



# HILLIARD HERALD

"We believe in you"

## Early years of learning

By KRYSTAL DE VILLE

IT has been said that children develop the most in their early childhood and at Hilliard we do all we can to make the transition from home to school enjoyable.

Our kindergarten program is two full days a week — Tuesday and Thursday. This is to make the transition easier on the children.

There are also half-days offered to build the child's confidence and to suit the child's educational needs.

Our small class offers the chance children need to grow and develop at

their own level and speed while encouraging them to express themselves and their ideas openly.

Children learn Maths, English, Bible and Japanese with a hands-on approach to all that's taught. They are taught in context with their everyday environment in an inclusive program catering for each individual.

Involvement in all aspects of school life is important and participation in excursions, chapel, sports and assembly supplement the curriculum.

Children participate in a number of activities

throughout the day in a structured environment like any other class to help them become adjusted to classroom behaviour.

A new modern building complete with a kitchenette offers a spacious environment for learning. In this safe, happy environment with friendly teachers and students, the children are sure to adjust to school and learn at their own level and pace while gently being encouraged to broaden their knowledge and improve their skills.



**EASY TRANSITION:** Hilliard kindergarten makes starting school an enjoyable experience.

## Values still count

By ELI COUSENS

THIS year Hilliard Christian School is celebrating 100 years of providing quality education in the Hobart region.

The centenary celebrations will be held on the weekend of September 29 and 30. Celebrations will conclude on the Sunday with a formal dinner for past students and the burial of a time capsule.

Hilliard Christian School opened its doors early last century because of the need for Christian education in Hobart.

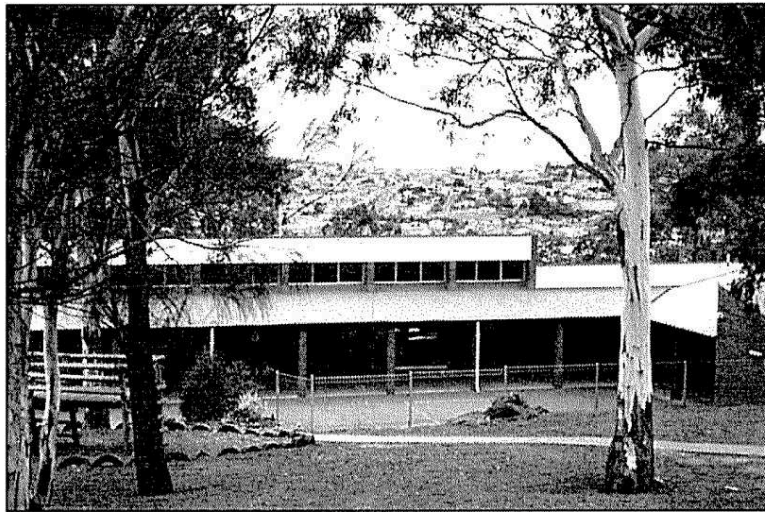
The Seventh-day Adventist Church community operates the school as part of the world-wide Adventist school system.

However, many parents outside the Adventist community sent their children to the new school for the benefits of an education that taught and practised Christian principles, practical skills and academic excellence, and the school quickly grew.

It settled in a permanent site in Warwick St but the school continued to flourish until it outgrew its Warwick St premises and moved to Fleet St, Moonah, in the 1930s.

In the late 1950s high school grades were added, along with the extra classroom facilities required as a result.

In the early 1970s, well-equipped and spacious science and primary classroom buildings were built because of the expanding student population.



**OUR CENTURY:** Hilliard Christian School at West Moonah.

The Fleet St site was running out of room for the playground or for future expansion.

After investigation, the present site at Cheviot Rd, West Moonah was purchased. The bushland setting, with beautiful views along the Derwent Valley, provided the ideal location for the modern facilities that were built and occupied in the early 1980s.

On September 1, 1994 the school changed its name from the Hobart Seventh-Day Adventist school to Hilliard Christian School.

The school is named after Elder Edward Hilliard, remembered for his work in the mission field of the

South Pacific. Edward Hilliard presided over the work in the Tasmanian Seventh-day Adventist Church for the four years after 1899.

The future holds many opportunities and challenges.

More parents are concerned about the uncertain future. They are looking for an education that will equip their children to deal positively with the challenges ahead.

Hilliard Christian School offers the value-based education parents are looking for now as they have done for 100 years.

## Fields of dreams

AT Hilliard Christian School, the basis of all success is dreams.

There are plenty of different fields in which students aspire to excellence, from off-road car rallying to touch football to young kids hitting sixes.

Two Year 9 boys, Keepa Mewett and Dean Goodchild, are in the Tasmanian Touch Football school state team. They will be competing for Tasmania in the national championships in Darwin on September 24-28.

The two had only been playing touch for a season and a half prior to the Tasmanian team try-outs.

Dean is also a good runner alongside Joshua Campbell and Andre de Ville. All three competed in the Grand Chancellor Fun Run and received the John Tubbs award for winning the High School 10km relay race.

Each boy ran a 13.5-minute run over the 3.3km race. For their efforts they acquired the first shield on the trophy for Hilliard.

Two students, identical twins Anthony and Nicholas Shaw, are competitors in all sorts of club rallies. These include motor-khanas, (events where the competitor must drive their car around markers in a set pattern, go as fast as possible but not hit any of the markers or go the wrong way) tarmac racing and off-road rallies.

The pair is also building up a racing team called double trouble racing (dtr). The car in which they are racing is a blue Datsun Stanza.

At Hilliard Christian School there are some young kids who compete in a mixed indoor cricket competition. Three of them voiced this ambition: "I want to play cricket for Australia when I'm older."

But, like most, they are playing for the fun and the rush of the sport they are involved in.

**KEEPA MEWETT and ANTHONY SHAW**

## In brief

THIS is the International Year of the Volunteer and, on May 15, the Glenorchy City Council Volunteer Awards were presented by Mayor Terry Martiny. Three volunteers from Hilliard, Laurence Beadle, Wendy Vince and Helen Webb, were presented with medallions and certificates in recognition of their volunteer services to the school community.

### Community work

FOUR senior Hilliard students, Jacinda Fehre, Joshua Campbell, Renee Parker and Jenna Baker, participated in a community outreach program in Smithton called STORMCo (Service To Others Really Matters). From June 8-17 they helped run a Kool Kids Korner, involving puppets, song and drama. They also were involved in a community service program.

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