Current Focus

Persistence (Seeing it through)

There are few more admired qualities in people than persistence / perseverance and that means seeing something through from beginning to end. So many people have this quality and it is one we should all aspire to. “Seeing it through” means starting anything from a puzzle, a book, a job around the house, schoolwork, training, etc and persisting until it is finished/or the job is done. Even when things get difficult you shouldn’t give up and walk away from it. Come back to it and take another look: you might ask questions, do some research, work a little harder, get someone to help/advice you but don’t give up! Be prepared to try doing things in a different way.

Mostly it means persisting (sticking with it) and working with what you started until you are happy with your achievement/or the end result!

David Garner.

Be Respectful, Be a Responsible Learner, Be Honest and Trustworthy
Be Caring and Compassionate, Be a Good Citizen
Welcome back everyone. I trust you all had a lovely break with the family.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to Oliver and Lucinda Buffett, who have joined our school community this term.

We had such a positive term last term and I know that will flow into this term. Already the children have settled well and have revisited their personal learning goals for this semester.

Please support the children in their goal setting as we know through educational research that children, who have goals, remain focused for longer and receive wonderful positive feedback on achieving their goals.

Thank you to all parents on presenting the children so well in their school uniform to start the term and for been punctual to school, despite the challenge of daylight saving.

We will be celebrating ‘World Teacher Day’ on Friday 31st October. It is a chance to say well done to all our staff and thank them for their dedication to the education of your children.

We have a terrific new fund raiser that will support the KG program. Goodwill Wines will pass back to the school 50% of profits for wines purchased under our school label. Please take a look at the website and next time you are ordering wine, consider this option. A DPS wine combined with the ‘Grow Cook Eat’ recipe book would make a terrific Christmas present.


Finally, this is my last call for 2015 enrolments. If you know of a family who is yet to enrol their pre-school child for school next year, could you assist me by encouraging them to do so please. Also if due to changing circumstances, if any family is moving on in 2015 and will no longer be enrolled at DPS, I would appreciate early notification, as this is vital for my 2015 planning.

Peter Burke

OUTDOOR STAGE WORKING BEE

Proposed Dates 11-12 Oct & 25-26 Oct (if required)

Anyone who is interested in helping out should contact Ross Redwin on 0438 077 620, or 5348 6772, or leave their information with the office.

The School Council is planning to construct an outdoor stage to be used by the students as both a play area and for staging formal or informal performances. Materials have been generously donated by Daylesford Timber and Hardware and Tony Cochrane, one of our parents. The finished stage will be approximately 3m deep and 6m long, located at the North end of the auditorium/gym, just behind the music room. Hepburn Shire Council have been involved in the planning process and have given advice and guidance and now we are ready to start the construction phase of this project.

The council intends to hold working bees to carry out the construction, and are currently seeking volunteers to support this project. Experience in building is not necessary, so anyone can volunteer, from professional builders to compete novices. All that is required is a willingness to help our children have a full and creative school life at Daylesford Primary School. Tools will be available, although if volunteers have tools they wish to use they can feel free to bring them along. There will be experienced builders assisting, so if you haven’t had much building experience but want to learn this could be a golden opportunity. We are also happy to have older students from grades 5 & 6 participate with their parents supervision, so if you want to bring them along this would again be a great learning opportunity for them. We anticipate starting construction in mid Sept, and would like to have it finished over 2 weekends, depending on the number of volunteers. We are hoping to have a B-B-Q lunch supplied on the days of the working bee, and it promises to be a really fun day.


Kitchen Garden – October

WANTED: Containers for storage of seeds for the garden. Please send along to Gill C or Sandra any tins or strong plastic containers with lids.

Thank you, Gill Carron

A Reminder: for all KG helpers to please sign in at the office. Thanks.
**CANTEEN DUTY TERM 4 2014**

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**CANTEEN ASSISTANCE**

We are seeking volunteers to help for Terms 3 & 4, once or twice a term (particularly Fridays), from approximately 11.00am to 2.30pm.

We are unable to have toddlers in the Canteen for safety reasons.

Please contact our Canteen Manager, Bev Adkins, on 5348 1839 or 0423 357 191 if you can assist. Thank you

**PLEASE NOTE:**

- TOASTED SANDWICHES ARE 30C EXTRA.
- WE NOW ONLY USE PIZZA SAUCE FOR PESTO ON FOCCACIA’S, HAVING REGARD TO ANY ALLERGY CONCERNS.
- FOCCACIA’S HOWEVER STILL HAVE SESAME SEEDS ON TOP.

PLEASE have name, class and order written on a paper bag or school reusable lunchbag.

**RE-USABLE LUNCH ORDER BAGS.**

Available via Canteen – order through your lunch order OR directly through the Canteen. Available only in Black with blue trim.

$10

**PARENT/CARER VOLUNTEERS**

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**BOOK CLUB - TERM 4**

Book Club occurs at the beginning of each term and it would be great if every family could purchase from at least one Book Club per year as the benefits go directly to developing our children’s literacy.

Order forms for Term 4 have been distributed to children and are due back at school by **FRIDAY 17TH October**.

Please check that you have marked which books are being ordered, and that your child’s name, grade and cash are correct.

(If paying by cheque please make payable to Daylesford Primary School.)

Gill Pearce, Book Club Coordinator

**Reminders around Early Departure and Late Arrival**

Students being dropped off late to school must be signed in at the office under parent supervision. We ask that where possible parents accompany their child to class to ensure constant supervision. In the case of early departure from school a reminder that a blue early departure form must be collected and completed at the office. This must then be taken and given to your child’s teacher before they can release the child from their care.

No student will be released early without receipt of the blue slip.

**Students’ School Banking - Volunteers Wanted**

We are seeking interest from volunteers who would be able to assist with the school student banking service on a Friday morning. This is a small job taking approximately 30 minutes with training provided. If you believe you can help, please provide the office with your name and availability.

**CENTACARE**

*Family Relationship Services Program: Parenting Programs*

**Parenting Solo:** Sat 18 Oct, 10am-1pm $20 p.p.

**Connecting with Kids:** Tues. 21 & 28 Oct. 10-12 noon.$20 pp

All groups will be held at the **Family Relationship Centre**, 34 Peel St. North, Ballarat.

To register & enquiries about other family relationship programs Please Call: 53 277 960.

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STUDENT / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

YMCA FUN SKATE

Nandiriog Drive, Delacombe Stadium, for kids 4 years and older.

 Saturdays: 11 Oct, 15 Nov, 13 Dec from 1pm-4pm, Nandiriog Drive, Delacombe.
$10 per person, includes skate hire & 3hrs skating (or BYO skates and blades).

Contact Stacey at YMCA 0434 743 993 or (03) 4333 6400. www.ballarat.ymca.org.au

HOT SHOTS JUNIOR TENNIS PROGRAM

The Mt Prospect Tennis Association (Creswick) is proud to offer an 8 week Hot Shots Junior Tennis Program
From: Sat 18 Oct 2014 to Sat 06 Dec 2014.
Facilitated by: Ashleigh Jolliffe

Primary school aged children aged between 5-8 years are invited to participate in this exciting program that introduces children to tennis skill development, game knowledge, and physical activity in a fun environment.

Each session is for 30 minutes at either 09:30am, 10:00am, 10:30am, or 11:00am and contains no more than 6 children per group (only 24 places available!).

Note: Parents must be in attendance for the duration of their child’s session.

Registration: Saturday 11 October 2014 @ 10:30am – 11:30am
Where: Mt Prospect Courts (Creswick) – Court 23
Bring: Hat, racquet (if you have one), drink bottle and your registration money.
Cost: $40 per player

Queries can be directed to Tulsa Andrews on 0400 299 882 or email: t.andrews@federation.edu.au

Students to Celebrate the 50th Anniversary “Back to Parkdale” Secondary College
Sat 11th Oct 2014
(Trybooking.com (before Mon 6th Oct. For further info – Brad 9580 9941)

Kyneton Little Athletics Centre

Registrations are now open for the upcoming Track and Field Little Athletics season at the Kyneton Little Athletics Centre. The Little Athletics program is open for all ages & abilities between the ages of 5 to 15.

Registration must be completed online at www.lavic.com.au and registration packs will be available on presentation of payment on the first morning of competition. Information can be found at our website: www.kynetonlac.com.au

Season starts the 11th October.
DAY OF COMP./TIME: Sat. mornings from 9.00 am
VENUE: Kyneton Showgrounds, Mollison St Kyneton

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The Absolutely Fabulous Fresh Food Festival

Thursday 16th October 2014
Daylesford Town Hall
12noon – 5pm

All Free
- Lunch 12 – 2pm
- Chefs cooking demonstrations
- Melbourne Markets Fresh
- Food stalls and tasting
- Health checks
- Learn how to grow your own food
- Face painting
- Storytelling
- Kids art exhibition
- Entertainment
- Loads of give-a-ways
- Fabulous door prizes