DRUMMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER NO. 07 - Thursday 21st March 2013

CALENDAR

March
Mon 25th : School Council (AGM & Elections) at 6.30p.m
Wed 27th: Classroom Cooking
Thur 28th : House Cross Country 7 Wind Farm Excursion
End of Term – 2.30pm Finish

APRIL
Mon 15th: First Day of Term 2
Sun 24th: Water Safety Talk at 2.00p.m
Thur 25th: ANZAC Day
Mon 29th: Kyneton Secondary College Orientation Day
29-30April: Swimming Program

MAY
Fri 3rd: Goldfields Cross Counrty - Clunes
1,6-8thMay: Swimming Program
21May: Year 7 Transition Daylesford Secondary College

TERM DATES 2013

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

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Daylesford Primary School and Annexes, all came together on Tuesday to promote unity, understanding, mutual respect and harmony. Cultural diversity is often experienced and expressed through The Arts, as The Arts build community, open up understanding, and challenge prejudices. Holding a Cultural Diversity Day at our school, in Family Groups, was a great way to engage both junior and senior students in shared activities. The day not only promoted messages of acceptance and harmony, it also developed a better understanding of The World's diverse communities.

On Cultural Diversity Day students were involved in a range of culturally significant activities from The Middle East, Asia, Central & South America and Africa.

Well done to our talented staff who conducted some brilliant activities throughout the day and thanks to our Specialists who assisted in the organisation of the day.

I have been very impressed by the student's positive attitude towards Cross Country training.
The House Cross Country event will be held next Thursday at Victoria Park.

Finally, a reminder that the term finishes early on Thursday at 2.30

Peter Burke

CURRENT FOCUS

Listening

With all classes now underway, one of the most important skills any child or adult can develop is the skill of listening. Listening involves a lot more than simply hearing. Listening means concentrating on what the other person is saying, showing that you are listening by looking at the speaker and responding in some way; perhaps by nodding your head and certainly by responding to what they say with a question or statement.

Things to remember:

- look at the person who is speaking
- stand/or sit still while you're listening
- keep your hands free of objects
- give a response to the speaker

Chris Tsiplakis ☺

Prep 1-2 Wind Power Boat

Classroom Cooking

Next Wednesday we shall be having sausage and vegetable rolls, followed by Rhubarb Crumble. Yum Yum!!!
Please remember not to bring lunch.
Cost $2.00

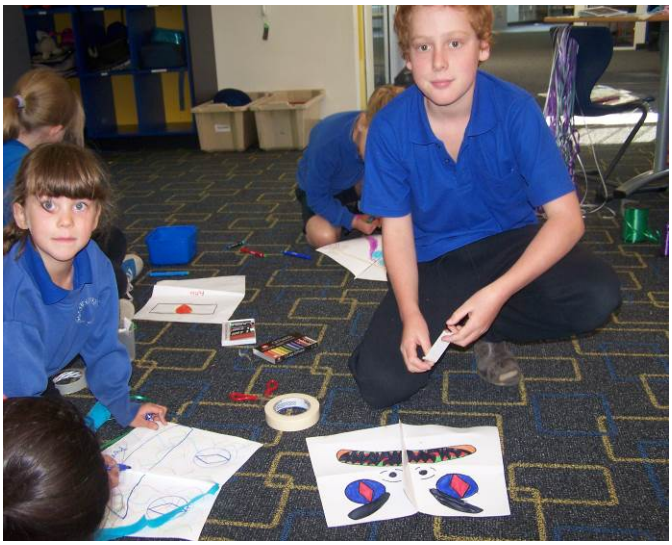
STAR OF THE WEEK

TAYLOR

By Taylor

My name is Taylor. I have a computer. I like to use my dad's electric plane. I like drawing.

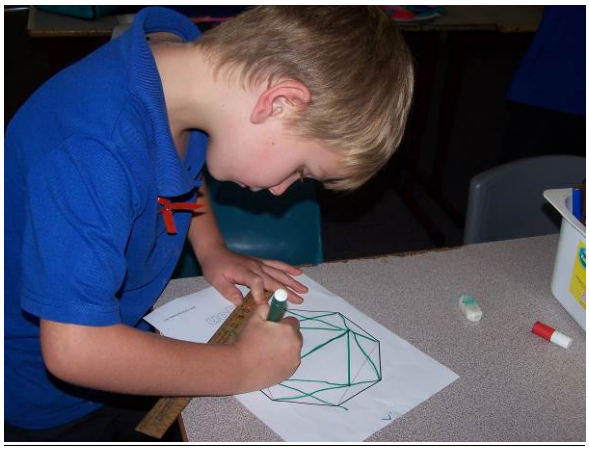
Cultural Diversity Day



Japanese Kites

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.



Middle Eastern Designs

Term 2 Swimming Program

Our intensive 6 session swimming program commences in week 3 of term 2.
The cost for this program is approximately $50.00 per student. The school is covering the cost of this program from the Drought Relief Funds, so there will be NO cost to the parents.
We will need permission forms completed and volunteers to drive students to and from Kyneton.
A parent swimming assessment form for each child has been attached to this newsletter. The Kyneton Aquatic Centre is offering free entry so parents can make an accurate assessment of their children. This means the children will be grouped appropriately for the first swimming session so no time will be wasted.
The up and coming school holidays will provide the perfect opportunity for this assessment to occur.

House Cross Country And Excursion to Hepburn Community Wind Park

Next Thursday March 28th the children have been invited to visit Gale and Gusto – our local community owned wind turbines.
This will be an excellent culmination to our focus on Renewable Energy.

On the return trip, we will visit Victoria Park where our grade 3-6 will compete in the House Cross Country.
We will travel by private vehicles. Dianne, Meg and Michelle Quinn are available to drive, so no volunteers will be required. They have fully comprehensive insurance and current registration and licences. However parents are welcome to attend. If you are available and would like to come on the excursion please let Diane know on Monday March 24th.
Times are yet to be finalised however we anticipate leaving school at approximately 9.00a.m and returning to Drummond at 1.00p.m

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 on dtunzi@bigpond.com

Parent Volunteers

Many thanks to all parents who have volunteered to assist the school. For your reference, we have collated all names and the list is on page 4 for your reference.

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.