

The Creek This Week

Andrews Creek Primary School



Upcoming events

Thursday 18 December
Grade 6 Assembly
Last day Term 4

Thursday 29 January
Uniform Collection Day 9-3pm

Thursday 5 February
First day 2026

Monday 9 March
Public Holiday

Saturday 28 March
School Association Fair

Principal's Message

What a great night last Thursday's Christmas Concert was. It was great to see all our students up on stage performing in front of such a large community audience. A great experience for them and we thank you for sharing in it, with us.

Over the past 2 days I have had the great honour to present certificates to students who were recognised at either our Shining Star or Year 6 assemblies. Being able to acknowledge the efforts of our students and see the smile it brings to their faces is one of the best parts of my job as Principal. Well done to all our award recipients.

Being the last day of the school year, we say goodbye to our year 6 students. We know that so many of them will thrive at high school next year and look forward to following their journey as they embark on the next stage of their learning.

We say goodbye to many staff members today. To Mrs D, Mrs Armitstead, Mrs Boskell, Mr Connelly, Mrs Woodcock, Mrs Guthrie and Mrs Niaura, a massive thank you for everything you have contributed to the Creek over such a long time. We wish you all the best and look forward to catching up along the journey.

As we wrap up this year, I want to wish you all a joyful Christmas and a safe, happy New Year. May your summer break be filled with laughter, adventure, and meaningful moments with those you love. Let's return in 2026 ready to embrace new opportunities, deepen our connections, and continue our journey of learning together.

Attendance

School Goal
91%
Current
rate
91%

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Andrews Creek Primary to be part of a School Grouping from 2026

As you may be aware, the Tasmanian education system is starting a Multi-School Organisations (MSO) trial from next year. MSOs are families of schools that work closely together under shared leadership on improving teaching and learning, wellbeing and school operation for all their students.

To help us get ready to be part of an MSO in the future, from Term 1 2026 Andrews Creek Primary will become part of a School Grouping. That means we will be part of a connected group of schools, under the leadership of an 'Executive Lead' – a highly experienced senior Principal.

What does it mean for students and families?

The way we support our students and families won't suddenly change. This is an opportunity for us to learn from other schools in our area over time, to share what we do well, and to collaborate on challenges and opportunities in our region. It's also a great chance for us to work with the Executive Lead as we continue our work to improve our school improvement focus areas at Andrews Creek Primary.

Why are School Groupings being set up?

Moving into a Grouping will help us prepare to become part of a Multi-School Organisation (MSO) in the future. MSOs are a formal way for 'families' of schools to work together closely with a united leadership team that is accountable for student results. This model is being trialled in Tasmania, starting with a small group of schools next year. All other schools, including ours, will start in a Grouping, while the MSO trial expands over time.

We will keep you updated on what this means for us throughout the year. More information about School Groupings and MSOs is available on the DECYP website.

I am also pleased to inform you that I will remain acting Principal here at ACPS for 2026 and look forward to working with you all.

Yours in partnership,

Nathan Rockliff
Acting Principal





Grade 6 Celebration Assembly

Today we farewelled our Grade 6 leavers at our Celebration Assembly and congratulations to the following students who received awards today:

Grade 6 Award Recipients

Academic Award - Asta

Leadership Award - Sophia

Community Award - Maci

Minister for Education and Training

Respectful Student Award - Jedd

Shining Star - Koby and Riley

Lots of work goes into preparing for a big assembly like this one and we would like to thank the following people for their contributions.

To our Grade 5 hosts Lusiana & Kade.

Mrs. D for writing the poem and Mrs. Boskell for reading it.

Finally, to Mr Rockliff, and our Grade 6 teacher Mr Wallace for putting the whole assembly together!

Congratulations!

Thank
you

A big thank you to the following sponsors who donated money for us to purchase book vouchers from the Devonport Book Store for our award recipients:

- Wesley Vale and Sassafras CWA
- Braddon Liberal Team
- Mike Gaffney MLC
- Latrobe Council
- Latrobe Rotary Club
- Shane Broad MP
- Anita Dow MP
- Andrews Creek Primary School Association





Shining STAR Assembly

Yesterday we held a special Shining Star assembly. Thank you to Kinder, and our choir for performing for us and to the Student Council for doing a wonderful job as our hosts. Pictures of all of our award winners are on our ACPS facebook page.

Congratulations to the following award winners. Each year teachers nominate two students from each grade who have consistently demonstrated all aspects of our school motto all year - Learn, Inspire, Shine.

Shining STAR Award winners 2025

Kinder	Cooper and Pippa
Prep	Dotty and Roy
Grade 1	Ava and Esther
Grade 2	Alice and Harvey
Grade 3	Elizabeth and Nevae
Grade 4	Maci and Maeve
Grade 5	Angus and Bella

Encouragement Award

Congratulations to the following students for receiving a newly introduced Encouragement Award this year. \$20 book vouchers were donated to a school community member for these awards.

Encouragement Award Winners

Prep	Leo H
Grade 1	Florence
Grade 2	Koa
Year 3	Poppy
Year 4	Oliver P
Year 5	Evora
Year 6	Harry B





ACPS Chess Competition representatives

Angus
Faith
Hannah
Harry
Jack S.
Kade
Lucy S.

Madilyn
Oliver
Poppy
Rhyan
Riley
Sahara
Sophia S.

ANDREWS CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL

UNIFORM COLLECTION

Validation Forms - will be sent via email on January 19

School Levies - will be posted out late February and due on 31 March

Book & Stationery will be handed to students on first day of Term 1

THURSDAY 29 JANUARY 2026
9AM-3PM

LOCATION
School Courtyard
Please park on tennis court

MORE INFORMATION
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School Association Raffle

Congratulations to our School Association End of Year Raffle winners who were drawn Monday that are listed on the poster below. Thank you to all of our prize donors! \$7,620 worth of tickets were sold! Wow! A huge thank you to the Griffiths family who coordinated this incredible fundraiser!

Prizes

- Vuly Ultra 2 trampoline with Basketball Hoop, Cover and Ladder - **Elmar**
- PitBoss Pellet Grill + Cover and Set - **Evora Z**
- Kids Kayak, Paddle and Life Jacket - **Bonnie B**
- Kids Kayak, Paddle and Life Jacket - **Leandra B**
- \$750.00 Photography Voucher with Maddie Paige Photography - **Jan B**
- \$350.00 Photography Voucher with Maddie Paige Photography - **Delilah Y**
- Beach Cart + Beach Toys + Umbrella - **Nik H**
- Cool Cabana and Beach Mat - **Bianca D**
- Pickle Ball Set - **Bron**
- SUP board, Paddle and Life Jacket - **Micah M**
- Body Board - **Simon M**
- Body Board - **Mandy T**
- Cricket Set - **K Mathews**
- Triple Waterslide - **Hannah H**
- Kids 16-inch Bike and Helmet - **Sarah R**
- Local Tasmanian Hamper - **Jordan T**
- Face Bar Gift Pack - **Charlotte M**
- \$500 Tamar Blinds Voucher - **Trudy W**
- \$100 Dig This Voucher - **Sarah H**
- \$100 Cove Accommodation Voucher - **RGB**
- \$100 Tenpin Bowling Voucher - **Dustin E**
- \$100 Page Hire Voucher - **Danika S**
- \$50 Page Hire Voucher - **Mandy C**

Congratulations
All winners have now been contacted via mobile.

All proceeds go back to the Andrews Creek Primary School Community

Uniform Collection Day

Only parents/carers who have uniform pre-ordered will need to come this day as levy invoices will be posted out in February, books and stationery will be handed out on the first day of school and validation forms will be done electronically next year.

If you did not place a back-to-school order in September there will be extra uniform items available however it is not guaranteed.

Please visit our uniform shop on this day rather than waiting for day one of Term 1 as the office will be very busy.

Christmas Concert

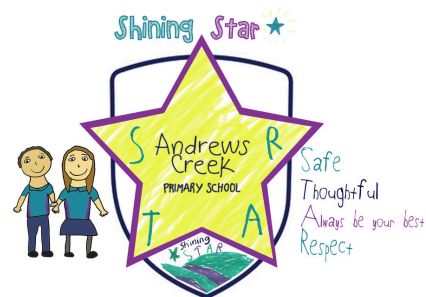




STAR Cards

- Bonnie R** - for always giving 100% effort to all tasks
- Neve O** - for always demonstrating excellent listening skills during group time
- Macey M** - for always helping during pack up time to keep our room safe
- Billie W** - for always being kind and caring towards her classmates
- Lacey R** - two days in a row of full school uniforms
- Zeke** - for amazing me with his maths in manipulating fractions
- Evora** - respectfully helping another student who needed help
- Bella A** - off to a great start as a DPE leader
- Evelyn** - off to a great start as a DPE
- Amelia H** - lovely piece of writing for common assessment task
- Brooklyn** - for always doing your best work
- Wynter** - for always doing your best work
- Zara** - for always being a thoughtful and quiet student
- Florence** - for working quietly
- Freyja** - for always being a quiet and respectful learner
- Hartley** - for working quietly today
- Hamish** - for working quietly today
- Indiana** - for working quietly today

- Elliott** - for working quietly today
- Indiana** - for putting 100% effort into all your work today
- Hamish** - for being thoughtful of your own behaviour today
- Bodhi** - for being a superstar when washing chairs.



Validation Forms 2026

As mentioned in last weeks newsletter, validation forms will be sent to you as a link in 2026 to complete and submit electronically.

It is important to please contact the school office at andrews.creek.primary@decyp.tas.gov.au if you need to change your contact details.



Thank you for a wonderful year! Keep shining 🌟
Love Mrs D and Mrs G



From our Creek Family to your Creek Family, Merry Christmas!

Community News



Piccolos

is a place for children in Grade 1 and 2 to get a great start in music!

Sing, play and dance in fun sessions.

Learn to read music and play the recorder.

Develop teamwork and improve focus.

Sessions are held at Reece High School on Wednesdays, 4.00 – 4.45 pm.

For further information contact Dominique Baker – 0407 244 602
ree.crescendochoir@decyp.tas.gov.au



Department for Education,
Children and Young People



A place to realize your musical potential!

Sing in an ensemble, learn to play an instrument and read music fluently, make friends and perform at concerts and community events.

All of our tutors are professionally trained teachers and musicians.
 Learning sessions are fun and progress - focused.

Junior Vocal Ensemble: Tuesdays 3.30 – 5.00 pm, Reece High School
 Senior Vocal Ensemble: Tuesdays 4.00 – 5.30 pm, Reece High
 Instrumental Ensemble: Wednesdays 4.00 – 5.30 pm, Reece High
 Small group beginner instrumental tuition: Wednesdays 3.30 – 4.00 pm, Reece High

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SUMMER HOLIDAYS @HIVE
 5 JAN - 4 FEB

WORKSHOPS & ACTIVITIES

- SCIENTIST IN RESIDENCE
- ACTIVITIES
- SCAN FOR INFO

EXTRA PLANETARIUM SHOWS

- ELECTRICITY SHOW with SCIENTIST IN RESIDENCE
- All ages show @11am

Tickets at Hive or online... hivetasmania.com.au

Hive: 50 Main St, Ulverstone, Tas

Devonport Touch Association

Junior State Cup update

Open Training sessions for the following age groups
 U10s born in 2016 or after
 U12s Boys and Girls (born in 2014, 2015)
 U14s Boys and Girls (born in 2012, 2013)

Trainings will be held on Sunday 21/12/25
 10am to 11.30am
 And Sunday January 4th 2026 10am to 11.30am

At Meercroft Park

We understand it's a busy time of year but we are just starting to get team numbers organised

If your interested in playing in the Junior State over the weekend of the 14th/15th of February please come along.

Also share with any team chat groups to help us get the message out there, tag anyone that should come along 😊



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