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Welcome to the TASSO Management Committee for 2019-2020 & Staff



L to R. Regina (Staff), Petra (Sth Delegate), Wendy (Nth Delegate), Nigel (President), Debra (Staff), Lyn (Snr VP), Tom (Staff), Danielle (Nth Delegate), Jared (Treasurer), Absent Chris (N-W Delegate)

It has been a busy few weeks in the Office, particularly leading up to our AGM. This was originally scheduled for the 20th September 2019 being held at two venues in the State - Devonport and Hobart. Unfortunately due to the lack of a quorum on the 20th September 2019 the meeting was rescheduled to the 27th September 2019, and then subsequently to the 26th October 2019, where the AGM was successfully run at the new Northern Midlands Council venue in Campbell Town.

It was pleasing to see School Association Members attend from



discussed with valued feedback being provided to the Department - School Chaplaincy Guidelines, Levies & Other Charges, Social Media Procedures, Policy & Guidelines and Approved Learning Program for Years 9-12.

Members of the Management Committee were fortunate to also review *Suzie the Scientist* and *Millie the Mathematician* books that uniquely links the home-reading process with the *Australian Curriculum: Science and Mathematics*

Special mention must go to Connor who on the day took advantage of achieving a brilliant photo bomb



*School Association Committees can avail themselves of the special offer of purchasing two sets of these books and receiving the third set **free!** There are also **free** downloadable worksheets available to compliment the 24-book set of *Millie the Mathematician* early reader books.*

TASSO Management Committee are delighted to endorse Griffith University's, *Suzie the Scientist* and *Millie the Mathematician* books that uniquely links the home-reading process with the *Australian Curriculum: Science and Mathematics*.

Members of the Management Committee were fortunate to have a look at the books, to which some of the following comments were made:

- *These are fantastic!*



TASSO is unequivocally thrilled that a special offer has been extended to Tasmanian School Associations who are looking at supporting students and families in their school by increasing literacy resources available. Purchasing *Suzie the Scientist* and *Millie the Mathematician* could be a targeted fundraiser or the perfect opportunity to partner with a community organisation with a keen interest in science, maths and literacy.

What do you think?

It's a bit of a controversial topic as recently Western Australia has banned mobile phones in state schools. And as we found out recently, it wasn't just personal reasons for using mobile devices in school. In some cases students have had to go to their own devices to aid in the completion of school work, as school resources were either unavailable or insufficient for the students needs.

While we have responses to this survey already we would like



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As some of you may have noticed on our Facebook page recently we've published a survey focusing on mobile devices and their use in schools.

To do so please follow the link below and tell us your thoughts. Please spread the survey with family and friends

Click below to complete the survey

School's Strike for Climate Rally!



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TASSO work to support our students and this encompasses their personal development over the course of their lives.

TASSO supported the *School Strike 4 Climate* effort held in Hobart on Friday 20 September 2019.

It was a very moving experience witnessing students marching together with a common cause and supported by other organisations and adults alike.



As we move toward the summer holiday period, many young people will be hoping to get a part time job and may therefore need some help with their resume. To help support them, we have collated some resources from myfuture that will help them to find and gain a job. View the job search articles and resume templates here: [myfuture job search resources](#)

SCHOOL ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE - AGENDA SUGGESTIONS FOR TERM 4

Like most school terms, there are always tasks that association committees need to complete, or progress and Term 4 is no different.

If your Association is due to hold their Annual General Meeting (AGM) in March of 2020, it is now time to start getting prepared and the following

Timeframe & checklist for Calling for Nominations, Holding Elections & Calling & Conducting an Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Please note this has been developed for School Associations whose

Association Year ends on March 31st, you will need to adjust the time frame to suit your School Association Year.

Term 4 - tasks to complete:

- Identify members due for retirement. (Those who were elected 2 years earlier or filled a casual vacancy as a representative in a position that would have naturally expired at the end of the current Association year. ([Model Constitution](#) clause 9.4b) Retiring members may re-nominate.
- Notify the Principal which members of the Committee are due to retire. (([Model Constitution](#) Clause 9.3d)



- Set a date for the closing of nominations and include it in the communication strategy. Remember to allow enough time to:
- conduct a ballot if there are more nominations than vacant positions,
- call for more nominations if insufficient were received to fill all the vacant positions.

- Determine a process for conducting a ballot if more nominations are received than positions vacant.

- Develop a communication strategy for calling for nominations which informs all members of the school community (Association). For example, social media, school newsletter, emails or notes home.

The communication should include:

- the number of and type of vacancies to be filled (i.e. parent representative, staff representative, community representative)
- how to get a representative nomination form and what is required to complete it
- the closing date for nominations and where to lodge completed nomination forms
- the process for conducting an election if necessary.

- Principal to appoint Returning Officer. ([Secretary's Instruction No 7](#) point 3.7)

- Returning Officer is to
- publicise the calling for nominations as per the prescribed communication strategy
- receive nominations

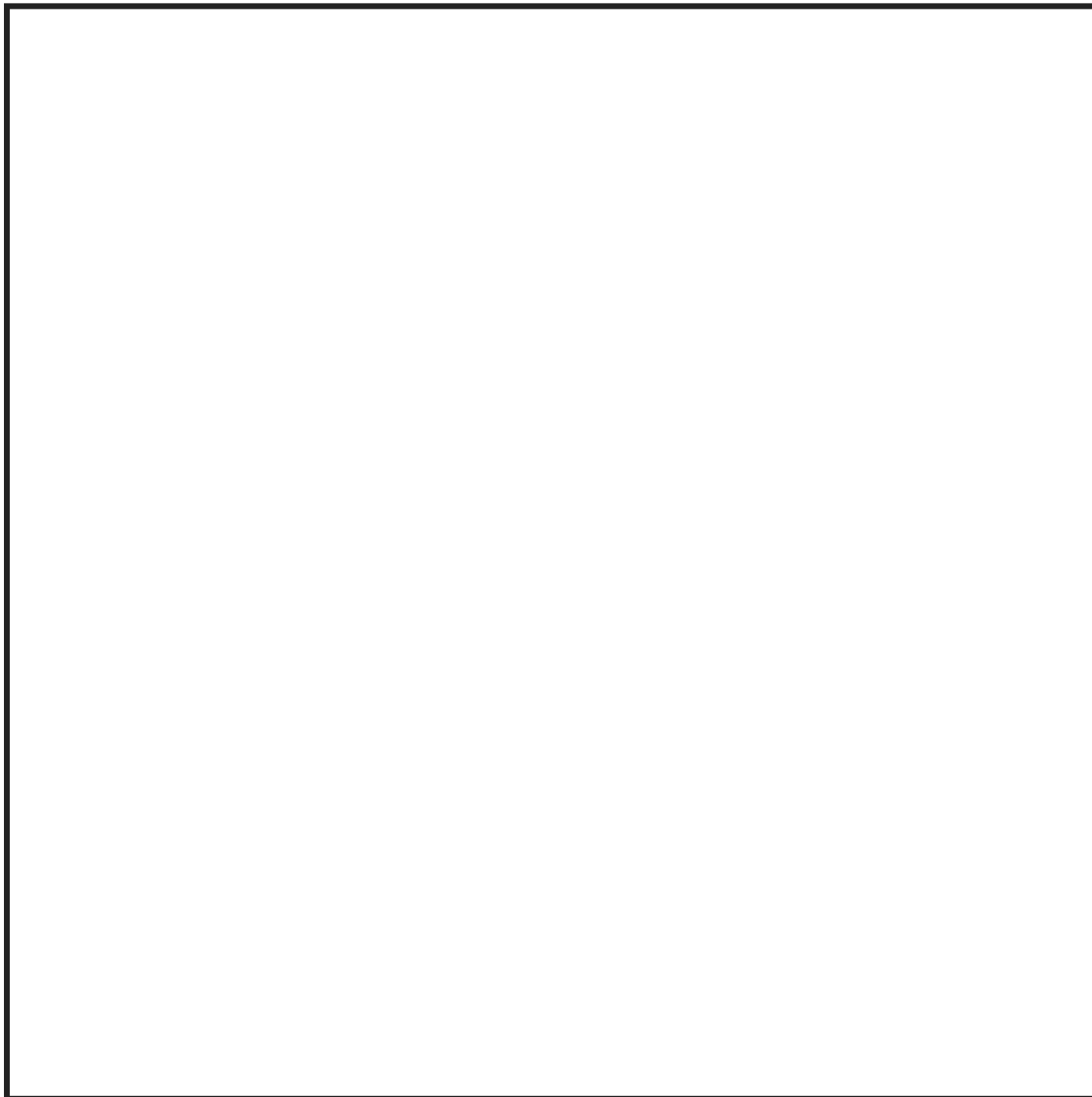
- Check that the Auditor appointed at the previous AGM is still available to audit the Association's financial records, other information they might require and how much time they will require to complete the Audit. This will assist with having an audited financial report ready for the AGM.



Specified Officeholders: Elections for the roles of Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer are conducted at the first meeting after the AGM. Office-bearers are only elected of one year. Most school associations conduct their first Committee Meeting immediately after the AGM.

[School Association Committee Handbook Vol. 1](#) has more information and some handy hints.

For further information and ballot form templates please contact the TASSO Office on 6243 7718 or email info@tasso.org.au



It's coming up to that time of year again - so here is a little chocolatey treat you may like to make with your children - young and old



- 1 cup (80g) desiccated coconut
- 1/4 cup (40g) gluten-free icing sugar
- 150g white chocolate
- 50g copha, melted
- 100g white chocolate, melted, extra
- 100's & 1000's, to decorate
- Red and green smarties to decorate

METHOD

- **Step 1** Cut 4 x 30cm squares of baking paper. Halve diagonally to make 8 triangles. Shape into cones, staple to secure.
- **Step 2** Combine rice bubbles, coconut and icing sugar in a large bowl. Place the chocolate and Copha in a heatproof bowl over a saucepan of simmering water. Stir with a metal spoon for 3 mins or until chocolate melts and mixture is smooth. Add to rice bubble mixture and stir to combine. Spoon evenly among prepared cones and use the back of a spoon to press lightly. Place on a baking tray in the fridge for 1 hour or until firm.
- **Step 3** Remove paper cones from chocolate crackles. Stand on a baking tray. Drizzle cones with extra melted chocolate. Sprinkle with 100's & 1000's. Dip freckles in extra chocolate and arrange on cone. Set aside to set.

Website Updates: Keep informed

With a lot of big TASSO events lately and quite a bit of action behind the scenes there are some changes on our website at the moment.

The big one is the temporary removal of our constitution. Our manager Debra slaved over a computer for months and drafted a whole new constitution herself. That document is currently with lawyers and will be available soon.

The other is the availability of current and past newsletters which can be found here: <https://www.tasso.org.au/tasso-news/>



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