Current Focus

Integrity

Being honest and following your principles.

We can be regarded as a person who has integrity through what we do and say. Our integrity can be clearly seen by our conduct, how we work and how we interact with other people both at school and at home.

Some of the qualities that people demonstrate when they have integrity:

- Honesty
- Being fair
- Keeping your commitments
- Accept responsibility for actions
- Being trustworthy
- Showing respect

Being a person of integrity is something we all want to be. These qualities will be evident in our play, when we are working with others in class, at home and when we are involved in our wider community.

Some people say that integrity means: ‘who you are when no-one is watching!’

Chris Tsiplakis ☺
We have celebrated Literacy and Numeracy throughout the week, with a variety of activities. Our Book Week Dress up day on Tuesday was a great success. Well done and thank you to all our families who entered into the spirit on the day. So many different book characters paraded around the gym, it was a delight to see.

Throughout the week one of our parents, Leah Schuter, dedicated her time to the sales of Scholastic Books. There was great variety and I know many children and parents took advantage of this wonderful service. Book vouchers for the stall were awarded to a number of children for the efforts throughout Book Week.

The celebrations ended on Friday with a glorious ‘showcase’ of class book presentations. Congratulations to all staff and students on such a combined team effort. Ivor Bowen presented the winners of our creative writing pieces, and Nicole Wassell presented the winners of our Poster competition.

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Wednesday saw 92 students represent our school at the Goldfields Athletics Sports at the Llanberris Athletics Reserve in Ballarat. Thank you to our parent helpers who made a big difference on the day. Well done to Andrew Kiellerup and Sherilee Dittman who organised and ran the day. Congratulations to all the athletes on giving their best and representing DPS & Annexes in such a great manner.

Finally, our school has been selected to participate in the 2013 Nationally Consistent Data Collection on School Students with Disability (Data Collection). This national Data Collection is taking place in schools across Australia and will provide information about the number of students with disability in schools, where they are located and the adjustments they receive. Can I refer you to the article below for more information.

Peter Burke
Principal
Nationally Consistent Data Collection on School Students with Disability

The information provided by this new data collection will enable all Australian governments to better target support and resources. This will assist students with disability in government and non-government schools across Australia to complete school and go on to further education or find employment.

If your child is eligible to be included in the Data Collection, you will be sent a Privacy Information and Consent Form in the next few weeks. Inclusion in the Data Collection is voluntary. If you wish your child to be included in the Data Collection, you can complete the Privacy Information and Consent Form and return to the school.

If you do not receive a Privacy Information and Consent Form and believe your child has a disability and should be considered for inclusion in the Data Collection, please contact the Principal.

For further information about the Data Collection, please contact the Principal or visit Department of Education and Early Childhood Development website: http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/health/Pages/datacollection.aspx

Family Group Archibald Prize Competition

A portrait competition was recently held between students whose family groups meet in the OLC. All portraits were of a very high standard and choosing a winner was difficult. However the winners were:

Grade Prep: Siena Garratt
Grade 1: Maddisyn Tsaptsalis
Grade 2: Jemmima Shaw
Grade 3: Caelan Rouse
Grade 4: Tasha Robinson
Grade 5: Manny Nicols
Grade 6: Max Anderson

Well done everybody!

International Competitions and Assessments for Schools

Ten students participated in the Spelling Competition. The following students received:

Participation Certificates:
Alice Dennis, Griffin Harwood, Lucy Muscat, Caitlin Robertson, Finlay Loft, Adam Pasahidis, Anna Santurini, Max Anderson, Santino D’Onghia, Sophie John, Angelique Scott,

Credit Certificates:
Lachlan Taylor, Marlon Toner-McLachlan,

Distinction:
Ben English, Cooper Harwood.

Congratulations to every student who participated. Chris Tsiplakis.

KITCHEN GARDEN THANK YOU
Thank you to those who have donated eggs. It is much appreciated.

FOUND 2 pairs of reading glasses have been handed into the general office.

PARENT/CARER VOLUNTEERS TERM 3 2013

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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.
**Class Book Making and Children’s Writing Award**

Congratulations to all schools who participated. The number and standard of entries was very high this year with ten schools participating and over 120 children submitting their writing.

Schools participating in the writing award were: Daylesford, Drummond, Yandoit, Daylesford Dharma School, St Michael’s, Trentham, Newstead, and Newlyn Primary Schools. Individual Writing Awards were presented at Hepburn Libraries Family Day on Sunday 18 August. The Judge, Bronwen Scarffe, is an Educator and Literacy specialist. She has provided written feedback for teachers and students on their writing.

Schools participating in the Class Book display were: Daylesford, Drummond, Yandoit, St Michael's, Hepburn and Bullarto Primary Schools. Class books were on display at Family Day and also at The Rex Theatre during the Words in Winter festival. A truly outstanding display of creativity and effort.

Well done everyone.

**Jen Bay, Family Day Co-ordinator, Words in Winter.**

**Winner Grade Prep - 2** awarded to Emily Ojansuu
For her story "The Hidden Town"
Trentham District PS

**Special Mention Prep - 2** awarded to Axel Vissers
For his story "My Pet Cat, Max." Daylesford PS

**Joint Winner Grade 3 - 4** awarded to Mila Arias - Parker
For her story "The Map to the Forever Golds"
Daylesford PS

**Joint Winner Grade 3 - 4** awarded to Lola Speer
For her story "The Hidden Teleporter"
Trentham District PS

**Special Mention Grade 3 - 4** Thomas McKay
The Secret of Blackbeard's Treasure, Daylesford PS

**Special Mention Grade 3 - 4** Alice Knox
Trentham District PS

**Winner Grade 5 - 6** awarded to Bradley Nugent
For his story "The Mysterious Island"
Trentham District PS

**Special Mention Grade 5 - 6** Antigone Jonas
Daylesford PS

**Special Judges Award** for Yemaya Greenwood
For her stories "Shadowed Love"
and "A Now Empty Mansion"
Daylesford PS

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**Platypus Week - Connecting with the Creswick Creek in Clunes**

Join in the Platypus Week festivities as Clunes Landcare & Waterways Group hosts this fantastic event to celebrate community involvement and enjoyment of the Creswick Creek.

**Talks - Local Art Exhibition - Creek Walks - Community BBQ**

**Australian Platypus Conservancy**

* Creek Walks start at the creek walk entrance in the Clunes football oval car park.
** Art Exhibition and talks will be held at the newly renovated School of Mines on Service Street in Clunes

**Friday 30th August 2013**
6pm – Art Exhibition Grand Opening at School of Mines**
7pm – Presentation of prizes for art competition
7:30pm – Platypus talk by the Australian Platypus Conservancy**
9pm – Exhibition closes

**Saturday 31st August 2013**
7am – Platypus Spotting Creek Walk with the Australian Platypus Conservancy*
9am – Art Exhibition reopens
10am – Platypus and creek wildlife talk at School of Mines**
11:30am – Creek walk - Australian Platypus Conservancy*
12pm – Community BBQ*
2pm – Landcare and Platypus Conservation – what can you do in your local area? **
5pm – Art Exhibition Closes

**Sunday 1st September 2013**
10am-4pm Exhibition open**

**Please join us for these free events**

**KIDS DRAMA WORKSHOP (8-12 y.o.)**
7th SEPTEMBER  11am – 4pm
@ Neighbourhood House.

BYO lunch, pencil case and a prop from home p- we will use our imagination to build it into our play...
$25 per child. Call: Marg Murphy 0418 120 460 to book or for more info.
(Marg is a qualified/registered/experienced drama teacher.)

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