

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

FEBRUARY

- Fri 19th *Gr3-6 swimming - Aquatic Centre Ballarat
*Final day for Book Club Orders
- Tues 23rd Parent-Teacher Interviews 4pm-6pm
- Wed 24th Parent-Teacher Interviews 4pm-6pm
- Fri 26th *Gr3-6 swimming - Aquatic Centre Ballarat
*Eureka combined Swimming

MARCH

- Mon 1st Gr3-6 House Swimming Sports
- Thurs 4th *Foundation Information Session in the
School Gym (4.30pm - 5.15pm)
*Emergency Lockdown Drill
- Fri 5th Gr3-6 swimming - Aquatic Centre Ballarat
- Mon 8th Labour Day Public Holiday**
- Fri 12th Gr3-6 swimming - Aquatic Centre Ballarat
- Fri 19th Gr3-6 swimming - Aquatic Centre Ballarat
- Mon 22nd Fun Run
- Tues 23rd School Council Meeting 6.30pm
- Wed 24th Gr5/6 Golf Clinic-School Oval
56R 9.25-10.10am, **56P** 10.10-10.55am
56S 11.30-12.15pm, **56T** 12.30-1.15pm
- Fri 26th Gr3-6 swimming - Aquatic Centre Ballarat
- Wed 31st Emergency Evacuation Drill

APRIL

- Thurs 1st House X Country
End of Term 1, Dismissal at 2.30pm

TERM 2

Foundation students commence full time

- April 21st to April 23rd Gr3/4 Camp**
May 3rd – May 5th Gr5/6 Camp

Office Hours: 8.30am to 4.00pm

Students' School Banking Day: Fridays

2021 TERM DATES

- Term 1: Thurs 1st April Term 1 Ends
Term 2: 19th April to 25th June
Term 3: 12th July to 17th September
Term 4: 4th October to 17th December

2021 Pupil free days:

Friday 11th June & Mon Aug 9th

School hours/bell times:

- School commences: 9.00am
Morning recess: 11.00am – 11.30am
Lunch: 1.30pm – 2.20pm
School Dismissal: 3.20pm

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

PLAY BY THE RULES

“Playing Fairly”
“Being a good Winner”
“Being a good Loser”

Through playing games we learn about ourselves and others. Playing games provides opportunities where children will be expected to play fairly, play by the rules, co-operate with others, get along with others and handle both winning and losing. Having rules in games ensures a level playing field making it fair for all.

Playing together does not just mean playing happily with our friends, although that is important. ‘Playing together’ means sharing space both in the classroom and the playground. Demonstrating sharing in our games ensures that everyone will enjoy their playtime. We have to think about other people, the games they are playing and playing sensibly. We want everyone to enjoy themselves. Whenever you are playing remember to:

- play in sensible areas.
- check to see if others are involved in a game or an area before setting up your game
- play safe games, particularly in small areas
- walk around other people’s games.

Karen McHugh

Parent/Teacher Interview forms were sent home last week.

Please fill them out and return them to school as soon as possible or ring the office on 53482480. Every effort will be made to accommodate your requested time.
Interviews can be attended onsite or via phone.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The newsletter is the most important way that we communicate with families. What we have learnt over the journey is that families appreciate access to information through a variety of media. Therefore we would like to share with you three ways that you can get a copy of our Newsletter.

1. The newsletter can be downloaded from our website
<http://daylesps.vic.edu.au/index.php/community>
2. The newsletter can be sent to you via the Skoolbag app
3. A hard copy can be collected from the school office Ph. 53482460 or email
daylesford.ps@education.vic.gov.au

The Digital Divide

Bridging the Digital Divide initiative was announced by the Department of Education and Training at the end of Term 4, 2020 and is designed to provide equity of access to technology for Victorian students in government schools.

This initiative allows for students who were loaned a computer, either a laptop or tablet, during remote and flexible learning from home during 2020 to permanently retain that same computer or device.

We are preparing the computers so that they can be returned to you as soon as possible. Part of this process requires that you accept or decline the computer by completing a DET Computer Ownership form.

You can collect your computer and complete the documentation on
Tues 23rd, Wed 24th Feb or Mon 1st, Tues 2nd, Wed 3rd March.

If you decline the computer, or do not return the transfer ownership form by March 3rd the computer will be retained by the school fleet for use by students whilst at school.

If you accept the computer, you do so recognising the terms and conditions listed on the form and that you will now own and be responsible for the maintenance of the computer. Neither the school or Department of Education and Training will be able to provide a replacement if that computer is accidentally damaged, lost or stolen.

Please phone the office at least 24 hours in advance if you intend to pick up your computer.

Meeting Last Week

Last week Russell Newton our School Council President and I met with representative of the Daylesford indoor Aquatic Centre group. They were providing a bit of background around an upcoming review of aquatic facilities that is being undertaken by the shire in upcoming months. The discussion sessions were valuable
Term 1 2021 No. 3 Thursday 18th February

so much so that DIAC will be giving a brief presentation at our School Council meeting on March 23rd. If you are interested DIAC have a website www.diac.com.au

Re-connecting with our families

At our School Council meeting on February 9th we discussed some of the upcoming events that would re-establish community connection. At the time we had no inkling of the snap lock down that has been put in place over the last week or so.

The following events have been planned for Term 1. However they will be subject to State Government and Department of Education restrictions which can change due to circumstances

- **Prep Information session that was to be held this week has been rescheduled for March 4th. Kerry Carman (our Prep teacher) will provide more information further down the track**
- Parent Teacher interviews have been scheduled for February 23 and 24. This is a great opportunity for parents to meet your child's teacher. We have provided families with in person or phone options
- School Council Inclusion Picnic will be held later on in March date to be advised
- Monday March 22nd the DPS Fun Run kick off will be at approximately midday on our School Oval
- Thursday April 1st School Cross Country will be held at Jubilee Lake with an a.m. start

School Council also brainstormed some ideas for further consideration such as an outdoor assemblies, working bees, yoga mornings, rebooting the book fair and trivia night. As we develop some of these ideas further we will provide more information via our usual sources.

We look forward to your participation in one or more of these events.

Brett Millott
Principal

SCHOOL TOURS
for prospective parents
WILL BE HELD EVERY THURSDAY
10-11AM
COMMENCING TERM 2
PHONE 5348 2480 TO BOOK

A few snaps from last week!

Gr3/4's swimming at Ballarat Aquatic centre



Lots of fun and learning in LOTE





RRRR - RESILIENCE, RIGHTS AND RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

is all about SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL LEARNING and is taught in every class at Daylesford Primary School.

Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships is well under way at Daylesford, Drummond and Yandoit Primary school.

34K would like to share an activity they did this week about Emotional Literacy. Below is a sample of work by Zac and Mehar.

“I will draw and write a short description of what I think people do to show their different emotions.”



Phoenix using counters to represent a melody in Performing Arts



Book Club

The final date for return is **Friday 19th February 2021**

SCHOLASTIC
Book Club LOOP
for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents. To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit: www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP

GET IT ON Google play | Download on the App Store

Items can be ordered online via “the Loop” or through the school office. Please ensure form has child’s name, and correct money for items ordered enclosed, if returning to the school.

WEEKLY HOUSE POINTS

Remember it is important to get House points for your Team by putting in your best effort and best attitude. It means you care about your team working together to achieve success. The house points for last week are:

Sutton	32
Corinella	30
Tipperary	26
Wyuna	26

Foundation-Remote Learning



The Healthy Lunch Kitchen coming soon

Order lunches via the Healthy Lunch Kitchen website

www.healthylunchkitchen.com.au

Ordering opens on Monday each week and you can order up until 10pm the night prior to the lunch day.

To cancel or modify and order please do so by 9am on the actual lunch day. Contact the Healthy Lunch Kitchen team (details below) for cancellations and modifications.

There will be updated info posted regularly on the DPS facebook page and the Healthy Lunch Kitchen facebook page.

For more info, and if you have any questions, contact the Healthy Lunch Kitchen team at

kitchen@healthfutures.org.au or phone Melissa on 0408 523 716

Please keep an eye out for an important survey to complete prior to the Healthy Lunch Kitchen starting. This survey is very important for our feedback and baseline assessment of this project. Thank you in advance for your support!



Birthday wishes to the following students & staff who have their birthdays in February.

Students

Alex	34K	Miles	OFK
Bei Bel	OFK	Ryder	34W
Katelyn	56T	Maya	34W
Liam	56T	Kennedy	12A
Jocelyn	56S	Wen	12M
TomV	34E	Liana	34E
Tom F	34E	Ludo	56P
Tom	34W	Chaz	56R
Chevy	34K	Isobel	56S
Mi'Laya	YPS	Alexander	YPS

Staff

Bev ES

LIBRARY A reminder that any student that still has outstanding items not returned from last year will not be able to borrow in 2020 until item/s are returned or paid for. Library sessions have started, however there is still some overdue items out. Please have a look at home for any overdue books and return to the office, so your child may borrow in 2021.

Thank you, Sherilee

**Hats are to be worn at all times in the playground during Terms 1 & 4 and on high UV days
Hats can be purchased from the office for \$12**



Please ensure sunscreen is applied each morning before school!

The Skoolbag App is an important tool in communication from our school!

Please download if you haven't already done so!



IF YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT FROM SCHOOL PLEASE NOTIFY US ASAP VIA SKOOLBAG
OR RING THE SCHOOL OFFICE (53482480) ON OR BEFORE THE DAY.

Skoolbag instructions for notifying Absence:

Open Skoolbag App

Tap on DPS Logo

Tap on 'E Form' tab

Tap on 'Absentee form', complete & Submit!

For your Information - Excursion permission

Verbal permission cannot be received to attend excursions. Permission to attend excursions must be received by returning a signed form, a handwritten permission note or electronic permission as per DEET policy.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

PARENTS, DO YOU HAVE A VALID MEANS-TESTED CONCESSION CARD?

Then you may be eligible to apply for the CSEF (CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSION FUND)

Eligibility will be subject to the parent/carer's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (27th Jan 2021) or term two (19th April 2021). The annual CSEF amount per primary student will be \$125, which will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

Please contact the front office for an application form (or download from the CSEF website www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

The CSEF Program closes on 25th June, 2021

CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE

Are you eligible?

For students to be eligible for a conveyance allowance they must:

- Be aged over five by 30th April 2021.
- Live more than 4.8km by the **shortest practicable** route from the nearest bus stop, and be enrolled at the nearest government school

Late Arrival and Early Departure

Students being dropped off late to school must be signed in at the office under parent 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. We will then organise for your child to come to the office.



Daylesford Primary School Accreditation

STUDENT / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Daylesford Library
is back to regular opening hours!

9.30-5.30 Monday to Friday
10.00 to 1.00 Saturdays

Drop in and say Hi!
Building number caps, social distancing and mask rules apply.



Drama and Dance are back!

We are so excited to be back in the studio at Inside Out Dance Theatre.

Enrol now for Term 1:

- Creative Dance from Kinder to Teens
- Contemporary Dance Gr 3 – Yr 12
- Drama Prep – Yr 12
- Ballet Prep – Yr7

For full schedule and online enrolment

go to: insideoutdancetheatre.com.au

Enquiries: admin@insideoutdancetheatre.com.au

0428 330 640

Violin lessons at Daylesford Primary
Start the year with some music!



Adam Menegazzo is a talented and passionate player with more than 12 years of teaching experience.

His aim is to nurture confidence in his students and to make learning and playing music a joy.

contact
m. 0409133437
adjustviolin@live.com.au

DAYLESFORD JUNIOR TENNIS

Daylesford Junior Tennis is back on Saturdays.

Competition for more experienced juniors begins at 9.15am.

Hot Shot beginners start at 9.45am.

Look forward to seeing existing and new players, weather permitting. Any changes due to weather will be posted

Daylesford Lawn Tennis Club's facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/DaylesfordLawnTennisClub>

NB. The planned presentation and BBQ has been deferred until end of season presentation day on 27th March.

KARATE TRAINING

Tuesday & Thursday evenings

6.00-7.30pm

In the school gym

(All ages welcome)

For further information please contact Heather on 0417 108 757



MUSIC LESSONS 2021 ENROLMENTS

PIANO | DRUMS
GUITAR | BASS | UKULELE
SINGING | WOODWIND | BRASS
STRINGS | BANJO | MANDOLIN
MARIMBA | HARMONICA



Contact us today to enrol for lessons

www.dtmaustralia.com.au

office.dtmaustralia@gmail.com

0407 502 438



We're Back !!!

Junior Pre-season Training
Daylesford & Hepburn United Soccer

Wednesday Feb 24th - Ongoing - Victoria Park Daylesford

Miniroos - U9 & U11 Boys & Girls - 4.30pm - 5.30pm
12 - 15 Boys & Girls - 5.30pm - 6.30pm

New Players Welcome

Please abide by covid safe principles. Stay away if sick, Wear a mask if you can't socially distance. Change rooms will not be open. Please scan our Qr code on arrival.

Contact Joshua Smith 0425 770 330 or
Jodie Saba 0402 222 871 for more info