
DRUMMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER NO. 09 - Thursday 2nd May 2013

CALENDAR

MAY

Mon 6th: School Council General Meeting
Tues 7th: Grade 6 Dinner Meeting Daylesford PS
Grade 6 Annex parents welcome

1,6-8thMay: Swimming Program
Thurs 9th: Camp Burnside Deposit Due
Fri 10rd: Goldfields Cross Country – Clunes
Thurs 16th:Camp Full or Part payment due
Tues 21st: Year 7 Transition Daylesford Secondary College
Thurs 23rd: Camp Full Payment Due
Fri 24th: House Athletics at Lanberris Reserve
Mon 27th-29th: Anglesea Camp Burnside
pending School Council approval

JUNE

Tues 4th-12th: Somers Camp
Wed 5th: School Photos held at Daylesford Primary School
Mon 10th: Queen's Birthday Holiday
Fri 28th: End of Term 2 – 2.30pm Finish

TERM DATES 2013

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

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.

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 Dianne early next week.

Peter Burke

Apology Newsletter Error

Last weeks newsletter had an error in the principals report.

It stated that The Drummond President was Jenny Turner:

It should have read Jenny Mouat- sorry Jenny.

CITY EXCURSION

As part of our learning in Maths this term, we are going on an excursion to Melbourne. Students will be involved in using maps, grid references and timetables as part of the day. We will also be visiting the Shrine of Remembrance and hopefully the Botanical Gardens (time permitting). The excursion will be held on **Wednesday 15th May**. Students will need to be dropped off and picked up at the Kyneton Train Station on this day. Parent volunteers are also more than welcome to come with us however they will need to pay for their own train travel to and from the city. Please read the attached form for more info. and return permission note by **Friday 10th May**.

Cheers,
Meg.

House Athletics

House athletics for grade 3 to 6 are held at Lanberris Reserve in Ballarat. Buses will transport the children to and from Daylesford Primary School on May 24th. To assist with planning we need to know the numbers of children wishing to travel by bus. Could parents of children in grades 3-6 please speak with Dianne to indicate whether your child/ren will be travelling by bus or private car.

DRUMMOND AND YANDOIT ANNEXES 2013 CAMP

Our 2013 Annexe Camp planning has been finalised however the details need to be approved at our next school council meeting on Monday May 6th. Grade 1-6 children will be going to Camp Burnside, which is a smaller camp of Camp Wilkin in Anglesea. Camp Burnside will suit our two small schools well.

The cost of the camp is \$195.

We apologise for the late notice but this was because our decision to go on camp was only recent due to the end of the AEU Industrial Dispute.

With this Newsletter, you will find attached a permission form, a medical form and a 'What to Bring To Camp' List.

We would like to receive deposits of \$50 as a commitment of payment by next Thursday May 9th and full payment by May 23rd. We can establish a payment plan or the camp can be paid in full. Payment dates have been included in our Newsletter Calendar.

If you would like to have a look at Camp Burnside, you can find information on www.campwilkin.com and click on the Camp Burnside link.

SWIMMING

Our swimming program has been a great success this week with all children showing improvements. Our transport arrangements have gone smoothly thanks to our parents generously donating their time.

Please note, all children aged 4-7 must be seated in an approved child restraint or an approved booster seat. The restraint depends on the child's size. Once a child reaches 145cm they can safely use an adult seat belt.



YEAR 7 TRANSITION

YEAR 7 2014 STUDENT PLACEMENT FORMS – PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN ASAP AS THESE WERE DUE LAST WEEK ON FRI 26 APRIL. *Thank you.*



Congratulations to Tamara, Mitch, Mia and Taylor on the birth of Evie. Thanks to Tamara for

the very special show and tell this morning.