**NEWSLETTER NO. 29 – Tuesday 13/10/2015**

**CALENDAR**

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<td>Tues 20th</td>
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<td>Fri 23rd</td>
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**Term Dates 2015**

TERM 4  5th October – 18th December

Office Hours: 8.30am – 4.00pm

**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.

**PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2016 NOW CLOSING**

**Principal’s Report**

Welcome back to term 4 everyone. I was excited to see all the children this week and to hear of their holiday adventures.

Well done and thank you to all the families who adjusted quickly to daylight saving and presented the children on time and in uniform. As the weather has warmed quickly we have reminded the children about our broad brim hat policy. ‘No hat no play’ was put in place this week.

In the lead up to the Swiss Italian Festa, we are yet again conducting a number of activities to promote and encourage participation in this wonderful community event. The lantern workshops last week were highly successful and engaging. Can I refer you to the front page of the newsletter where all the dates and events are listed. I look forward to seeing you at Festa Parade on Saturday the 24th October.

Please welcome our new school student who is in P-1-2K and moved to Kyneton during winter. Some first thoughts from her are:

“I like Drummond Primary School as I can sit outside in the sunshine and enjoy the garden. In investigations I did magnetics and then I worked in the writing workshop and am writing a story.”

**Prep Transition Dates**

Prep Transition days will be from 9.00am – 11.30am on the following dates:

Thursday 5th November
Wednesday 11th November
Thursday 26th November

Please make sure that children bring a water bottle and snack for the morning. All our new 2016 preps

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be respectful - be a responsible learner - be honest and trustworthy
be caring and compassionate - be a good citizen
participate with the other students at the school during the morning session.

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**Swiss Italian Festa**

Just a reminder that students will be participating in the **Swiss Italian Festa Parade on Saturday 24th of October** as well as in the concert that follows.

Details are in the attached Swiss Italia Festa program and further information will be provided in next week’s newsletter.

The Twilight parade winds through the bush to the site of the spectacular fireworks. Details are as follows:

**WHEN:** Sunday 25th October

**WHERE:** Assemble in Tenth street near Cosy Corner Café and Walk to the Mineral springs reserve.

**PARKING:** please park in Main Rd, Hepburn Springs. Parking in the Hepburn Bathhouse car park is limited from 4pm.

Bring along $1.00 to buy a battery tea light candle.

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**CyberSafety Session**

As the prevalence of social media increases it is of great importance children learn how to do this in the safest manner possible.

As detailed in the letter sent home to all families this week, to support parents we have arranged for Victorian Police Youth Resource Officer, Snr Constable Des Hudson to deliver a cybersafety session to ALL Parents of Daylesford Primary School and Annexes on Thursday 29th October, from 5.15-6.45pm in the OLC.

Please note: this is a parent-focussed session and not designed for children to attend.

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**Students of the Week**

For showing persistence in maths during a challenging lesson. This shows that **Archie** is taking responsibility for his learning.

Congratulations **Sierra**

- for showing persistence with your work.

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**Positive Behaviour Group**

**Terrific Tigers**

Congratulations to the winners of the positive behaviour group – **Terrific Tigers** – Saxon, Hamish, Sunny, Kyah, Quennie and Matilda. (Quennie & Matilda not photographed)

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**Borrowing Books - Library**

On Thursday afternoons, this term students are using the library to borrow special library books.

If your child has a “library” bag please make sure they bring it on Thursdays. This will keep our books in good condition so that all can enjoy them.

Students will be able to borrow two books each – which they must return before they can borrow out a new book.

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**Friday School Lunches**

From this Friday school lunches will no longer be available.

Students will need to bring their own lunches on this day until further notice.

We are seeking a parent to coordinate the Friday lunch program until the end of the year.

Please contact Meg if you are able to assist.

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**Student/Community Activities**

Local kids drama group, Drama-rama presents:
The Quest of the Sea Shepherd and other rollicking adventures
Tackling the big issues that really fire them up - whaling, feminism and homophobia mashed up with Pirates, Science Fiction and Viking adventures.

"Hilarious, bold and uplifting!"

Original short plays created and performed by Inside Out Dance Theatre Drama group for 11 - 15 yr olds with the assistance of Jen Bray.
Sunday 18 October, 4pm, Daylesford Town Hall. Gold Coin Donation

Bookings and enquiries: bray_jen@hotmail.com

**GOLF MONTH - OCTOBER 2015**

Hepburn Springs Golf Club invites all interested people to come and have a go at playing 9 holes of PAR 3 golf.

**WHEN:** Sunday October 11th

**TIME:** Hit off at 4pm-be there to register at 3.30pm.

**COST:** NOTHING !!!!

**BYO:** Own clubs, ball, tees etc.

Contact Jan Thompson for further details on 0412499872 or strongjan@bigpond.com

**DAYLESFORD JUNIOR TENNIS STARTS 17 OCTOBER 2015**

Junior tennis on the beautiful grass courts at West St Daylesford starts on Saturday 17 October. All school aged players are welcome including juniors who are new to tennis and would like to try it out. Competition tennis begins at 9.15am for juniors with some experience.

Beginner players can enjoy skill development and fun activities with a one hour session commencing at 10.00am (all equipment provided). Any interested players should just come along to either session. For information, registration forms and membership details check out the web site [www.daylesfordtennis.com](http://www.daylesfordtennis.com).


For any enquiries please call Vicki Horrigan 5348 3894.