From the Co- Principals ...

What a wonderful three days the Group 4s and 5s enjoyed last week on our Hobart Camp with Mrs Chapman, Mr Barnes and Mrs McNair!

There was a lot of formal learning going on with:

- A visit to Parliament House where students inspected the Legislative Council, debated a “Bill to prevent toys being brought to school” in the House of Assembly, and chatted with Member for Bass and Health Minister, Mr Michael Ferguson;
- A tour of the Antarctic exhibition at the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery;
- A day spent at Port Arthur, including a cruise and guided walking tour;
- A visit to the Penitentiary Chapel and old Criminal Courts where students viewed the documentary “Pandemonium”, toured the historic facility and re-enacted a real trial from the 1860s.

As well as this, there was much informal learning to be taken in:

- Learning to be responsible for one’s own belongings and management of each day;
- Getting along with everyone in the group for 24 hours each day; and
- Being independent in every way.

Among all of this learning, there was so much fun and so many giggles to share!

Outdoor Education camp experiences tend to be some of the most enduring memories of students at The LPS, and many of the things they learn along the way are ever-lasting!

We look forward to the next camp – Mt Cameron for the Leavers of 2018!

In “Truth and Happiness”
Leonie McNair and Harriet Thyne
Co- Principals
“At the beginning…”

This term, Kindergarten children have been using the picture book ‘My Granny went to Market’ which is wonderful a Round-the-World counting and rhyme book. This picture book has provided us with many literacy and maths learning opportunities and has taken us to many places on ‘the other side’ of the world. We have been to Turkey and created flying carpets, flew to Thailand and made temple cats and this week flew to China and made paper lanterns.

Socratic Seminar -

Society sharply defines the standards of beauty. These standards are most often superficial in their disregard for inner worth and beauty of human beings. This week we read the fairy tale, “Beauty and the Beast.”

• What do you think is beautiful?
• Would you have tried to convince Beauty (Belle) not to go back to the Beast? If so, what would you have said?
• Explain what you think this quote means, “What is beautiful is invisible to the eye.”
• What made Beauty a special sort of person?
• What special qualities do you admire in a person?

Mrs Alice Batten

Swimming and Water Safety Program

The Prep/One children are enjoying their weekly swimming lessons and we are really impressed with their confidence and skills. It has been great to see how organised the students have been when getting changed and looking after their belongings. We only have three weeks left!
Don’t forget Prep/One costumes are due at school by this Monday the 27th of November.

“In the middle …”

Socratic Seminar - Would it be advantageous to have giants in our world?

We have done some investigations about giants and know quite a lot about them. This week in Philosophy we discussed:

• If giants grow to about 60 metres tall, what would be some of the advantages of having them around in our world?
• Can you think of any disadvantages?
• Think about the personalities of the giants we have come across (including the BFG). How do you think they would fit into the human world? Explain.
• Could giants live under the same rules and laws that we do? Explain

Mrs Harriet Thyne

Students of the Week

Each week of Term 4, two students from both of the Group 2/3 home groups will have their names drawn out of a hat. During the following week, these students will look at our school and how it works “From the Other Side.” They will then think of something they could do during the following week that would be helpful, kind or thoughtful for someone else.

Zusong Bazaadut, Jack Millwood, Samantha Woolridge and Bonnie Tiernan were our students of the week last week. They have played with different children, shown initiative, swept the lunch steps and generally been great friends to all in our school. Well done, everyone.

Mrs Thyne and Mrs Freeland
WANTED POSTERS

Last week the Group 2/3 children designed WANTED posters for various fairy tale characters that have committed terrible crimes. The children each chose their own character, decided on the crimes they would be accused of, thought about known accomplices, clues left behind at the scene and the reward that would be offered for their capture. The results were fabulous and it was amazing the amount of information we know about fairy tales and their storylines.

Mrs Harriet Thyne

“Towards the end ...”

Socratic Seminar - Billy the Punk

In Philosophy this week we looked at a book called *Billy the Punk* by Jessica Carroll.

We then discussed as a group the following questions:

- Why do you think Billy wants to be a punk?
- Why did he teacher have such a problem with his new look?
- How do people judge others on their appearance?
- Why are we sometimes not accepting of others who are different?
- Why is it good to be an individual?
Antarctic Explorers

On Tuesday the senior students were visited by Chris Burke, a scientist who went to Antarctica. He talked to us about his 1983 journey down to Antarctica. He went down there to study the microbiology of the lakes of Antarctica. Chris also showed us what Davis (the station he stayed at) looked like and what he did with his time down there. We all learnt something and enjoyed his visit.

Keanu Glynn

CONGRATULATIONS

John Skipper has been busy in the pool over the last few weeks at various events around the state. He has been very successful in his events and brought his medals along to school to share with his peers.
MORE PHOTOS FROM HOBART CAMP
“Other information ...”

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**Reports**

Written reports on students’ progress will be distributed directly to the children themselves on Monday 18th December unless parents advise otherwise. One report per family will be contained in sealed envelopes and addressed to parents.

Where the school office has been officially informed that parents have separate residences, students will be provided with two separately addressed reports. We can only do this where such notification has been provided. Please advise the office by the end of November if you wish for this to occur.

**Your School Account!**

It would be very much appreciated if your school account could be settled before Friday, 15th December, 2017!

Kind regards,
Jody Onn-Wilkinson, Business Manager
The Parents’ Club Christmas Raffle

The LPS Parents' Club is holding the traditional Christmas raffle again this year, to be drawn at the School Christmas Picnic on Friday, 15th December! Tickets will be sent home with students very soon…. Tickets are $5 for a book of ten or 50c per ticket. The LPS Parents' Club would appreciate any donations for the raffle. Donations can be dropped off at the school office.

Thank you, from The Parents’ Club

The best thing to open this Christmas is your heart.

Find out how you can help us transform Christmas for those in need in our local community: www.citymission.org.au/christmas-appeal

❤️ City Mission: ‘Kids Giving’ Project ❤️

This Christmas, the City Mission ‘Kids Giving’ project, aims to encourage kids to help each other and realise the greatest gift of all can be in giving to someone else.

Through the project, children will have the opportunity to purchase a Christmas Heart decoration kit for $5, with all funds going towards providing a gift for another child who would otherwise go without on Christmas Day. Once children have finished their decoration, they can hang it from their Christmas Tree as a reminder they've helped make a difference to another child’s Christmas.

Christmas Heart decoration kits will be available from City Mission Shops throughout the North and North West of Tasmania from Wednesday 22nd November.
LOST PROPERTY AMNESTY!

WANTED

THE OWNERS OF LOST PROPERTY (PHOTOGRAPHED)....

MAKE YOURSELVES KNOWN... TURN YOURSELVES IN...

YOU CAN REMAIN ANONYMOUS!

REWARD

THE JOY OF BEING REUNITED WITH YOUR LONG-LOST BELONGINGS!