NEWSLETTER NO. 25 - Thursday 12/09/2013

CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER
Sun 15th: Kyneton Daffodil Parade
Mon 16th: Circus Skills workshop 4 Yandoit 9-12:30
School Council Meeting at 6.30pm
Wed 25th: Slow Food Film Project
Friday 20th: Last Day Term 3 – 2.30pm Finish

OCTOBER
Mon 7th: First Day Term 4

PUPIL FREE DAYS:
Wed 20th Nov, Fri 6th Dec

TERM DATES 2013
TERM 3
16th Jul – 20th Sep
TERM 4
7th Oct – 20 Dec

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

I was very interested in a media article that I read last week, reinforcing something that we have known in education for a long while. The article went onto to say... Reading together still important after school, expert says. Parents who stop reading to their children once they reach primary school are missing out on an emotionally rich time, a literacy expert has said. Comments from Professor Bridie Raban, at the University of Melbourne’s Graduate School of Education, come as a Galaxy poll of 1200 Australian parents found that just 23 per cent of parents read to their child every day.”

Our World of Maths celebrations were a great success. All our students visited the gym and took part in the problem solving activities. Our Maths Specialists have been putting the ‘Spotlight on Maths’ across the school and I would like to thank them for the planning that went into allowing us to offer the World of Maths Roadshow. Well done Frances, Karen and Liss.

Thank you to all the parents who joined us on Wednesday night at the ‘World of Maths’ parent session. The pamphlet you received ‘Spotlight on Maths’ which was prepared by our Maths Specialists, clearly outlines the areas that we have been focusing on across the school. It offered many great ideas and tips on how parents can put the spotlight on Maths through everyday activities.

This is my final call for Prep enrolments for 2014. A Reminder that we are finishing at 2.30pm next Friday for term holidays.

Peter Burke.

World of Maths Roadshow

Our Preps, 1/2/3’s enjoyed the Maths Roadshow. These are two of the recounts written by the children:

“Yesterday we went to the Maths World Show.”
By: Taylor – Prep.

“Yesterday the prep, 1/2/3’s went to Daylesford Primary School. We went to the Maths World Day. We were in classes. I enjoyed being at Daylesford Primary School because it was fun”.
By: Mia – Gr 1.

Kyneton Daffodil Parade

Excitement is mounting. Children and parents have been gathering their clown costumes which is fabulous. It should be a fun parade. Ten children have indicated that they will be attending. Siblings and parents are welcome to walk with us if they are dressed for the festive occasion.

Many thanks to Ross who has volunteered to hold our wonderful banner and we will need one more volunteer. Make up kits are going home today.

Please return any unused make up for our end of year concert.

Assembly for the parade will take place between 11.45am - 12.00pm in readiness for the 12.30pm start.
Please enter at the main gates of the Kyneton showground and we will have our banner, so look out for that.
The parade will travel along Mollison Street and conclude at Simpson Street. There will be a street celebration and fair in High and Mollison Streets with more family activities on the Mechanics reserve. Looking forward to seeing our clowns there with their juggling balls, scarves, balloons, hoops and devil sticks.

**Circus Workshop**

Our final Circus Workshop will be held on Monday 16th September. Our plans have changed. The last two workshops in Term 4 will no longer take place. Our drivers for Monday’s workshop are Dianne (4), Claire Rawlinson (3), Annette Fellows (4) and Ross Primmer (4).

**Please be at school by 8.50am, for an 8.55am departure.**

Children will need a packed lunch, water bottles and **booster seats**.

We will depart Yandoit at 1.00pm and return to Drummond at 1.30pm.

**Slow Food 2minute Film Project**

Drummond Primary School has created a short film on the subject – “What Food Means To Me”. The purpose is to engage and understand concepts of food from alternative perspectives. Slow food was founded in Italy in 1986. It has a vast network of members. Good, Clean and Fair are the three tenets of Slow Food’s approach to food.

The Slow Food Central Highlands Film night is on September 25th 2013 at The Rex Theatre, Daylesford at 6.00pm.

**How to paint a clown face**

**Written by: Kyah**

**WHAT YOU WILL NEED:**
- bright face paint
- sponge
- mirror
- water
- baby powder

**WHAT TO DO:**
1. Wet your face
2. Dab white face paint all over your face
3. Look in the mirror and put baby powder on

We would like to wish Porcha, Sharelle, Jai, and Paige well in your new life in Queensland. I am sure we will all be jealous during our long, cold and wet winters.

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**Slow Food @ Drummond**

Porcha and Zoe prepare fresh flavoursome Cabbage Risotto for our lunch.
4. Keep looking in the mirror and paint your face like a clown.