

RFDS Tasmania Turns 60

- The Tasmanian section of the RFDS was officially formed on Monday, the 12th of September 1960.
- Prior to 1993 medical evacuations were carried out by volunteers from the local aero clubs.
- The formation was prompted by an incident in which pilot Reg Munro, landed on Chappell Island and collected a child who had been bitten by a snake, after spotting distress smoke signals while flying over.

Last year across Tasmania:

- > 11 airstrips utilised.
- 2347 flights by our 1 King Air Beechcraft 200 plane, under contract to Ambulance Tas.
- > 7867 Primary Health Consultations
- > 15,143 dental treatments.
- > 207 patients transported by road.
- 720 Primary School Students visited our base

RFDS Education Program News

Launceston RFDS Base Tours

- > FREE of charge.
- > Learn about the History and importance of the RFDS.
- > Experience our working Aeromedical Base
- > For students years 1-6.

Early Childhood Launceston Base Tours

- > **FREE** of charge.
- > For students aged Kinder to year 1.
- > Activities focus on Primary Health
- > Learn about what the Royal Flying Doctor Service does.
- > See our Simulator and the airport Fire Trucks.
- Take a peak at our plane—if you are very lucky.

Tours are available Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday Resuming Term 2— Pending current situation.

RFDS Education Website

- https://flvingdoctor4education.org.au/
- Online resources which complement units of work in HASS and Health.

HASS Units of Work

- > Units, matching the Australian Curriculum, available FREE of charge, for years 2, 3 & 6.
- > Units are ready to use and come complete with cross curricular links, standards of achievement, lesson plans, assessment tasks and assessment evaluation tools.
- > https://www.flyingdoctor4education.org.au/resources/additional -resources

Oral Health Curriculum

- > Interactive, web based resources for teachers.
- > Linked to the Australian Curriculum.
- Content reinforces the messages of Oral Health Professionals.
- > Students use what they have learned to educate others.
- > Year levels P-2, 3-4 & 5-6.
- > https://dental.flyingdoctor4education.org.au/

RFDS Novels & Comprehension Booklets

- > Real stories of rescues written for middle to upper primary.
- Comprehension Activity Booklets incorporating the 3 levels of understanding and using the 12 types of questioning.
- > Books can be purchased through us.
- https://www.flyingdoctor4education.org.au/resources/readingcomprehension-booklets

Early Childhood Base Visit Photos

Today our Kinder class went on the most AMAZING excursion!

We visited the Royal Flying Doctor Service at the Launceston Airport. We heard many stories about the RFDS and patients they had treated, as well as learning lots of facts about this life saving medical service that we have access to all around Australia.

The children then participated in small group activities, focusing on personal health (oral health, healthy eating and physical activity) and we also had a turn in the simulator, treating a patient in a replica of one of the RFDS aircrafts.

Then, to top off the day, we had a visit from the aviation firefighters in their huge yellow fire engine!

Miss Amy P.





















Kids Club App

- FREE to download from the app store. Download on as many iPads as you like.
- > Available for iPads.
- Designed to complement our Health Programs.
- Extra features, levels and healthy living challenge coming soon.

Dental

The RFDS Tasmania Mobile Dental program is a free service to all eligible community members.

RFDS Tasmania are committed to providing dental care to areas of need across Tasmania. If you would like a visit or to find out if your school is eligible for a visit please contact our dental program manager.

Youth Mental Health

Glamorgan Spring Bay, Break O'Day, Meander Valley, Northern Midlands, West Coast & Central Highlands Municipalities

The Royal Flying Doctors Service (RFDS) Youth Mental Health program is a free service that supports young people aged 8 to 16 years, who are experiencing mild to moderate mental health issues and living in remote and rural areas.

Referrals to the program can be from your doctor, practice nurse, allied health professionals, community members or self-referral. To discuss support needs and eligibility please contact the Youth Mental Health team leader.





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