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Issue 5

## NEWSLETTER

1 August 2014

### Principals Report

#### **Review of Homework policy**

The school community will be reviewing the current Homework policy this term. The process has begun with the School Association researching policies of other schools and putting forward suggestions. This week staff also reviewed other school homework policies. The Leadership team will formulate the new policy which will then be sent out to the wider school community and staff for comment. This will be done via the school newsletter.

#### **Student Welfare Officer**

Due to the High Court challenge to the Federal governments Chaplaincy program we were disappointed to have our Student Welfare Officer terminated without warning at the end of Term 2. These circumstances are beyond our control. I want to thank Emma Banham for the work she had been undertaking; we were starting to see some positive results.

As a school we now have a decision to make; do we investigate employing a school chaplain. As a school community you voted against this approximately 3 years ago. The situation is a little different now as all school chaplains are required to have a certain level of qualifications in working with youth.

Included in the newsletter is a quick survey response sheet asking you what you would like the school to do? Please take the time to return the slip or phone your response to the school

#### **School Surveys**

In August School Climate Surveys will be distributed to all staff and randomly selected students and parents. These surveys provide the school with valuable information to plan for the future.

Last year 71 letters were sent out to parents but disappointingly only 7 parents responded. This is your chance to have a say and I urge you to do so. The surveys are electronic and can be completed at home or at school. If you would like to complete the survey this year please contact Bernadette Hawkes and leave your name.

#### **Attendance**

If your child is absent from school it is your responsibility to contact the school to explain the absence. We have a number of students with unexplained absences. Where this number has exceeded 5 we have been contacting parents by phone or letter. Please respond to the text messages if you have not already explained your child's absence.

Anne Stewart  
Principal

## Reece High School Pie Drive



The school association have organised a **Pie Drive** to raise money for purchasing new sports uniforms.

Order forms with more information will be sent home this Friday the 1<sup>st</sup> of August.

Please return order forms and money to the office by Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> of August.



## Under 16 Boys Soccer

The Reece High School UI6 boys have won the six-a-side competition held this year. The finals were on Sunday which saw Reece up against Latrobe...our traditional rivals. We dominated the game winning 10-0 in a short 30 minute game. Team members included; Jaiden Walker, Matt Ling, Jack Connors, Joe Ralston, Kurt Cameron, Brady Gale, Nick Richardson and Jesse Gillam and coach Graeme Cameron. The team played brilliantly throughout the competition preliminaries and deserved their dominant win in the final. Congratulations to all the boys in the team for a job well done.



# AUSTRALIAN ENGINEERING WEEK

## VENUE

UTAS Cradle Coast Campus  
16 Mooreville Road, Burnie

## DATE & TIME

6 August 2014 | 4.30pm - 6.00pm

## TICKETS (incl. GST)

Free event

Tea and coffee will be provided after the event, with an opportunity to meet and talk with the presenters and industry representatives.

## Supported by:



## For further information contact:

Event Coordinator – Anne Newton  
Phone: 03 6218 1903  
Email:  
[tasevent@engineersaustralia.org.au](mailto:tasevent@engineersaustralia.org.au)

## ENGINEER YOUR CAREER



Photo of Woolnorth Wind Farm sourced from [www.rechargenews.com](http://www.rechargenews.com)

Are you are thinking about choices for tertiary study?

Studying engineering can open the door to many career opportunities. Come along and hear from university students, lecturers, private sector engineers and technical officers about their pathways and work experiences in the world of mechanical, electrical, maritime and civil/structural engineering. Also find out what the engineering course offerings are at UTAS and how to get started.

Speakers include:

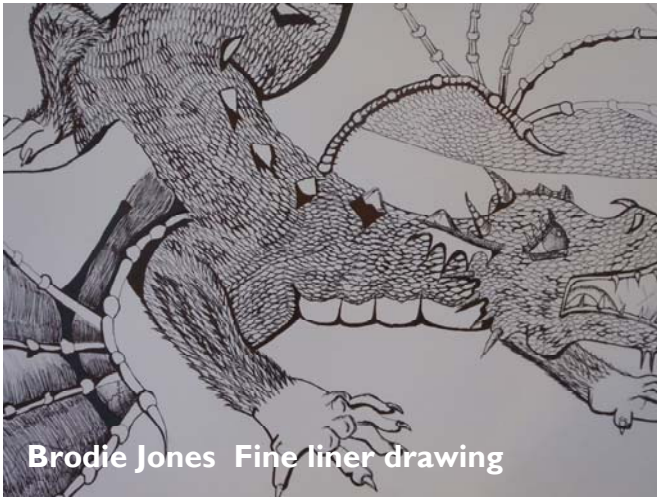
Host Rowan Sharman – North-West Committee member, Engineers Australia

Mark Symes – Naval Architect and Course Coordinator, Maritime College

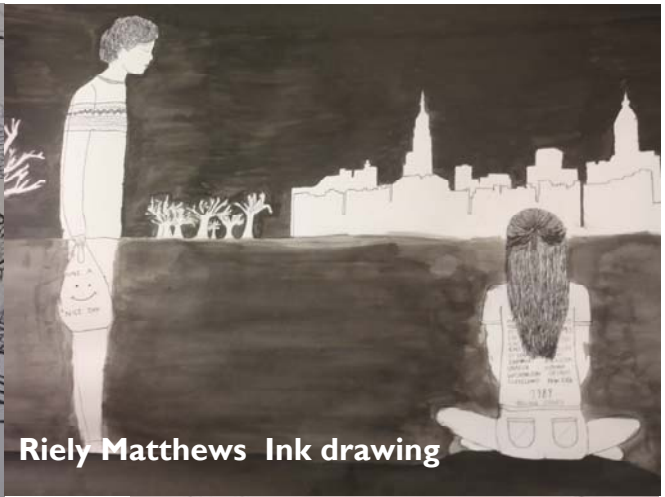
Emma Cumming – Electrical Engineer/Systems Innovator, Burnie City Council

Matt Dewey – Civil and Structural Engineer, Tasmanian Consulting Service

This is a great opportunity to bring your family and friends along to discuss what engineering is, how to become an engineer, and what opportunities being an engineer offers.



Brodie Jones Fine liner drawing



Riely Matthews Ink drawing

Grade 9 and 10  
Charcoal and Ink  
Drawings



Kayla Traj Charcoal drawing



Jasmyne Bentley - Charcoal



Tekarnie Bessell Coloured  
fine liner drawing

# SCHOOL CHAPLAIN PROGRAM

I WOULD LIKE REECE HIGH SCHOOL TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF A SCHOOL CHAPLAIN.

YES

NO



# Crescendo Choir

## MID YEAR INTAKE- YOUNG VOICES AND JUNIOR CHOIR

Are you interested in becoming a member of Crescendo Choir ?

Current research shows that children who receive a musical education do better in literacy, numeracy, socialising and creative thinking.

Crescendo choir offers the opportunity for members to extend their vocal experience with highly experienced and well respected teachers of voice technique. The choir competes and performs at a very high level, with the Senior groups both competing and representing Tasmania throughout the State, interstate and overseas.

### REHEARSAL TIMES

Reece High School, music suite, Building 7

YOUNG VOICES (Gr.1 to Grade 3): Wednesday, 3.30-4.30pm

JUNIOR CHOIR (Grade 4 to 7): Wednesday, 3.30-5.00pm

Young Voices is a stepping stone to Junior choir, led by local teacher Mrs Angela Durant. Membership to both groups is via a simple audition. Prospective members will demonstrate the ability to sing in tune and be able to negotiate small vocal steps and leaps. Prospective members may also perform a simple song of own choice.

### AUDITIONS

Audition times may be made by emailing Elizabeth Sandman at: [ree.crescendochoir@education.tas.gov.au](mailto:ree.crescendochoir@education.tas.gov.au)

Please include:

student's name, school and grade in 2014 when requesting an audition.

Further enquires may be made by phoning/texting 0407 244 602(business hours only)

**Please note:** students must be accompanied by a parent/guardian at their audition.

Elizabeth Sandman  
Crescendo Choir

# DECORATED CHOCOLATE CAKE COMPETITION

## ENTRY FORM

Entry fee - \$3 for Primary OR \$5 for Secondary

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone or Mobile Number: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle section entered:

Primary - Grades 1-4 and Special Needs\*      Primary - Grades 5-6      Secondary - Grades 7-12

Refer to Conditions of Entry information for requirements of these sections

\* Details of student work \_\_\_\_\_

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\*Details of adult assistance \_\_\_\_\_

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Entry form and fee to be lodged with Wendy at the Axemans Hall of Fame -

- Australian Axemans Hall of Fame Makers Market, Bells Parade, Latrobe or
- Post to P O Box 305 Latrobe 7307

Cakes to be dropped off on Saturday, 9 August between 3.00 pm - 4.30 pm to the Australian Axemans Hall of Fame, Bells Parade, Latrobe.

Cakes that arrive outside this time will be accepted for display but not judged.



A Chocolate Winterfest, Latrobe endorsed event



## DECORATED CHOCOLATE CAKE COMPETITION

This year, the Australian Axemans Hall of Fame will be running a decorated chocolate cake competition with the theme of "BOOK CHARACTER".

Who's your favourite book character and when made into a cake, what are they doing?

### CONDITIONS OF ENTRY:

1. Cakes/Cupcakes are to be judged on originality, the creative use of chocolate in decoration, chocolate techniques used and the theme of BOOK CHARACTER.
2. All decorations must be handmade by the entrant (excludes ribbon and exceptions), moulds may be used.
3. Cakes/Cupcakes can be made or bought but must be chocolate (except where specified).
4. Cakes/Cupcakes and Base Boards must meet the required size requirements of the section entered.
5. All work undertaken must be the sole work of the entrant unless otherwise specified in section.
6. **Entry is \$3 for Primary and \$5 for Secondary entrants.** Only one entrant is permitted per form, per section.
7. Novelty shaped cake tins are permitted unless otherwise stated.
8. Entry forms, payment and any queries can be made directly to Wendy at the Australian Axemans Hall of Fame Makers Market every Sunday from 9 am - 3 pm - Wendy 6426 2099 or email [axemanshalloffame@bigpond.com](mailto:axemanshalloffame@bigpond.com)
9. Cakes to be dropped off on Saturday, 9 August to the Australian Axemans Hall of Fame, Bells Parade, Latrobe between 3.00 pm - 4.30 pm. Judging will take place at 5.00 pm. Cakes that arrive outside of this time will be accepted but not judged.
10. There will be a "Peoples' Choice Award" which will be announced at 3.00 pm on Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> August.
11. Cakes will be on display during the duration of the Makers Market on Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> August and may be collected upon completion of the market at 4.00 pm.

### JUDGES' TIPS:

- Do not stick foreign objects into your cakes. This includes wires/pins or anything not edible. (Use a piece of thick spaghetti instead of a toothpick)
- Try to make your work as neat as possible, especially the joins and clean the board edges also.
- Take the time to level your cake first, that way you have a smooth surface to work on.

### SECTIONS

<b>Grades 1-4 &amp; Special Needs</b>	8"/20cm cake, base board not to exceed 10"/25cm. Decoration may be done with parents/teachers help but the students work must be clearly defined, identifiable and outlined on the form.	<b>1<sup>st</sup> PRIZE - \$15 TOYWORLD VOUCHER</b>
<b>\$3 Entry Fee</b>		
<b>Grades 5-6</b>	8"/20cm cake, base board not to exceed 10"/25cm. All decoration work must be the sole work of entrant.	<b>1<sup>st</sup> PRIZE - \$20 SANITY VOUCHER</b>
<b>\$3 Entry Fee</b>		
<b>Grades 7-12</b>	Decorated cake of any size/shape, novelty tins can be used. Base board not to exceed 14"/35cm. All must be sole work of entrant.	<b>1<sup>st</sup> PRIZE - \$25 SANITY VOUCHER</b>
<b>\$5 Entry Fee</b>		



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## CALENDAR DATES TO REMEMBER 2014

3 <sup>rd</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup> August	RHS Mt Buller Ski Trip
28 <sup>th</sup> August	Grade 6 Parent Information Evening
3 <sup>rd</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Grade 10 Uni Trip
24 <sup>th</sup> October	Student Free Day
20 <sup>th</sup> November	End of Year Exhibition 5pm - 7pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Grade 6 Orientation Day
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Grade 10 Dinner

### CONTACT DETAILS

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