'Learning and Growing Together'
Be Respectful  Be a Responsible Learner
Be Honest and Trustworthy
Be Caring and Compassionate  Be a Good Citizen

**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/advise 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.
**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

Welcome back everyone. I trust you all had a lovely break with the family.

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 for being punctual to school, despite the challenge of daylight saving.

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.

[Image of wine bottles]


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

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**YANDOIT NEWS**

A big thanks to Richard Pleasance for coming in and setting up the BBQ that was donated by Anna. It took a few hours to do so we really do appreciate this giving of time to benefit the whole school community. It looks like we will be all set for the Swiss Italian Festa.

[Image of BBQ]

Congratulations to Renier for his achievements at the 40th Anniversary Tournament for Tang Soo Tao. He received a Silver medal for his forms or basic movements and travelled all the way to Darwin to participate.

[Image of Renier]

A reminder to parents that we are a Sun Smart School and school hats are to be worn at recess, lunchtime and sport during terms 1 & 4.
WALK TO SCHOOL MONTH

‘Walk to School’ encourages primary school children to walk to and from school every day in October, to highlight the ways walking improves children’s health and wellbeing.

Walking to and from school can help children get the daily physical activity they need – and there are plenty of other benefits too. Walking to school can help to reduce traffic congestion, parking difficulties and the associated environmental impacts.

Less than one in five Victorian kids walk to school regularly, at a time when childhood obesity is rising to epidemic levels. Since 2006, VicHealth’s Walk to School has aimed to tackle this worrying trend by encouraging Victorian primary students to walk to and from school more often. Younger children are encouraged to walk with their parents and older children on their own (when their parents decide it’s safe).

October is a great time to start walking, because Victoria’s fabulous spring sunshine makes it a pleasure to get out of the house, and the car!

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STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

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).

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 receipt 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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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
VOLLEYBALL AT THE ARC
Daylesford Volleyball’s new season has commenced at the ARC in Smith St. Grade 6 students, parents and teachers are welcome to come along, join in the fun, make new friends and get a little bit fit. So come along on the night or contact Colin Priest on 53487674 or 0447487674 School and State Junior Coach.

MARTIAL ARTS - KIDS SELF DEFENCE
Concentration, fitness. Confidence. 5yrs and up
Mondays 5.00-5.45 $65 per term.
Bodhidharma, 971 Basalt Road, Shepherds Flat
Tara: 0407 329 662 Damien: 0428 994 859

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.$20pp 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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Info and booking call Ivo 041988006