Dear Parents and Carers

The Year 6 boys have been looking at the qualities of a good leader. Their camp in Week Three at Rochees Beach not only gave the boys (old and new) a chance to get to know each other, but it also provided many opportunities for the boys to engage in some challenging leadership activities as well as looking at the 16 ‘Habits of Mind’ and how they apply to leadership.

As a result all the Year Six boys have been trained as leaders for our new ‘Get Active’ Daily PE program. Three days a week one class of Year Six boys (on a rotational basis) conducts 15 minutes of ‘Get Active’ exercises for the 11 Junior School Classes.

The Year Six boys have also had the opportunity to put themselves up for selection for our four Year Six Leadership groups. Each boy had to submit a candidate profile where they outlined the reasons why they should be a Junior School Leader and also nominated what leadership group they had a preference for. The elections were held on Tuesday. The different groups and the successful candidates are:

The 4 House Leaders (are automatically Junior School Leaders): Buckland- James Moroney, School- Patrick Kearney, Stephens- Harry Wallace and Thorold- Tom Bester. They help Mr McAlloon with all major sporting events.

Charity (Miss Vivarelli and Mrs Bullen) Lewis Wood, Tasman Daengdej, Harrison Bignold, Alec Kelly, Matthew Burgess, Oliver Farid and Owen Law

JAFFA/Chapel (Reverend Mark and Mrs Hasenkam) Will Crean, Dane Friberg, Thomas Baddiley, Phelin Ndimani, Thomas Young, Max Kokkoris and Xavier Dixon

Environmental Leaders (Mrs Knight and Mrs Manthey) Fraser Moroney, Thomas Dunbabin, James Weir, Layne Alexander, Michael Oddie and Hamish Spence

ICT (Mr Prebble and Mr Berry) Will Harris, James Tucker, Angus Calvert, Peter Mercado, Ben Feeger, and Giorgio Radenti

The groups meet separately once a fortnight at lunchtime and twice a term all the leaders will meet together to share their news. The boys will all be officially inducted next week at Chapel on Wednesday 16th March at 2.30 pm.

The Role of each group.

Charity/Service. Their primary role is to raise money for important charities that have an emphasis on support for children and animals. They aim to make fundraisers fun for the participants. They speak at Assemblies when possible to raise the profile of charities and they try to make connections with the wider community and build relationships through the charities they support. This year, they will also be looking for ways to make a difference by giving time to help a community group.

JAFFA/Chapel. JAFFA leaders will help run the lunchtime JAFFA group with Reverend Mark (This starts Week One of Term Two). This will involve helping to think up games and activities that help others learn more about Jesus while having lots of fun! The JAFFA leaders will also help lead the Junior School Chapel with Reverend Mark and Mrs Hasenkam.

ICT. The duties of the ICT leaders include:- Visiting classrooms to assess needs and receive requests from teachers and students. Discuss ICT needs and solutions in the classrooms. Make and receive assignments to visit and solve ICT related problems in the classrooms. Attend meetings with the Senior School ICT leaders. Make an effort to continually upgrade skills. Assist in the Tech box with Assemblies and other special requests. Assist in chapel with ICT needs.

Environmental Leaders. As part of our Resource Smart program, the focus for 2011 is Waste. Recycling is good but Re-Using is better! To gain an overview the leaders will visit the Hobart City Council’s landfill site, the Resource Recovery Centre, the Waste Treatment plant and hear from the people in charge. A member of the Derwent Estuary Program will also talk to the group about the challenges facing the River Derwent. The leaders will attempt to determine our school’s impact by completing a school audit of paper, co-mingled and landfill materials. The leaders will also contribute regular articles to the Newsletter and will talk in Assemblies.

As Junior School Leaders all boys are expected to act as appropriate role models for the Junior School, reflecting at all times the values and behaviours that are the essence of the Hutchins philosophy.

The boys have all promised to undertake their responsibilities with care, commitment, courage, compassion and conscience.

Jenny Manthey - Head of Junior School/Early Learning Centre

We owe almost all our knowledge not to those who have agreed, but to those who have differed.

C C Colton

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**Early Learning Centre**

**Kindergarten**

In Kindergarten T we have been looking at old things because we have been learning about the sound “o”. We went to the Hutchins’ Archives in the Senior School to see some old things.

Jack Griffiths and Alexander Smart are looking at old photos of Hutchins.

Ms Mason–Cox showed Charlie Boman and Henry Pitt an old typewriter.

**Prep**

Last Friday the Deputy Headmaster, Mr Barrie Irons, visited Prep G to talk about lions, how they live, what they need to survive, how they communicate and work together and why they are the symbol of Hutchins School. The boys really enjoyed his interesting (and animated) talk and photos. The YouTube video he showed the class of “Christian the Lion” being reunited with his human friends prompted many drawings. Thanks Mr Irons!

Noah Kamprad drew a part of the “Christian the Lion” story that he remembered. “Christian was jumping on a TV. He thought he was a pet lion but the men put him in Africa and they visited him. He knew they would come back.”

**Year One**

Mrs Smith posed this problem to some of the boys in 1S:

For my birthday I want a puppy but my mum says “No!” What can I say to her to change her mind?

Here are some of their solutions:

“Please can I have a puppy” and if that doesn’t work I would probably say “I will save up for a puppy” and then get one. **Harry Headlam**

I would give her flowers because she likes flowers. **Monty Williams**

I would say, “Why not think about it?” **James Krushka**

I would say, “Can I have one when I grow up?” **Toby Moss**

I would say, “Cos a puppy is so cute and soft and he is so adorable!” but she would probably still say “No!” Because she is so strict. I would try again. Next time I would say, ” I promise I will look after it and feed it.” **James Walters**

**Year Two**

Year 2B Construction Engineers Zac Phair, Tom Griffiths, Liam Canny, Jake Wilkinson and Oscar Reisz.

Year Two are studying the science of motion and force.

2G’s experiment on gravity provided some predictable outcomes but experiments are fun no matter what the result!
**Junior School**

**Year Three**

Maths Matters!
3V have been busy exploring our number system. We have been busy completing some Maths Challenges.

**Challenge 1:** In groups we had to try and count the number of coloured counters which were tipped onto the floor. We had to think about the best way to group them. The strategy that we chose to use was to sort the counters into groups of 10. This made it easier to count. We realised that 10 was an important number in the number system. We also discovered that 10 groups of 10 equal 100 and 100 groups of 10 equals 1000. In total we counted 7,035 counters.

**Challenge 2:** We were given a 1-120 number grid. We had to use this to construct a number line. We then learnt to use the number line as a tool to help us add 2 digit numbers together.

Hamish Betts constructing his number line.

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**Tunnels!**
Reminder to parents, teachers and students that they MUST NOT cross the road as there are TUNNELS in Nelson Road and Churchill Ave for all of us to use. This is for the safety of all.

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**Reminder to parents from JS Canteen**
Please secure your son’s lunch money in bags as recently they have had a few occasions of the money falling out.

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**Year Four**

What it would be like to live in London during the 1800’s.

I smell gross rubbish and sewerage with the burning of coal in the air.
I look at the rats in the street and hope they don’t crawl over me.
I taste the stale bread and think I need more food.
I feel the rubbish under my feet.
I hear the screeches of children who are homeless.
I want to get out of here.                     Andrew Kemp

Everybody looked sick and tired in the gross streets of London.
All I could smell was the burnt coal in the air.
I could hear and feel the splashes from the disgusting ground.
Everything tasted like rotten teeth.        Lochlan Macpherson

I look around and see homeless children running around with nowhere to go.
The smell of disgusting garbage is horrible.
The taste of stale bread is boring.
The diseased air flows onto my hand as if I’m touching it.
I hear the cries of orphans on the streets.
The town of London is gloomy.                  Will MacMichael

I see black air. It is cold and dark.
I always smell horrible gas and smoke.
I can taste burnt food and sewerage from the streets.
I can touch old rusty fallen down buildings.
I am sure I can hear cries of children.
That is what London was like.                   Adam Eid

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**Year Five**

On Monday 1 March, Year 5 explored the possibilities of yeast, in the form of making pizzas. We discovered that when fed certain ingredients and kept at a warm temperature, the dough doubled in size. After the dough had been made, and the toppings added, the pizzas-to-be were taken to Lipscombe Larder, who had kindly offered to cook the pizzas in their ovens.

The results were delicious.

We have also conducted other experiments to do with yeast, such as one to see what temperature was best for yeast to remain active. We did this by placing yeast and sugar in three flasks, each with different temperature water inside; cold warm and boiling, then fastened a balloon to the top of the flask and waited thirty minutes to see which would blow up the balloons the most. It turned out that warm water was best, then cold, then hot.

Tom Davie and James Browne 5Mi
Year Six

Over the last two weeks, Year 6 boys have been leading classes of Junior School boys in a program called ‘Get Active’. The program aims to raise the fitness of all Year 3-6 boys through participation in 15 minutes of daily physical activity.

At this stage we are running sessions on Monday and Tuesday morning from 8:30 am until 8:45 am, and Wednesday at the end of lunch from 1:15 pm until 1:30 pm.

Activities range from chasing games to skipping to aerobics, introducing new activities regularly. The program has been a huge success to date and the feedback from teachers and students has been very positive.

Jade Rossiter “Getting Active”

Class Parents needed
Would you like to be a “class parent”. Every year we need a “class parent” for each class to provide a useful contact and support network for parents. So far we have:

Kinder B    Jacinta Mundy
Kinder T    
Prep F       Anna Yard-Cumming
Prep G       Kate Nunn, Renee Brown and Ann Pickard
Year 1M      
Year 1S      Kate Hayes-Newington and Lynda Moss
Year 2B      Jo Kemp and Amanda Phair
Year 2G      
Year 3R      Cate Law
Year 3V      Melanie Archer
Year 4B      Alyssa Smart
Year 4Mc     Kathleen Botte
Year 4W      Carol Plunkett
Year 5K      Sonya Stevenson
Year 5Ma     
Year 5Mi     
Year 6Be     
Year 6Bu     
Year 6P      Anna Harris

Junior School Tracksuit pants
We have been made aware of a small number of problems with the durability of the Junior School Tracksuit pants. The material used has been reviewed by the manufacturer and complies to all testing standards; however, it is a different type of material to the old style tracksuit pant.

The existing supplies of the track pant for Junior School boys will revert back to the original fabric. Should you have an issue with the new tracksuit pant, the School Store have free knee patches that can be collected at your convenience.

Boys are allowed to come to and from School with just their shorts and polo top and tracksuit top zipped up as that is still ‘correct uniform’ should the tracksuit pant require mending or until new stocks are in supply.

Clean Up Australia Day
Last Thursday afternoon all boys from Years 3 – 6 participated in Clean Up Day for Schools. We went out in pairs with a bag and a glove and were given a part of the Hutchins campus to clean up. All the rubbish was then taken to be sorted by Year 5. We collected 4 large garbage bags full. Most of the rubbish collected was for landfill and consisted of plastic and chip and confectionary wrappers.

On behalf of the River Derwent, thank you to everyone who participated.

Year 4M hosted a great Assembly. There are certainly some mysterious looking characters here!
Junior School Mosaic Project – Help needed!
During Term Two this year the Junior School boys are going to be working with a mosaic artist in residence to create a vibrant and exciting 36 square metres of mosaic at the entrance to Junior School.

During this term they are going to be devising their theme/topic of the mural and collecting recycled tiles to create their artwork with.

Can you help? If you have any old tiles at home that are no longer needed they would be greatly appreciated. Also, during the next 3 weeks there will be a suggestion box in the Junior School office for ideas regarding the theme of the mural. As this is such a significant and visual part of the school we would welcome suggestions from all parts of the Hutchins community about what should be there.

Old tiles can be delivered to me in the lodge (or dropped outside the door if I am not there) on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, or sent with your son to his art lesson. Also, if you would like to contribute in any other way or work with the boys on this project I can be contacted at Rebecca.Terry@hutchins.tas.edu.au.

It should be a really exciting and rewarding project for the boys and I look forward to working with our whole community to create something wonderful! Rebecca Terry—Junior School Art Teacher

Junior School Swimming Carnival
Last Friday morning the boys from the Junior School boarded buses in House groups and headed to the Hobart Aquatic Centre to contest the 2011 House Swimming Carnival.

The day started with a record breaking performance in the first event by the Year 6 Stephens team of Thomas Young, Thomas Dunbabin, Tom McTye and Will Clerk in the Medley relay. They set the scene for the day with fine performances in the pool by Mitchell Rickards [new records in Yr 5 50m Breaststroke & Butterfly], Patrick Betts [new record in Yr 5 25m Butterfly], Sajiv Rao [new record in Yr 4 50m Butterfly], Axel Moore [new record in Yr 3 50m Butterfly] and Nick Westenberg [new record in Yr 3 25m Backstroke].

It wasn’t just the record breakers who put in their best for their Houses, with all boys who swam in events in the main pool and participated in the Novelty events in the 25m pool contributing to their Houses points’ total. The last chance for House points came down to the Mexican Seated dive and the pressure was on judges Mrs. Manthey and Mr. Palfreyman. Fortunately, they were up to the task and provided us with definitive scores for each team dive.

When the points were totalled Buckland House were victorious, followed closely by Stephens, School and Thorold.

Congratulations to all the Buckland boys and for all boys for their performance and behaviour on the day. Big thank you to all of our teachers, who did such a fantastic job in running the carnival, and to all parents, grandparents and friends who came along to support the boys and the event.

Our next swimming outing will be the JSSATIS Carnival on Wednesday March 30 at the Hobart Aquatic Centre with a team selected from results from the House carnival to represent Hutchins. Boys selected in this team will be notified this week.

Shane McAloon - Director JS Sport

HUTCHINS SCHOOL FAIR

Friday 25 March

All families are asked to assist if possible with:

- Books
- Trash and Treasure items
- Major items suitable for our silent auction at the fair such as accommodation, art work, memorabilia etc.

If you are interested in assisting please contact Jenna Vance on 6221 4246 or email Jenna.Vance@Hutchins.tas.edu.au

Fair Day is a Free Dress Day with a gold coin donation to charity.

Uniform Changes 2011

The following items of uniform will become compulsory.

- P-12 - New microfibre sports jacket with Hutchins logo (spray jacket is no longer part of the School uniform)
- P-12 - New microfibre sport shorts with gold piping and Hutchins logo (plain black shorts are no longer part of the School uniform)
- Years 3-12 - New microfibre trackpants with gold piping and Hutchins logo (plain black tracksuit pants are no longer part of the School uniform)
- Years 3-12 - New black/magenta polo top with gold piping and Hutchins logo (white polo tops are no longer part of the School uniform)
- P-12 - New white school shirt with Lion embroidery

Buckland boys celebrate the Swimming Carnival win!

Final scores:
Buckland 1258
Stephens 1203
School 1197
Thorold 922

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