



MOLE CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL
A Safe, Fair, Caring Learning Community

Upcoming events

Friday 14 February

LiL 9.30am

Wednesday 19 February

Hot Lunch

Friday 21 February

LiL 9.30am

Wednesday 26 February

Launceston Cup Public Holiday

11 February 2025

What is happening in our school.....

Welcome to 2025 to all students, staff, parents and members of our school community. Last week it was wonderful to see the smiles of our students as they entered the school gate after the summer break. I spent the first 2 days popping in and out of classrooms to meet as many students as I could and was delighted with the politeness and helpfulness of all students. I have also had the pleasure of meeting some of the families, but would love to meet more, please pop in and say hi if you are in the school at all.

This year we are delighted to welcome Mr Josh Winwood as our PE teacher for 2025. Josh joins us from Port Sorell Primary where he works 4 days a week and will be with us on Tuesdays. Ms Natalie Cornish joins us as our Languages teacher (Japanese) fortnightly. Natalie works at a number of schools in the Northwest sharing her knowledge with many students, and we are looking forward to her working at Mole Creek Primary.

Due to Josh being new to Mole Creek and not taking his first class until week 4 we have decided to postpone the Swimming Carnival to early Term 4, this will coincide with the NMSSSA Swimming carnival also held in Term 4.

Yesterday our Kindergarten students started their school journey. It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces and Kinders meeting their prep counterparts. Mrs Williams and some of our wonderful TAs have worked hard to create an engaging learning space.

Last week all teachers and TAs participated in Professional Learning and worked hard to prepare classrooms for their students. If you haven't already, I encourage you to come in and meet your child's teacher and have a look at the learning environments that have been created.

If at any time through out the year you have any questions or concerns around your child's education, please remember the classroom teacher is your first point of call. If you wish to have a conversation about your child, please feel free to call or come in prior to 9am or after 3pm. It is always a good idea to ring the office and make an appointment to ensure the teacher has time to make you their priority.

Thank you again to all of the school community for making me feel so welcome and I look forward to working with your all this year.

Kind regards

Sandy Long
A/Principal



Every Tuesday & Thursday
8.30—8.50am Cereal, toast, milo

Safeguarding 2025

This year Tayla Smith will continue as our Safeguarding Lead. Safeguarding Leads are appointed in every DECYP school in Tasmania to help ensure children and young people are known, safe, well and learning. As Safeguarding Lead, Tayla will enhance our efforts in promoting and nurturing a culture of safeguarding at our school. This will enable us to better support the wellbeing of all our students and reinforce the understanding that keeping children and young people safe is everyone's responsibility. By continuing to improve our safeguarding culture, we can create a safer and more supportive environment for all. For further information on Safeguarding in Schools and CFLCs, please visit the [DECYP Keeping children safe through safeguarding webpage](#).

2025 Volunteer Requirements

As we kick off the new school year, we want to remind our school community about the important requirements for volunteering at our school.

To ensure the safety and wellbeing of our students, it is mandatory for all volunteers to have their [RWVP \(Registration for Working with Vulnerable People\)](#) and to have completed the [Our Obligations – Safeguarding Training 15-minute video](#) before engaging with children and young people in a volunteer capacity at our school. Certificates for the training video are valid for 12 months from the date of completion. These steps are essential in helping us maintain a safe and supportive environment for our children.

To apply for a Registration for Working with Vulnerable people, please visit: [Apply for registration to work with vulnerable people | Service Tasmania](#)

To complete the [Our Obligations – Safeguarding Training 15-minute video](#) please visit: [Compulsory Safeguarding Training for workers - Department for Education, Children and Young People](#)

Volunteers are a vital part of our school community, and we are excited to collaborate with you in the year ahead!



We are in need of volunteers to help run this year's Breakfast Club. We hope to start next week and would appreciate your assistance. Please contact Jacqui Johnson or the school office if you are able to assist on either a Tuesday or Thursday morning.

NAPLAN 2025

Students will be sitting NAPLAN between 12 and 24 March 2025.

The National Assessment Program-Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) assesses literacy and numeracy skills that students are already learning at school. On its own, NAPLAN is not a test that can be studied for, and students are not expected to do so.

NAPLAN is just one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process – it does not replace ongoing assessments made by teachers about student performance; however, students and parents may use individual results to discuss progress with teachers.

NAPLAN has been held in March since 2023, having previously taken place in May. This change was made so school systems would have access to results earlier in the school year. These results can then be used to inform teaching and learning plans for the remainder of the year.

Why NAPLAN is conducted online

NAPLAN online provides a better assessment and more precise results.

One of the main benefits of NAPLAN online is that it uses tailored (or adaptive) testing. This means that students receive questions better suited to their abilities, so they can show what they know and can do.

Online testing also allows us to provide a wide range of accessibility options to support students with disability to access NAPLAN.

Feedback from students is that they find the online test more engaging.

Please note that students in Year 3 complete the Writing Test on paper.

Parent information brochures and other resources

Your questions answered on NAPLAN and what it means for your child:

[NAPLAN information brochure for parents and carers](#)

Changes to the SWSMusic Program

Welcome back to Mole Creek Primary School, I hope everyone had a most enjoyable Christmas and New Year. I am writing today to lay out the details of the music program for 2025. I have been asked to make the program an entirely after-school program. So I will be at Mole Creek Primary School on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and will conduct lessons from 3:00pm onwards. So if you wish to have lessons please contact me A.S.A.P. and I will try to schedule a mutually agreeable time for your child's music lesson. My sincere apologies for any inconvenience cause by these changes.

Thank you

Christian Duboudin

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JUNIOR



BADMINTON

COME & TRY

(ADULTS MAY BE ABLE TO JOIN IN, DEPENDING ON NUMBERS)

WHERE - ELPHIN SPORTS CENTRE (HALL 2)

**WHEN - FRIDAY AFTERNOONS
STARTING 14TH FEBRUARY**



4:00pm - 5:45pm



COST - \$5 per person

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

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