Tasmania.

It will help you understand what to do if you believe a child or young person is or may be being harmed, and to make sure you are doing all you can to prevent this from happening. The training will also tell you what you must report under the new laws.

This simple, online training must be done as soon as possible, and you will need to complete it before you work with any children and young people this year.

Once completed, you will receive a certificate. Please ensure that we receive a copy of the certificate as confirmation that you have fulfilled the training requirement.

To complete your training, simply visit [Safeguarding Training](#).

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club is available to students **Monday to Friday** every week

Our expectations of students attending Breakfast Club:

- Arrive no later than 8:40am.
- Collect toast/milo from the kitchen deck serving area, then find a space in the garden/at the table to sit and eat.
- One milo only is permitted.
- Plates and/or cups must be returned to the kitchen deck, and students are asked to help clean up when possible.

BEST MANNERS ARE EXPECTED!



to our Breakfast Club volunteers, and also to Darrell at Dunalley Bakery and Pat & Elaine at Shell Dunalley for their ongoing support of our Breakfast Club program.



Dunalley Primary School Association would like to thank Matt and Vanessa Dunbabin from Bangor Vineyard Shed. We are honoured to be given the opportunity to raise funds at The Bangor *Music in the Vines* event on Saturday 29 March 2025 from 3:00pm to 10:00pm. While there are lots of upsides to growing up in the country, many of the activities and experiences others take for granted in the city are only possible for regional schools like ours through fundraising efforts. *Music in the Vines* is a great event for the whole family to enjoy, so come and join with your friends to have a great family day out.

To book your tickets please head to: <https://bangorshed.com.au/pages/music-in-the-vines-festival>

Use the code DUNALLEY to receive a discount on tickets. Discount is available for all Dunalley Primary School families. Be sure to keep an eye out for our student volunteers who will have buckets to collect any donation big or small for our school.

TSO Workshop



Dunalley Primary School

To Our Wonderful Community!

Dunalley Primary is looking for unused storage items for our garden shed! 🏠🌟 If you have any spare shelving, storage bins, hooks, or other useful items, we'd love to give them a new home. 🌻🔧

If you can help, please contact the school. 📞📧 Your generosity will make a huge difference! ❤️

Thank you for supporting our little gardeners! 🌸🌻



Dunalley OP SHOP



Lots of bargains!
You never know
what you will find



open Mon-Fri 10-2pm
(volunteer run)

172 Arthur Highway
Dunalley



Dunalley Athletics Carnival 2025



Uniting



Dunalley OSHC's First Pancake Day a Sweet Success!

Our first ever Pancake Day at Dunalley OSHC was a 'flipping' success! The children had a fantastic time and enjoyed delicious pancakes while raising funds for a great cause. Thanks to the generosity and enthusiasm of our Dunalley School community, we raised **\$115** to go towards new equipment, which will help enhance the experiences and activities we offer. A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Pancake Day fundraiser.



Our OSHC children have been making the most of the outdoors. Laughter and adventure fill the air as they climb trees, challenge each other in the Gaga Pit, and explore nature together. It's been especially heart-warming to see our Kinder students settling in, making new friends, and creating wonderful memories.

Creative Indoor Play at OSHC

Indoor play at Dunalley OSHC has been full of creativity and teamwork, with children eagerly building amazing structures using our building blocks. From towering castles to intricate cities, their imaginations know no bounds! This hands-on play helps develop problem-solving skills, patience and cooperation as they work together to bring their ideas to life. It's wonderful to see their confidence grow as they experiment, construct and celebrate their creations. We look forward to more fun-filled events and outdoor adventures ahead.



HANNAH BRAUMANDLE
Lead Educator



Bream Creek's Got Talent

NON COMPETITIVE
TALENT SHOW FOR
6 - 16 YEAR OLDS

At The
BREAM CREEK SHOW

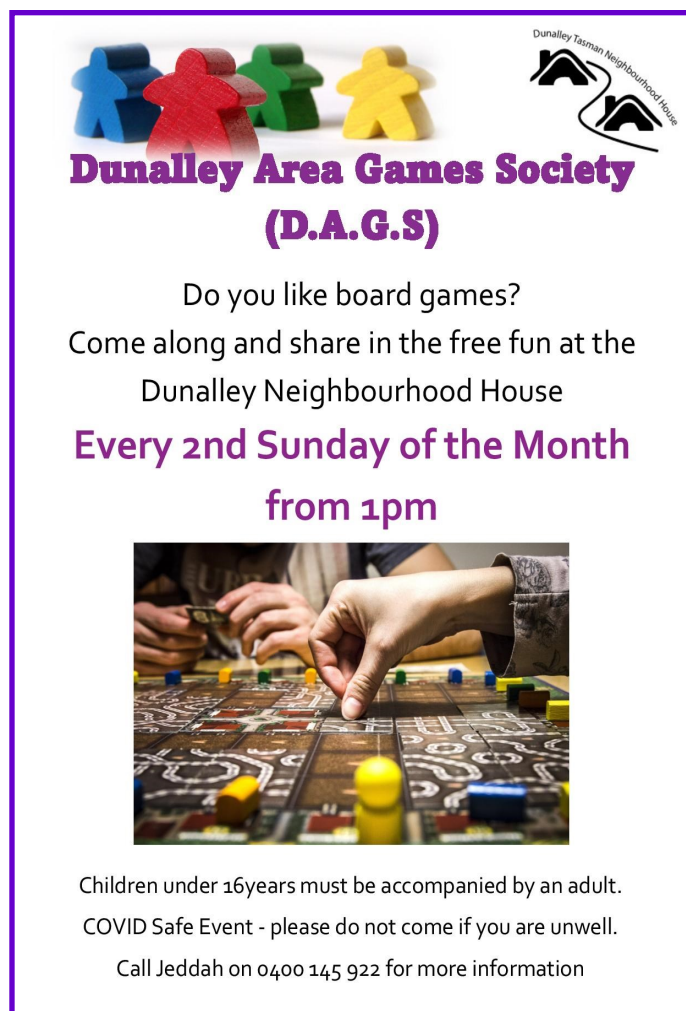
15 March 2025

We're giving kids of the greater Bream Creek region their chance to take to the stage, and perform at The Bream Creek Show.

May it be singing, dancing, playing an instrument, performing a magic routine or even something that's a bit unique. Participants will have 5 minutes to perform whatever they like to a live audience.

Registrations are now open at our website and close on the updated date of the 8th of March. All participants will receive a special prize for taking part. Please note, entries will not be accepted on show day.

WWW.BREAMCREEKSHOW.COM.AU




Dunalley Area Games Society (D.A.G.S)

Do you like board games?

Come along and share in the free fun at the
Dunalley Neighbourhood House

**Every 2nd Sunday of the Month
from 1pm**



Children under 16years must be accompanied by an adult.
COVID Safe Event - please do not come if you are unwell.
Call Jeddah on 0400 145 922 for more information



FIRST AID & CPR TRAINING

Join us for an essential First Aid & CPR Training session

THURSDAY APRIL 17

DUNALLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE 9.30AM

COST: Provide CPR \$59ea
Provide First Aid \$109
Provide First Aid in an Education & Care Setting \$139

- Certified Instructors with hands-on experience
- CPR & First Aid Essentials for all ages
- Real-life simulations and practice sessions

BOOK NOW

CALL: 6253 9000 TO BOOK A SPOT




Book an appointment on 62539000

IT HELP

Fiona from the Library will be at the Dunalley Neighbourhood House on Tuesday the 25th of March from 10.00am to 12 noon



GOOD CLEAN FUN



PLAY.AFL/AUSKICK

Dunalley

Dunalley Primary School

Thursdays starting 1st may
3:30pm - 4:30pm



Register here and
select Dunalley





👯 CHILDREN'S DANCING IN DUNALLEY!! 👯

Rhythmic Dance Centre

will be starting dance classes in the Dunalley Community Hall

- 👯 Children aged 2-12 years
- 👯 During school terms
- 👯 Jazz/ballet/hip hop combo class
- 👯 Classes every Friday @ \$15 per week
- 👯 ***Ticket to Play*** registered concession holders are eligible for 2 x \$100 vouchers to use on fees)

Click on this link for more information on ***Ticket to Play***:

www.tickettoplay.tas.gov.au

3:15pm—3:45pm	2 - 4 years
3:45pm - 4:30pm	5 - 7 years
4:30pm—5:15pm	8 and over

Contact Shelley to enrol or with any questions

shelleydance@bigpond.com 📞 0438 681 750

Please spread the word!!

COASTRIDER SURF ACADEMY





WOOLWORTHS SURFGROMS TERM 1 PROGRAMS

PARK BEACH - Saturday Morning, 3 weeks, Starts FEB 22

CLIFTON - Sunday Morning, 6 weeks, Starts FEB 23

KINGSTON BEACH - Tuesday arvo, 3 weeks, Starts MAR 4

CLIFTON - Wednesday after school, 4 weeks, Starts MAR 5

CLIFTON - 3 Day L/Weekend Program, MAR 8/9/10

7 MILE BEACH - Saturday arvo, 3 weeks, Starts MAR 15

CLIFTON - Sunday mornings, 4 weeks, Starts MAR 16

7 MILE BEACH - Monday after school, Starts MAR 17

ALL WEEKLY PROGRAMS WILL SKIP THE MARCH LONG WEEKEND

TO BOOK VISIT www.coastrider.com.au



COFFEE & CHAT

BRING A FRIEND OR MAYBE MEET A NEW ONE



**ON THURSDAY
27TH MARCH**

**DUNALLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE
172 ARTHUR HWY**

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING & MODERATION DAYS

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Friday 6 June

Friday 24 October



Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

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