Current Focus

“RESPECT”

(Property, School, Environment)

Property
We use many things at home and school to make life more enjoyable: TV, CD players, computers, sports equipment, class materials, play equipment, etc. These items need to be looked after for everyone’s benefit!

If the owners of toys/games share, we must not abuse the privilege: look after these things as if they were your own, return them to the owner in good condition and thank them for letting us use them. If we use classroom materials return them to where they are stored. It is the same with things at home: look after your own possessions and those are shared by family. Show respect for property at all times!

Our School
Our school means different things to different people. Everyone has their favourite place. Some people enjoy a book in a quiet corner of the classroom and others enjoy the computer in their room. Some children prefer to sit under the trees, others play footy on the oval or climb on play equipment.

It is important that we look after our school so that it remains a pleasant place to be. Respecting our school means working together as a team to keep it clean, free from litter and ensuring that no-one damages buildings, furniture or equipment. Trees and gardens need to be respected too. They make our school grounds look better, provide shade and shelter.

Respecting all play areas means everyone benefits: our school values are there to keep school a safe, happy place. Be proud of our school.

The Environment
We are very fortunate to live in a wonderful town like Daylesford. There are many natural features near our school – the lake, the springs, parks and gardens, fascinating walking trails, wonderful old trees, natural birdlife and so many other unique and special places around us.

We need to look after all of these places and be respectful of them, not just for their own sake but because they are important to people both now and in the future.

Remember to always treat our environment with respect. This can be done in many ways – never leave rubbish around, be sensitive to the natural environment and wildlife, remember it is their home we are visiting. Always walk or ride on designated paths. Respecting and caring for our environment will mean it will be there for everyone to appreciate and enjoy for many years.

David Garner

Sovereign Hill Photos

be respectful - be a responsible learner - be honest and trustworthy
be caring and compassionate - be a good citizen
Principal’s Report

Post-surgery, I have been diagnosed with a condition called Fibromyalgia, which is basically the CNS forced into overdrive, producing acute pain throughout my body. I have now got to the stage whereby I cannot work effectively and have been forced to schedule an unknown time of sick leave. During my absence, David Garner will be Acting Principal and Karen McHugh will be Acting Assistant Principal. Jo Manning and Chris T will be teaching 5/6M.

Goldfields Athletics is next Monday 4 August. Good luck to the biggest team we have ever sent to Goldfields. The students have been waiting enthusiastically for this day for quite a while. A big thank you to Andrew Kiellerup who has coordinated this event; I’m sure it will be a great success.

Thank you to all parents who attended our parent/teacher/student interviews on Wednesday. The students did a very good job in reflecting on their learning throughout semester 1 and sharing their learning and personal goals for semester 2. The challenge now remains that the students need to action on these goals. So this is where the partnership between home and school can work together, revisiting the steps the children need to take to achieve improvement in certain areas of their learning.

Peter Burke

Classroom Cooking

Next Wednesday 6 August we will be making delicious and healthy Kale Risotto for lunch with Jodie. Don’t forget your $2.00!

Parent Opinion Survey

Parent Opinion Surveys were attached to last week’s newsletter. Thank you to those parents who have returned their surveys. We would appreciate it if all remaining parents could complete and return these CONFIDENTIAL surveys by MONDAY 4 AUGUST.

Parent/Carer Volunteers – T3

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