1-8-2014

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

CALENDAR

August
Monday 4th
• Goldfield Athletics Ballarat - Llanberris
• Good Luck Zoe and Isaac!
• Meet bus at DPS

Wednesday 20th
• School Council 6pm
• Child Care available

Wednesday 27th
• Annexe Group Day at Drummond PS
• Book Week Celebrations - Dress Up day
• Parent Drivers needed.

Pupil Free Days – Jan 28, 29, July 14 & Nov 1

School Term Dates 2014

Term 3 Tue 15th July – Fri 19th Sept
Term 4 Mon 6th Oct – Fri 19th Dec

WORDS IN WINTER
CLASS BOOK
**STUDENT PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

What an outstanding job our students have done for their Student Parent Teacher Interviews. Our Grade 3-6 students worked very hard to produce Powerpoint presentations of their goals for term 3 and 4. With teacher support they prepared a Personal Goal, a Social Goal and a Learning Goal. Many of the older students had several goals for each area and strategies to achieve their goals. Our P-3 students also put a great deal of effort into thinking about their goals and were able to draw pictures to explain how they were going to achieve their goals.

**PRINCIPALS REPORT**

Post-surgery, I have been diagnosed with a condition called Fibromyalgia, which is basically the Central Nervous System forced into over drive, 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, 4th 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. Isaac and Zoe will be representing Yandoit Annexe.

Deb Rauber will be taking Long Service Leave from Week 8 in T3 until Wk 4 in T4. The Annexe Support role will be shared by Jose and Robyn during this time. Jose will work on Thursdays and Robyn will work on Wed afternoons.

Finally, the Drummond and Yandoit Annexes Excursion was held last Friday and despite concerns that the weather would not be the best, it appears that the weather was kind to all. The students, teachers and parents had a wonderful day.

Peter Burke and David Garner

**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 EXCURSION

Everyone enjoyed their day at Sovereign Hill last Friday. Thankyou to Robyn, Michelle Q and Nadine for all your planning for the day. Thankyou to our parent helpers, John and Lisa Cockerall for their assistance as well.

…more photos next week…..

WORDS IN WINTER

Please find attached to this Newsletter a permission note if you would like your child/children’s movies shown at the Film Festival.

GERMAN WORDS OF THE WEEK…..

die Mutter – the mother

der Vater – the father

STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

Daylesford Secondary College
World Challenge Trivia Night
**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](http://www.wordsinwinter.com)

The Full program is included with this newsletter!

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**Respect (Property, Home and Environment)**

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**Shipwreck Adventures**

*at The Rex Arcade*

**Saturday 2 August, 2pm, Free.**

Discover the mysteries of the missing Mahogany Ship

with children’s author Sven Scheppokat.

*Kids activities, fun facts and stories.*

Also at The Rex Sat 2 Aug

10.30am **Concert of Choirs** including DPS and teen choir ‘Mi Se Fa’

1.30pm **Pop Up Poetry** performed by local primary students

3pm **Pop Up Drama** performed by local primary students

All part of **Words in Winter Hub** at The Rex Arcade Sat 2 & Sun 3 Aug. Details [www.wordsinwinter.com](http://www.wordsinwinter.com)

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**Martial Arts - Kids Self Defence**

Concentration. fitness. Confidence. 5yrs and up

Bodhidharma, 971 Basalt Road. Shepherds Flat

Tara: 0407 329 662  Damien: 0428 994 85

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**JAN’S ART CLASSES**

Vacancies for 3rd Term. From painting, mosaics, scrapbooking, cake decorating and much more. Straight after school till 5pm. $25 per weekly session. All materials and snacks provided. Working with children check. At 16 Little Street Daylesford.

Contact: Janet Milton on 53483742

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**Inside Out Dance Theatre**

**TERM 3**

creative dance, adult & child, contemporary, boys dance, african dance, ballet, drama & studio hire

ph: (03)53481193 \ m: 0417592522
c: joannetsakos@yahoo.com.au

Factory 239 East St. Daylesford, 3460

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**Community Health Centre**

cnr Jamieson St and Hospital St, Daylesford.

10.30pm – 12.30pm on Wednesdays on the following dates in 2014: **Term 3:**

July 23rd August 6th August 20th Sept 3rd Sept 17th

**Term 4:**

Oct 15th Oct 29th Nov 5th Nov 19th Dec 3rd

For more information, contact Melissa, Pinarc Parent Support Coordinator. MDelaland-Desfosse@pinarc.org.au Phone: 53291361

Please Note: While snacks for children can be brought to MyTime, we prefer fruit

*No nuts, eggs or products containing whole nuts or eggs (e.g., cakes, biscuits and snack bars) may be brought as some children have severe or even life-threatening allergic reactions to these foods.*