

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

APRIL

Monday 15th First day of Term 2
Monday 22nd Final day for International Schools Comp returns.

Tuesday 23rd 9.00am ANZAC Assembly
6.30pm School Council

Thurs 25th ANZAC Day Holiday

Friday 26th Final day for Book Club

MAY

Weds 1st 9.00-11am Open Day

Friday 10th Goldfields SC Clunes

Friday 17th Zone SC Ballarat

Monday 21st 9.00-11.00am Education Week
Open Day

Weds 22nd National Simultaneous Storytime -
this year's book "The Wrong Book"
by Nick Bland.

Friday 24th House Athletics, Llanberris Reserve

JUNE

Weds 5th School Photos

Monday 10th Queen's Birthday Holiday

Friday 28th End of Term 2. 2.30pm Finish

PUPIL FREE DAYS:

Mon 15th July, Weds 20th Nov., Fri 6th Dec.

School Term Dates 2013:

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



**ANZAC DAY
BADGES**
available next week from
\$1 - \$5

Current Focus -

Respect (self and others)

Respect is when we recognise the worth, quality and importance of others. It is also important to have the same recognition of one's self and have a self-belief. Respecting self is an appreciation of and valuing yourself physically, socially, mentally and emotionally: knowing, understanding and valuing one's strengths and traits.

There are many people who influence our opinions and the choices we make: friends, parents, family members, teachers, sporting coaches and other significant adults in our lives. We have conversations with them about many issues in life, we spend time/or associate with them and they are often people who are our role models.

At times we will agree with them or we may even disagree on some things but the way we do so is important in keeping the lines of communication open: respectful of self and others' opinions. One way to show people that we hear what they are saying is to respond and say things like, "That is an interesting idea ... but I believe we could approach it in this way" or "I think we are just going to have to agree to disagree on that point". Even if we disagree we should make every effort to be a good listener and be prepared to justify our opinions. This is what we do as learners. We make room for new ideas by talking and listening to others with respect. That means no interruptions and using positive body language, nodding and smiling when we agree or looking puzzled/or shaking our head to indicate we disagree.

We all want people to respect us and our ideas. We certainly expect people to be respectful of the adults we trust: parents, other family members, teachers, sporting coaches, etc. Respect for self and others can be displayed when we talk, play, work and learn at school, within the community or at home.

Respecting others shows everyone that we are friendly, responsible and thoughtful students at Daylesford Primary.

Chris Tsiplakis ☺

PARENT REMINDER...

**YEAR 7 2014 STUDENT PLACEMENT
FORMS – PLEASE COMPLETE AND
RETURN TO SCHOOL BEFORE FRI
26 APRIL. Thank you.**

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome back to an exciting term 2. I am looking forward to a very interesting and busy term.

I would like to start by informing you of our School Council Election results, so that you are aware of the structure of School Council.

President: Trefor John

Vice-President: Lauren Bennett

Treasurer: Chris Tsiplakis

Secretary: Karen McHugh

Sub-committees

Finance:

Convenor: Peter Burke: Members: Chris Tsiplakis, Deborah Cowen, Lauren Bennett

Curriculum:

Convenor: Karen McHugh: Members: - Trefor John, Peter D'Onghia, Ross Redwin, Mellissa Stevens

Fundraising: (Core Fundraising events)

Convenor: Peter Burke: Members: Leah Schuter, Jessica Gifford

Kitchen Garden:

Convenor: Peter Burke: Members: Alison Wilkin, Gill Carron, Toby Sime, Louise English

Facilities and Plantation:

Convenor: Peter Burke: Members: Louise English, Lauren Bennett

Canteen:

Convenor: Peter Burke: Members: Deborah Cowen, Bev Adkins, Sally Armstrong

Book Fair:

Convenor: Trefor John: Members: Merrilyn Sim, Peter D'Onghia, Nel Staite, Peter Burke

There is still one parent vacancy unfilled on school council. If you are interested in knowing more about the position, please give me a call.

Secondly, I would like to inform you that the following dates have been approved by School Council as Pupil Free Days. This is advance notification so that appropriate arrangements can be put in place.

Pupil Free Days for 2013 are as follows;

Monday 15th July (day 1 of term 3) staff professional development on writing with Stephen Graham

Wednesday 20th November (week 7 term 4) staff planning day for 2014 classes

Friday 6th December (week 9 term 4) staff professional development in Numeracy

Finally, I would like to call on our school community to get behind our major fund raiser for the year. The Book Fair 3rd & 4th August. The aim is to raise \$10,000 for Literacy and there are many ways you can get involved.

The first call for volunteers is to assist with book sorting. Book sorting is happening on Saturday May 11th in our gym at 10.00. If you can help please call me on 53482480 for more details or just drop in for one or two hours between 10.00 - 2.00. Remember Book Fair books can be dropped off at the front office at any time.

Ms Hobson our Performing Arts Specialists is currently on sick leave. Suzanne is having treatment for Breast Cancer and will be requiring a number of weeks of sick leave to complete her treatment. During this time Ms Kate Yeung is currently teaching performing arts and will continue to do so. Can I ask parents to discuss this matter with their child so that further understanding of Suzanne's circumstances is fully understood and this will alleviate any unnecessary questions/dialogue which will assist Suzanne. For example why Suzanne will be wearing a hat, and why Suzanne is here for a week and absent for two etc. etc.

Finally, at assembly we announced the 36 students who will be representing DPS at the Goldfields XC on Friday 10th May at Clunes Golf Club. Good luck to all those children. More information about that event will be sent home in the near future.

Peter Burke

BOOK CLUB TERM 2
Order forms were sent home this week.
Please return forms/money by Friday 26th April.



Kitchen Garden – APRIL



GOLDFIELDS CROSS COUNTRY

10 yr Boys

Miles Wilkinson, Buzz Pearce (Drummond), Jonas Parr, Saxon Barnes, Ben English, Thomas Macklin,

10 yr Girls

Carly Elderfield, Demi Henderson, Caitlyn Robinson, Viydee Gledhill, Lily Fox, Bella Jack.

11 yr Boys

Ben Levens, Gabe Schembri, Fin Loft, Rohan Clay, Frankie Harvey, Jaida Berridge, Mitchel Vendy

11 yr Girls

Anna Santurini, Chloe Wilkinson, Kiah McCahon, Gabi Kaye, Charlotte Stevenson, Blossom Izard.

12-13 yr Girls

Zoe Turner(Drummond), Holly Armstrong, Sophie John, Alicia Rae, Isabella Cibrasio, Ava Nance.

12-13 yr Boys

Tom Henderson, Inish Wratten, Max Anderson, Harrison Fraser, Alfie Pleasance, Leigh Lovig.

INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS COMPETITION 2013

ENGLISH, MATHS, SCIENCE, WRITING, SPELLING – for grades 3-6

Once again, students in Grades 3, 4, 5 and 6 will have the opportunity to participate in the International Schools Competition which is conducted by the University of N.S.W. The competitions include English, Maths, Science, Writing and Spelling. Each student who participates will receive a certificate and a detailed Results Letter.

The entry fee is \$8.00 for English, Maths and Science, \$16.00 for Writing and \$11.00 for Spelling.

Competition	Competition Date
Science \$ 8	4 th June
Writing \$ 16	17 th June
Spelling \$ 11	18 th June
English \$ 8	30 th July
Mathematics \$ 8	13 th August

To assist with administrative purposes could we have reply slips and money returned to the office **Monday 22nd April**.

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



Junior School Council Representatives

Congratulations to the following students who were elected to our Junior School Council:

Jim Heald Sophie John Lewin Judd
Benson Hewat Bella Jack Tasha Robinson

Our School Captains Marlon Toner-McLachlan and Holly Armstrong will also be part of the council.

These students will represent our school body and undertake leadership roles.

Junior School Council will meet fortnightly to discuss issues and ideas which will ensure that our school is an environment that encourages children to take an active role in different aspects of school life.

Junior School Council will also take on the role of planning and running our Social Services activities for this year.

These students will be presented with their badges at assembly on Tuesday 23rd April

Kind Regards
Chris Tsiplakis

CANTEEN DUTY TERM 2 2013

Weds 24 th April	Rebecca McCahon
Thurs 25 th April	ANZAC Day Holiday
Friday 26 th April	Kareena Hodgson, Leah Schuter

Canteen - HELP ALWAYS NEEDED

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

PARENT/CARER VOLUNTEERS TERM 2

FRIDAY	SICK BAY WASHING	BANKING
19 th April	Katrina Allen	Michelle Cowan
26 th April	Kerry Haby	Leah Schuter
3 rd May	Catherine Meadows	Catherine Meadows
10 th May	Christine Gilligan	Leah Schuter
17 th May	Tania Green	Sally Armstrong
24 th May	Rebecca McCahon	Leah Schuter
31 st May	Bridgette Chidwick	Catherine Meadows
7 th June	Debra Mifsud	Leah Schuter
14 th June	Dianne Rouse	Sally Armstrong
21 st June	Trish Lovig	Leah Schuter
28 th June	Maria Thomas	NO BANKING – LAST DAY OF TERM

ABSENCES

If your child is absent please notify the office by telephone, and we will let the teacher know, or send a written note with your child on their return. These written records are required for audit purposes.

LATE ARRIVALS

If arriving after 9.00am can parents please sign in students at office first, before attending class.
Thank you.

RE-USABLE LUNCH ORDER BAGS \$10.00

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



**FROZEN CRUNCHAS
NOT AVAILABLE IN TERM 2 & 3**

STUDENT / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Daylesford Hepburn Auskick
AFL introductory program for primary school-aged children and their families
Registration – 21st April @ 10am



Or register online aflauskick.com.au
Victoria Park, Daylesford
Oval No. 2 Junior Oval
Sundays @ 10am
Enquiries: Steve Walsh 0417 573 417

GEORGE the CONDUCTOR at the REX

Traditional slapstick, clown, mime and dance. Family
Fun for all ages!

Rex Theatre, 51 Vincent St. Daylesford

SUNDAYS – April, 21 & 28, May 5 & 12.
\$7 per person, \$25 family.

Tickets @ door or from "yang with yin" Rex
Arcade 5348 1105.

Exciting weekends coming up at Creswick Woollen Mills

Annual Gem Show – 20th/21st April - 10am – 4pm.

Minerals, Fossils, Jewellery and Gem Stones at the Mill.

Our celebration of the Lindsays Festival starts May 4th.
The Mills will be celebrating the life of one of Creswick's most famous families. The week-long event will host local artists in our Ryzowy gallery and culminate in the Magic Pudding Weekend on the 11th & 12th May.

SPRUNG CIRCUS PRESENTS CLASSES FOR TERM 2 2013 !!!

Family balancing act: Sundays 4-5.30pm
aerobalance for combinations of any age (including parent and child) Term 2 only

Adults Tissue: Sundays 6-7.30pm
climbs, statics, doubles, drops and sequences –
coached by Jassy

Mondays Sprung: Mondays 4-5.30pm+
for 8yrs to secondary – all circus skills

Wednesdays Sprung: Wednesday 4-5.30
for lower primary ages – all circus skills

All classes at Hepburn Primary Hall

Call Mara 0477499342