# Yandoit Primary School

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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

# CALENDAR

# **February**

Friday 22nd

Final Day for EMA and Conveyance Allowance forms

# March

Friday 1st

Excursion to Daylesford PS. Grades 3-6 Swimming Sports. Grades P-2 Getting to know DPS and students from Drummond Annexe.

## Monday 11th

LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY

# Friday 15<sup>th</sup>

- Family Working Bee and BBQ to Welcome our New families
- Meat and Polenta and Napoli sauce provided
- Please bring salad or dessert to share
- BBQ 4.30-5pm

#### Wednesday 20th

School Council 6pm Child Care available. AGM and first meeting of new

# Thursday 28th

Final day of term One. Early Dismissal 2.30pm

## School Term Dates 2013

Term 1 Wed 30<sup>th</sup> Jan – Thur 28<sup>th</sup> March Term 2 Tue 16<sup>th</sup> Apr – Fri 28<sup>th</sup> June Term 3 Tue 16<sup>th</sup> July – Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Sept Term 4 Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Dec

## **THANKYOU**



Get Well Flowers given to Jane on behalf of children, parents and staff of Yandoit PS

As a grandmother of Jane's and Michael's family at Yandoit –I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude for the way the community in and around the school has supported them over the birthing of Satchin. The food, the moral support, the sensitivity and the play opportunities for Sol and Isa – I knew the family had all the support they could need from a wonderful community.

> Thank you Unmani

# PRINCIPALS REPORT

The positive start to the year continues. I am seeing very settled classes across the three schools and students focused on learning.

P-2 staff and Annexe staff have started 'checking in' with their students and are conducting English and Maths online testing.

In assembly this week I reinforced the first element of our school mission statement, how DPS and annexes are committed to assisting the students to reach their full potential. I spoke of the importance of focusing on personal best achievements, giving many examples of the way students can do this. A good example is goal setting. Goal setting does work and is a very valuable way of remaining focused on achieving your personal best.

You will be receiving a school invoice next week, for such things as class materials etc. Your prompt attention to this matter would be appreciated as the school has prepurchased all the class materials and has settled the account in full, thus incurring considerable debt on behalf of parents, unless you have negotiated a payment plan with our business manager, Deborah.

# EXCURSION TO DAYLESFORD PS AND POOL

On Friday March 1<sup>st</sup>, our children in grades 3-6 shall be participating in the House Swimming Sports at the Daylesford Town Pool. Our P-1-2 s shall be spending the day at Daylesford Primary School.

Megan Cox (Drummond PS) will be supervising the 3-6s while Robyn Stickland (Yandoit) and Michelle Quinn (Drummond & Yandoit) shall be running the P-1-2 program for the day.

This is a great opportunity for our P-1-2s to get familiar with Daylesford Primary School on a quiet day.

The school bus is available to all our students or students can be transported by their parents. We need to be notified if children are travelling by bus so a bus list can be drawn up. For more information see Jose Mon –Wed or Debbie on Thursday.

# EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN

If any families would like a copy of the school's emergency management plan, could you please see Debbie on Thursday and we will either email or print a copy for you.

Some families have asked if they could bring in a bag of protective clothing to be kept at school in case of a fire emergency.

These items need to be in a well named bag:-

- Long sleeved shirt and pants made from natural fibre such as cotton or wool.
- Sturdy boots, leather shoes and woollen socks
- A face mask or towel to cover your mouth and nose
- A wide brimmed hat (School Hats!)

# **HOME READING**

All students in P-2 and 3-6 have been provided with a Reading Log and P-2 students have a book box as well. Grade 3-5 have been given a coloured folder to carry their reading log and any worksheets to home and back to school.

It is an expectation that all children will read for a minimum of 15 mins from Monday to Thursday for Home Learning (Homework). Students with book boxes need to return these boxes when they need to swap readers. This maybe everyday for some students, and once a week for

independent readers (Students with a manilla folder).

Out teachers-aides will check the book boxes each day and on Fridays all Reading logs from Independent Readers need to be brought to school.

# **ACTIVE FAMILIES**

We have included information with this Newsletter for the Premier's Active Families Program. Last year a few families participated and we were sent a REBEL voucher as a prize.

We plan to buy a table tennis table with last year's voucher.

# **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

# NEW DISMISSAL TIME 3.30 on Tuesdays

As our school staffing arrangements have changed this year, Staff will not be attending Staff meetings at Daylesford PS on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. We are trialling other forms of communication eg Facetime on the iPads, emailing of minutes and Communicator (a Education Dept equivalent to SKYPE). We see this as being extremely helpful to our time management, as in the past a great deal of time has been lost in travelling between campuses.

We have 2 vacancies for School Council this year. If anyone is interested in joining School Council, would you please let Debbie know next week.

On Friday 1`5<sup>th</sup> March we will have a working Bee after school followed by a BBQ to welcome our new families. There will be a few jobs after school and then we will fire up the BBQ for sausages and polenta and Napoli sauce.

If families could bring a salad or dessert to share then that would be great.

**BYO Drinks** 

# **CURRENT FOCUS**

# Play By the Rules

"Playing Fairly" "Being a good Winner" "Being a good Loser"

Through playing games we learn about ourselves and others. Playing games provides opportunities where children will be expected to play fairly, play by the rules, co-operate with others, get along with others and handle both winning and losing. Having rules in games ensures a level playing field making it fair for all.

Playing together does not just mean playing happily with our friends, although that is important. 'Playing together' means sharing space both in the classroom and the playground. Demonstrating sharing in our games ensures that everyone will enjoy their playtime. We have to think about other people, the games they are playing and playing sensibly. We want everyone to enjoy themselves. Whenever you are playing remember to:

- play in sensible areas.
- check to see if others are involved in a game or an area before setting up your game
- play safe games, particularly in small areas
- walk around other people's games.

Chris Tsiplakis ©

# STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

# **GUITAR LESSONS**

Beginner Guitar Lessons Please call Shane 5348 7716 or 0423 039 580

Guitar Lessons available at the school. Qualified and experienced teacher. Phone: Ian Hill, 5331 9138 or 0447 776 642.

Want to Learn Guitar?

Lessons available every WEDNESDAY afternoon from 1.40 -6.00pm and are for all grade levels. For a great introduction to guitar - half hour lessons at \$20.

Guitar tuition by experienced local performer currently studying at the Victorian College of The Arts.

For enquires and bookings please contact Lewis Ingham on 0400182252 or email lewisingham@live.com.au

## SINGING LESSONS

tailored to individuals available during school hours at the school. Individual tuition includes using vocal potential to its best advantage, confidence, & skills. Possible exploration of performance, if suitable, also.

Contact Anni Coyne 0418358075 53481524 or anni@cloudsongmusic.com.au

#### PIANO

Simply Music Piano Lessons: A revolutionary, Australian-developed piano learning method that offers a breakthrough in music education. This remarkable approach has students of all ages playing great-sounding contemporary, classical, gospel, blues and accompaniment pieces - immediately - from their very first lessons. Also, new Play-a-Story piano classes for 4-6 year olds start 2013. Please contact Georgina Williams at Bridport Studios for more information, 53481575.

VIOLIN LESSONS are available at Daylesford Primary with Adam Menegazzo.

Learn from an experienced and professional teacher with lessons that are designed to be fun and rewarding. Instruments are available for hire. Lessons are 15 minutes (\$16) or 30 minutes (\$32) with discounts available for term payments.

For more information contact Adam at <a href="mailto:adjustviolin@live.com.au">adjustviolin@live.com.au</a> or phone 53487930.

#### **BALLET/DANCE**

Ballet classes for boys and girls aged 3 and up. Classes held Mon, Wed, & Thurs after school.
For information please contact Glenn Harwood or Sue Davis 5348 4532 or 0400 669 200 sue@daylesforddance.com.au

Daylesford & Hepburn United Soccer Club. **2013 Registration & BBQ Boys & Girls 5-15 yrs. Welcome.** 

# 4.30pm-6.00pm Weds 27<sup>th</sup> Feb. For more information contact 0412 230 536.

Karate Training:

Learn traditional karate and self defence skills in a supportive environment at the Daylesford Primary School Hall held every Thursday from 6 to 7pm. The Chief Instructor has 34 years experience and holds a 4th Degree Master's Rank Black Belt. The Daylesford Karate Club is a branch of the Ballarat Karate Club Incorporated which is a non-profit organisation. Fees are kept to a minimum and family discounts also apply.

Contact Danny on 0428 444943 for more details.

YOGA FOR KIDS Term 1 (5-12 yrs)
Tues 4-5 pm

A fun filled hour of yoga jumping, stretching, balancing and being upside down. Kids can loosen up and calm down. Daylesford Yoga 5348 3888

shayna@daylesfordyoga.com

FREE HOMEWORK GROUP Come along an Tuesdays from 3.45 to 6.00pm.Start with a snack, which we will provide. Then registered teacher Eric will assist you with any problems you may have with your homework. Computers are available if required.

And it's free. For Grade 5 - 9 students. Daylesford Neighbourhood Centre, 13 Camp Street, Daylesford 5348 3569



#### **VOLLEYBALL AT THE ARC**

The new Volleyball season commences at The ARC Smith St Daylesford, on Monday 18th February with the social division games at 6.30 pm and open division at 7.30 pm.

Teachers, parents and grade 6 students all welcome, so come along and have some fun.

## Contact Colin Priest 53487674

Daylesford Girl Guides (Grade 1 to 18 yrs old)
Duke Street-Opposite MS Shop
Meet every Tuesday evening 6pm - 7.30pm
(except School /Public holidays) Various
activities, outings & Camps.
Enquiries: Please call Nerida Nelson 0409 973 290
or Kiera Melen 0434 322 779

# Daylesford Junior Basketball at the ARC on Tuesdays

## **Clinic Times**

4 - 5 pm: Aussie Hoops & U12 boys and girls

5 - 6 pm: U16 boys and girls

#### **Term 1 Player Fees**

Aussie Hoops: \$35 per player (no separate

Springers membership required)

U12 boys & girls: \$50 U16 boys & girls: \$50

Springers Membership (lasts 12 months, includes

compulsory Basketball Victoria player

insurance): \$35 but only if not already a current

member.

We look forward to seeing you all. For any information please call Jan Maree Yanner on 5348 3446 or email us on springersbasketball@gmail.com



Outdoor group fitness classes beginning next week and continuing over the next 6 - 8 weeks, with a 7am and a 9.15am class on a Tuesday and Thursday mornings. These will be held down at the Lake (weather permitting). Call Tania 0401 399 990.