Current Focus
Cooperation and Working with Others

5/6P
Cooperation is when two or more people work together to achieve a common goal or outcome. Cooperation is important at our school because it helps make people feel included and important.

We can cooperate with others at our school in a range of ways, some of these ways include:

- Asking others to join in a game at recess or lunch - Miles

- Work with other people in groups that you might not have worked with before - Conner

- Helping each other in class and in the yard - Sean A

- Sharing your equipment with others when they ask nicely - Bella

- Sharing ideas and responsibilities with others - Brooke

These are just some of the ways we can cooperate with others at school. Being able to cooperate as part of a group makes the group more productive and gives everyone more chance of success.

“Nothing truly valuable can be achieved except by the unselfish cooperation of many individuals.”

— Albert Einstein
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

- 5/6 Science Expo
- Swiss Italian Festa
- SMS Global communication
- 3/4 Performance
- Senior Choir Presentation
- Guest Speaker – Will Austin-King
- Pupil Free day/2015 Prep Transition
- Premiers Reading Challenge Certificates
- Grade 2-3 transition

Last week finished on a high note with a wonderful Science Expo put on by the grade 5/6 students. Thank you to parents who were able to attend. The Swiss Italian Celebrations went very well over the weekend. Photos of the parade are now on our website.

Parents would have received a text message from me on Monday. We now have the ability to text our parents through SMS Global. The system picks up one number per family from our enrolment lists and this is the contact number that will receive text messages from the school. If one member of the family did not receive a text message on Monday, then please contact the front office. Also please make sure you keep your contact details up to date with the school.

Grade 3/4C & P students played recorder pieces in assembly this week. It is amazing what they are able to achieve in their time together within the performing arts program.

The Senior Choir were recognised for their outstanding achievement, in winning at South Street this year, by a presentation of a medallion and DVD at assembly.

Will Austin-King, an ex-student of the school, spoke at assembly this week about his experiences in East Timor and why he is promoting Espera (To Hope) Project. Can I refer you page 3 for more information about this project. I was very impressed by Will’s speech and very proud of the young man he has grown into. Will is coming back next Monday to be involved in our Families program and he is also the guest speaker at our Grade 6 dinner.

Our Pupil Free Day was extremely valuable for staff, who placed great energy into planning for 2015 and report writing.

Our second transition morning for the 2015 Preps went very well, with a number of the Pre-School students wishing to start school full time already.

Over 150 Premier Reading Challenge Certificates went home earlier in the week. Congratulations to all those students. Keep up your reading!!

Finally, just a reminder to our Grade 2 parents, that our Grade 2-3 transition evening is next Wednesday evening in the Open Learning Centre.

Peter Burke.
Cultural Clothes Day – Monday 24th November
Gold Coin donation for the Espera Project
Come Dressed in Cultural Dress or Colours
Special activities will take place in Family Groups

Reasoning behind Espera (To Hope) – Will Austin-King

A two week immersion tour allowed me to experience what life is like through the eyes of an East Timorese person. It was like nothing I had never experienced before. Such poverty and such disadvantage, yet one of the happiest experiences of my life.

I was able to bring happiness into the lives of people around me, simply by being myself, and without these people realising they had a profound impact on my life, and brought a happiness to me in which I had never experienced before. Through simple acts of kindness I felt as if I was impacting and changing lives around me and I believe that is most rewarding feeling one can have.

My Vision

My vision is to provide as much support as possible to the Dominican sisters in their dreams, along with supporting them with the basics of running the orphanage, kindergarten and Hera farm which is a challenge they are faced with every day.

I want to become a constant support to the lives of the youth I worked with whilst in East Timor. I don’t want to walk in and then walk out of their lives. I want to give them hope for a brighter future because the potential is there, they just need opportunities for them to develop to their full potential.

I plan to fundraise over a number of months before I return to East Timor for a longer period of time. Throughout my time I will work closely with Dominican sisters and the children of the orphanage, Hera farm and Kindergarten. Help us, Help them.

"If you wait to do everything for everyone, instead of something for someone, You'll end up doing nothing for no one."
CAN YOU HELP?

We are organising a raffle at the next Farmers’ Market (Saturday, Dec. 6th) as a fund raiser for the Kitchen Garden program. 

*We are seeking donations* for our hamper, particularly of nice, edible goodies) to help fund this important program. If you can help in any way - sourcing or donating, please contact Gill Carron.

Thank you to Jamie Torrance for straw for the garden.

CANTEEN DUTY TERM 4 2014

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CANTEEN ASSISTANCE

We are seeking volunteers to help in Term 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.

PARENT/CARER VOLUNTEERS

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STUDENT / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

DAYLESFORD & DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY ANNUAL SHOW

When: Saturday, November 22nd, 2014
Where: Victoria Park, Daylesford
More Information: [www.daylesfordshow.com](http://www.daylesfordshow.com)
Or Email: [info@daylesfordshow.com](mailto:info@daylesfordshow.com)

TRY GOLF DAY- Sun Nov 23rd

Hepburn Springs Golf Club is pleased to be hosting a TRY GOLF DAY – we welcome teenagers & adults to have a go at some basic golf skills activities, followed by a sausage sizzle. Come along with your family or friends to enjoy a hit and get some coaching tips.

Sun. Nov 23rd; Hepburn Springs Golf Club;
Children up to 16 yo 10am-11.15am &
Adults 11-30-12.45. Sausage Sizzle at 12.45pm
COST: FREE!!!!
Prizes – most accurate drive off 1st tee; chipping & pitching to a target & best score out of 10 putts from 2 metres.

***Special SUMMER membership offers to participants on the day: Unlimited golf Nov to end of Feb (except on competition days). Adults $100. Children $50. Enquiries to Jan Thompson 0412499872 or strongjan@bigpond.com

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