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

CURRENT FOCUS

Good Organisation

Good organisational skills are important in our lives. These skills assist us greatly with setting goals and time management when we plan in/for our learning at school and other aspects of our daily life.

Being organised assists us with our daily routines at home and at school. Good organisation allows us to manage our time more effectively. We can plan to get things done and work our other things around our commitments. Good organisation helps us and others around us to plan and get things completed. Schoolwork, sports practice, music commitments, jobs around home, etc can be better managed through the use of schedules/timetables, marking things on the calendar or in a diary. This way we can ensure that things get done!

Some good organisational skills may include:

- Getting things completed on time
- Planning for particular events
- Allowing enough time to complete things
- Setting goals for yourself (short term/long term)
- Knowing where to find things and keeping things in an orderly manner (school locker, bag, room, personal belongings)
- Prioritising things that need to be done at home/school/recreation activities
- Keeping to a time schedule and being prepared for upcoming events or work commitments

Good organisation assists all of us with our daily routines: we plan for things, manage routines, keep commitments, complete things on a daily basis and achieve balance in our life.

David Garner

CALENDAR

May
- Tues 13th – Thurs 15th
  - NAPLAN Grades 3 and 5
- Mon 19th - Fri 23rd
  - Education Week
- Tuesday 20th
  - Dress-up Day (fundraiser for RSPCA )
- Wednesday 21st
  - Open Morning 9-11
  - National Simultaneous Storytime P-2
  - Grade 6 / 7 Transition Day 9-3.20 at Daylesford Secondary College
  - School Council meeting 6:00pm
- Tuesday 27th
  - Cultural Day and Performance at DPS

June
- Wed 4th
  - Cultural Day Excursion to Daylesford PS
- Monday 9th
  - Queen’s Birthday Holiday
- Wednesday 18th
  - School Photos
- Friday 27th
  - Last day of term 2

July
- Monday 14th
  - Pupil Free Day
- Tuesday 15th
  - First day of Term 3

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

School Term Dates 2014

Term 2 Tue 22nd Apr – Fri 27th June
Term 3 Tue 15th July – Fri 19th Sept
Term 4 Mon 6th Oct – Fri 19th Dec
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

The National Assessment program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2014 for Years 3 and 5 students will be held on Tuesday 13th May, Wednesday 14th May and Thursday 15th May 2014. NAPLAN tests assess student knowledge and skills in Writing, Reading, Language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

The results of the test provide information for students, parents, teachers and principals which can be used to improve students achievement.

Later in the year you will receive your child’s personal NAPLAN report. The report will describe your child’s particular skills in Reading, Writing, Language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. The report will also show how your child performed in relation to national minimum standards. These describe the minimum acceptable standards for students across Australia.

For more information about the test, please visit the VCAA website at www.vcaa.vic.edu.au or the NAP website at www.nap.edu.au.

Peter Burke

RSPCA STUDENT FUNDRAISER
DRESS-UP DAY

Don’t forget our Dress –Up Day to raise money for the RSPCA.

Dress up as your favourite animal on Tuesday or bring your favourite toy animal.

Please bring a gold coin donation Tuesday 20th May

WORKING BEE AND FAMILY BBQ

Thankyou to EVERYONE who helped out at the Working bee today. We ticked many things off the list! It was also wonderful for families to catch up at the Family BBQ.

STUDENT AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

CENTACARE
Family Relationship Services Program:
Parenting Programs
Managing Kids with Attitude: Tues 22nd & 29th July, 1.00-3.00 pm Cost: $20 p.p
Parenting Solo: Weds 7 & 14th May 6-8pm and Sat 18 Oct, 10am-1pm $20 p.p.
All groups will be held at the Family Relationship Centre, 34 Peel St, North, Ballarat.
To register please call: 53 277 960.

Ballarat Christian College School Tour & Information Session
- Weds 7th May, 2014 from 4.00-6.00pm. Information Meeting at 6.00pm.
(Yarrowee & Vickers Sts, Sebastopol, Ph. 5337 5900)

Family Nature Walks
Sat 10th May 2 - 4pm
Fungi Fun at Blackwood. Become Bush Detectives and discover what’s new in the bush this Autumn. Join naturalist, Tanya Loos and nature educator, Jen Bray for a series of short forest walks each season suitable for families with primary-aged children and older. BYO drinks, snacks, weather protective gear and wear sturdy shoes. Bring Cameras, magnifying glasses or binoculars if you wish. Meet Garden of St Erth carpark, Blackwood at 2pm.
$10 per family. Bookings and enquiries: bray_jen@hotmail.com
Based on Tanya Loos' book Daylesford Nature Diary: six seasons in the foothill forests

AUSKICK
Daylesford Auskick 2014 will change from a Sunday morning to a Monday evening timeslot this year and as such will commence on Monday 21st April from 5.00pm at Daylesford Junior Oval, Victoria Park, Daylesford and run for 10 to 12 weeks.
A Free BBQ and Drinks will be on offer for all kids and Families.
Please note that all registrations have to be done online at aflauskick.com.au
For all information just go to AFL Auskick website or contact Stephen Walsh, AFL Auskick coordinator for Daylesford Auskick on 0417 573 517.

BASKETBALL
Term 2 Basketball will recommence on Tuesday 22nd April 2014. This is our registration and payment night for all fees. Term Fee $50 and insurance $35 (Annual). All fees must be paid by 6/5/14. NO PAY, NO PLAY WILL BE ENFORCED BY THE
ASSOCIATION. Any fees outstanding from Term 1 must be paid immediately.
CLINIC ONLY WILL BE HELD FOR PLAYERS 22/4/14
10 & Under 4.00-5.00pm, 13 & Under 5.00-6.00pm,
17 & Under 6.00-7.00pm.

Daylesford and Hepburn Soccer Club.
Socceroos here we come! Come and be a part of Australia’s fastest growing sport, you can learn new skills and train with talented coaches, under the skilful oversight of European champion Marcus McIntosh. Girls and boys all ages welcome, come and try out – our training is 4 to 6pm each Wednesday at Victoria Park. The Daylesford and Hepburn Soccer Club is preparing for its biggest year yet, fielding multiple teams of all ages. For information contact John Mayger, Junior Club Manager on 0412230536. Check out our club at [http://www.daylesfordsoccerclub.com](http://www.daylesfordsoccerclub.com) or just turn up Wednesday at 4pm.

Daylesford After School Care is offering two clubs during term 2:
Drama Club with Marg Murphy every Tuesday at 4.15pm and Science Club with various community members and ASC educators every Thursday at 4.15pm. There is no extra cost for the clubs, only the normal government subsidised child care fee for the afternoon. The clubs run concurrently with our regular After School Care program. Each club day the children will be collected from their schools and provided with afternoon tea prior to the start of club sessions. For bookings or more information please contact Julie McLean on 5348 3702.

Daylesford Outside School Hours Care now has a facebook page.
[https://www.facebook.com/daylesfordoshc](https://www.facebook.com/daylesfordoshc)

Sprung Circus Classes
Mondays 8yrs -12 yrs 4pm
Wednesdays prep - 8 yrs 4pm;
Wednesdays 12 yrs -adults 5.30pm
basic training and extended training programs.
2 Coaches per class: both experienced, working performers in their field of practice
Ivo - acrobatics, handstands. Bulgarian National Acrobat Team, silver medal in World Championships, Coached Circus Oz, Nica, FFF, Cirkids and continues to perform
Eric - juggler, unicyclist, all kinds of manipulation including whip cracking - world toured current shows include Eric the Red, and the French Waiter
Term 2 2014 starting Wednesday 22 April
Info and booking call Ivo 0419880067

PIANO TUITION
Exciting, innovative approach with a tuition programme designed to suit the individual needs of each student. A fully qualified and registered professional teacher. Students enjoy learning with correct technique from the start. Exams, eisteddfod and scholarship preparation if required. No obligation interview. Bronislaw Sozanski 5345 7522

Researchers from the University of Western Australia are investigating children’s ability to detect and avoid potentially harmful social interactions, such as being easily fooled or tricked into doing something. We are looking to see how this develops in children, and when children outgrow this vulnerability.
We are looking for parents of Kindergarten – Year 6 children across Australia to complete an online survey (15 – 20 minutes). Participants will go into a draw to win one of 10 $50 gift certificates to Coles/Myers. To participate go to:
[http://tinyurl.com/childsvq](http://tinyurl.com/childsvq)
Or for more information please contact Rebecca Seward at (08) 6488 4652

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