DIARY DATES

AUGUST
Fri 8th Gr 5/6 Excursion to Circus OZ at Her Majesty’s, Ballarat.
Mon 11th Jump Rope For Heart - In Family Groups
Tues 12th Open Rehearsal for Senior Choir (Daylesford Town Hall) All Welcome
Friday 15th Final day for return of Jump Rope for Heart Sponsorship forms

BREAKFAST IN THE GYM
• Fri 15th August Prep – 4
• Mon 18th August Gr. 3 - 6

Mon 25th-Fri 29th BOOK WEEK
Tues 26th • Book Week Dress-up Day
• Senior Choir South Street.
Fri 29th Book Week Presentation in Gym (9.00am – 11.00am)

Term Dates 2014
TERM 1 30th January – 4th April
TERM 2 22nd April – 27th June
TERM 3 15th July – 19th September
TERM 4 6th October – 18th December
Office Hours: 8.30am – 4.00pm
School Banking Every Friday

BOOK FAIR ....RAISED ALMOST $7,000
(see page 2)

2014 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)
Dates: Maths 12th Aug Yrs 2-6

Current Focus
Respect (Property, School, Environment)
By 3/4 C

RESPECT THE SCHOOL, PROPERTY AND THE ENVIRONMENT
What it means:
-some thoughts from Rennie, Josiah, Tyber & Juno
• respect school property- like school balls
• respect the garden and school environment
• don’t wreck other people’s toys
• no littering because it’s bad for the environment
• don’t bend school books

-a short story by Jasmine and Giselle
One day Jasmine and Giselle were walking in the park. They saw a boy littering his food. Giselle said, “Don’t do that, it’s bad for the environment.” He said, “Sorry. Sometimes I do the wrong thing.” Jasmine said, “That’s okay.”

School
Classroom
Houses
Oval
Others
Library
Property
Rooms
Others’ toys
Parents
Everything
Dishwashes
Teachers
You

Respect others’ things
Everything needs to be respected
School property
Property – your own and others’
Environment is not to be littered- be sustainable
Cool kids respect and show consideration
Truthful is respectful

by Evan Mae, Perri, Arkie, Sophie, Lauren, Josephine,
Term 3 2014   No. 23   8th August, 2014   Current Focus:   Respect property, school, environment  (Be respectful)

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Newsletter Week 4 Term 3

• Book Fair – outcome and helpers
• Debating Team – August 18, Semi-final
• Goldfields Athletics
• Jump Rope for Heart – family groups Monday 11 August
• Words in Winter

The Annual Book Fair has seen an extraordinary outcome for 2014 – with close to $7000 raised for our school. A huge thank you must go out to our core team of volunteers and the long list of helpers who made this all possible. An incalculable amount of time and energy goes into staging such a fundraising event and it seems only fitting that an outcome of this magnitude be reward for effort.

Our Year 5/6 Boys Debating team has been notified that they have reached the semi-final which will be held on Monday 18th August. Jaida, Ben and Cooper will compete against Buninyong PS for a place in the final. Well done to these three boys, as well as their fourth team member and researcher, Will. Thank you to Trudi Blick for making this part of her program when working with the Year 5/6 students this year. Good luck to the team on August 18.

A very successful Goldfields Athletics carnival was held on Monday this week. A number of Year 3-6 students will be attending the Regional Athletics in September. I would like to congratulate all the students who competed in such a positive way at Llanberris and wish all those students who move onto regional competition the best of luck. Thank you to Mr K and Sherilee for their work in organising this event.

During our Family Groups next Monday, 11th August, the students will be taking part in Jump Rope for Heart. As in previous years, there will be an opportunity for sponsorship; however this event stands more as a symbol of raising awareness for the Heart Foundation and good health. More information will be sent home this week.

Finally, a number of individual students and classes have entered this year’s Words in Winter Festival. It has been great to see the students enthusiastically approaching their writing entries. This festival gives them an authentic purpose and audience for their writing. Well done to the students who performed in choir and poetry on the weekend as part of the festival. A great deal of team work and confidence was shown by this group of children in representing the school. We are very proud of how our students represent DPS.

David Garner
Acting Principal.

MSP PHOTOGRAPHY – PRE-PAY ORDER FORM

25cm X 20cm Photographs $18 each

School Captains, Specialist Captains, School Leaders and Junior School Council.

Order forms available at the office, and must be completed with payment by: MONDAY 11th AUGUST, 2014.
THANK YOU!
BOOK FAIR VOLUNTEERS 2014

CORE TEAM
Claire Connor (O’Donghia), Louise English, Jessica Newton, Peter O’Donghia, Shelley Sandow, Merrilyn Sim, Nel Staite

ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY
Michelle Ainley, Lauren Bennett, Lindy Churches, Sue Davis, Kathryn Early, Kate Pagan, Jendy Fry & Nev, Janet Horvat, Alisa Hyland, Kathy Jeffers, Emily Joyce, Andrew Keillerup, Karen McAlloon, Al Kaye, Emma Wells, Steve Meadows, Kathleen Murray, Lena Muscat, Donna O’Mara, Anna Parsons, Jacinta Saunders, Jayne Santurini, David Sim, Samuel (Bianca’s dad) Sharon Treloar, Annshar Wolls, Kim Wrigley

STUDENTS (PAST AND PRESENT) WHO HELPED OVER WEEKENDS/HOLIDAYS

CANEATN DUTY TERM 3 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 (see below).

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
TERM 3  2014

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CAKE STALL
We have been approached by The Swiss Italian Festa Committee about organising a cake stall for the Family Festa Day as a fundraiser for our school. If anyone is interested in co-ordinating the stall please contact the office.

Congratulations to the winners of the Maths Competition. Great effort!!

P-2 Tully and Frey
For showing great working out and drawing and making models to solve the problems

3/4 Perri Eaton
For showing great working out and giving clear answers

5/6 Josh Wade
For showing very neat layouts and drawing and giving clear explanations
STUDENT / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

YMCA Ballarat/ Ballarat Roller Derby League
FUN SKATE SESSION
Saturday 9th August 2014
Delacombe Stadium 1pm – 4pm
$10 per person includes skate hire and 3 hours of skating. Kiosk Operating. Ages 4 +
Skating lessons available (Bookings essential)
Contact Stacey 0434 743 993

Words in Winter Family Day
An all day festival for kids with performances, storytelling, drama, mime, circus, music, craft, workshops, films, authors and more.
Sunday 10th August, 10am - 4pm
Daylesford Town Hall
Entry $8 per Child. Under 2’s and Parents Free
Enquiries and Bookings wordsinwinter@gmail.com
See full program at www.wordsinwinter.com
Look out for the full program in your next newsletter!

What Gonski means for your child
Gonski is a way of funding schools based on the needs of students. It was recommended by the Gonski Review that found too many students were missing out due to a lack of resources.

For us, the additional Gonski funding over the next six years will allow us to really expand the educational programs and learning support we know will make a difference in what our students achieve.

With this funding we will be able to:
• Put in place additional literacy and numeracy programs and provide one on one assistance to students at risk of falling behind
• Increase the specialist support and assistance for students who really need it – such as those with disabilities or special learning needs.
• Take a whole-of-school approach to building the skills and knowledge of teachers
• Provide extension programs that will help teachers really push our smartest students to do even better

The significant problem we have is that the Abbott Government in the May budget announced it will only provide the Gonski funding we are relying on for four years not six. That is a big issue because only one third of the funding comes in the first 4 years.

Cutting the Gonski funding means public schools across the country will be denied the money they need to provide all students the opportunity for a high quality education.

In addition, we are very concerned that the Napthine government has not delivered appropriate additional funding for the first year of the agreement to our schools and we do not know what will happen from 2015 onwards.

Principals, teachers and parents are working hard to try and get the Prime Minister to change his mind on this critical investment and you can learn more at www.igiveagonski.com.au

If you would like to know more about our plan for the Gonski funding please contact our school.

Water is Best
Children do not need fruit juices or other sweet drinks to have a healthy diet. Limit sweet drinks and remember water is always the best choice.

Choose carefully...

fruit juice box 4 teaspoons of sugar
Sometimes...
soft drink can 8 teaspoons of sugar
cordial 5 teaspoons of sugar