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

MAY

Tues 7th Grade 6 Dinner Meeting 9.30am

Friday 10th Goldfields XC Clunes

Sat 11th Book Fair sorting in the Gym 10am

Friday 17th Zone XC Ballarat

Tuesday 21st 9.00-11.00am Education Week

Open Morning

Tues 21st 6.00-7.30pm Year 7 2014

Information Evening at Daylesford

Secondary College (Theatre).

Weds 22nd National Simultaneous Storytime -

this year's book "The Wrong Book"

by Nick Bland.

Thurs 23rd Gr.6 Transition Day at DSC.

Friday 24th House Athletics, Llanberris Reserve

Mon 27th – Weds 29th Gr.5/6 Camp Wilkin

JUNE

Weds 5th School Photos

Monday 10th Queen's Birthday Holiday Friday 28th End of Term 2. 2.30pm Finish

AUGUST

Sat 3rd &Sun 4th BOOK FAIR

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 7thOct - 20thDecember

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

GR 5/6 CAMP REQUEST...
FINAL PAYMENTS ARE BEING ACCEPTED
NOW AS ALL CHILDREN WILL NEED TO
HAVE THIS IN PLACE BEFORE
DEPARTURE. THANK YOU.

Current Focus

Good Organisation

Good organisational skills are important in our lives. These skills assist us greatly with setting goals and time management when we plan in/for our learning at school and other aspects of our daily life.

Being organised assists us with our daily routines at home and at school. Good organisation allows us to manage our time more effectively. We can plan to get things done and work other things around our commitments. Good organisation helps us and others around us to plan and get things completed. Schoolwork, sports practice, music commitments, jobs around home, etc can be better managed through the use of schedules/timetables, marking things on the calendar or in a diary. This way we can ensure that things get done!

Some good organisational skills may include:

- Getting things completed on time
- Planning for particular events
- Allowing enough time to complete things
- Setting goals for yourself (short term/long term)
- Knowing where to find things and keeping things in an orderly manner(school locker, bag, room, personal belongings)
- Prioritising things that need to be done at home/school/recreation activities)
- Keeping to a time schedule and being prepared for upcoming events or work commitments

Good organisation assists all of us with our daily routines: we plan for things, manage routines, keep commitments, complete things on a daily basis and achieve balance in our life. (Chris Tsiplakis)

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I would like to start by informing you that Chris Tsiplakis our Assistant Principal is transitioning into retirement and will reduce his time fraction to 0.5 from Friday 17th May, week 5 of this term. Ms McHugh will be stepping into the role of 0.5 Acting Assistant Principal from week 6 and Mr Comber will be teaching 5/6C full time from Monday 20th May.

Mr Keith Pyers, the President of the local RSL, read all the grade 5/6 pieces of writing on ANZAC Day and then announced the names of the eight children who won the writing competition. Keith commented on the quality of writing and on the understanding that was shown by the students about ANZAC Day. He also reinforced to all the children how respectful they were during our special ANZAC assembly last week, which is extremely pleasing feedback.

Also at assembly an excellent presentation on Respect was given by Grade 1F. The effort and teamwork that went into this presentation was worthy of note and the poster 1F presented can be seen in our school foyer.

Major works on the Museum Wall have commenced. This area is out of bounds for the children whilst this work proceeds.

Our Grade 3/4 students are attending a tree planting exercise at Cornish Hill this Friday. The 'Friends of Cornish Hill' continue to support this activity, which is very well organised and supported by local volunteers. A full report will occur in next week's newsletter.

NAPLAN tests are scheduled for grades 3 & 5 in week 5, Tuesday 14th – Thursday 16th. If any parents have any concerns about their child sitting these tests they should contact me early next week.

Have you placed the Book Fair date in your diary yet? First weekend in August! Can you help the Book Fair committee with book sorting in our gym on Saturday 11th May? Please ring the front office and leave your name.

Finally, if you are attending the Book Town Festival in Clunes this weekend, can you look out for the 'Book Marks' advertising our Book Fair, just like the one we attached to our newsletter last week and help us circulate by handing them out. I believe they can be found in the registration/information area.

Peter Burke

ANZAC WRITING COMPETITION WINNERS

Ben English, Holly Armstrong,

Daniel White, Maeve Murphy, Ava Nance,

Marlon Toner-McLachlan, Antigone Jonas,

Anna Santurini.

LIBRARY

- Premier's Challenge Parent helpers wanted to enter student details.
- Overdue Library Books A reminder to bring back Library books. Any student who has overdue library item/s will be prohibited from borrowing until item/s are returned or paid for.

If any student still wants to keep reading, they may re-borrow their item/s.

CANTEEN DUTY TERM 2 2013

Weds 8 th May	Amy Johnson	
Thurs 9 th May	Sue Davis	
Friday 10 th May	Melissa Rose 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.

FROZEN CRUNCHAS NOT AVAILABLE IN TERM 2 & 3

PARENT/CARER VOLUNTEERS TERM 2

FRIDAY	SICK BAY WASHING	BANKING
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

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.

<u>Daylesford Secondary College 2014 Year 7</u> <u>Information Evening</u>

Daylesford Secondary College would like to invite prospective parents <u>and students</u> to a Year 7 Information Evening.

Date: TUESDAY 21ST MAY, 2013

Time: 6.00 – 7.30 pm. **Venue**: Theatre

Staff and students will be available to answer questions.

The College will be open for inspection.

Please come along and learn about the College and enrolment procedure for 2014.

If you are unable to attend this evening and would like to inspect the college please ring the college to make an appointment.

Daylesford Secondary College Gr. 6 Transition Day

Daylesford Secondary College is holding a **Grade 6 Transition Day on THURSDAY 23rd MAY, 2013** as part of transition into year 7.

On this day students are permitted to travel on the college buses to and from school. You can find out "Pick up points" and departure times from Daylesford Secondary College students already travelling on buses or ring the College for information.

When students arrive at Daylesford Secondary College on the Transition Day they will assemble at the canteen area at 9.00am for a brief assembly. Period 1 will be spent touring the school and then periods 2-6 will be a normal day. We encourage students to bring a set of coloured pencils, pens and lined paper. Students are also required to wear smart casual clothing and solid closed shoes. No jumpers with hood please.

As students will be spending the whole day here they will need to bring lunch or lunch can be bought from the canteen.

PARENT REMINDER...YEAR 7 2014 STUDENT PLACEMENT FORMS – NEED TO BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED ASAP. Thank you.





Kitchen Garden - MAY

First Day of Kitchen

Today my group made the mixed garden salad with mustard dressing.
4 of the things we used were corn, Dijon mustard, tomatoes and beans.

How to cut beans:

First you will need someone to help (if there are a lot of beans),

a knife, a bowl (to put the beans in), and you are set! First you get the beans and top and tail them and then you cut them all into 2 cm-on-an- angle pieces, and there you have it!

by Keaton Dickenson-Bray 3/4C

Today in garden we played a game to find what was growing. I loved it. In two weeks we will get our wheelbarrow licences, hopefully. I can't wait. Our group went with Atticus' dad, Stuart. I loved it.

By Rosie Jarwood 3/4P

GRADE 6 DINNER MEETING TUES 7th May

9.30am (after Assembly) in the Meeting Room.

A representative from each family should attend to ensure this event is a success.

Term 2 No.11 Friday, 3rd May, 2013.

INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS COMPETITION 2013 ENGLISH, MATHS, SCIENCE, WRITING, SPELLING

for grades 3-6

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

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 APPIVALS

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

Thank you.

STUDENT / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Daylesford Hepburn Auskick
AFL introductory program for primary school-aged children and their families
Register online aflauskick.com.au
Victoria Park, Daylesford Oval No. 2 Junior Oval
Sundays @ 10am Enq. Steve Walsh 0417 573 417



YOGA FOR KIDS

What is yoga? It's fun!

Learn to balance on your hands, stand on your head, touch your toes, bend backwards, forwards - bend every which way! You'll even learn how to tie yourself up in knots! Booking required.

Contact Daylesford Yoga 5348 3888 or shayna@daylesfordyoga.com

39 East St Daylesford"

SPRUNG CIRCUS presents classes for term 2 2013 !!! All classes at Hepburn Primary Hall. Call Mara 0477 499 342.

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED IN JUNE/JULY. EXPERIENCE ANOTHER CULTURE, MAKE NEW FRIENDS IMPROVE YOUR LANGUAGE STUDIES AT HOME IN 2013

In June-July we will be receiving exchange students from Europe, the USA and Latin America. Our new arrivals will live with a host family and attend a local school for 2-10 months. As we plan for their arrival, we are keen to hear from suitable families who might be interested to host a student.

Student Exchange Australia New Zealand is a not-for-profit secondary exchange organisation which is registered with education & regulatory authorities in each State and Territory. You can find out more about our organisation by visiting www.studentexchange.org.au.

School Camps & Excursions: Asthma

If your child has asthma, attending school camps and excursions can introduce them to new asthma triggers especially if they are going into new environments. It is essential that your child can participate fully and safely in all school activities. The following is a list of considerations to make for your child before they go on school camp or an excursion:

- Is your child's asthma currently well controlled (e.g. no symptoms at night, reliever use less than 3 times per week)?
- Has your child had an asthma attack or asthma symptoms recently?
- Does the school have an Asthma Action Plan for your child?
- Has the school asked you to complete a School Camp and Excursion Medical Update Form?
- Does your child have their reliever medication and spacer on hand at all times?
- Are they attending with any other medications to be taken on the camp/excursion? If so, are there sufficient instructions to staff for use/dosage?
- Does your child self-administer their medication? If so, has their technique been checked recently?

Daylesford Kinship Support Group

Kinship Care is when children are cared for by Grandparents, Aunties, Uncles or friends of the family, when the children's parents are unable to care for them due to mental illness, difficulties managing alcohol & drug use, homelessness or domestic violence. For further details contact Toni Schiltz (Child & Family Services) 5337 3333.

Exciting weekends coming up at Creswick Woollen Mills

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.