I’d like to invite you to celebrate Principal’s Day next Friday 13th September. Please use this day to reflect on our good fortune in having a Principal of Mr Burke’s calibre to lead our school community. Mr. Burke works tirelessly with the staff and students to make our school a vibrant and stimulating place of learning.

You might also use this day as an opportunity to reflect on the importance of good leaders, and to discuss with your family what constitutes good leadership. Good leaders are motivators and initiators. Good leaders work collaboratively with their team to bring about the best outcomes. They lead by example, respecting others and earning their respect in turn. Good leaders know the talents and interests of people around them and delegate tasks accordingly. And they constantly evaluate, introducing improvements, refining systems and changing programmes and policies that are not working.

On behalf of Daylesford Primary School, I’d like to thank Mr Burke for the vision, focus, integrity and strategic planning that have had such a positive impact on our school and upon the school community.

Trefor John
Daylesford School Council President

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Jen Bray presented a certificate from Words in Winter committee to the school. She also passed on her thanks and recognition to all the children and staff who participated in the children writing and book making activity.

The fun continues! World of Maths workshops will be running next Wednesday and Thursday in our gym and parents are invited to attend on Wednesday night anytime between 6.00 – 8.00.

We congratulated the 90 athletes who participated in the Goldfields Athletics last Wednesday at assembly this week and passed on our best wishes to the 30 children who have won through to the Divisional Athletics next Friday. A number of parents assisted the staff last week at Llanberris and we are very appreciative of their help and support.

We are a part of wonderful school community!!

Finally, if you have a pre-school child and you are intending to enrol your child at DPS, Yandoit PS or Drummond PS, then can you do so ASAP. Enrolment forms are available at the front desk or can be downloaded from our website.

It is vitally important for the school, in order to allow me to make very important decisions surrounding staffing, class structures, resource allocation etc. and I cannot afford to second guess.

Also, if you are moving from DPS, Yandoit or Drummond in the near future or next year, then this is very important information for the school. I thank the two families who have recently informed me of their pending moves to other towns.

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Classroom Cooking

Our grade 5 and 6s shall be cooking lunch at school next Wednesday while our P-3 attend Daylesford. Children will not need to bring lunch that day.

World Of Maths Roadshow

Could all permission slips – sent home last week – and money please be returned by tomorrow. Daylesford Primary School need to know how many Adults and Children shall be attending the Free Maths Evening.

Parents of children in Prep/1/2/3 will need to make their own transportation arrangements for transporting the children to and from Daylesford Primary School on Wednesday September 11th. The children shall be joining in with classes at Daylesford and will be supervised by Megan Cox for the day. They shall attend the Maths Roadshow with their own age groups throughout the day. The garden between the library and art room will be the assembly point at the beginning and end of the day. Please arrive by 8.50am and school dismisses at 3.20pm.

On Thursday 12th September, the grade 5/6s shall be travelling to Daylesford Primary School with Dianne van Baalen and Michelle Quinn to attend the World for Maths Roadshow. They shall be departing at 11.00am and returning at 1.30pm.

Ballarat District Athletic Sports

Congratulations to Rio, Buzz, Zoe and Georgia who have all been selected to compete at the Zone Athletic Sports. This will be held on Friday 13th of September at Llanberris.
Kyneton Daffodil Parade – Sept 15th

The parade date is fast approaching. Are you coming to the parade? Have you got your costume worked out? Do you have any face paint for your clown face? Last Friday at our Circus Skills Workshop – Red the Clown demonstrated how to paint our faces like a clown, so now all our children are experts! We have a small supply of paints at school which could go out on loan for the weekend. We also have some fun clown items in our dress ups which children are free to borrow. Please return the attached slip to let us know if you are attending.

Open Morning

Today’s Open Morning was a great success with several new families looking at the school for 2014, 2015 enrolments. It is encouraging to see so much interest in the school. Many thanks to Mr Burke for spending his precious time talking about our great school with prospective parents.

Elections

Our classroom is being used as a polling booth on September 7th.

Author Illustrator Excursion

It was very interesting to see Mark Wilson’s original art works from his book “The Work of Tom Roberts” at the Kyneton Museum last week. Our students were very interested in the museum displays. I was very proud of the listening skills and good manners they displayed during Mark Wilson’s Drawing Workshop.

Any helpers to pack up furniture on Friday 6th at 3.30pm would be welcome.

Visiting Relics at the Kyneton Museum
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