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# DRUMMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## **NEWSLETTER NO. 28 - Thursday 17/10/2013**

### **CALENDAR**

#### **OCTOBER**

Fri 18<sup>th</sup>: Regional Athletics in Geelong  
Thur 31<sup>st</sup>: 2014 Prep transition Session 1

#### **NOVEMBER**

Fri 1<sup>st</sup>: Swiss Italian Festa  
Sat 2<sup>nd</sup>: Swiss Italian Festa Parade  
**Tues 5<sup>th</sup>: Melbourne Cup Day Holiday**  
Tue 12<sup>th</sup>: 9.30am Gr 6 Dinner meeting @ DPS  
Grade 6 parents welcome  
Mon 18<sup>th</sup>: School Council Meeting  
**Wed 20<sup>th</sup>: Pupil Free Day – Anaphylaxis Training**  
Fri 29<sup>th</sup>: Prep Transition Session 3

#### **DECEMBER**

Wed 4<sup>th</sup>: Drummond School Concert  
**Fri 6<sup>th</sup>: Pupil Free Day Maths MAV Conference**  
Tues 10<sup>th</sup>: Gr 6 Dinner Meeting @ DPS – Last  
Before the Event  
Tues 10<sup>th</sup>: Year 7 Orientation Day  
Mon 16<sup>th</sup>: Grade 6 Dinner @ DPS Gym  
Thur 19<sup>th</sup>: Students finish Term 4

#### **PUPIL FREE DAYS:**

Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Nov: Pupil Free Day  
Fri 6<sup>th</sup>: Maths (MAV) Conference

#### **TERM DATES 2013**

TERM 4                      7<sup>th</sup> Oct – 20 Dec

A few reminders were given to the students this week at assembly. They included; 'No Hat No Play' policy, the importance of attendance and punctuality at school and a reminder to return yard balls and equipment to the shelter shed at the conclusion of play.

Thank you to parents/carers who have attended to the family invoice payments. Any concerns regarding this please contact our business manager, Deborah, to discuss a payment plan.

The Grade 6 students presented for their graduation photo on Friday, just one of the many extra things that are in place for our graduating students. It has been a very positive start to the term, with strong engagement and learning across the school. I complemented the staff and the children in assembly this week for their efforts and endeavours surrounding this strong start to the term.

Finally, Daylesford Kitchen Garden recipe books are on their way. I have seen a copy and they are absolutely delightful. They will make a great Christmas present and very affordable at \$29.95. I will keep you informed as to when sales will commence.

Peter Burke.

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## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

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As I am now planning for 2014, it is very important to me to finalise my enrolments for 2014. If you intend to enrol a child in 2014, or are relocating in 2014, or know of a family who has yet to enrol their child, could you please assist me and the school by contacting the school on 54239152.

Good luck to our 11 students who are competing in the Regional Athletics at Llanberris this Friday. We will have a full report next week.



Planting snow peas for our T-Pees

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## Message From Dianne

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Greeting to all. I had a lovely break in my extended school holidays. I was lucky enough to go camping in the Flinders Ranges, which was a fabulous experience. What a thrill to see all the work that Mark and Natalie Hallet had put into our developing natural playspace over the past 3 weeks.

The children are very enthusiastic as well. This week they assisted with planting corn, sunflowers and snow peas.



Planting corn & Sunflowers in the Sunflower Circle

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## School Uniforms

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Many of our children wear second hand windcheaters. It is wonderful to see families reusing these clothing items, however many have not been renamed and it is very confusing to work out who they belong to. Could you please check that all your school uniform items are named correctly. Sharelle Moorfoot has also donated three school tops to any families who would like them. They are size 10 and 12, please check the entrance foyer if you are interested.

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## AMBULANCE COVER and STUDENTS

***A reminder that the Education Department does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents/Carers of students who do not have student accident insurance/ambulance cover are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport costs.***

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## After School Care Possibility

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Several of our new and existing families have expressed interest in after school care. School council have investigated this and it is not an option at Drummond Primary School. However, before and after school care is coming to Bug-A-Lugs in Kyneton in Term 1 of 2014. They are having an information night on:

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November from 7.00-8.00pm @ Kyneton Town Hall.**

Interested families are requested to go along to register their interest. It could be a possibility for some of our students to attend if we had a roster of willing parents to transport the children to Kyneton after school.

If any parents could attend the Information Night, could they please let Dianne know – It would be great to have a representative from the school.

We will discuss this at our November school council meeting, so if you have any suggestions or ideas please speak to Dianne, Jenny, Claire or Possum.

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## Performance Train of Thoughts (Almost a Circus)

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As part of our grade 6 transition program, Daylesford Secondary College have invited our grade 6s to Peter Gray's show : " Train of Thoughts" with the current year 7 students on Thursday November 14<sup>th</sup>. Dianne can transport the students to the performance, however they will need to be picked up from DSC at the conclusion of the school day.

**Please complete the attached permission note and return by Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October.**