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# DRUMMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## **NEWSLETTER NO. 10 - Thursday 09 May 2013**

### **CALENDAR**

#### **MAY**

Thurs 9<sup>th</sup>: Camp Burnside Deposit Due  
Fri 10<sup>rd</sup>: Goldfields Cross Country – Clunes  
Thurs 16<sup>th</sup>: Camp Full or Part payment due  
Tues 21<sup>st</sup>: Year 7 Transition Daylesford SC  
Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup>: Walk to School Day  
- Camp Full Payment Due  
Fri 24<sup>th</sup>: House Athletics at Lanberris Reserve  
Mon 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>: Anglesea Camp Burnside

#### **JUNE**

Tues 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>: Somers Camp  
Mon 10<sup>th</sup>: Queen's Birthday Holiday  
Fri 28<sup>th</sup>: End of Term 2 – 2.30pm Finish

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

Mon 15<sup>th</sup> July, Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Nov, Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Dec

#### **TERM DATES 2013**

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

I have started work on the 2014 workforce structure, it is very important if families are relocating that they inform the school asap so that we can factor that into our planning?

On my rounds throughout Daylesford and Annexes, I am seeing evidence of strong learning and high engagement in studies which is very pleasing.

I am particularly impressed by the Preps who have settled into study habits very well and who were engaged in reading to each other this week. Well done Preps.



**Kyah & Taylor reading together**

### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

This Friday 35 students are travelling to Clunes GC to compete in the Goldfields Cross Country event. We wished the students all the best at assembly and will have a full report for you next week.

Grade 3 & 5 students will be sitting the NAPLAN Tests next week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. If any parents have any concerns surrounding these tests, they need to ring me on Monday.

We have placed advertisements for Drummond's 'Open Morning' in The Midland Express and the advocate. The morning is aimed at introducing prospective parents to life at Drummond Primary School, so that an informed decision can be made about enrolling our 2014 Preps.

Enrolments for 2014 Preps will close in September this year.

### **MELBOURNE EXCURSION**

What: Melbourne Visit  
Where: Shrine of Remembrance & Botanical gardens  
When: Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May

**Please be at Kyneton Station by 08.10 am**

Train Departing From: Kyneton Station - 08.25am  
Train Returning To: Kyneton station – 3.15 pm

Many thanks to parents who returned consent forms.  
**We have several outstanding forms that need to be returned by tomorrow : Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May**

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## CURRENT FOCUS

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*Dear Family,*

*We would like to be more organised so that we can become better learners at school. Please would you help us by:*

1. **Getting us out of bed early, so that we can get ready for school. Amelia and Sophie.**
2. **Reminding us to get dressed quickly in the mornings. Lulu and Jessica.**
3. **Having our breakfast on time. Axel and Josiah.**
4. **Reminding us to brush our teeth and hair. Lulu and Jessica.**
5. **Getting our lunches ready together. Ruby I, Perri and Francesca.**
6. **Getting us to school on time – 8.50 am straight! Kira, Freya and Tyber.**
7. **Getting us to the bus on time. James C and Michael.**
8. **Reminding us to write our lunch orders the night before we order them. Jake, Eden and Jed.**
9. **Listening to us read at night and reminding us to put our books back in our bags when we've finished. Kaitlyn and Giselle.**
10. **Organising our clothes the night before school. Liam and Tom.**
11. **Reminding us to wear gym shoes on P.E. days, bring Italian Show and Share and pack our Library Books on the right days. Whole Class.**

**We would really love it if you helped us to achieve our organisation goals.**

**Thank you.**

**Love from,**

**The Children of 2GW.**

**Chris Tsiplakis ☺**

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## ANGLESEA CAMP

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Thank you to the bulk of our parents who have returned camp permission notes and camp deposits.

Could all outstanding notes and deposits please be returned by **tomorrow Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May.**

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## SWIMMING

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Our swimming program was a great success. Once again, thank you to all our drivers.

The Kyneton Aquatic Centre Staff congratulated the children on their excellent behaviour and positive attitude. I was very proud of them and their achievements.

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## WALK TO SCHOOL Thu 23<sup>rd</sup> May

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As part of our sustainability project, we are supporting the Walk Safely to School Day.

Zoe and Georgia are coordinating this event as part of their sustainability project and will supply more detailed information next week.

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## CRYPTO' INFECTION & SWIMMING LESSONS

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Dear Parent / Guardian of Children Attending Swimming Lessons or Swim Clubs

An outbreak of cryptosporidium infection (also referred to as 'crypto') is affecting Melbourne and many parts of regional Victoria. The Department of Health is requesting that parents/guardians of all children who attend swimming lessons or swim clubs in Victoria be provided with information on how to protect themselves and others when swimming. **This letter not indicate a problem with the facility your child attends** - it is being provided across the State and contains advice that is important all year round.

Crypto is a parasitic infection that causes gastroenteritis, with the most common symptoms being diarrhoea, stomach cramps and nausea. Symptoms may last for weeks and have serious consequences for people who have weakened immune systems. During swimming, people become infected by swallowing water which has become contaminated by human faeces, usually from tiny amounts that cannot be seen. Crypto can also be spread from person to person, especially in settings such as childcare facilities and in households where there are cases.

All swimming pool patrons are able to become infected if the pool is contaminated with crypto because crypto parasites are not killed by the normal levels of chlorine used in swimming pools. Without realising, people with crypto infection can contaminate pool water up to 10 days after their diarrhoea has stopped. Pool operators have taken steps including decontaminating pool water where appropriate as a protective measure, but this cannot break the cycle of crypto infection without the help of patrons.

**To prevent the spread of disease, parents / guardians should ensure they and their children take the following actions to protect themselves and others:**

- **Do not swim if you have diarrhoea or if you have had diarrhoea in the past 2 weeks;**
- **Shower and wash thoroughly with soap before entering the pool;**
- **Wash your hands with soap after going to the toilet or changing a nappy;**
- **Avoid swallowing pool water.**

For more general information on avoiding Crypto and other infectious diseases while swimming, please go to: <http://health.vic.gov.au/water/recreational/cryptosporidium.htm>



If you have any concerns about your health or the health of your child, please consider seeking medical advice. A simple stool test is available to diagnose crypto infection if your doctor considers that crypto may be a cause of symptoms.