

## 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

### TERM 3

### AUGUST

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Book Week

Tues 24<sup>th</sup> Dress Up Day as Book Character

Tues 24<sup>th</sup> School Dental Program

Wed 25<sup>th</sup> \*Student/Parent Teacher interviews  
10.00am-6.00pm

\*Healthy Lunch kitchen Pop Up

Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> Breakfast Program OLC

Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Wear Purple Day- gold coin donation  
JCC fundraiser

Sat 28<sup>th</sup> **TRIVIA NIGHT**  
Volunteers needed  
contact Andrea 0414 478 501  
[ajgardiner7@bigpond.com](mailto:ajgardiner7@bigpond.com)

**If postponement occurs due to COVID,  
tables who have booked will be given first  
priority for a new date or refunded.**

Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Debating Royal South Street  
Semi final

### SEPTEMBER

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> Breakfast Program OLC

Tues 7<sup>th</sup> Extraordinary School Council Meeting  
6.30pm

Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Pupil free day

Tues 14<sup>th</sup> School Dental Program

Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Premiers Reading Challenge ends

Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Last Day Term 3  
2.30 Dismissal

Office Hours: 8.30am to 4.00pm

Students' School Banking Day: Fridays

### 2021 TERM DATES

Term 2: 19<sup>th</sup> April to 25<sup>th</sup> June

Term 3: 12<sup>th</sup> July to 17<sup>th</sup> September

Term 4: 4<sup>th</sup> October to 17<sup>th</sup> December

2021 Pupil free days:

Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Sep

### School hours/bell times:

School commences: 9.00am

Morning recess: 11.00am – 11.30am

Lunch: 1.30pm – 2.20pm

School Dismissal: 3.20pm

## REMINDER

Change of date for Parent, Teacher, Student interviews

**Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Aug**

Your interview time will remain the same, however if you need to change or make a time please contact the office.

### 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.

## BOOK WEEK 2021



## TUESDAY 24TH DRESS-UP DAY

COME TO SCHOOL AS YOUR  
FAVOURITE BOOK CHARACTER  
TO CELEBRATE BOOK WEEK

NO DONATION REQUIRED



## PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2022 & 2023 ARE NOW BEING TAKEN CLOSING END OF SEPTEMBER 2021

If you already have a child attending this school and intend enrolling a sibling for next year, please pick up an enrolment form at the front office or from the school web site and return as soon as possible.

### POKEMON/TRADING CARDS

Are NOT to be brought to school from Monday  
23<sup>rd</sup> Aug due to ongoing problems  
caused by them.

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Current Focus 'Acceptance (Caring & Compassion)'

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

**Current situation of DPS** - officially Brett Millott returns 27<sup>th</sup> Jan, 2022. Until that time Karen McHugh will be acting Principal until 27<sup>th</sup> Jan, 2022. Trudi Blick will be the acting Assistant Principal until 27 Jan 2022. In saying that, continuity is vital and important for our community to understand and know that Workforce Planning is currently underway. Workforce planning is one aspect and a regular feature that all schools undertake each year at this time. This involves planning ahead for next year, 2022, with things like enrolments, finances, class structures, teaching programs, preparing student placements to future classes in 2022 e.g.: Prep Transition and Year 6-7 transitions amongst others. In term 4 we will be asking families if they have any educational requests for their Childs' placements in 2022. These requests must be received in writing by November 1<sup>st</sup> 2021. Most importantly our successive planning is synchronised with our Schools Strategic Plan. This document is a comprehensive 4-year action plan that is specifically tailored to our school. All schools have these mechanisms in place regardless if there are staffing changes and this includes Principals. This means if new people do come into our school we have structures in place to accommodate systemic changes.

**Enrolments:** We are currently accepting enrolments for 2022 and 2023.

Kerry Carman, our Foundation Teacher, is available to families with enrolments to discuss the Prep program. If you would like to discuss the Learning program with her or have any questions about Prep Transition she is available for phone conversations. Please make these appointments via the office and Kerry will contact you at her earliest convenience.

### **School Strategic Plan – for improving student outcomes.**

The 4-year plan 2021 - 2024.

From our Schools' Strategic Plan, we have 3 AIP (Annual Implementation Plan) Teams who have 9 key actions to focus on over the next four years for the improvement of student outcomes. Student Learning is led by (Amy Kinnear), Student Engagement (Nicola Stephens and Meg Cox) and Student Wellbeing (Suzanne Hobson). Each of these teams are run by our Team Leaders. They are currently undergoing professional development training in Professional Learning Communities (PLC) to enhance their capacity in collaborative efficacy across the school and to deliver the 9 key actions through the AIP Teams from the Schools Strategic Plan. Leaders for Literacy ( Kim Wrigley) and Numeracy ( Karen Brothers & Liss Stevens) are also teachers with expertise within these teams. Developing middle leadership across our school is paramount to delivering consistent structures that underpin the teaching and learning programs within our school.

### **COVID and Lockdowns: FEEDBACK**

Thank you to families who responded quickly to remote learning. Students who were onsite worked really well. Teachers contacted families by phone to offer directions and support for students to get underway with student learning during lockdown. We are very appreciative of the positive comments and feedback from families. Currently the

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Student Engagement & Wellbeing Team Leaders, Nicola and Suzanne, are preparing a survey to ascertain feedback. This survey will be sent out soon. Please make sure you take the time to respond. We will continue to do our best to support families.

Our yearly Parent Survey is also still open. If you need the log on details for this, please ring the office. Thank you.

**Parent/Teacher/Student interview** - Next Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> August is going ahead so students can present their goals. Staff have been working collaboratively to give students the best opportunity to feel success during their transition back to onsite learning. Parents will be able to meet with their child and Teacher in their classrooms. Remember to QR code and adults need to wear facemasks. **Healthy Food Kitchen** will be having a Pop-Up Shop on this Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> August also. They wish to seek feedback, conduct a short survey and provide some food samples. They would like to talk with parents and survey any parents that would like to give feedback. They will be situated on the top of the stairs leading down to the P/1/2 area throughout the day.

**We are proud of the efforts made across our school community to be conscientious about keeping our school COVID safe. Please follow the health advice to ensure we remain COVID SAFE.**

Finally, we have a donation spot at the office. Feel free to donate, any time, any amount. The money received will go directly to supporting students in our school. It will go to the fundraising committee to be dispersed appropriately.

Kindest Regards

Karen McHugh                      Principal  
Trudi Blick   Assistant Principal

## CURRENT FOCUS

### "Acceptance (Caring & Compassion)"



**Current Focus 'Acceptance (Caring & Compassion)**



Central Highlands Rural Health has been conducting Oral Health Education Sessions and **Free Dentist Screenings for all our students.**

You can still return your permission forms if you haven't already done so. If you need another form, please just ask at the school office.

If you have any further questions about this program, or would like to make an appointment, please contact the Oral Health Team at Central Highlands Rural Health on: 5321 6580.

CHRH Oral Health Team

**WE WANT OUR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS/GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!**  
**Survey still open**

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school.

The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents/caregivers/guardians (previously known as the Parent Opinion Survey). It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All parents are invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year, the Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey will be conducted from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July to Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August.

The survey will be conducted online, only takes 20 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali, Turkish, Punjabi and Greek.

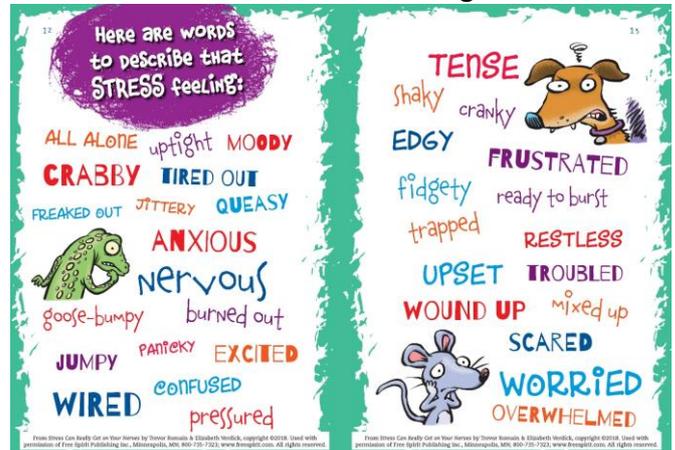
**An invitation with the login details to complete this survey have been sent out through our skoolbag App. If you do not have the Skoolbag App or are unable to access the survey please contact the school office via email [daylesford.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:daylesford.ps@education.vic.gov.au) or phone 53482480 for the login details.**

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**RRRR - RESILIENCE, RIGHTS AND RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS**

Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships (RRRR) teaches our students how to describe their feelings. Below is a chart with words that can help children describe that stress feeling.



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

Please download if you haven't already done so!

**How to install the SkoolBag app**  
instructions for parents and community

1. Get your favourite mobile device
2. Open the App Store/Play Store
3. Search for "SkoolBag"
4. Download the free app
5. Open the app and add your school(s)

for Apple users

for Android users

for more info visit [skoolbag.com.au](http://skoolbag.com.au)

## MATHS AT HOME COMPETITION

Maths is everywhere, and we would love to know your family's favourite activities or games that involve Maths. Choose one to tell us about, for your chance to win a prize, and we will be sharing all of your ideas in upcoming newsletters.

Entries should be emailed to [karen.brothers@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:karen.brothers@education.vic.gov.au) or written on a piece of paper. Make sure you include the student's name and a brief description of your favourite game or activity, and place in the box at the front office, by 4pm on Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> August. Winners will be drawn the following week!

From the DPS Maths Specialists – Liss Stevens and Karen Brothers

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## Family Wellbeing

It can be challenging to process and manage changes to routines and the uncertainty that comes with COVID-19 and related restrictions – including moving to remote learning. To support our school community during this time, resources and support are available for parents, carers and families.

These resources will help to support the mental health and wellbeing of our students and the young people in our care during this time.

We encourage everyone in our community to access these resources and take care of themselves during this time.

### ***Services and support for students and their families***

A [Quick Guide to Student Mental Health and Wellbeing resources](#) is available for students, parents and carers looking to access expert guidance and resources to support wellbeing.

Supporting the mental health and wellbeing of our students remains our priority this year, especially during the continued COVID-19 pandemic and while students are learning from home during the current circuit breaker restrictions.

For students, the guide includes resources to support their own mental health and wellbeing.

- Advice and resources for students about ways to adapt their learning during COVID-19, to look after themselves and where to get help.
- Wellbeing activities featuring AFL and AFLW players with tips on managing stress, staying active and gratitude.
- Kick it with Victory physical activities with Melbourne Victory Football Club.
- Smiling Mind mindfulness activities for senior secondary school students, including short videos, online tip sheets and meditations

The guide also includes resources and supports for parents and carers to help them build their child's physical and mental health and wellbeing. This includes:

- resources to support children's physical, mental health and wellbeing
- wellbeing activities and conversation starters
- Raising Learners podcast series
- how to talk to your child about COVID-19.

Wellbeing guidance for parents and carers is also [available on the Department's website](#), or through the confidential parent support hotline, Parentline, available 8am to midnight, seven days a week. Phone: **13 22 89**.

### **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

### **PREP UNIFORM SUPPORT**

As part of the Victorian Government Affordable Uniform Program, every Prep school student who is a recipient of the Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) automatically qualifies for a uniform

voucher. **You need to have applied and have qualified for CSEF to be eligible.** The DPS Office will make the application on behalf of Parents/Carers. Once approved the school will provide the parent with the voucher to present at the uniform retailer (Double C Jeanery). Eligible parents who have already purchased their child's uniform this year can select items of a larger size from the retailer. Please contact the office for more details.

**Closes at the end of Term 3 2021**

### **QR CODE CHECK INS**

The use of Service Victoria QR codes for electronic record keeping is mandatory for all workplaces to enable the effective contact tracing of any COVID-19 cases.

This now includes all education sector workplaces, including schools. Daylesford, Drummond & Yandoit Primary schools each have their QR codes displayed at entries to buildings for check in.

**QR codes will be required to be used by:**

- \* **all parents** who enter buildings when on the school site
- \* **all visitors**, including contractors, external Department staff and building and maintenance staff

**QR code check ins will not be required for staff or students.**

All building entry and exit points will now display QR code posters.

**If you are required to enter buildings on school grounds, for whatever purpose, you are now required to use the provided QR code check-in.**

If you are not able to check in using a smartphone or tablet, a paper check-in service is available at the front office.

**Using the QR code system does not replace the existing requirement to also sign in at reception (for a specific purpose- late arrivals, early leavers etc).**

Thank you for your support and understanding of this important health direction.

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or contact the school if you have any concerns.

Karen McHugh  
Principal

Trudi Blick  
Assistant Principal



**Available @ Double 'C'  
Jeanery**

Shower proof fleece lined  
Jacket with DPS Logo \$45

# The Healthy Lunch Kitchen

## Healthy Lunch Kitchen

The Healthy Lunch Kitchen is back for Term 3 with an updated menu of beautiful warming and nutritious lunches.



Beautiful bolognese pasta  
\$7.00



Sallie's super-powers veggie Napoli sauce with pasta  
\$7.00



Mighty Minestrone Soup  
\$7.00



Cheesy spinachy triangles  
\$7.00



Natural yoghurt cup and apple, strawberry



A bag of homemade organic popcorn

Lunch days are Wednesday and Thursdays.

Ordering is open now at [www.healthylunchkitchen.com.au](http://www.healthylunchkitchen.com.au)

Would you like to volunteer to help out in the Healthy Lunch Kitchen? If so, contact Sallie Harvey or reach out to the kitchen team on [kitchen@healthfutures.org.au](mailto:kitchen@healthfutures.org.au) for more detail

**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!

## YANDOIT CAN NOW ORDER FROM THE HEALTHY LUNCH KITCHEN ON THURSDAYS!

In very exciting news this week, Yandoit can now order lunch from the Healthy Lunch Kitchen on Thursdays.

Lunch days for Yandoit are **Thursdays only at** this stage while the healthy lunch kitchen team test their delivery processes.

Ordering is via [www.healthylunchkitchen.com.au](http://www.healthylunchkitchen.com.au). Simply select your lunch item and then select "Yandoit" in the "location" drop down menu on the lunch order.

## Research and Feedback Opportunity

Next Wednesday, 25th August, the Health Futures Australia Healthy Lunch Kitchen team will be at Daylesford Primary School conducting research about the Healthy Lunch Kitchen.

If you're on your way to or from a parent/teacher interview go and see them (they'll be located outside the main building in the undercover area). They would love to capture your thoughts about the Healthy Lunch Kitchen.

## Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and (insert school name) is excited to be participating. The PRC application offers a range of exciting features including:

- access to a library catalogue (including book images and blurbs)
- a modern user-friendly interface
- rewarding students with badges as challenge milestones are achieved
- the option for students to mark books as a favourite, give them a star rating or complete a book review

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 17 September 2021.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklist and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit: [www.education.vic.gov.au/prc](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc)



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

**Students**

Vincent	56S	Iggy	0FK
Aaron	56S	Nina	34K
Rowan	12S	Bella	34E
Leah	34K	Akayshia	56S
Neisa	56T	Saskia	12S
Annalee	34W	Sophia	12S
Edward	56T	Summer	0FK
Jessie	12S	Joshua	0FK
Gabe	34E	Sharon	34K
Indigo	12S	Harvey	12M
Charlie	56P	Grace	12A
Ellie	12A	Graycie	34W
Sadie	YAN		

**Staff**

Tom 56T Alex 56P Amy 12A

**For your Information - Excursion permission**

Permission to attend excursions must be received by returning a signed form, a handwritten permission note or electronic permission as per DEET policy



Daylesford Primary School Accreditation

**STUDENT / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

**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

**DREAMS-TO-COME-TRUE-AT-STUDENTS' STORY-CEREMONY**

Daylesford-Town-Hall-will-be-transformed-into-a-spectacular-forest-wonderland for-a-celebration-of-the-shire's-young-writers.

Writers-of-the-best-entries-in-the-schools'-Words-in-Winter-story-competition will-be-invited-to-attend-with-their-families-from-9.45am-to-noon-on-Sunday, August-29.

Many-surprises-are-sure-to-be-in-store-when-excerpts-from-the-students'-work are-read-by-a-renowned-actor-storyteller, backed-by-a-top-local-musician. Prize-winners, parents-and-schools-will-be-notified-next-week.

(Covid-restrictions-will,-of-course,-be-in-place,-and-numbers-limited).

**GUITAR & VOICE COACHING**

ONE ON ONE \$30 HALF AN HOUR

**\$60 HOUR**

**SANKALPA MUSIC**

Group lessons available at a reduced price

CONTACT SEAN ON 0434527741

SANKALPAMUSIC@OUTLOOK.COM

**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



**Get into Drama and Dance!**

Inside Out Dance Theatre offers classes for kids in Pre-school, Primary and Secondary Drama, Ballet, Creative & Contemporary Dance With an end of year performance For enrolment details contact:

[admin@insideoutdancetheatre.com.au](mailto:admin@insideoutdancetheatre.com.au)  
0428 330 640

**Closing date has been extended**

# TRUCK ART COMPETITION



Create an artwork about the theme 'reducing landfill for a sustainable Hepburn' and you could have it printed on the side of a local kerbside collection truck and be in the running to win prizes.

## CATEGORIES

**JUNIOR**  
Kindergarten - Year 6

**SECONDARY**  
Year 7 - Year 12



## PRIZES

First prize in each category:  
\$150 voucher

Runner-up in each category:  
\$50 voucher

**Schools:**  
Each first prize winner's school will receive \$200 voucher for a sustainability project at their school.

**Please note:**  
Images may also be used in other promotion settings across the Shire.

## SELECTION CRITERIA

- How well the picture conveys the theme reducing landfill for a sustainable Hepburn - exploring items going in the correct bins, or other options for items (i.e. soft plastics, reusable items)
- How well the picture can be reproduced for truck art
- Appearance: use of colour and how it looks from a distance
- Size: Poster must be A3 and LANDSCAPE
- Effective use of art materials

Closing date extended, entries due to Council by:

**Tuesday 31 August 2021**

Please ensure entry form is completed in full and attached to back of poster or emailed as a PDF.

DELIVER TO: Environment and Waste Team  
Hepburn Shire Council  
via your local Council Customer Service office

POST TO: Environment and Waste Team  
Hepburn Shire Council  
PO Box 21  
Daylesford 3440

EMAIL TO: Sophie, Waste Education Officer at  
sritchard@hepburn.vic.gov.au

T: 03 5348 2306    shire@hepburn.vic.gov.au    hepburn.vic.gov.au

## Conditions of entry

- Entrants must attend a school or kindergarten in Hepburn Shire.
- Entries may be in hard copy or high resolution digital.
- Entries can be submitted individually or as a class.

For a full list of conditions and entry form visit [hepburn.vic.gov.au/waste-news](http://hepburn.vic.gov.au/waste-news)

Join us on the red carpet as we share

A night of *general trivia* with a *movie themed twist*, lots of fun with games, raffles, silent and live auctions, games and *plenty of prizes!*



**Daylesford Primary School Movie Night Trivia 2021**

Choose your movie, star, genre, or movie theme and book your table of 10 now! Get creative.. design your team name and dress to your team theme! If you would still like to be part of the night but can't put together a table, you can return the slip below and we can create a table of 10 for you. We want to make our trivia night a **HUGE SUCCESS**, so lets put the word out there! Families, friends and all others are welcome to attend. Tables are limited so first in best dressed!

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Aug**  
**7:00pm for a 7:30pm start**  
**Victoria Park - Daylesford FC Function Room**

BYO nibbles or food items to share at your table. Drinks at bar prices.

*Payment must be made on the night for all silent auction items.*

Card facility will be available on the night for larger purchases.

No more than 10 people per table - if less we may add individuals to your table if required.

*Book at the school office by 18/08/2021*

Yes! I would like to book a table for the 2021 Daylesford Trivia night!

Our team name is:

Team organiser:  Phone:

\$25pp enclosed.

Yes! I/We would like to be part of the 2021 trivia night, please add me/us to a table!

Name:

Phone:  Number of attendees:

\$25pp is enclosed.



# MUSIC LESSONS 2021 ENROLMENTS

PIANO | DRUMS  
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SINGING | WOODWIND | BRASS  
STRINGS | BANJO | MANDOLIN  
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Daylesford Rotary Club



## SUPPORTING THE INDIGENOUS LITERACY FOUNDATION

Daylesford Rotary is holding a Great Book Swap on Monday 30th August 2021 at the Daylesford Bowling Club between 10am-12noon. COVID restrictions will apply.

Come along and swap a gold coin for a book. What a deal! And at the same time help support the work of the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

Make a morning of it—browse for a book and even purchase a Devonshire Tea (\$5 each).

Call Lesley on 0407843928 or Terri on 0414657461 for information or go to <https://go.greatbookswap.org.au/daylesfordrotarysgreatbookswap>

