**Current Focus**

**Acceptance (caring and compassion)**

This week 5/6M chose to represent acceptance in the form of a tree.

Initially our tree was barren and lifeless, burdened with expressions of hate and fear. We decided that acceptance is not just a word but an action. We chose to counteract our unaccepting thoughts with a more accepting statement.

We share these with you below:

“I’m not as good as them.” *Marissa and Caitlin.*

“I am me!”

“I can’t believe we don’t have an ipad, we’re so broke!”

“Yeah we don’t have an ipad but look on the bright side, focus on the positive, at least we have a phone.” *Jaz and Lucy*

“You’re annoying!”

“Yeah he is annoying but I can choose to hang out with someone else.” *Chace and Tom M.*

“No one likes me, I have no friends.”

“I’m going to do things differently and find someone who likes the same things as me” *Taya and Tasha.*

“I’ll never be as good as him.”

“He’s great but I know there’s things I’m good at too.”* Whun and Ben T.*

“We fight all the time about silly little things.”

“We accept that we don’t always have to agree, we forgive each other and become friends again.” *Viydee and Eleanor*

“I can never be as good as them.”

“I am as good as them I’m just different and that’s ok!” *Holly and Jorja*

“You can’t play, you always go out!”

“Sure you can play. If you keep going out, we’ll help you learn the game.” *Josh W and Lachy R*

“I’m not as fast as her.”

“Well…I’m not as fast as her but I can do a PB” (personal best). *Keylah, Carly and Mackenzie*

With acceptance we can change our attitudes, conquer our fears, and instil belief in ourselves and others.

Acceptance says:

“i’m ok with your differences”

“i’m ok with my differences” AND

“i may not always like the hand i’m dealt but i’ll work with it and learn to accept it.

Our tree is no longer burdened and lifeless but full of colour and hope. ☺
**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

Parent Newsletter Week 6 T3

- Words in Winter
- Book Week Celebrations
- Goldfields Athletics – postponed until Monday 31st August
- JRFH
- Breakfast Program
- Naplan Reports (Gr3 & 5)
- Prep Enrolments 2016

Jen Bray, the co-ordinator of Words in Winter, visited our school assembly and spoke about the success of Words in Winter weekend. She thanked all the children and staff for their involvement and spoke of the record number of entries for the writing competition. A number of our students featured in the prizes and it was pleasing to see a large number of our senior students receive commendations for their writing.

A reminder to all families, that the Book Week Celebrations are next week. Tuesday is our dress up day ‘Your Favourite Book Character’, a parade will occur in assembly at 9.00am, all parents are welcome. Friday morning will see the class Book Presentations in the gym at 9.00am, again all parents are most welcome.

Due to inclement weather on Monday, the Goldfields Athletics Sports were once again postponed. The new and final date is Monday 31st August.

The ‘Jump Off’ for Jump Rope for Heart is now planned in our Family Groups on Monday 14th September. It is pleasing to see a number of students skipping in the yard as we lead up to the event.

The Breakfast program was once again successfully conducted this week. On Monday morning we were very busy, with our Prep – Grade 4 students and Friday offered a chance for our Grade 3-6 students to come in and have an extra breakfast.

I am still receiving excellent feedback regarding the re-introduction of the Fresh Fruit Friday, which was an initiative of our Junior School Council. Thank you to our sponsors who are listed on the back page of our newsletter. Well done JSC.

Individual Naplan Reports have been distributed today.

Finally, another reminder the Prep enrolments for 2016 are NOW due. Please contact the front office for an enrolment form or download one from our website http://www.daylesps.vic.edu.au/enrollment.html

Peter Burke

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**Children's Writing Awards**

**Words in Winter 2015**

Prize winners

**Prep - Grade 2**
1st Oisin O’Sullivan, Drummond PS, for “The Black Hole”
2nd Alice Glen, Drummond PS for “Space Discovery”

**Grade 3 - 4**
3rd Jaime Sandow Daylesford PS for “Reach for the Stars”

**Grade 5 - 6**
4th Jaz Scopel Daylesford PS for “Reach for the Stars and face the Clown”

**Highly Commended**

**Prep-Grade 2**
Heidi Torrance, Mackenzie Elderfield, Sophia Vekic Dru Dickenson- Bray, Imogen Waldon, Amelia Seidler

**Grade 3-4**
Lulu Partyka-Turnbull, Scout Kinnear, Max Robertson, Sunday Wright (Drummond PS)

**Grade 5-6**

**Posters**
Miles Wilkinson, Tayah Jack, Demi Henderson, Masha Milosh, Eric Kelly, Sasha Sadowy, Ryley Wallace.

**Commonwealth Bank School Banking**

Concerns have been raised regarding the ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ reward item due to the inclusion of four button batteries that can be accessed by unscrewing the back of the torch. Whilst this reward has been independently tested and deemed to meet relevant product standards the Commonwealth Bank have made the decision to proactively withdraw this item from the School Banking Rewards Program. Parents/Guardians are requested to dispose of any ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torches’ their child may have already received as part of the Rewards Program. Students who have previously received a ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ are welcome to redeem an alternative reward item.
NEW!!!

POLAR FLEECE BEANIES
WITH DPS LOGO
Available at office $10

MS Readathon 2015
The MS Readathon Challenge runs for the month of August. The easiest way to register is online at: mstreadathon.org.au
There are limited registration forms available please see Jenidy.
This is a great opportunity for the whole family to get on board and enjoy reading together to support a valuable cause

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RE-USABLE LUNCH ORDER BAGS $10
Available via the Canteen
– order through your lunch order OR directly through the Canteen. Available only in Black with blue trim.

CANTEEN - HELP ALWAYS NEEDED
Please contact our Canteen Manager, Bev Adkins, on 5348 1839 or 0423 357 191 if you can assist. Thank you

PIZZA SAUCE IS NOW USED IN OUR FOCACCIAS - NO NUTS

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End of Term

Scholastic Book Club
Issue 6 Now out.
Parents wanting to order from issue 6 may do so using the “LOOP” online ordering system
BOOKLETS AVAILABLE FROM OFFICE OR LIBRARY WORKROOM.
Any orders will be delivered to school in the usual manner.

ANNUAL SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR
A great opportunity to purchase gifts for birthdays or Christmas at a great price whilst supporting your child’s school in the Literacy program.

We will be setting up our display of wonderful books in the Open Learning Centre (OLC), where they will be available for viewing & purchasing from Monday 24th August to Friday 4th September at 8.45 - 9.15am and 3.15 - 3.45pm
Each class & child will get the chance to view these books during this week with their teacher and they will create their own ‘wish lists’ at this time.

Prices range from $1 to $30, so there is something for everyone. We look forward to seeing you there during the ‘Book Week’ celebrations!

BROOKLANDS
free range farms
Blampied, Vic

Brooklands Farms will be sponsoring the Fresh Fruit Friday for the Month of August
STUDENT / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

WEEKEND 4 WAYNE FUNDRAISER FAMILY DAY
Sunday 23rd August 2015 at the
Daylesford Town Hall 10.30am-3.30pm
Cost: $10 Family, $5 Individual
Lots of fun and activities including
fairy forest, face painting, jumping castle
and mini tumbling.

Pocket Astrophysics for Daily Life
Supernova, nebulae, asteroids, life on other planets! Meet
a real Astrophysicist who studies the stars. Professor
Orsola De Marco from Macquarie University reveals the
secrets of the universe in an illustrated talk that will enthral
children and adults alike. See the Rings of Saturn with your
own eyes! View the night sky from telescopes on the
footpath outside the Town Hall with Bendigo Astronomers.
Friday 21 August, Daylesford Town Hall
6.30pm Telescopes
7pm Pocket Astrophysics
FREE - (suited to ages 7 to adult)
Presented by National Science Week, Inspiring
Australia and Words in Winter

SPRUNG CIRCUS
acrobatics, minitramp, aerial, unicycles, juggling,
performance and more!
Mondays Acrobatics and circus
8yr plus 4-5.30pm
Acrobalance all age combos 5.45-7pm
Wednesdays
Acrobatics and circus, 5-8yrs 4-5.30pm
Teens/adults, all levels, personal training plan 5.45-
7pm
Call Mara 0477499342

We wish to thank the following businesses, who
have been extremely generous in their financial
support of
Daylesford Primary School.

STOCKDALE & LEGGO

“Whether it be for sale or rental purposes, please contact
Stockdale & Leggo Daylesford for all your selling and rental
needs”. S & L Daylesford have been operating for the last 28
years in Daylesford and we know Real Estate!!! For a free
market appraisal, please give us a call on 5348 2766. (Major
sponsor for the Daylesford Primary School)
51 Vincent St., Daylesford, Ph: 5348 2766, Fax 5348 1162.

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Servicing Daylesford & Hepburn Shire
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