

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

FEBRUARY

Friday 22nd Closing date for EMA and
Conveyance Allowance
Tuesday 26th School Council Meeting

MARCH

Friday 1st House Swimming Sports
Mon 11th Labour Day Holiday
Tues 12th & Wed 13th Parent Teacher Interviews
from 3.50- 6.00pm.
Tues 26th School Council(AGM & Elections)
Thurs 28th House Cross Country
End of Term. 2.30pm finish.

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

School Term Dates 2013:

Term 1 30th Jan – 28th March
Term 2 16th 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

******* Please find with this Newsletter the
Parent/Teacher/Student Interview forms for
12th & 13th March. Please fill in and return
as soon as possible.**

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.

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.

Chris Tsiplakis ©

Families

As part of our Social Competencies Program at school we will
be continuing with the concept of 'Families' at our school. The
program will provide additional support to develop positive
caring relationships between students.

Purpose

- The purpose of Families is to provide and to promote
pastoral care within a structure beyond the normal
classroom setting.

What are Family Groups?

- Family groups consist of about 20 students from
years prep to year 6
- Students are placed randomly within groups
- Groups remain the same throughout the year
- Teachers stay with the same family group
- Family Groups meet each week (Monday)
- Sessions are approximately of 40 minutes duration
- Timetable: 2:30 – 3:10

The objectives of 'Families'

- To promote student wellbeing through the development of caring relationships between students
- To provide and promote pastoral care beyond the normal classroom setting
- To enable young students to identify with familiar faces in the playground
- To provide older students with a sense of responsibility and to develop leadership skills
- To enhance communication skills between different age groups
- To allow teachers to form relationships with students from all grade levels within the school
- To encourage a sense of connectedness to the school community
- To allow students to value the input from a range of students

'Families' will begin next week. We look forward to positive interactions between students within their 'Family Groups'.

Kind Regards, Chris Tsiplakis, Assistant Principal.



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Last week the school practiced the emergency procedure called a 'Lockdown'. This procedure would be put in place if an external threat to the school was identified, such as bush fire. All staff and children are now aware of what to do in a Lockdown Code Black Emergency.

The improvement shown in the grade 3-6 children in the swimming program is very good. The water temperature and good weather have certainly assisted, but I am very pleased with the effort by the students and the way they are striving for their 'Personal Best', which is a very important element of our school Mission Statement.



We must also acknowledge the commitment of our staff, who have worked very hard, in and out of the water.

Four students are representing the school in the Zone Swimming Sports at Eureka Pool this Sunday. Good luck Sophie John, Ashleigh McKay, Leigh Lovig and Jonas Paar.

Term 1 No.3 Friday, 22nd February, 2013.

Thank you in advance to the parents supporting these students. We will have full report next week.

House meeting will take place this Friday to select events for the House Swimming Sports. All parents/carers are invited to attend our House Swimming Sports on Friday 1st March, starting at 10.30 with the U12 Boys 50m freestyle. A program will be available at the front office if parent wish to check times.

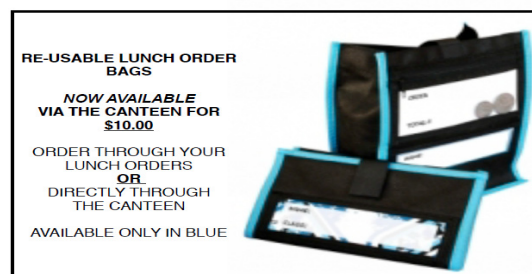
Congratulations to Ben Levens who has been selected to try out for the State Country Cricket Club. Good luck Ben, keep us informed as to how you go!

You would have received a school invoice this week, for such things as class materials etc. Your prompt attention to this matter would be appreciated as the school has pre-purchased all the class materials and has settled the account in full, thus incurring considerable debt on behalf of parents. A reminder to all grade 3-6 families, that this invoice needs to be settled in full prior to your child being eligible to attend camp next term, unless you have negotiated a payment plan with our business manager, Deborah.

There has been a confirmed case of whooping cough diagnosed within the school. Can parents please monitor their children's health accordingly.



Peter Burke



Canteen - HELP ALWAYS NEEDED

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

CANTEEN DUTY TERM 1

Weds 27 th Feb	
Thurs 28 th Feb	
Friday 29 th Feb	

TERM 1 2013

FRIDAY	SICK BAY WASHING	BANKING
22 nd Feb	Jenny Liang	Michelle Cowan
1st Mar	Kathryn Cooper	Leah Schuter
8th Mar	Chris Bark	
15 th Mar	Robyn Orr	
22nd Mar	Justine Wilkinson	
29th Mar	Andrea Bell	NO BANKING – LAST DAY OF TERM

SCHOOL HATS NOW \$12
(Price increase as of Feb 1st 2013)



**Daylesford
Primary
School**

Kitchen Garden – FEBRUARY

**Kitchen Garden classes begin in week 5
(beginning Monday, Feb. 26)**

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**

STUDENT / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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/DANCE



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
sue@daylesforddance.com.au

Daylesford & Hepburn United Soccer Club. 2013

Registration & BBQ Boys & Girls 5-15 yrs. Welcome. 4.30pm-6.00pm Weds 27th Feb. Training session from 4.30pm, BBQ 6.00pm. For more information contact 0412 230 536. www.daylesfordsoccerclub.com Juniors train Weds 4.30-6pm, Seniors Weds. 6-7.30pm.

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

Karate Training:

Learn traditional karate and self defence skills in a supportive environment at the Daylesford Primary School Hall. Every Thursday 6.00-7.00pm. The Chief Instructor has 34 years experience and holds a 4th Degree Master's Rank Black Belt. Daylesford Karate Club is a branch of the Ballarat Karate Club Incorporated (a non-profit organisation). Fees are kept to a minimum and family discounts also apply. Contact Danny on 0428 444943 for more details.

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



Central Springs Calisthenic Club

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 – 15years.

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

Or call Karen on 0419 868 026

Daylesford Girl Guides (Grade 1 to 18 yrs old)

Duke Street-Opposite MS Shop
Meet every Tuesday evening 6pm - 7.30pm
(except School /Public holidays) Various activities, outings & Camps.
Enquiries: Please call Nerida Nelson 0409 973 290 or Kiera Melen 0434 322 779

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

Looking For Volunteer Host Families

World Education Program (WEP) is inviting you to experience another culture in your own home by becoming a volunteer host family to an international student arriving in July 2013. Our students from Italy, Belgium, Finland, France, Switzerland, The Netherlands and South America are looking forward to experiencing life in Australia, making new friends and becoming a member of an Australian family soon.

Find out more!

Getting to know your student before he or she arrives brings fun and joy to everyone involved. Take the next step and contact WEP today to receive a full information pack for your family.

Sylvia Kelly, Manager – Inbound Exchange Programs
Phone: 1300 884 733 Email: info@wep.org.au
Online: <http://www.wep.org.au>

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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



KIDS FIRST AID

Daylesford Saturday 2 March 9am-1pm

More children die of injury versus cancer, asthma and infectious disease combined. In conjunction with Kidsafe Victoria, this course provides you with information and guidance to prevent injuries, and the knowledge and skills to provide basic First Aid to children age 0-12.

COURSE CONTENT

The legal aspects of providing First Aid and aspects of infection control Manage a First Aid scenario including the management of:

Unconscious breathing child and an Unconscious non-breathing child - CPR

Recognition and management of: Choking / Shock / Wounds / Bleeding / Common illnesses - fever and diarrhoea / Common injuries / Burns / Poisons / Common bites and stings

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Location : The Paddock Room, Neighbourhood House
13 Camp St Daylesford Cost: \$130

Bookings essential : confirmation and deposit required by Sat 23 February jacinta@cellula.com.au
For more information go to

<http://www.stjohnvic.com.au/kids-first.asp>

CAMPBELLS CREEK SWIM, LEARN, SURVIVE NOW OPEN- PRE SCHOOL & SCHOOL AGE SWIMMING LESSONS NEW TERM BEGS Mon 15th April. Infant classes Tues & Thurs morning Bookings essential, reserve your place now. Call Kerry on 5470 5865.



Daylesford Junior Football 2013

Registration night for U12's, U15's + U18's

When: Friday 1st March 2013

Where: Junior Club rooms, Victoria Park, Daylesford

Time: 5.30 – 6.30 pm Free BBQ.

2013 Registration Fees

\$70 per player or \$120 for two players from the same family. Cash payment on the night is preferred. Increase in fees due to upgrade of insurance.

Club Membership \$15.00

New players welcome.

Any enquiries please contact Jan on 53481761.

Current Focus: Play by the Rules