DIARY DATES

MARCH
Monday 10th
Labour Day Holiday

Tues 11th
Prep Parent Morning Tea 9.30am
Book Fair Meeting 5.30pm OLC

Tues 11th & Weds 12th
Parent-Teacher Interviews from 4.00 – 6.00 pm

Weds 12th
DSC Yr 7 2015 Open Evening
(See page 4)

Mon 17th – Fri 21st
Cultural Diversity Week

Weds 19th
Harmony Day Lunch

Tuesday 25th
6.30pm School Council
(AGM & Elections)

MAY
Weds 21st
9.00-3.20 Yr 7 Cluster Transition Day at DSC

JULY
Monday 14th
July – Pupil Free Day

Preps do not attend school on Wednesdays during Term 1.

Current Focus - Personal Best by 2TW

Personal best means good behaviour and being friendly. By Makayla

Personal best means using good manners. It also means always being honest and trustworthy. By Tulley

Personal best is trying your best and achieving your goal. By Archer

Personal best is helping other people. By Jacqueline, Oliver and Jude

Personal best is listening to other people and not talking over them. By Jude

Personal best is being nice to others so you make new friends. By Oliver

Personal best means not being rude. By Jacqueline

Personal best means staying focused on your work and not distracting other people. By Bernie

Personal best means being friendly to others and letting other people play. By Tama

Personal best means making friends with new people. You can help them by holding their hand. By Coco

Personal best means concentrating on what the teacher is asking you to do. By Kai

Personal best is being nice to other people. By Chema

Personal best is being kind to others. By Lila

Personal best is caring, sharing and being respectful. By Mika

Personal best means working hard. By Lucy

Personal best is respectful of things around you. By Lewis and Charli

Personal best is ignoring distractions. It also means being neat with your work so other people can read it. By River

Personal best is keeping your work neat and trying your best. By Max

Personal best not being rude and using strategies to build stamina. By Beth

Personal best means showing good manners in the classroom. By Ryan

2014 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)

Dates:
- Science 4th June Yrs 2-6
- Writing 16th June Yrs 3-6
- Spelling 17th June Yrs 3-6
- English 29th July Yrs 2-6
- Maths 12th Aug Yrs 2-6
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
Parent Newsletter – Week 5

Congratulations to Sutton on winning the House Swimming Sports last Friday.

Well done also to Fin and Anna our boy and girl champions. It was wonderful to see so many children participating in events. It was also great to see acts of sportsmanship by shaking hands after the events. I was pleased to see so many parents, grandparents and friends in attendance. A very pleasing day all round. Well done to all the 3-6 staff and a BIG thank you to Mr Kiellerup for his excellent organisation before and on the day as Sports Co-ordinator. A number of excellent photos are now on our website, thanks to the expertise of Sophie Loft (thanks Sophie)

Thank you to all parents and carers who have booked an interview time with the classroom teachers and specialist next Tuesday or Wednesday. We look forward to meeting with you.

There is a Book Fair meeting next Tuesday 11th 5.30 in the Open Learning Centre. ALL welcome. Come and see how you can be involved in this our largest fun raiser for the year. All proceeds go towards making a difference in Literacy across the school

A letter of invitation was circulated early in the week to all Prep parents/carers to attend a morning tea next Tuesday 9.30 after assembly. Hope you can make it.

We are pleased to announce that Choir will be able to be offered again this year. Senior Choir will run on Tuesday afternoons and Junior Choir will run on Wednesday afternoon. As this is not a funded program, we are very fortunate to be able to offer this opportunity to many of our students.

A number of the Grade 2-6 students enter the International Schools Competition each year and sit an exam in a number of different areas. Please refer to the details outlined in the newsletter for your consideration.

Finally, Mrs Linda Flynn the Principal of DSC addressed the grade 6 students on Tuesday after assembly, inviting them all to attend the Year 7 information evening next Wednesday 12th March.

Peter Burke.
JSC – 2014

Junior School Council is an important aspect of Daylesford Primary School student leadership structure. It allows out students to have a voice and to bring their ideas to the table in how the school might function better to continue to meet their needs. The JSC also provides those representatives an opportunity to develop their leadership skills, working alongside our school captains, Kaiah and Austin.

Each year 3/4 and 5/6 class has elected a representative and at each meeting we will invite a Year 2 representative to attend from each of the Year 2 classes on a rotational basis. Congratulations to the following students on being elected JSC Representatives for 2014:

- 3/4P – Mila Arias-Parker
- 34C – Zenay McCahon
- 3/4K – Alice Dennis
- 5/6M – Jaida Berridge
- 5/6P – Pasca Hewat
- 5/6F – Ochre W
- 5/6C – Blake Harris

David Garner

2014 House Swimming Sports Day

On a beautiful sunny day the Grade Three to Six students arrived at the Daylesford Swimming Pool I’m sure full of anticipation, nerves and excitement. The meet which held 87 different races started with 50m freestyle races for all age groups and moved through a variety of swimming strokes. This also included modified races for those students still developing their swimming skills and confidence. Finally at the end of the meet, the running of the Championship races for the fastest finalist for both girls and boys 50 m freestyle was run. Congratulations to Finlay Loatt and Anna Santurini for winning their respective ‘Open Championship Race’. Congratulations also to Sutton on winning this year’s swimming sports. It was close however I think that all students who participated whether they won a race or not were winners. A further congratulations again to all the students who participated in their events because on countless occasions it was great to see students doing their best, achieving their personal goals and challenging themselves in events that perhaps they had never been in before. It was also great to see all students who were either on the sidelines or in a particular race support each other throughout the day. Well done.

On a personal note I would like to pass on a big thankyou to the staff of the school and also to the parent helpers who enabled the day to be a success and more importantly an enjoyable experience for all the students.

Andrew Kiellerup

PARENT/ CARER VOLUNTEERS TERM 1 2014

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Kitchen Garden – MARCH

Donations of any of the following items for our pantry are always needed. If you can help by sending a bottle or packet of something, that would be fantastic.

- Olive / vegetable oils
- Plain flour
- Castor sugar
- Dijon mustard
- Maple syrup
- Balsamic/white vinegar

Eggs are also always useful if your chooks are laying well and you have any to spare.

Needed for the garden: packets of seeds, manure, poly pipe offcuts 1.5m and longer- 1 ½ inch diameter.
INSTRUMENT ADOPTION
After a mighty big TIDY, we have found a number of percussion instruments, guitars and an organ that need a new home. Most of these instruments are a little old and weary, but would be brought back to life with some TLC.
If you/your child would like to adopt an instrument, please come to the music room at the following times, or ring me to make a time (53 48 2480) Between 8.30 and 9.00am OR 2pm and 5pm, Thursday 13th and Thursday 20th March.
Cost: A gold coin donation for percussion instruments. Guitars $10. The organ is free (if you can take it...it's big).
Visual artists may be interested in recycling some of the older instruments into an artwork.
All proceeds to the Performing Arts dept.

Daylesford secondary College 2015 Year 7 Information Night. Weds March 12, 5.30pm – 7.30pm
Grade 6 primary school students and their parents/guardians are invited to our 2015 Year 7 Information Evening, to be held at the College “Wednesday March 12, 5.30-7.30pm. Join us for a sausage sizzle/BBQ at 5.30pm, take a guided tour of the College followed by an Information session at 7.00pm. Junior school staff and coordinators will be on hand to discuss the program and information that will assist the transition from Primary to Secondary school. English, Maths, Humanities, P.E., the Arts, Technology, Science, LOTE and Health Faculties will be available to outline what is studied at Year 7 and beyond, and assist with and questions. Learn about our extensive extracurricular activities and other opportunities that make Daylesford Secondary College stand out as a provider of quality education in the region.
Contact the school on 5348 23676 for further enquiries.

DAYLESFORD JR FUTBOL 2014
2014 Registration Fees $85 per player or $65 for two players from same family. Club membership $15.
Training Sessions Tues/Thurs U/12 5.00-6.30pm & U/15 4.30-5.30pm, U18 Tues & Fri 5.30-7.00pm
Jumper Presentation Thurs 3 April 6pm (Snr Club Rooms) Free BBQ
First Game Sat 5 April D’ford vs Ballan (at Daylesford)
Enquiries: Jan 5348 176