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‘Learning and Growing Together’
Be Respectful  Be a Responsible Learner  
Be Honest and Trustworthy  
Be Caring and Compassionate  Be a Good Citizen

PRINCIPALS REPORT

Last Friday, I had the pleasure of attending the Goldfields Cross Country at Clunes GC. The school had 35 students competing from Daylesford and Drummond and Yandoit Annexes.
I was very proud of the students for a number of reasons. The way they competed, the way they cheered for each other and the way in which they conducted themselves through the day. The XC course was very demanding and required a strong mind as well as a strong body.

Lizzie
We wish the eight students, who have advanced through to the Zone XC in Ballarat this Friday, all the very best.
Grade 3 & 5 students sat the NAPLAN tests this week.
A reminder that we have an Open Morning for prospective parents, next Tuesday from 9.00 -11.00, starting in the gym with our assembly.
Well done to parents who have adjusted to the weather change, by increasing the food in lunch boxes and sending the children to school, with a number of layers.
Peter Burke

CURRENT FOCUS

Empathy
(My Feelings/Your Feelings)

Emotional intelligence is the ability to understand how your emotions impact on the way you think, communicate, behave and influence others. Emotionally intelligent people create effective working relationships, solve problems and have an increased capacity to work effectively.

It’s healthy to have positive and negative feelings. They help us to identify our reactions to the way we think about ourselves, others and the world around us.

Empathy and compassion are habits that can be developed. They are a fundamental building block for good personal development and positive mental health for all. It happens when one person has a caring emotional response to someone else.

To be empathic a person needs to be able to:

- Understand their own feelings/emotions
- Notice the feelings of another person
- Understand the feelings of another person
- Act in a caring way.

Chris Tsiplakis ☺

DPS, DRUMMOND AND YANDOIT ANNEXES 3-6
HOUSE ATHLETICS

Next Friday 24th May, the Grades 3-6 students are invited to attend the Field and Track Events at Llanberris Reserve in Ballarat. Students will need to get to Daylesford PS, where they will join the students and teachers from Daylesford PS and Drummond Annexe to travel by bus to Ballarat.
There will be a cost of $6 for the bus. A permission form is attached with this Newsletter. Please return the note by Monday and the $6 if possible, as well. We need the $6 by Wednesday.

YANDOIT PS
CHESS CHALLENGE TOURNAMENT ROUND 4

Win
Renier (11) v Harry (8)
Rennie (11) v Lizzie (4)
Corey (7) v Otto (7)
Rufus (5)
(Note Rufus played a practice game with John, as Flint is away)

When 3 points achieved
When 16 points achieved
Cheese Puzzles Results

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Congratulations to both boys who were able to work out correct solutions for their first 2 puzzles.

Boite Schools' Choir

We have included a permission form with this Newsletter for those families whose child/children will be participating in the BOITE Combined Schools’ Choir. We need this completed and returned by Monday 20th, as we need to send in t-shirt sizes. We are also applying for a grant to assist with payment for participation in the Choir $40 per student (including t-shirt) and we need confirmed numbers before we can apply.

Naplan - Grades 3 & 5

Congratulations to our Grade 3 and 5 students who participated so well in this week’s NAPLAN Tests. Our Grade 4’s and 6’s joined them with practice tests.

Book Club

Final day for orders is Tuesday 24th August. Payment must be made at the time of ordering, either by credit card, cheque made out to Yandoit Primary School, or cash. Orders due back Friday 24th May (Thursday 23rd for Grades 3-6 due to House Athletic Sports).

Student and Community Activities

Great Trentham Spudfest

SAT 18th MAY 2013

Once again the Spudlight will be shone on Trentham so if you are looking for a great festival experience full of fun, food and music then this is for you.

Spud Hub

Quarry Street Reserve will be transformed into ‘Spud Hub’ with hot potatoes, hot art, hot music, fantastic entertainment and lots of exciting activities for everyone to enjoy.

Here is a snapshot of what is in store for the 6th annual Great Trentham Spudfest:
- 9.30am Official parade and opening down High St Trentham from Market St led by the spruiker ‘Spud’ with the Daylesord Pipe Band and the little blue ute holding the ‘Kipflers’ (5 buskers all aged 10 or under and their dog Woody) and the Classic Car Club
- 10.00am to 4.00pm - Spudtastic children's activities and games including paint a spud character, guess the number of spuds in the ute and lots more
  - Spudtacular food, beverages and other stalls, Bonza Banana Band, Stilt walker, Music, Mobile farmyard, pony rides; face painting, Spudhunters- dig for potatoes in our special spud paddock on site.
  - Spud merchandise for sale & spuds from local farmers (straight from the farmer to you - lots of varieties)
  - Puppet Show – Story of a Potato. Performed by Trentham Primary School, Trentham Youth Group, Trentham Potatoes, local artists and special guests.

Spudtacular Dinner 7pm Saturday 18 May

Held at the Cosmo. $75 per head includes a 3 course meal, lively music and frivolity. Drinks purchased from the bar. Bookings at the Cosmo 03 5424 1516 or email enquiries@thecosmopolitanhotel.com.au (full payment required at time of booking).

Other activities going on around town include a photo competition display, historical machinery display, spud-related dishes at local cafes and restaurants and much, much more.

Access to ‘Spud Hub’ is free so bring the family along. There is something for everyone. You’d never guess potatoes could be this much fun!

- Colouring competition (ages 3-12) Can be downloaded at www.trenthamspudfest.org.au

For more information
SAT 18th MAY FUN SKATE SESSION

YMCA Ballarat/ Ballarat Roller Derby League
Delacombe Stadium
1pm – 4pm. $10 per person includes skate hire and 3 hours of skating.
Kiosk Operating
Ages 4 +
Skating lessons available (Bookings essential)
Contact Stacey 0434 743 993

Daylesford Hepburn Auskick
AFL introductory program for primary school-aged children and their families
Register online aflauskick.com.au
Victoria Park, Daylesford Oval No. 2 Junior Oval
Sundays @ 10am  Enq. Steve Walsh 0417 573 417

YOGA FOR KIDS

What is yoga? It’s fun!
Learn to balance on your hands, stand on your head, touch your toes, bend backwards, forwards – bend every which way! You’ll even learn how to tie yourself up in knots!
Booking required.
Contact Daylesford Yoga 5348 3888 or shayna@daylesfordyoga.com
39 East St Daylesford

SPRUNG CIRCUS presents classes for term 2 2013 !!!  All classes at Hepburn Primary Hall. Call Mara 0477 499 342.

Daylesford Kinship Support Group
Kinship Care is when children are cared for by Grandparents, Aunties, Uncles or friends of the family, when the children’s parents are unable to care for them due to mental illness, difficulties managing alcohol & drug use, homelessness or domestic violence.

For further details contact Toni Schiltz (Child & Family Services) 5337 3333.

School Camps & Excursions: Asthma

If your child has asthma, attending school camps and excursions can introduce them to new asthma triggers especially if they are going into new environments. It is essential that your child can participate fully and safely in all school activities. The following is a list of considerations to make for your child before they go on school camp or an excursion:

• Is your child’s asthma currently well controlled (e.g. no symptoms at night, reliever use less than 3 times per week)?
• Has your child had an asthma attack or asthma symptoms recently?
• Does the school have an Asthma Action Plan for your child?
• Has the school asked you to complete a School Camp and Excursion Medical Update Form?
• Does your child have their reliever medication and spacer on hand at all times?
• Are they attending with any other medications to be taken on the camp/excursion? If so, are there sufficient instructions to staff for use/dosage?
• Does your child self-administer their medication? If so, has their technique been checked recently?