

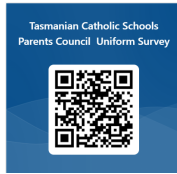


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TCSPC—Update



Uniform Survey Update



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Tasmanian Catholic Schools Parents Council:

Grants

Grants offered to school principals have been well received in 2024. Principals must submit a written proposal to the Executive of TCSPC for one of the pre approved sessions or can apply for a session that is relevant to their school community. It has been great to see over 17 schools successfully obtaining grants.

Sponsorship

TCPSC again sponsored the Catholic Education Tasmanian Careers Expo in Hobart. It was a great day and well supported by year 11/12 Students in Southern Tasmania.

Welcome Packs

A new initiative to welcome Parents to Kindergarten in Catholic Schools in 2025.

Thank you to our members and their families for assisting in packing the Welcome Packs for our 2025 Kindergarten students across Tasmania. These will be delivered to Principals in coming months and given to all parents during Kindergarten Orientation.

INSIGHT

Catholic Education Tasmania continues to roll out INSIGHT teaching programme. Based on the science of learning and reading, encompasses the way teachers teach in every classroom. This teaching approach empowers all educators to help their students grow in **knowledge, wisdom** and **service**. Parent information sessions will be held throughout the state during term 4, information will be on our facebook page and shared by your school or college.



NAPLAN 2024

Latest findings from the NAPLAN National Results released by the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) show that results at a national level were similar to the results in 2023.

The data shows that while there were small increases and decreases across domains and year levels, overall, the results were broadly stable. On average, across all year levels in numeracy, reading and writing, approximately two-thirds of students meet “challenging but reasonable” expectations.

Further information can be viewed on the naplan website:

<https://www.naplan.edu.au/>

UNIFORM SURVEY

Thank you to all parents/carers who completed the recent survey. Results are now being reviewed and we will look to provide a summary of this information in the future. Information received from the survey will be shared with Catholic Education and school principals.

Resources for Parents/Carers of Students with a disability:

New resources are available that provide practical information about the rights of students with disability and the obligations of education providers under the Disability Standards for Education 2005.

[Here](#)

Algorithm Disrespect

The Algorithm of Disrespect™ is an educational tool simulating the average young person's online experience, following the journey of a boy named James. It is designed to reveal and educate adults on the new, hidden forms of disrespect. Everything you're about to see is based on the type of content being served to young people on a daily basis, and has been recreated using actors.

[Can be viewed Here](#)



Sleep Health Foundation:



The Sleep Health Foundation is the leading advocate for sleep health in the community.

Their factsheets explore how sleep connects with a range of topics such as ADHD, anxiety, autism, behavioural problems, caffeine, mindfulness, memory, technology and teenage sleep. They offer insights and practical advice on sleep health, helping individuals improve their sleep quality and overall wellbeing.

Further information can be [viewed here](#)

School Holiday Ideas:

Here are things to do with the kids in Tasmania this school holidays:

Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery. This museum and gallery are located in Launceston and offer FREE entry for everyone. There is a fun kid trail for the kids to follow at the Museum and even a FREE bus to travel on to get to the art gallery too. For more information please see their website [HERE](#).

Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery. Located in Hobart, this is another great museum for the kids to explore that is FREE. They also run a school holiday program for 2 weeks in January. Check out their website for details [HERE](#).

Long Beach Playground. This amazing adventure park is located on the banks of the Derwent River at Sandy Bay. There is a huge playground with everything you need to keep the kids entertained, there is even a lighthouse! It's the perfect place for a picnic or a BBQ. See the website for more information

Sculpture Trail. Along the river at Battery Point is an award-winning sculpture trail walk with amazing views and historical sculptures to spot. See the website for more information [HERE](#).

Bus rides. Kids love riding on buses Check out the website for more details

Federation Street at Burnie Regional Museum

Visit the Only Tasmania Website for UpToDate information on what us happening in Tasmania on a daily basis [HERE](#).

As the weather warms up there are many beautiful parks and beaches in Tasmania that are perfect for a picnic day out with the kids too.

TERM DATES 2025

(Please confirm dates with your school)

Term One Resume (Teaching Staff)	3 February 2025
Term One Resume (Students)	7 February 2025
Term One Concludes (Students)	10 April 2025
Term One Concludes (Teaching Staff)	11 April 2025
Term One Student (Non-Attendance Time)	14 April 2025 – 25 April 2025
Easter (Good Friday)	18 April 2025
Easter (Easter Monday)	21 April 2025
Easter (Easter Tuesday)	22 April 2025
Term Two (Staff and Students Resume)	28 April 2025
Term Two (Concludes)	4 July 2025
Term Two Student Non-Attendance Time	7 July 2025 – 21 July 2025
Term Three Resume (Teaching Staff)	21 July 2025
Term Three Resume (Students)	22 July 2025
Term Three Concludes	26 September 2025
Term Three Student Non-Attendance Time	29 September 2025 – 13 October 2025
Term Four Resume (Teaching Staff)	13 October 2025
Term Four Resume (Students)	14 October 2025
Term Four Concludes (Students and Teaching Staff)	18 December 2025