
DRUMMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER NO. 06 - Thursday 14th March 2013

CALENDAR

March

Tues 19th: Cultural Diversity Day – Daylesford
NO BUS TRAVEL AVAILABLE

Mon 25th : School Council (AGM & Elections)

Thur 28th : House Cross Country
End of Term – 2.30pm Finish

APRIL

Mon 15th: First Day of Term 2

Thur 25th: ANZAC Day

TERM DATES 2013

TERM 1	30 th Jan – 28 th Mar
TERM 2	16 th Apr – 28 th Jun
TERM 3	16 th Jul – 20 th Sep
TERM 4	7 th Oct – 20 Dec

about the role of School Council, please give me a call.

We are looking forward to our Cultural Day, which is next Tuesday. A lot of planning has gone into the day, which promises to be a very valuable and engaging one.

The hot weather over the past couple of weeks has been challenging for the delivery of quality education. Thank you to parents who have worked hard with the children on simple things like extra fruit and water and trying to maintain sleeping patterns.

I have been impressed by the number of students who have such a positive outlook to the upcoming House XC event. Many have been training. This is another example of 'Personal Best'. Trying to achieve improvement by practicing is such a positive way to approach life. This attitude will most certainly flow into many other aspects of learning and life.

Peter Burke

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Thank you to our parents/carers who attended the parent/teacher interviews during the week.

Partnership between the school and home is vitally important for positive outcomes in education of children. Well done to our staff

who worked extra hours in order to see every parent of every student in their classroom.

Well done to 3/4K who presented a video clip at assembly on 'Personal Best', our fortnightly focus.

They talked about many things, including 'persisting'. There are many great examples whereby persistence is very valuable at school and in life eg. Persisting with friendship, giving people a second chance and sticking at a task like writing.

What did you think of the Michael Grose article 'Teach children to persist' in last week's

newsletter? If you have not read it yet make sure you do – it gives practical strategies you can use to promote persistence in your children.

This is a final call for nominations for School Council. If any parent is interested to know more

CURRENT FOCUS

Personal best is about trying your very best, even if you get it wrong, you still keep trying. Personal best also means you are working hard and you are persisting and you believe in yourself.

Lucy Muscat

Persistence

Everything neat

Remember full stops and capital letters

Self Confidence

Only your personal best

Never give up

Always work hard

Learn new things

Believe in yourself

Everything positive

Saying "I can Do it!"

Trying your best

Jaz Scope!

Personal Goods Brought to School At Owner's risk

A recent memorandum from the Department of Education and

Early Childhood Development – Victoria is a reminder for all

staff, students, parents/carers of the following:

□ Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, electronic games, calculators, toys, musical instruments, sporting equipment, and cars parked on school premises.

□ The Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property.

□ The bringing of any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school is therefore discouraged.

Solar Boat Challenge

Last week Jai Moorfoot and Ant Callaghan relocated our water channel for the second time.

Thank you so much for this invaluable assistance.

We now have a fairly level channel that has full sun for the afternoon.

This week our grade 5/6's completed the construction of their solar boats and yesterday we had some trial races.

It was a trial and error process. Some fragile parts had to be repaired and changes made to make the boats run faster. We look forward to the major challenge.

Next Thursday afternoon March 21, we shall be having our challenge race at 3.00pm – weather permitting. Parents are welcome. If it is cloudy we cannot run the event.





Cultural Diversity Day

Next Tuesday we shall be spending the day at Daylesford Primary School celebrating Harmony Day.

The children will stay in their annex family group and participate in rotation of different cultural activities. They will be based in the library.

Please wear school uniform and bring lunch and a water bottle in a named school bag.

Dianne shall take the school hats for all the children. Dianne will be at the school meeting point (four trees between the art room and library opposite main gate) at 8.50a.m .

Unfortunately children from Drummond Primary School will NOT be able to catch the school bus. The school bus is full and another bus cannot be allocated.

Parents will have to make their own transport arrangements for the day.

Australian Education Union Keep the Promise Campaign

Dr. Denis Naphire has been Premier for just one week and has received 2637 emails from Australian Education Union supporters.

It only takes a minute to email Premier Naphire and remind the government it is time to put forward a reasonable offer which represents the work of dedicated teachers, principals and education support staff.

If you would like to support the Drummond Primary School staff, you can send an email via: www.keepthepromise.com.au

Join the Gonski Week of Action

The Victorian Government has a once in a generation opportunity to improve the way we fund schools and educate our children.

The Victorian Government has not yet committed to act on the Gonski Reviews recommendation.

If you would like to let Premier Denis Naphire know he needs to follow the recommendations you can either send a message to him via the website igiveagonski.com.au

HEAD LICE

Thank you for checking on head lice. We appreciate the letters from parents indicating that they have treated their children.

Another information leaflet has been attached to this newsletter to help our families become better informed about the problems of head lice.

Please use the conditioner method to check for head lice **every week**. Details of the treatment is provided in the attachment.

We appreciate your support.

WANTED : Plastic shopping bags for Cultural Day – Tues 19th March.

Thankyou, Trudi Blick.

Class Materials Payments

Thank you to those parents who have paid for their class materials.

We would like these accounts to be finalized by the end of term.

If you are experiencing financial difficulties, a payment plan can be arranged with Deborah Cowan at the Daylesford Primary School office. Phone 5348 2480 for an appointment.

Kyneton Junior Netball Association

Registration days for the 2013 season are on the 18th & 25th March 4.30pm – 5.15pm at the Kyneton Sporting Complex

*There will be a training session following from
5.15pm – 6.15pm if you wish to stay. (Cost is \$2.00
per player)*

*Kyneton Junior Netball plays on a Monday night
at the Kyneton Toyota Sports & Aquatic Centre
from 4pm – 6.30pm
We run all age groups including Net Set Go
Boys are more than welcome.*

VNA for the current season is

*Juniors: \$43 born between 01/01/1996 -
31/12/2001*

Modified: \$33 born on or after 01/01/2002

*Any further enquiries please email Deirdre Tunzi
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