



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

Thursday 25 September

Fire Education Program

Friday 26 September

- Kinder and Prep *Food with Friends*
- *Footy Colours Day*
- Last day of Term 3

Monday 13 October

- Term 4 commences
- After School Netball

Tuesday 14 October

Pre-Kinder session 1:30pm - 2:30pm

Thursday 16 October

Ready, Set, Grow session with Nurse Emma
- Gr 5/6

Friday 17 October

Think You Know Cyber Safety sessions K - 6

Monday 20 October

After School Netball

Tuesday 21 October

- School Swimming Carnival Gr 3 - 6
- Pre-Kinder session 1:30pm - 2:30pm

Wednesday 22 October

School photo day

Thursday 23 October

Hobart Show Day public holiday

Friday 24 October

Student Free Day (professional learning day for staff)

Monday 27 October

- School Association meeting 1:00pm
- After School Netball

Tuesday 28 October

Pre-Kinder session 1:30pm - 2:30pm

Tuesday 28 - Thursday 30 October

OHST Fissure Sealant & Fluoride Varnish Program

Wednesday 29 October

Clarence High School band performance

Thursday 30 October

- TasNetworks *Bright Sparks* Program
- *Ready, Set, Grow* session with Nurse Emma - Gr 5/6

TERM DATES—2025

Term 4

Monday 13 October - Thursday 18 December

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Dear families,

I am delighted to share some exciting news with our school community. In 2026 Dunalley Primary School will be taking part in the Healthy School Lunch Program, delivered by *School Food Matters*.

From next year, one day each week, every student at Dunalley will receive a freshly prepared, nutritious meal at no cost to families. While it will only run on one school day each week to start with, the benefits for our children and our community will be significant.

The Healthy School Lunch Program is about much more than food - it is about giving children access to wholesome meals that fuel learning and wellbeing. A healthy lunch helps students concentrate, boosts energy and sets positive habits for life. For families, the program also provides relief from daily lunchbox preparation on that day and the reassurance that every child has a hearty, balanced meal at school.

One of the most exciting parts of the program is the way it brings people together. Sharing a communal lunch fosters a sense of belonging and connection across all year levels. It creates a moment in the week where students can sit down, share a meal and experience the joy of eating together. Many schools already in the



Children will also have opportunities to lend a hand in food preparation, learning valuable cooking and life skills. Even small tasks help them feel pride in contributing and give them the chance to understand where food comes from and how it is made. These practical experiences build confidence, teamwork, and an appreciation for the effort behind every meal.

For our school community, being part of this program is a wonderful recognition of the importance of healthy living, learning, and caring for one another. We know that strong bodies and healthy minds lead to stronger learning outcomes, and this new initiative is another way for us to support Dunalley students to flourish.

We look forward to sharing more details about the timetable, menus, and ways for students to be involved in Term 4, 2025.

Kind regards,



SEAN RYAN
Principal

FOOD WITH FRIENDS **Kinder and Prep**

FRIDAY

26 SEPTEMBER

(last day of Term 3)



Fight Cancer™
**FOOTY
COLOURS
DAY!**

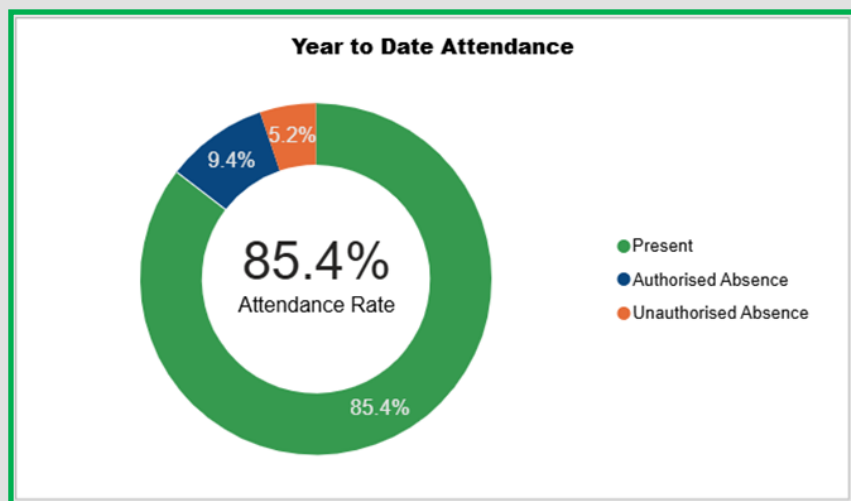
**DONATE
TO HELP KIDS
WITH CANCER!**



Dunalley Primary School is kicking goals for kids with cancer this September by hosting a *Footy Colours Day* event! We'll be celebrating all things footy on Friday 26 September so make sure you wear your favourite footy colours and join us in raising funds to support kids with cancer. We're encouraging everyone to dig deep and donate. Every dollar donated funds Fight Cancer Foundation's accommodation and research programmes, which help kids fight cancer and stay with their families.

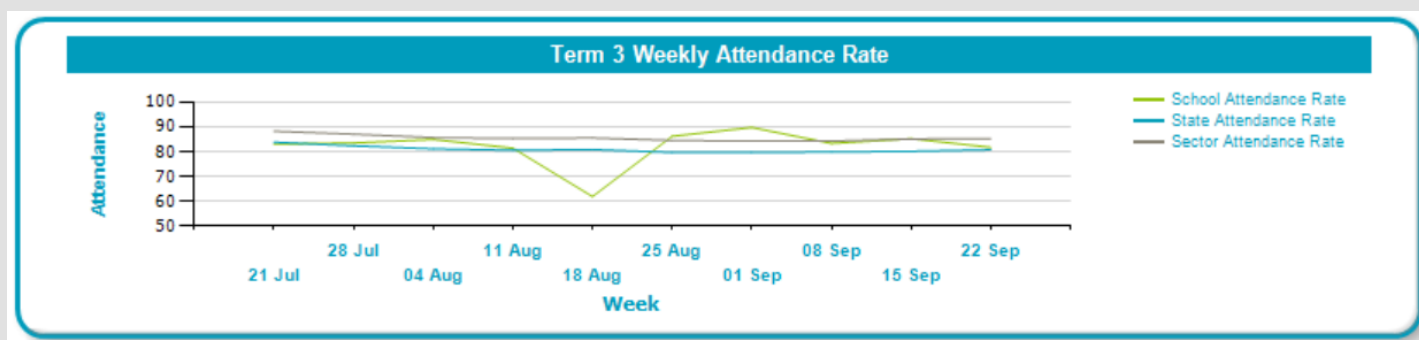
PROMOTING ATTENDANCE AND REDUCING ABSENCES AT DUNALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 3 Attendance Update



There has been considerable illness during Term 3, however we are still tracking above the 83% attendance rate required to achieve our 2025 attendance goal.

Weekly Attendance Rate for Term 3



Dunalley Primary SIP (School Improvement Plan) 2025 Priority *Wellbeing Target* is to maintain overall attendance at the 2022 - 2024 baseline of 83%.

We currently have 40.6% of our students with an attendance rate above 90% for the year.

Our weekly attendance rates have been tracking above the “state attendance rate” for most of the term. In week 5 the school was hit with a huge amount of sickness which impacted all classrooms, including teaching and support staff. We have entered the final week of the term in line with the state average, which is a positive end to a wintery term.

Grandparents and Special Friends Afternoon





A Heartfelt Thank You to our Grandparents and Special Friends

Last Friday Dunalley Primary School had the joy of welcoming our wonderful grandparents and special friends into classrooms for a special afternoon together. It was truly a heartwarming occasion filled with smiles, stories and shared moments. We are so grateful for the important role you play in the lives of our students and our school community.

Your support, encouragement and love make a lasting difference every day. After exploring the classrooms everyone enjoyed a lovely afternoon tea in the Library, where conversations and laughter continued to brighten the day. Thank you once again for joining us and making this event so memorable. We look forward to sharing many more special moments with you in the future!

With appreciation,

Staff and Students - Dunalley Primary School



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BUSHFIRE PLAN



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SUNSMART PROTECTION



**A REMINDER THAT ALL STUDENTS
ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR THEIR
SCHOOL HAT FOR ALL OUTDOOR
ACTIVITIES WHEN THE UV IS 3+**

We don't have a supply of school hats for borrowing, so it is essential that students bring their own hat to school.

Hats are available to purchase from the uniform shop for \$9.00 each.

Thank you to our Prep students who have been doing an outstanding job of announcing the daily UV level over the PA - well done!

STUDENT ENROLMENT - 2026

If your child is currently in Kinder - Year 5 and **will not be returning to Dunalley Primary School in 2026**, please complete and return the form below. Alternatively, you may send an email advice: dunalley.primary@decyp.tas.gov.au

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Please return by Friday 31 October 2025

My child/ren will not be attending Dunalley Primary School in 2026

CHILDREN/S NAME(S): _____ CURRENT YEAR: _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

Signed: _____

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS - 2026

If you live in the Dunalley Primary catchment area or have children already attending our school and have a child who will be four years old by 1 January 2026, they are eligible for Kindergarten enrolment at our school.

When enrolling in a government school for the first time, parents must complete the enrolment form and provide evidence of the student's identity, parent/carer identity, place of residence and immunisation details.

Please phone the school on ☎6253 5151 for more information.



DUNALLEY TENNIS CLUB JUNIOR UPDATE FOR TERM 4

After such great support earlier in the year, once again we have recommenced the Prep to Grade 2 sessions until Tuesday 25 November from 3:10pm to 4:40pm. Children attending these sessions require an adult to be with them to help individualise the activities. The adults require no tennis expertise, just a willingness to have fun.

The Grade 3 to 6 Sessions are also running on Tuesdays from 3:10pm to 4:10pm.

We would like to thank all those children who have signed up as members. We encourage and warmly welcome others to join, as it does help the club cover costs for court maintenance.

For any parents, grandparents or friends looking to have a social hit, the Club does have some sessions operating. Ladies Social on Tuesdays - 11:00am to 12:30pm and Mixed Social on Sundays - 3:00pm to 4:30pm. All abilities are welcome including beginners. We would love to see you!!

Please phone Roger on 0400 831 503 with any enquiries.

EASTERN SHORE JETS GRADING DAY - JUNIORS & POOL B

9:00AM - 11:00AM	UNDER 11'S
12:00PM - 2:30PM	UNDER 13'S
3:00PM - 5:00PM	UNDER 15'S & UNDER 17'S
5:30PM - 8:30PM	5 TH GRADE, 6 TH GRADE, 7 TH GRADE AND UNDER 21'S

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Cooking



Cooking



This term students in Years 1 and 2 explored kitchen safety, nutrition and the fun of making their own healthy salad wraps and fruit salad.

One group investigated kitchen safety, brainstorming and identifying hazards around the kitchen and explaining why each one could be unsafe. They then created a colourful safety poster to share their findings. Another group learned about the five food groups, identifying examples of foods in each category and producing bright posters to show how a balanced diet is made up.

The learning then moved into hands-on practice with our Salad Wrap and Fruit Salad Challenge. Students worked on their food preparation skills, including grating, slicing and chopping. These skills are an important focus as students learn to work safely and independently in the kitchen.

Fresh lettuce and kale were collected straight from the school garden, with students enjoying some of the greens as they picked them. A wide range of wrap ingredients was set out, and each student took on a challenge: to taste one food they had never tried before. If they liked it, they could add it to their wrap; if not, that was fine - the aim was to be adventurous and give it a go! Many enjoyed their challenge food and even went on to try other new salad items.

Finally, students prepared their own rainbow wraps, filled with colourful choices such as purple cabbage, snow pea sprouts, hummus, cheese, avocado, carrot, beetroot and red & yellow capsicum. Some enjoyed eating their wraps with friends at school, while others proudly took them home.

The fruit salad challenge was another exciting hands-on activity for our students. Following on from the success of the salad wrap challenge, each student was encouraged to add at least one new fruit they had not tried before.

With lots of teamwork and careful preparation, students washed, peeled and chopped the fruit to build a colourful and healthy fruit salad. The result was a bright, fragrant mix of apples, bananas, strawberries, kiwi, oranges, mangoes, lychees, rockmelon, blueberries and watermelon – a bowl full of flavour and fun!

It was a fantastic combination of safety, skill-building, teamwork, and adventurous eating - showing that healthy food can be fun, colourful and delicious!



FUNKY FRIDAY PHOTOS

Free workshop

1 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers

Triabunna, TAS



Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to register



This workshop is for parents, full time carers and grandparents.



Thursday
6 November, 2025
9:00am to 2:45pm



Spring Bay Mill
555 Freestone Point Road
TRIABUNNA TAS 7190

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided



Interpreters available upon request

During the workshop you will learn about:

- The diversity of autism
- Sensory processing
- Working together with your child's school.

Learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the partnership between home and school.

For more information or to register visit:
www.positivepartnerships.com.au/PC
✉ jfeary@positivepartnerships.com.au

0477 574 746

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Dunalley COMMUNITY HALL HALLOWEEN PARTY

COME DRESSED IN YOUR SPOOKIEST COSTUME FOR A TRICK OR TREAT AND WALK THROUGH OUR HAUNTED HALL!

31 OCTOBER 2025 4:30 - 6:00 PM

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Draw with Ben @Hobart Library *Free Event

Join picture book illustrator and artist Ben Clifford for a creative morning exploring the art of illustrating a book, cover, or your favourite text.

Start new drawings or bring works in progress and gain insights from Ben's experience.
Recommended ages are 8 - 12, but all are welcome!

Children are encouraged to bring a picture prompt.

Scribbles, notes and rough sketches that go into the making of a book will be on display.

Hobart Library

Friday, Oct 3, 10am * Free Event *

Go to Libraries Tas website, or reserve your place at eventbrite via QR code:



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Join our garden volunteer team.



Join us in the Dunalley Neighbourhood House garden every Tuesday between 10 and 12. Enjoy a lively garden discussion and morning tea while planting, watering, composting, harvesting, and swapping produce. Contact Kerrie for information 62539000.



2026

**PROFESSIONAL LEARNING
& MODERATION DAYS**

TERM 1:

Thursday 5 February - Friday 17 April

(Easter: Friday 3 April—Tuesday 7 April)

TERM 2:

Monday 4 May - Friday 10 July

TERM 3:

Monday 27 July - Friday 2 October

TERM 4:

Monday 19 October - Friday 18 December

Monday 2 February - Wednesday 4 February

Friday 5 June

Friday 23 October



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