

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

MARCH

Tuesday 19th Cultural Diversity Day
Friday 22nd Breakfast at School 8.30-9.00 Gym
Friday 22nd Final day to return Easter Raffle
Tickets/money
Tues 26th Easter Raffle drawn at Assembly
School Council(AGM & Elections)
Thurs 28th House Cross Country
End of Term. 2.30pm finish.
No Canteen-Last day of term

APRIL

Monday 15th First day of Term 2
Thurs 25th ANZAC Day

MAY

Weds 1st 9.00-11am Open Day EducationWeek
Weds 22nd National Simultaneous Storytime -
this year's book "The Wrong Book"
by Nick Bland.

*Preps do not attend school on Wednesdays during
Term 1*

School Term Dates 2013:

Term 1 30th Jan – 28th March
Term 2 15th April – 28th June
Term 3 16th July – 20th Sep
Term 4 7th Oct - 20th December

Office Hours: 8.30am – 4.00pm
School Banking every Friday

FUNDRAISING TERM 1

EASTER RAFFLE



Thank you to the families that have donated an easter egg or item towards the Easter Raffle. Please keep them coming!! Raffle tickets were attached to last week's newsletter. Additional tickets are available from the office. We ask families to support the school by selling them. Please return the tickets and money by Friday 22nd March.

Current Focus

Personal Best - 34K

Personal best is about trying your very best, even if you get it wrong, you still keep trying. Personal best also means you are working hard and you are persisting and you believe in yourself.

Lucy Muscat

Persistence
Everything neat
Remember full stops and capital letters
Self Confidence
Only your personal best
Never give up
Always work hard
Learn new things

Believe in yourself
Everything positive
Saying "I can Do it!"
Trying your best

Jaz Scopel

I think personal best is about persisting, trying your best and being a hard working person. Some things that we might try our best might be Maths, Spelling, Writing and Reading. If we persist

In these subjects we are doing our personal best.

Holly Murphy

Practice
Everyday
Reading
Self confidence
On trying:
Nice
Art
LOTE

Best
English
Sport
Trust

Ryley Wallace

Personal best is working hard achieving your goals.

Tom Arklay

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Thank you to our parents/carers who attended the parent/teacher interviews during the week. Partnership between the school and home is vitally important for positive outcomes in education of children. Well done to our staff who worked extra hours in order to see every parent of every student in their classroom.

Thank you to families who have donated an egg for our Easter Raffle and who are currently selling tickets. The draw will take place at our last assembly for the term, which is only two weeks away.

Well done to 3/4K who presented a video clip at assembly on 'Personal Best', our fortnightly focus. They talked about many things, including 'persisting'. There are many great examples whereby persistence is very valuable at school and in life eg. Persisting with friendship, giving people a second chance and sticking at a task like writing. What did you think of the Michael Grose article 'Teach children to persist' in last week's newsletter? Remember you can access our website if you have misplaced the newsletter. Have you had a chance to check out your child's timetable on the website?

This is a final call for nominations for School Council. If any parent is interested to know more about the role of School Council, please give me a call.

Our Kitchen Garden program has started on such a positive note. Some excellent work by our 5/6 classes in the garden and some lovely dishes coming from the kitchen by our 3/4 classes. Thank you to all our volunteers. The program really does rely on our 'Treasures'.

We are looking forward to our Cultural Day, which is next Tuesday. A lot of planning has gone into the day, which promises to be a very valuable and engaging one.

The hot weather over the past couple of weeks has been challenging for the delivery of quality education. Thank you to parents who have worked hard with the children on simple things like extra fruit and water and trying to maintain sleeping patterns.

I have been impressed by the number of students who have such a positive outlook to the upcoming House XC event. Many have been training. This is another example of 'Personal Best'. Trying to achieve improvement by practicing is such a positive way to approach life. This attitude will most certainly flow into many other aspects of learning and life.

I would also like to congratulate Finlay Ioff who competed in the Regional Swimming Championships held in Warrnambool on Tuesday. He placed 3rd in his freestyle and butterfly events. Finlay achieved his personal best in both of these events. A great effort.

Finally, a reminder that deposits for school camps are due and further instalments would be greatly appreciated.

Peter Burke

Personal goods brought to school at owner's risk.

A recent memorandum from the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development – Victoria is a reminder for all staff, students, parents/carers of the following:

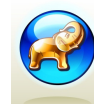
- Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, electronic games, calculators, toys, musical instruments, sporting equipment, and cars parked on school premises.
- The Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property.
- The bringing of any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school is therefore discouraged.



WANTED Grade 1W are looking for scraps of wool for classroom use. Please leave at the front office or give to Kathy Watt. Thanks

WANTED Plastic shopping bags for Cultural Day – Tues 19th March.
Thank you, Trudi Blick.

The 2 GW Family Group is attempting to sponsor an orphan elephant in Kenya. We are making and selling elephant badges to raise this money. If you or your children would like to buy a badge, you can send \$1 for each badge to school for purchase. Children will be coming around to each classroom at lunchtimes to sell badges. We are hoping to raise \$50. Thank you.



CANTEEN DUTY TERM 1 2013

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| Weds 20 th March | Tansie Ryan |
| Thurs 21 st March | Mary Love |
| Friday 22 nd March | Leah Schuter, Natalie Hardy |
| Weds 27 th March | Carissa Strawhorn |
| Thurs. 28 th March | END OF TERM – NO CANTEEN |

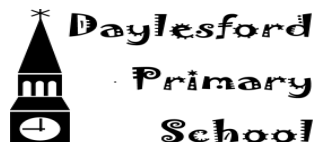
Canteen - HELP ALWAYS NEEDED

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

FROZEN CRUNCHA'S ONLY AVAILABLE IN 1ST AND 4TH TERMS

PARENT/CARER VOLUNTEERS TERM 1

| FRIDAY | SICK BAY WASHING | BANKING |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| 15 th Mar | Robyn Orr | |
| 22 nd Mar | Justine Wilkinson | Leah Schuter |
| Thursday 28 th | Andrea Bell | NO BANKING LAST DAY OF TERM |



Kitchen Garden – MARCH

If you are able to help with classes in either the kitchen (2 hour sessions on Thursdays & Fridays) or the garden (1 hour sessions on Thursdays) please contact Jenni Thompson or Gill Carron at the school.

Requests:

For the pantry:

- dry yeast castor sugar brown sugar
- coriander seeds cumin seeds mustard seeds
- chick pea flour tahini currants

For the garden: **Manure for the compost**

COLD CUCUMBER AND TARRAGON SOUP

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| 7-9 cucumbers | 800 g potatoes |
| 4 cloves garlic | 4 large shallots |
| 200 ml cream | 10-12 sprigs tarragon |
| 4 tspn salt | 1500 ml water |

What to do:

- Peel and roughly chop potatoes, shallots and garlic.
- Strip the tarragon leaves from the stems, roughly chop and put aside. Keep the stems but don't chop.
- Peel and de-seed cucumbers and finely slice.
- Sprinkle salt on half of cucumbers and mix well. Place in a colander over sink or tray to catch water.
- Sweat shallots and garlic in a little oil until soft.
- Add potatoes and unsalted cucumbers and cover with water, add tarragon stalks. Cook until all vegies are tender.
- Remove tarragon stalks.
- Add cream and chopped leaves, salt and pepper and bring back to the boil.
- Puree, adjust seasoning, chill and serve.

Premier's Reading Challenge 2013.

Grades Prep-2 participate in class and teachers keep a record of books read.

Grades 3-6 students need to keep their own records in their classroom. Books need to be clearly recorded on the sheets provided, indicating Title, Author and Series.

Permission forms will either be given out during Parent/Teacher interviews or sent home with individual students.

For your child to **RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE** at the end of the year the **TOP SECTION** must be signed and returned to school as soon as possible.

NEEDED: Parent helper to enter data for Premier's Reading Challenge.

Thank you, Gill Pearce

Term 1 No.6 Friday, 15th March, 2013.

STUDENT / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

DreamFest 2013

16th March – Family Fun Day @ Calembeen Park, Creswick 12-5pm. Local DJ's, rock climbing, face painting puppet workshop, jumping castle and MORE!

23rd March – Music event at Daylesford Community Park (Skate Park) 12-6.30pm X Factor's Declan Sykes PLUS Mother and Son and Battle of Bands feat. Eyes Wide Open, Persist Prevail, Jade and Jenny PLUS Skate Comp, jumping castle, face painting and MORE!

Gold coin donation only! All ages, drug, alcohol and smoking free fully supervised events funded by the Hepburn Shire Council and the State of Victoria - www.freeza.vic.gov.au.

BLUE LIGHT DISCO

Fri 22 March

Daylesford Town Hall

6.00-9.00pm – Cost \$5

Theme PIRATES !!!! ARRGHH

Parents please make sure you pick up your children from INSIDE the hall as they will not be allowed out without a parent or guardian.

NO PASS OUTS.

Water will be on sale on the night.

YMCA Ballarat in partnership with Ballarat Roller Derby League present

FUN SKATE

Come for a skate at the Delacombe stadium in a family friendly environment
Doug Dean Reserve, Nandriog Drive, Delacombe



Saturday afternoons 1pm – 4pm

Skating lessons* available from 12pm

Roller skates available for hire
(or BYO skates or blades)

Kiosk operating

AGES 4+

Contact Stacey on
03 5329 2806
or 0434 743 993
for more info.

* Booking essential.
Lessons incur an additional cost.

www.ballarat.ymca.org.au



FREE HOMEWORK GROUP Come along on Tuesdays from 3.45 to 6.00pm. Start with a snack, which we will provide. Then registered teacher Eric will assist you with any problems you may have with your homework. Computers are available if required. And it's free. For Grade 5 - 9 students.

Daylesford Neighbourhood Centre, 13 Camp Street, Daylesford 5348 3569

Current Focus: *Personal Best*

WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE EVENT SATURDAY MARCH 16TH

Burke Square, Daylesford. 9.00am-5.00pm

We are holding a cake stall, BBQ Brekky, Sausage Sizzle Lunch, Raffle and Face Painting. We are asking for donations of cakes or baked goods on the day to raise money for the Leukaemia Foundation's World's Greatest Shave and our team goal. Check out our Facebook event page and our article in *The Advocate* for more details on how to make sponsorship/donations either online or in person. Also keep checking for raffle prizes updates, we have been lucky to secure some wonderful prizes. *Thanks for your continued support - Team Glenda's Cheryl & Jan Geddes.*

GUITAR LESSONS

Beginner Guitar Lessons Please call Shane 5348 7716 or 0423 039 580

Guitar Lessons available at the school. Qualified and experienced teacher. Phone: Ian Hill, 5331 9138 or 0447 776 642.

Want to Learn Guitar?

Lessons available every WEDNESDAY afternoon from 1.40 - 6.00pm and are for all grade levels. For a great introduction to guitar - half hour lessons at \$20. Guitar tuition by experienced local performer currently studying at the Victorian College of The Arts. For enquires and bookings please contact Lewis Ingham on 0400182252 or email lewisingham@live.com.au

SINGING LESSONS

tailored to individuals available during school hours at the school. Individual tuition includes using vocal potential to its best advantage, confidence, & skills. Possible exploration of performance, if suitable, also. Contact Anni Coyne 0418358075 53481524 or anni@cloudsongmusic.com.au

PIANO

Simply Music Piano Lessons: A revolutionary, Australian-developed piano learning method that offers a breakthrough in music education. This remarkable approach has students of all ages playing great-sounding contemporary, classical, gospel, blues and accompaniment pieces - immediately - from their very first lessons. Also, new Play-a-Story piano classes for 4-6 year olds start 2013. Please contact Georgina Williams at Bridport Studios for more information, 53481575.

VIOLIN LESSONS are available at Daylesford Primary with Adam Menegazzo.

Learn from an experienced and professional teacher with lessons that are designed to be fun and rewarding. Instruments are available for hire. Lessons are 15 minutes (\$16) or 30 minutes (\$32) with discounts available for term payments. For more information contact Adam at adjustviolin@live.com.au or phone 53487930.



Ballet classes for boys and girls aged 3 and up. Classes held Mon, Wed, & Thurs after school. For information please contact Glenn Harwood or Sue Davis 5348 4532 or 0400 669 200 info@daylesforddance.com.au

VOLLEYBALL AT THE ARC The new Volleyball season commenced at The ARC Smith St Daylesford, **Monday 18th Feb** with the social division games at 6.30 pm and open division at 7.30 pm.

Teachers, parents and grade 6 students all welcome, so come along and have some fun. Contact Colin Priest 53487674

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YOGA FOR KIDS Term 1 (5-12 yrs)

Tues 4-5 pm A fun filled hour of yoga jumping, stretching, balancing and being upside down. Kids can loosen up and calm down. Daylesford Yoga 5348 3888 shayna@daylesfordyoga.com



Calisthenics is a competitive sport that promotes

- o Confidence and deportment
- o Teamwork and dedication
- o Coordination
- o Strength and flexibility
- o Performance skills

Currently catering for participants from 3 - 15 years.

More information can be found on our website at www.centalspringscalisthenics.com.au

Or call Karen on 0419 868 026

Dance and Drama classes for pre-school, primary and secondary aged children.

Choose from Creative Dance, Hip Hop, Contemporary, Afro Dance, Hoopin, Adult and Child, Boy's class, and Drama. All at Inside Out Dance - 8 years in Daylesford Factory 2/39 East St Daylesford. Contact Joanne: Ph 5348 1193 M 0417 592 522 E: joannetsakos@yahoo.com.au

Daylesford Junior Basketball at the ARC on Tuesdays

Clinic Times

4 - 5 pm: Aussie Hoops & U12 boys and girls
5 - 6 pm: U16 boys and girls

Term 1 Player Fees

Aussie Hoops: \$35 per player (no separate Springers membership required)
U12 boys & girls: \$50
U16 boys & girls: \$50
Springers Membership (lasts 12 months, includes compulsory Basketball Victoria player insurance): \$35 but only if not already a current member.
We look forward to seeing you all.
For any information please call Jan Maree Yanner on 5348 3446 or email us on springersbasketball@gmail.com



Association for Children with a Disability

Making it Possible How you can think, plan and achieve goals for your child and family?

How can you create a fulfilling life with choices, purpose, friendship and happiness? If you want to take the lead in achieving these goals for your child (0-18) and family, then this workshop is for you! Build on the strengths and skills you already have as a parent to better identify, plan and achieve your goals. Our presenters are parents or siblings of a person with a disability so they do understand issues from a family perspective. Check out the flyers here:

http://www.acd.org.au/community_ed/parent_workshops.htm

Ballarat Date: Wednesday 20th March 2013

Time: 9.30am - 2.45pm Venue: PINARC, 20 King St, Ballarat Cost: \$20 per person - members* \$40 per person - non-members. Morning tea & light lunch included
Places are limited so be quick to book at: <http://trybooking.com/39127> or phone the office on 9818 2000.

DUNEIRA - MT MACEDON

Garden events, Health & Wellbeing, Guided House Tours, Concerts, Mid Week Courses, Lectures, Botanical Drawing Workshop. Bookings & full program online at www.duneira.com.au or phone 5426 1490

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