Welcome to ELC/JS Newsletter e-news supporting The Hutchins Early Learning Centre and Junior School community.

The Newsletter allows readers to download and access information about our community and peruse all stories at a glance by selecting and clicking on attached links for further information.

From the Head of Early Learning Centre/Junior School

Last week I had the privilege of going to see and hear Andrew Fuller. Andrew is a clinical psychologist and family therapist in Melbourne and he works to create resilience in families, communities and schools. He specialises in how children learn and how their concentration and educational outcomes can be improved. One of the areas he covered was how to teach and parent boys. Please be aware of the 80/20 rule in that roughly 80% of boys will fit into the categories below. Some will not fit at all but the pattern is there for most boys. Andrew has written many books (particularly like “Tricky Kids”). However, his website is also excellent www.andrewfuller.com.au

Teaching boys: Advice to Teachers
Boys are the masters of minimalism and ‘just–in-time’ management. If asked to do tasks they will invariably reply “later”.

Respect
Boys respond well to people who have expectations of them and respect them as capable of meeting these goals. They will constantly check to see if you respect them. Boys do not like to be humiliated in front of their peers.

Have Clear Signals about who is in Charge
Boys need clear boundaries and they need to know who is in charge.

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There is an old saying that women and cats will do as
charge. They respond to teachers who are fair, funny and respect their points of view and they generally do better with explicit teacher led learning.

**Teachers need to use a physical signal for silence**
Boys need more signals than girls partly because they are less tuned into facial cues. Boys need to listen attentively. Teachers need to deliver instructions in silence using visual cues, such as raising the hand, turning lights off and on and moving to a particular part of the room. Use back up visuals for instructions for boys who have difficulty listening.

**Fewer Rules and Fewer Words is better**
Boys drown in a ‘sea of talk.’ Have 2 to 3 clear rules that are applied fairly and consistently. Classroom management should be based on the idea of, “I won’t let this happen to you and I won’t let you do it to anyone else.”

**Value boys and they will be heroes**
Boys are tuned into hierarchies. Therefore the predominant values of a classroom, family or school will play a powerful role in determining their actions. Have a couple of core values (eg compassion, character, team work etc). Live by them and insist upon them. Help boys to learn that they can be heroes but that winning doesn’t mean that someone else has to lose.

**Use knowledge from computer games as an inspiration for learning**
Boys love competitive games, especially when there is not an ultimate winner. Quick fire quizzes work well. Success needs to be challenging but attainable by breaking it down into stages (like a computer game.) Make success more likely than failure. Boys need the opportunity to try again and to attain personal bests.

**Give them a whiff of success**
Once a boy believes he can be successful, he’ll almost always live up to it, so help boys to structure tasks so that they can gain mastery and success.

**Move Regularly**
Boys see things best in motion. Movement and aiming to achieve a set target are powerful strategies with boys. (Watch how boys place rubbish in bins they often ‘take a shot.’) Boys like movement and are generally more active than girls. Boys generally learn through doing-thinking-talking.

**Control where boys sit**
Move boys who aren’t paying attention to the front. Shift boys who seem unsettled or distracted. Boys also need quiet times to reflect, think and re-energise. There should be quiet spots for thinking.

**Know About Anger**
Anger and shame can stop boys learning. Boys do not want to they will, and men and dogs just need to learn to get used to it! Anon.

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**Term Three dates**
**Monday 24 September to Tuesday 11 December**

**Found - Silver Diamond Stud Earring**
Found near the Middle School Basketball court on 5 November. Please see Mrs Virginia Priest Junior School Academic Secretary if you think it may belong to you or phone 036221 4269.

**Absentees**
Absentees for the Early Learning Centre please phone the class teacher directly to the classroom.

- Kindergarten 6221 4220
- Prep 6221 4201
- Year 1 6221 4297
- Year 2 6221 4213

For Absentees from Years 3-6 please phone Mrs Virginia Priest by 9.00 am on 6221 4269.

**Enrolments**
Enrolments into some year levels for next year and beyond are at a premium and waiting lists exist. Current and future parents are reminded that entry into the School is strictly by date of application. If you have a younger child in the family seeking entry in the immediate future, or family or friends who are considering Hutchins for their son, you are encouraged to submit an application form as soon as possible. Application forms can be downloaded from the Hutchins website or by...
be shamed in front of their peers. Issues need to be dealt with at a teacher’s choosing (not when the boy wants to deal with it.)

**Boys are Loyal and Funny**

Boys love the inside word, and they love to succeed at school. Teachers need to give them hints and suggestions and a way to succeed. Boys buy popularity through achievement, jokes and skills. Humour is important. For boys make it smart to be smart.

**Parenting Sons: Advice to Parents**

- Use Praise. Don’t qualify (eg you did well but you could do better)
- Let him know that you love and respect him and keep telling him
- Give options and choices wherever possible
- Boys are more likely to have problems expressing feelings and are more liable to misinterpretation. Be direct, firm, fair and funny
- Always incorporate a wait time. If you want something done by 5 pm start suggestion it about 2 hours earlier and use ‘hit and run’ reminders.
- Boys are less resilient than girls and may be more romantic. Hurts run deep. Don’t hover around them using a lot of words but say nearby and be calm.
- Boys like to score! Competition is fun.
- Boys are often most communicative when they are horizontal. Bedtime can be a good time for a chat (as can drive time in the car.)

Jenny Manthey  
**Head Early Learning Centre/Junior School**

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**Coming Events**

**12 Nov**  
8.45-3.15 Orientation Day (Years 4-6 2013) **new boys**  
12.30 Year 6 Steves lunch with Year 7’s  
2.00 Kinder Chapel ELC Library  
2.30 Prep-Year 2 Chapel

**13 Nov**

9.00-3.00 Orientation Day (Year 1-3 2013) **new boys**  
12.30 Year 6 Bucks lunch with Year 7’s  
**NO ELC/JS Assembly due to exams**

**14 Nov**  
2.45 JS Chapel  
5.30 **Soiree Years 5 and 6 Gershwin Room**

**15 Nov**

12.30 Year 6 Thorold lunch with Year 7’s

**16 Nov**  
8.30 Oral Health in ELC  
12.30 Year 6 School lunch with Year 7’s

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**Contacting Emma Griffiths, Enrolments Assistant on 6221 4236.**

**Withdrawing a Student from K-6?**

Parents are reminded that a **full term’s written notice** of intention to withdraw a student from Hutchins must be provided. If the School does not receive this notice then a half term’s tuition fee may be charged.

Notice in writing can be directed to **Emma Griffiths**, Enrolments Assistant, by post or email.

**School Uniform Store**

The School Uniform Shop is located at 195 Churchill Ave Sandy Bay and can be contacted on 6225 0422.

Trading hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8.30 am - 4.00 pm. (closed on Public holidays).

**Updates to Student Health Information**

Has there been a change to your son’s health including allergies that we need to know about? Please send any changes to your son’s health information to **Rachel Lucas** Debtors Administrator.

**Term Dates 2013**

**Term One**

4th Feb until 19th April

**Easter Break**

Friday 29 March - Tuesday 2 April inclusive

**Term Two**

6th May to 5th July

**Term Three**

23rd July to 27th September

**Term Four**

14th October to 10th December

**ELC/JS Speech Night**
20 Nov
1.30-2.30  Kinder Student Led Conferences classrooms
No ELC/JS Assembly due to exams

21 Nov
1.30-2.30  Kinder Student Led Conferences classrooms
5.30  **ELC and Year 3/4 Soiree Gershwin Room**

**Anglicare Food Drive**

The annual food drive for Anglicare is on again so I ask the Hutchins community to open their hearts and provide items for those who find it difficult to scrape together some Christmas cheer.

Anglicare have told us the following:

“A portion of what Hutchins collects will go to emergency relief clients and it will also be distributed to clients in need across all of our services. This includes people with mental illness, clients with disabilities, young people who are homeless and clients from our counselling services.

All of our staff are appreciative of the efforts that students are going to.

On our wish list are:

Canned hams, canned vegies (peas, carrots, beans and corn), Christmas puddings and tinned fruit, chocolates and sweets and normal household groceries – packets of pasta and rice, cordials but no imitation wine.

Any pantry goods would be helpful – the more the better!

Reverend Canon Matthew Gray
Chaplain

**Kindergarten**

The Kindergarten boys had a fabulous time at the ELC Athletics. They competed fairly and tried really hard. They enjoyed the obstacle course but the dancing was their favourite activity!

Rupert Wiggins, Frank Kennedy, Oliver Nogajski, Louis Burbury
Prep

Prep D and Prep F had a delightful time at the Athletics Carnival.

The day was all about participation and having fun. Some of our highlights were the parachute, the running races, the obstacle course and the dancing to Gangnam Style. What a fun day!

Year One

On Friday we had an ELC Sports Carnival. We had to run 70 metres. We had to do the sack race. We did parachute. We did three-legged race. We did dancing. We did the obstacle course.

Tom MacIntyre

On Friday we had the Athletics Carnival and we had the three-legged race and we had the sack race and we had the running race. In the three-legged race I pulled Sam. We came 4th in it.

Thomas Lowes

On Friday 2 November the ELC Sports Carnival was on. The first event was running. There were 8 people running at a time and I came 8th. Then we did the parachute. When we did the parachute we put a ball on it and made waves with it so the ball came off. Then we lifted the parachute up in the air, went under it, put it down and sat on the edges. After that we did the sack race. I came 8th again.

Then we did some dancing. The first dance we did was the Cha Cha, the second dance was the Chicken dance. The last dance was Gungnam style. After that we had the three-legged race. I was with Xabi. We lost. After that we did the obstacle course. Then we watched the Year 2 do the balloon toss. It was fun.

Luca Nunn
Year Two

On Monday 5 November Year 2 boys went to Southport for their Big Day Out excursion.

Angus Broadby catches a wave!

Sebastian Greenwood is just hanging about!

Year Three

On Wednesday 17 until Friday 19 October, 3B enjoyed their camp at Southport.

The boys were challenged to build a waterproof shelter out of sticks and bark. We also went on a bushwalk which challenged some of us and we were excited to come across a leopard seal on the beach at Cockle Creek!

Two boys in our class celebrated their birthdays while we were away and we all enjoyed cake for the occasion.
**Year Four**

**What We Do Matters!**

This year many of us have taken up the challenge to make a difference.

Joe Clifford prepared chicken schnitzels, handmade potato chips and a delicious lettuce and feta salad for his family to enjoy.

Trent Stephens was awarded a local hero medallion in his community for his coast care work on the Eastern Shore. He also visited 6 art exhibitions during the year.

Ethan Medwin presented a speech on homelessness in Hobart where we learned that nothing is going to change unless we take the time to care.

Daniel Mackintosh has enriched his reading by reading books from a wide range of authors.

Harry Jones went on a 20 kilometre bike ride and had a lot of fun.

Riley Ashlin has competed in a triathlon and joined a club.

Jack Whitton went on a 2 hour bushwalk at Dove Lake.

Alden Rankin prepared breakfast for his family.

Ollie Luders wrote a piece on his swimming club.

Tom Maclachlan put his creative talents to the test and created a Hutchins Lion.

**Year Five**

**Hutchins One Year on!**
This year I have been able to learn a lot more. I understand that words are made of morphographs and this helps my spelling. I like the teachers and my friends and the wonderful facilities. We have lots of opportunities which will help us in the future.
Will Jackson

I have found that everyone has accepted me for who I am. I have really enjoyed the music, sport and the curriculum is better than I have ever had. I think we get offered lots of opportunities and we are encouraged to take them and do our best. Will Hodgman

The Hutchins campus is very complicated, it is like a labyrinth, until you get used to it. It has a bigger oval but less playground. I particularly enjoy Science because I like the subjects we study, especially the Antarctic wildlife and the study of the Solar System. Mallory Keith

I have really enjoyed the programs offered here, such as sport, music and camp. Our class has many excursions to help our learning and we go into more detail by talking about the subjects we are studying. I also enjoyed the musical "DangerKids" that we performed earlier this year. Owen Baggaley

Year Six

Prominent Australian Aboriginals

In 6BU, students have been studying a history unit that explores the role of prominent Aboriginal Australians and their contribution to our country.

Some of the people currently being investigated are:

Neville Bonner- the first Aboriginal to join the Senate. Before he became a senator he worked for One People of Australia League which was an organisation promoting aboriginal rights. He was an Australian of the Year in 1979.

Eddie Mabo – fought for aboriginal land rights and won a Supreme Court case that forever changed the idea about ownership of Australian land.

Albert Namatjira – a famous Australian landscape painter. He was the first aboriginal to be granted Australian citizenship.
David Unaipon – he was an inventor and a writer who lived in the early nineteenth century and is honoured on our Fifty Dollar note.

We are really enjoying finding out about these men and women who have contributed to Australian society.

James Browne 6BU was presented with a History Medal by the Premier, Lara Giddings.

James won the State section of the National History Competition with an essay on the life and contribution of Eddie Mabo. He also received a Two Hundred dollar cheque and a Certificate.

Congratulations to Liam Kinne 6BU who has been selected to be part of a Southern Cross TV show entitled, Christmas Spectacular.

Liam was successful in being cast in a lead role as the Drummer Boy. Well done, Liam!

Farewell

We sadly farewell Sue Bullen. Sue, who teaches Year 6 will leave at the end of this year as she has been snaffled by the Education Department to be a Numeracy and Literacy Coordinator.

Sue has a wealth of knowledge and expertise and is a brilliant classroom practitioner. We wish her all the very best for her new promotion/post.

Junior School Athletic Carnival

A huge thank you to all the parents, grandparents and friends who came along to support our boys in our annual Junior School Athletics Carnival on Wednesday 24 October.

All boys put in a great performance and are to be congratulated
for their efforts and behaviour both on and off the track.

The weather that had threatened all day got us in the end and we were forced to finish a little early and postpone our novelty events, but in the end Thorold was victorious with Stephens, Buckland and School not too far behind. Well done, boys!

Liam Canny [Yr 3 800m & 1500m], Oliver Luders [Yr 4 1500m], Blaine Doust [Yr 4 Vortex] and Torin Jones [Junior School 1500m] all set new record on day which saw a high level of performance. These boys will join the following Junior School team to represent Hutchins on Friday 9 November at the Domain Athletics Centre. We wish these boys all the very best of luck.

Hutchins Junior School Athletics Team – 2012

Year 4: Taine Sookee, Oliver Luders, Chris Law, Axel Moore, Henry Reeve, Riley Ashlin, Blaine Doust and Daniel Mackintosh.

Year 5: Torin Jones, Oliver Burrows-Cheng, Raiden Lemon, Gus Chugg, Reuben Nettlefold, Will Hodgman, Sam Kokkoris, Oliver Warlitors, Lewis Drury, Selby Allen, Sajiv Rao and Spencer Reid.

Year 6: Hugh Jubb, Mitchell Rickards, Oscar Chau, Harvey Chilcott, James Browne, Brentyn Muir, Patrick Betts, Paddy Bourke, Fraser Brumby, James Anderson and Archie Stevenson.

The following pictures from the day were taken by Liam Kinne 6BU.

Declan Giltjes and Oliver Lamb celebrate Thorold’s victory

Oscar Kessler leads Jack Campbell, James Nash, Harrison Riley, Alex Kuzis and Harry Jones around the bend.

Ben Boman, Archie Lawrence and Max Larkin taking off in the 200m

Harry Jones and Luke Manns in action in the 200m

Absence during Term!

Parents are especially asked not to take their sons out of School during term. It is awkward for the School as the student
may well miss important educational experiences. Where it is unavoidable, written requests should be made to the Head of School.

For absences greater than four consecutive weeks, a fee equivalent to 50% of the leave period will be charged. For absences up to four consecutive weeks or individual periods of no more than four weeks, 100% of the fee will be charged. In the case of illness, no fee will be charged on production of a medical certificate covering the period of leave.

Jenny Self
Business Manager

Summer Holiday Care 2012 Program

That’s right! The moment you’ve all been waiting for has finally arrived…

The Summer 2012 Holiday Program has finally been released!

This Summer, join us as we:

• Dig for long-lost artefacts at Port Arthur
• Yodel in the Swiss Alps at Alpenrail
• Make our own Icecream Creations
• Slip, slide and slime our way into the Epically Weird Olympics
• Growl with the devils at the Tasmanian Devil Conservation Park
• Cruise on down to the beach (as often as possible!)
• Visit the ghosts of Hobart’s Past

And much, much more!

As always, we have a bucketload of fun excursions planned and we can’t wait to see you all again. [http://www.tinyurl.com/hutchinsoshc](http://www.tinyurl.com/hutchinsoshc)

Book now to avoid disappointment!

Ben & the team at Hutchins

Move Well Eat Well

Move Well Eat Well - "Part way is OK"

Hutchins Junior School will be running the "Part Way is OK" initiative every FRIDAY over the next few months. "Part Way is OK" ensures that all students have the opportunity to enjoy walking to school. Our drop off point is located near the bus stop in French Street Sandy Bay. From here, children can be dropped off and walk the rest of the way to school with teacher supervision. We leave from French Street at 8.10 am PROMPTLY.

"Part Way is OK" will help overcome distance barriers where
the distance from home to school is too far to walk and traffic congestion around the school by spreading the load between schools and drop off points.

**Help is needed!** If you are a parent and have time to help on a Friday morning between 7.50 am-8.20 am we would love to hear from you. Please contact Mr Marriott or Mr McAloon on 62214 304.

**If the sign is out 'it's go ahead'! If sign not out "no walk"!**

**NO SIGN NO WALK**

**Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Mr Jason Berry and Mr Shane McAloon on winning a major prize at the Medibank Active Tasmania Awards presentation this week. They won the category under the 'Move Well Eat Well' Section.

The award recognised initiative and innovation in the creation of a series of Daily Physical Workout Videos. As a result the Junior School has won $1000 to be spent on sports equipment for the Get Active program and ELC/Junior School classrooms. Well done!