

Daylesford Primary School Newsletter

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➤ "SEMPER MELIORA" (Always better things)



*Be Respectful, Be a Responsible Learner, Be Honest and Trustworthy
Be Caring and Compassionate, Be a Good Citizen*

DIARY DATES

OCTOBER

Sat/Sun 25th, 26th, Outdoor Stage Working Bee

Sunday 26th Senior Choir Oktoberfest Performance

Tues 28th School Council meeting 6.30pm

NOVEMBER

Tuesday 4th Melbourne Cup Day

Weds 12th 9.00am Gr6 Dinner Meeting (Meeting Room)

Weds 19th Pupil Free Day

Friday 28th P-2 Swimming Program Starts

DECEMBER

Thursday 11th Grade 5/6 Presentation Evening

Monday 15th Grade 6 Celebration Evening (previously Gr6 Dinner) in DPS Gym

Thursday 18th End of Term 4, 3.20pm finish

Term Dates 2014

TERM 4 6th October – 18th December

Office Hours: 8.30am – 4.00pm

School Banking Every Friday

OUTDOOR STAGE WORKING BEE

Proposed Dates

Sat/Sun 25-26 Oct (see p.2)

Anyone who is interested in helping out should contact Ross Redwin on 0438 077 620, or 5348 6772, or leave their information with the office

A REMINDER TO PARENTS THAT WE ARE A SUN SMART SCHOOL AND SCHOOL HATS ARE TO BE WORN AT RECESS, LUNCHTIME AND SPORT DURING TERMS 1 & 4. HATS CAN BE PURCHASED FROM THE OFFICE FOR \$12.

Current Focus

Reliability

Do you like to help out? Can other people rely on you/depend on you? Do you keep your promises and stand by others who may be in need? These are some important qualities to have. People appreciate others for many reasons particularly if they know they can be relied upon to: lend a hand, give advice, look after pets when neighbours are away on holiday, complete a task at school and be supportive of them.

It's important to know that there are people in our lives who we can rely on: at home, at school or in the community. We can support others at play, while we work but sometimes it is the help that we give when it is least expected that means the most! Knowing that we can be relied upon has a twofold effect: helping others can make us feel good about ourselves too.

Being reliable demonstrates that we have many of the following characteristics and qualities. We are:

- dependable and can be relied upon in most situations
- certain about what we can do and prepared to have-a-go
- constant for people and will persist in our efforts to help others
- genuinely interested in the welfare of both ourselves and others
- trustworthy

David Garner.

*Check out last week's focus of the fortnight on our school website, presented by 5/6C.

<http://www.daylesps.vic.edu.au/news/movies.html>

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Parent Newsletter Week 3 Term 4

At assembly this week we heard from and congratulated our students who competed in the Divisional Athletics last Friday. A number of Personal Best performances were recorded. Thank you very much to Cooper's father Glenn for managing the school team and thanks to the other parents who supported the children on the day.

Our Grade 3/4 students enjoyed a great day out on Tuesday, with an excursion to the Melbourne Arts Centre and the Royal Botanic Gardens. They were treated to a theatre production from the UK entitled 'Something too far away', a beautiful story told through puppets, animation, music and sound. Question time afterwards gave the students an insight into the techniques used in this type of production. The afternoon was spent exploring the Botanic Gardens, where students discovered, drew and wrote about a fascinating variety of plant life. This is an excellent extension for this term's integrated unit 'How Does Our Garden Grow'

Thank you to parents who assisted staff on the day. Well done to all our staff and thank you to our specialists who were successful with the grant that subsidized the excursion.



Ross Redwin is still after some volunteer helpers to build our stage, if you can help can you please call him. I was playing with some children in the yard during this week and to my astonishment, none of the children had heard of the game called French Cricket. So we played some French Cricket, which is a very easy game to learn. The grade 2 students picked up the game in only a few minutes. The ability to play a game in the yard is so important.

Peter Burke

OUTDOOR STAGE WORKING BEE

SATURDAY & SUNDAY 25-26 Oct

Anyone who is interested in helping out should contact Ross Redwin on 0438 077 620, or 5348 6772, or leave their information with the office.

The School Council is planning to construct an outdoor stage to be used by the students as both a play area and for staging formal or informal performances. Materials have been generously donated by Daylesford Timber and Hardware and Tony Cochrane, one of our parents. The finished stage will be approximately 3m deep and 6m long, located at the North end of the auditorium/gym, just behind the music room. Hepburn Shire Council have been involved in the planning process and have given advice and guidance and now we are ready to start the construction phase of this project.

The council intends to hold working bees to carry out the construction, and are currently seeking volunteers to support this project. Experience in building is not necessary, so anyone can volunteer, from professional builders to compete novices. All that is required is a willingness to help our children have a full and creative school life at Daylesford Primary School. Tools will be available, although if volunteers have tools they wish to use they can feel free to bring them along. There will be experienced builders assisting, so if you haven't had much building experience but want to learn this could be a golden opportunity. We are also happy to have older students from grades 5 & 6 participate with their parents supervision, so if you want to bring them along this would again be a great learning opportunity for them.

We anticipate starting construction in mid Sept, and would like to have it finished over 2 weekends, depending on the number of volunteers. We are hoping to have a B-B-Q lunch supplied on the days of the working bee, and it promises to be a really fun day.



**Daylesford
Primary
School**

Kitchen Garden – October

WANTED: Containers for storage of seeds for the garden. Please send along to Gill C or Sandra any tins or strong plastic containers with lids.

Thank you, Gill Carron

A Reminder: for all KG helpers to please sign in at the office. Thanks.

CANTEEN DUTY TERM 4 2014

Weds 29 th Oct	Shayna Ogden
Thurs 30 th Oct	Maria Thomas
Friday 31 st Oct	Shannon Marshall, Leah Schuter

CANTEEN ASSISTANCE

We are seeking volunteers to help in Term 4, once or twice a term (particularly Fridays), from approximately 11.00am to 2.30pm

We are unable to have toddlers in the Canteen for safety reasons.

Please contact our Canteen Manager, Bev Adkins, on 5348 1839 or 0423 357 191 if you can assist. Thank you

PLEASE NOTE:

- TOASTED SANDWICHES ARE 30C EXTRA.
- WE NOW ONLY USE PIZZA SAUCE FOR PESTO ON FOCCACIA'S, HAVING REGARD TO ANY ALLERGY CONCERNS.

FOCCACIA'S HOWEVER STILL HAVE SESAME SEEDS ON TOP.

PLEASE have name, class and order written on a paper bag or school reusable lunchbag.

RE-USABLE LUNCH ORDER BAGS.

Available via Canteen – order through your lunch order OR directly through the Canteen. Available only in Black with blue trim.



**Students' School Banking
Volunteers Wanted**

We are seeking interest from volunteers who would be able to assist with the school student banking service on a Friday morning. This is a small job taking approximately 30 minutes with training provided. If you believe you can help, please provide the office with your name and availability.

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PARENT/CARER VOLUNTEERS

TERM 4 2014

FRIDAY	SICK BAY WASHING	BANKING
24 th Oct	Sam Mrcic	Sally Armstrong
31 st Oct	Kathryn Earley	Liz Pattinson
7 th Nov	Kirsten Wilken	Sally Armstrong
14 th Nov	Maria Hajisava-Wade	Liz Pattinson
21 st Nov	Catherine Meadows	Sally Armstrong
28 th Nov	Samantha Harris	Liz Pattinson
5 th Dec	Fiona Torrance	Sally Armstrong
12 th Dec	Kathryn Cooper	Liz Pattinson
19 th Dec	Justine Wilkinson	END OF TERM NO BANKING

**Reminders around Early Departure
and Late Arrival**

Students being dropped off late to school must be signed in at the office under parent supervision. We ask that where possible parents accompany their child to class to ensure constant supervision. In the case of early departure from school a reminder that a blue early departure form must be collected and completed at the office. This must then be taken and given to your child's teacher before they can release the child from their care. No student will be released early without receipt of the blue slip.

STUDENT / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES



**Birdwatching Basics @ Trentham
Neighbourhood Centre Sat 25th Oct 2014;**

9:00am to 10:30am. \$15/head.

Ever wondered what those little brown birds are in the bottom of your garden? ... or what kind of ducks they are at the local lake? Come and learn about ways of looking and listening for birds, tips on using binoculars, bird identification, sources of information, and good places to go looking for birds. All ages and levels welcome. Bring binoculars and a field guide if you have them - but eyes, ears and curiosity are all you really need. Tutor: Lawrie Conole

Book @ the TNC by phone 5424 1354 or email admin@trenthamnc.org.au

(Suitable for all ages but children should be accompanied by an adult.)

Current Focus: Reliability (Honesty and trustworthy)

GIVE GOLF A GO!

Hepburn Springs Golf Club is offering beginner adults (16 y.o. and over) a chance to learn the basics of golf in 5 x 90 minute lessons.

Dates: THURSDAYS Nov. 6, 13, 20, 27 and Dec. 4th From 5.00-6.30pm. Cost: \$50.

Registration or enquiries to Jan Thompson 0412 499 872, 53484840 or strongjan@bigpond.com



Term 4 Strength and Flexibility for Calisthenics and Dance

Fun classes to build the strength & flexibility required for different forms of dance, circus and gymnastics. Classes are structured to suit different age and ability levels and are a fun way to build and extend skills.

Classes will run until week 8 of the school term and are \$7.

Pre-school and Prep	Wed, 5:00 – 5:45
Grades 1 – 5	Monday, 4:00 – 5:00
Grade 6 & secondary	Monday, 5:00 – 6:00

www.centralspringscalisthenics.com.au or phone Karen on 0419 868 026

YMCA FUN SKATE

Nandiriog Drive, Delacombe Stadium, for kids 4 years and older. **Saturdays : 15 Nov & 13 Dec** from 1pm-4pm, Nandiriog Drive, Delacombe.

\$10 per person, includes skate hire & 3hrs skating (or BYO skates and blades).

Contact Stacey at YMCA 0434 743 993 or (03) 4333 6400. www.ballarat.ymca.org.au

*You are warmly invited to a
Celebratory Morning Tea
Sunday November 30, 2014 at 10am
for the 150th anniversary of
Cudgee Primary School*

Please RSVP to the school by November 15th

Please feel free to forward on this invitation to any past students, staff or interested community members. Cudgee Primary School invites families to find out more about our school community, by calling to arrange a school tour or coming along to annual school events:

Cudgee Primary School Night Market (Fri 28 November 5 – 8pm)

Cudgee Primary School Concert (Tue 9 December 6pm).

Fiona Selway (Principal) and Matt Dodson (Classroom Teacher) Cudgee Primary School, 3 Hallowells Rd, Cudgee 3265. p: 55676346 m:0438659095 e: cudgee.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
www.cudgeeps.vic.edu.au

Vist Duncira
1-2 November 2014
EVENT WEEKEND
Open Garden & Children's Maze
CHILDREN FREE ENTRY
ADULTS \$8
10am - 4pm
Bring a picnic and explore!
See our stunning bluebell drive

Vist Macedon

A first for Duncira this year is the creation of a Children's Maze made of straw that will have children of all ages exploring the great outdoors!

Take advantage of great weather and a longish-weekend to spend some time in a beautiful garden. Bring a picnic, get outdoors and enjoy the fresh air.

Children FREE • Adults \$8 • Picnics welcome

Enquiries 03 5426 1490

www.duncira.com.au

Office Hours Mon-Thurs 9am-3pm

Duncira is a non-smoking environment and dogs are not allowed.



KYNETON DENTAL are committed to the betterment of your oral health, regular six monthly check ups are important for your children.

Is your child eligible for the \$1,000 government benefit?

Please contact reception for information – 65 High St. Kyneton Ph. 5422 6159.

Open Mon-Sat 9am to 6pm.

A.H. emergencies service available.

Rewarding regular savings with precious prizes.

The Dollarmites have uncovered the ancient Clam of Fortune. Inside they found these amazing prizes that you could win a share of:

- 40 x GoPro HERO3 White Edition Cameras
- 150 x Slip 'N Slide Double Wave Riders

Here's how to win

Every deposit you make with School Banking will automatically create one entry for you into the competition. So the more you save, the more chances you have to win (up to a maximum of 6 entries). Competition runs: 20 October-30 November 2014.

To find out more, visit commbank.com.au/deepseasavers