

Daylesford, Drummond & Yandoit Primary Schools

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"SEMPER MELIORA" (Always better things)



We are Respectful, We are Responsible Learners, We are Honest and Trustworthy, We are Caring and Compassionate, We are Good Citizens



*We pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging.
We are proud to acknowledge Dja Dja Wurrung as the Traditional Owners of this Country.*

DIARY DATES

NOVEMBER

Mon 4th **PUPIL FREE DAY**

Tues 5th **MELBOURNE CUP Public Holiday**

Mon 11th *Grade 6 Graduation Photos
*Remembrance Day

Tues 12th *Community Dance 5PM
Wed 13th * Foundation Transition Day
9.30-12.30

Parent Information Session
9.30-10.30 in OLC

Thurs 14th F-2 Junior Athletics

Mon 18th *Fundraising Meeting 9.15am

Tues 19th School Council Meeting

Wed 20th Foundation Transition Day
9.30-12.30

Wed 27th Foundation Transition Day
9.30-12.30

DECEMBER

Tues 3rd School Council Meeting

Thurs 12th Gr5/6 Presentation Evening

Mon 16th Gr6 Celebration Dinner

ASSEMBLY 9.00am every Tuesday in the Gym

**MINI BREAKFAST held in the Gym
every Thursday at 8.30am**

Office Hours: 8.30am to 4.00pm
Students' School Banking Day: Fridays

2019 TERM DATES

Term 4: 7th October to 20th December

WE ARE A RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIP SCHOOL

KIDS HELPLINE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE: 1800 551 800

HEADSPACE FOR TEENS: 1800 650 890

Sometimes talking about what has been happening in your life can bring up concerns, where you may need to seek extra support

CURRENT FOCUS RELIABILITY Honest & Trustworthy

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

Karen McHugh

**IF YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT FROM
SCHOOL PLEASE NOTIFY US ASAP
VIA SKOOLBAG**

**OR RING THE SCHOOL OFFICE (53482480)
ON OR BEFORE THE DAY.**



**REMEMBRANCE DAY POPPIES
will be available to purchase
next week (\$1-\$5)**

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This week we are going to be focussing on the building works that are going on around our necks of the woods. There is a fair bit happening so it seems to be the right time to provide some information.

Firstly the really good news out at Yandoit is that the Art space is going to be renovated. This is excellent news because it is a beautiful classroom. The problem has been the termites which were getting stuck into the frame and wood panelling. Fortunately they have been eradicated so that's good. Unfortunately they have damaged the woodwork so we need to do something about it. We will also need to put in measures that will prevent the same thing happening again (Sisalation, air spaces and better clearance around the base). This work has been commissioned and will start on December 2nd.

Also out at Yandoit we will soon be commencing the Bushfire preparation works. This will involve clearing the space between the existing wire fence and the water race. This area is a great play space during autumn and winter, but for now we need it free of debris and we are going to get this sorted as well as a general clean-up of the block.

Drummond will be undertaking similar programs with clearance of trees around the main building and some removal of green waste from the site.

In Daylesford the toilet block project has entered the planning phase with an architect being appointed and an imminent site meeting on the horizon. In addition we are also getting a disused oil storage tank removed from the space near the steps to the hall. There will also be a fair amount of tree work done as we are required to maintain a barrier around the building free of vegetation.

So it's pretty much all happening and I will keep you updated as events unfold.

Parent Opinion Survey

Earlier this year we released the parent opinion survey to complete. Even though our general satisfaction result was above the median for Primary schools there were a number of areas of improvement that were identified.

It is absolutely the right time to provide the opportunity to our communities to have more detailed input. This will help our school leaders and School Council get a very clear idea about the specific areas for growth going forward.

Attached to a previous newsletter was a single sheet that can be filled in and returned to the office. Ideally we would appreciate this feedback before November 19th which is our next School Council meeting.

Traditionally we only get a small number of responses to our Parent Opinion survey and maybe by running something more local we will get some further ideas.

Thank you for taking the time to participate in the feedback process.

Planning for 2020

Over the last few years, we have provided families with the opportunity to provide some feedback around grade placements. **This year it would be my intention to continue this practice.**

During term 4 the teaching teams will spend many hours preparing grade lists for next year. Throughout this process the needs of all students are considered from a social, academic and behavioural perspective.

However, parents who wish to communicate considerations relating to their children's grade placement for 2020 are advised that this information should be made in writing and addressed, via email to daylesford.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au. Please put 2020 Grade Placements in the subject line.

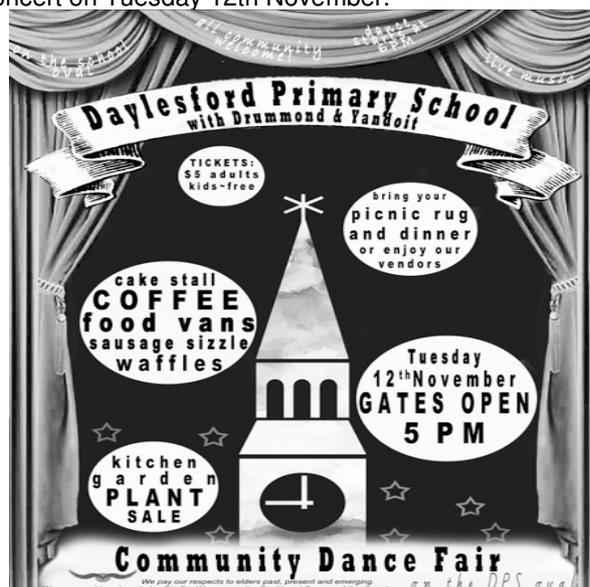
Even if you have had individual discussions with classroom teachers; please follow this process to ensure efficiency of communication.

All matters will be dealt with confidentially, with requests relating to learning, or social matters being the focus for consideration. Please note that all communication on this matter will need to be received at the school email address by Friday November 8th

Brett Millott
Principal

Whole School & Community Dance Fair

The kids (and teachers!) are busy rehearsing wonderful songs and dances to entertain you for our Whole School Concert on Tuesday 12th November.



CAN YOU HELP?
CAN YOU MAKE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING AND BRING ALONG TO OUR CAKE STALL AT THE COMMUNITY DANCE

CUPCAKES/SLICES/ CHOCOLATE BALLS/ HONEY JOYS, WHATEVER YOU LIKE!



All we need is a list of ingredients and perhaps a price you think is fair

Community Dance-
Tuesday 12th November
2019, cakes can be
dropped off during the
day to the canteen or
bring along to the Dance

GENIUS HOUR

Students in Year 5 & 6 are investigating something they are passionate about as part of our Genius Hour Program. These long-term projects are student driven. Students are researching, creating and then presenting their new knowledge



Summa's Super Run

My name is Summa, I am really passionate about dogs!

For Genius Hour I'm trying to raise money to help rescue animals.

I would like to raise money and donate it to the Ballarat Animal Shelter.

I plan to do this by running 100 laps of the oval by the end of the year. I would like people to sponsor me for **any amount of money they wish. Every cent counts. So please think about bringing in some of your 5c and donating it at the office for Summa's Super Run.**

My goal is to raise \$250 by the end of year.

(If you wish you can also donate toys, food, old towels and sheets.)

Thank you for reading.

And let's save animals together.

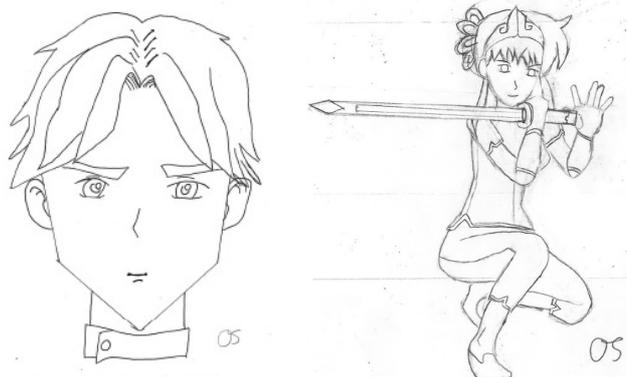


Hi, my name is Owen and for my genius hour project I decided to learn more about a style of anime called manga. I learnt more about it by reading books and watching video tutorials.

I have recently expanded my focus to other styles of drawing as they can exercise different skills when drawing.

I am very proud of my drawings.

Here are some examples:



100 word short story competition winners!

For my genius hour I ran a 100 short story competition.

I did this because I love writing stories and writing with a small number of words is hard.

I wrote one of my own and it took me about an hour to write and then I saw the fact I had 102 words so I cut back on some words. It was really hard to choose the words to get rid of. But I finally finished.

Term 4 2019 No32 Friday 1st November

I understand that it is challenging to write a story using only 100 words so thank you for everyone who entered.

And thanks to my judges Charlie and Leo.

Amelia

Competition winners:

1/2: George. 3/4: Nia. 5/6: Bianca.

Youngest entry: Sienna.

Heart-warming entry: Noah.

Funniest entry: Sam.



KITCHEN GARDEN



Thank you to Betsy & Ruby Ai's families for donation of kitchen utensils.

If there is a parent who could help with fixing/regulating our hot house watering system please let Gill know

Thank you, Gill Carron

ORANGE AND POPPY SEED PIKELETS

(makes 20 or 40 small)

Ingredients:

2 cups S.R. flour
2 tablespoons poppy seeds
1 tablespoon grated orange rind
1/2 cup sour cream
Butter for cooking

1/2 cup castor sugar
2 eggs
3/4 cup milk

Method:

- Sift flour into a bowl.
- Stir in sugar, seeds and orange rind.
- Make a well in the centre of the dry mixture.
- Whisk together the eggs, sour cream and milk.
- Pour into the well whisking until just smooth. Add more milk if needed to make a batter with pouring consistency.
- Heat a frying pan or electric frying pan and melt a small amount of butter.
- Drop tablespoons of the batter into the hot pan, allowing for some spreading.
- Cook until bubbles appear on the surface.
- Turn pikelets over and cook the other side.
- Transfer to a plate and cover with a clean tea towel to keep warm.

To serve, top each pikelet with a little cinnamon cream.

CINNAMON CREAM

Ingredients:

1 cup sour cream 6 tablespoons plain yoghurt
3 tablespoons maple syrup or honey
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

Method:

- Mix all ingredients together in a bowl. Cover and refrigerate till needed.

Current Focus 'Reliability(Honest & Trustworthy)'



Daylesford Primary School Accreditation



SCHOOL TOURS

for prospective parents
ARE HELD EVERY FRIDAY 10-11AM
PHONE 5348 2480 TO BOOK

Canteen 2019

Thursday & Friday Only

A new canteen list was sent home with the last newsletter of Term 3!

(Available from school office if you did not receive)

*Herbal teas (Chamomile, Chai & Rooibos) \$2.20 ea.

*To be ordered with lunch orders



**RE-USABLE
LUNCH ORDER BAGS \$10**

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

CANTEEN - HELP ALWAYS NEEDED

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

TERM 4

PARENT VOLUNTEERS

FRIDAY	SICK BAY WASHING	BANKING
8 th Nov	Karyn McColl	Shelley Sandow
15 th Nov	Krystal Phipers	Jo Steiner
22 nd Nov	Narelle Groenhout	Shelley Sandow
29 th Nov	Jo Steiner	June Cooper
6 th Dec	Melanie Fraser	Jo Steiner

CANTEEN DUTY

Thurs 7 th Nov	Jodie Hawkins
Fri 8 th Nov	Krystal Phipers
Thurs 14 th Nov	Andrea Gardiner
Fri 15 th Nov	Katie Pardon
Thurs 21 st Nov	
Friday 22 nd Nov	Petra Bueskens
Thurs 28 th Nov	Tiffany Willis
Friday 29 th Nov	Sally Davis

WE WANT YOU

TO JOIN OUR FUNDRAISING ARMY

We have our fundraising team!
We have some great plans!
All we need now is a pool of people who are willing to be contacted for the occasional small task.

For example, selling raffle tickets, baking a cake, picking up a donation etc. (No meetings required).
Help your school, Help OUR kids!!
Join our Army- All we need is your name and mobile number!
And when we need help....
You are not obliged to say yes, just yes when it suits you.

Please Call or text Jess on 0423232093

STUDENT / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Let's Talk Dyslexia

An Information Panel Discussion on Dyslexia and other Specific Learning Differences.



Is your child struggling at school?

We are talking with experts about education, mental health + wellbeing and positive futures.

19 November
6:30 - 8:30pm

Hepburn Primary School
Main Road, Hepburn

For parents / carers of primary and secondary students, teachers and health professionals.

To register go to:
daylesforddyslexia.eventbrite.com.au

Free Event with onsite child care due to the support of:

