PRINCIPALS REPORT

SCHOOL CAMP

We now have begun our planning in earnest for our 3 day School Camp (Mon 27th - Wed 29th May). Our camp will occur in Week 7 of Term 2. Staff attending, for the 3 days are Jose and Robyn and our Teachers- aide Dave as well.

Families have now indicated whether their child/children would like to attend camp and we will need a $20 deposit to be paid by the end of Week 2 (Fri 26th April) as we need to pay a deposit for the camp.

At this stage the cost of the camp will be approx $215 per student but at School Council meeting this week, we will confirm the amount of subsidy that School Council is able to provide for students to attend camp.

We understand that some families may wish to pay in full, while others will prefer to have a payment plan. Please see Debbie on Thurs or Fri or contact Deborah Cowen at Daylesford PS Mon –Wed (53482480) to arrange a payment plan that suits your family.

There will be more information in next week’s Newsletter.
**CURRENT FOCUS**

**Respect (self and others)**

Respect is when we recognise the worth, quality and importance of others. It is also important to have the same recognition of one’s self and have a self-belief. Respecting self is an appreciation of and valuing yourself physically, socially, mentally and emotionally: knowing, understanding and valuing one’s strengths and traits.

There are many people who influence our opinions and the choices we make: friends, parents, family members, teachers, sporting coaches and other significant adults in our lives. We have conversations with them about many issues in life, we spend time/or associate with them and they are often people who are our role models.

At times we will agree with them or we may even disagree on some things but the way we do so is important in keeping the lines of communication open: respectful of self and others’ opinions. One way to show people that we hear what they are saying is to respond and say things like, “That is an interesting idea … but I believe we could approach it in this way” or “I think we are just going to have to agree to disagree on that point”. Even if we disagree we should make every effort to be a good listener and be prepared to justify our opinions. This is what we do as learners. We make room for new ideas by talking and listening to others with respect. That means no interruptions and using positive body language, nodding and smiling when we agree or looking puzzled/or shaking our head to indicate we disagree.

We all want people to respect us and our ideas. We certainly expect people to be respectful of the adults we trust: parents, other family members, teachers, sporting coaches, etc. Respect for self and others can be displayed when we talk, play, work and learn at school, within the community or at home.

Respecting others shows everyone that we are friendly, responsible and thoughtful students at Daylesford Primary.

Chris Tsiplakis 😊

**PRINCIPALS REPORT**

Welcome back to an exciting term 2. I am looking forward to a very interesting and busy term.

I would like to start by informing you of our School Council Election results, so that you are aware of the structure of School Council.

**President:** Richard Pleasance  
**Vice-President:** David Lewis  
**Treasurer:** Peter Burke  
**Secretary:** Sharon Treloar

Georgina Williams has agreed to accept a nomination to be a part of School Council as has Lisa Cockerall. We welcome them both. Our next meeting will be Wednesday 24th at 6pm.

Secondly, I would like to inform you that the following dates have been approved by School Council as Pupil Free Days. This is advance notification so that appropriate arrangements can be put in place.

Pupil Free Days for 2013 are as follows;  
**Monday 15th July** (day 1 of term 3) staff professional development on writing with Stephen Graham  
**Wednesday 20th November** (week 7 term 4) staff planning day for 2014 classes  
**Friday 6th December** (week 9 term 4) staff professional development in Numeracy Ms Hobson, our Daylesford PS Performing Arts Specialist, is currently on sick leave. Suzanne is having treatment for Breast Cancer and will be requiring a number of weeks of sick leave to complete her treatment. During this time Ms Kate Yeung is currently teaching performing arts and will continue to do so. We send Suzanne and her family all our best wishes.

Finally, at assembly we announced the 36 students who will be representing DPS at the Goldfields XC on Friday 10th May at Clunes Golf Club. Good luck to all those children. More information about that event will be sent home in the near future.

Peter Burke
Welcome back to Term 2. We hope you all enjoyed the warm weather over the holiday break.

Our Prep, Santiago, attended his first Wednesday at school this week. Also, this week Kerry Carmen from SHARE came and ran a workshop on Sustainability for our Grade 3-6 students and this will be followed up with another visit next week. Our Educational Research Project focus this term is Sustainable Living.

GOLDFIELDS CROSS COUNTRY

Rio and Flint enjoy the challenge

10 yr Boys
Miles Wilkinson, Buzz Pearce (Drummond), Jonas Parr, Saxon Barnes, Ben English, Thomas Macklin,

10 yr Girls
Carly Elderfield, Demi Henderson, Caitlyn Robinson, Viydee Gledhill, Lily Fox, Bella Jack.

11 yr Boys
Ben Levens, Gabe Schembri, Fin Loft, Rohan Clay, Frankie Harvey, Jaida Berridge, Mitchel Vendy

11 yr Girls
Anna Santurini, Chloe Wilkinson, Kiah McCahon, Gabi Kaye, Charlotte Stevenson, Blossom Izard.

12-13 yr Girls
Zoe Turner(Drummond), Holly Armstrong, Sophie John, Alicia Rae, Isabella Cibrasio, Ava Nance.

PHOTO GALLERY

Our Coles Sports for Schools Sports equipment has arrived! Our School and House Captains opened the box and pumped up all the balls. We had a great time this afternoon with all our new equipment. Thankyou to EVERYONE who collected Vouchers for us.
ANZAC DAY

Please note that Thursday 25th April is a public holiday.

BOOK CLUB

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Final day for orders is Friday 26th April.
Payment must be made at the time of ordering, either by credit card, cheque made out to Yandoit Primary School, or cash.

STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Daylesford Hepburn Auskick
AFL introductory program for primary school-aged children and their families
Registration – 21st April @ 10am
Or register online aflauskick.com.au
Victoria Park, Daylesford
Oval No. 2 Junior Oval
Sundays @ 10am
Enquiries: Steve Walsh 0417 573 417

GEORGE the CONDUCTOR
at the REX
Traditional slapstick, clown, mime and dance.
Family Fun for all ages!
Rex Theatre, 51 Vincent St. Daylesford
SUNDAYS – April, 21 & 28, May 5 & 12.
$7 per person, $25 family.
Tickets @ door or from “yang with yin” Rex Arcade 5348 1105.

Exciting weekends coming up at Creswick Woollen Mills

SPRUNG CIRCUS PRESENTS
CLASSES FOR TERM 2 2013 !!!
Family balancing act: Sundays 4-5.30pm
aerobalance for combinations of any age
(including parent and child) Term 2 only
Adults Tissu: Sundays 6-7.30pm
climbs, statics, doubles, drops and sequences – coached by Jessy
Mondays Sprung: Mondays 4-5.30pm
for 8yrs to secondary – all circus skills
Wednesdays Sprung: Wednesdays 4-5.30
for lower primary ages – all circus skills
All classes at Hepburn Primary Hall
Call Mara 0477499342

Annual Gem Show – 20th-21st April - 10am – 4pm.
Minerals, Fossils, Jewellery and Gem Stones at the Mill.
Our celebration of the Lindsays Festival starts May 4th. The Mills will be celebrating the life of one of Creswick’s most famous families. The week-long event will host local artists in our Ryzowy gallery and culminate in the Magic Pudding Weekend on the 11th & 12th May.