**Calendar**

**MAY**
- Wed 27th: P-1-2-N Excursion Daylesford Library
  National Simultaneous Story Time 11am
  “The Brothers Quibble” Aaron Blabey

**JUNE**
- Mon 8th: Queen’s Birthday Holiday
- Thurs 11th: School Photos – Daylesford Primary School
- Fri 12th: Crazy Hair Day - $2.00 donation
  (Nepal Earthquake)
  2015 Greater Western Region Cross Country Finals Warrnambool
- Wed 24th: Prep-4 Daylesford Mid-Year Perform.
  Daylesford Town Hall 6.30-7.30pm
- Fri 26th: Finish term at 2.30pm

**Preps will attend school all school days from Term 2**

**Term Dates 2015**
- TERM 2: 13th April – 26th June
- TERM 3: 13th July – 18th September
- TERM 4: 5th October – 18th December

**Office Hours:** 8.30am – 4.00pm

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**Principal’s Report**

Twelve students represented the Goldfields Zone at the Zone XC in Ballarat. All the children gave their best, with some running Personal Best times. Charlotte Streat, Lila Paar, Sunday Wright, James Childs and Tyson Scoble all qualified and are moving through to the next level, which is a marvellous effort. Thanks to all the parents who were able to drive and support the students. A BIG thank you to Glenn Harwood, who was our team manager on the day.

Monday proved to be a beautiful day for the House Athletics, which was held in Ballarat at Llanberris. The day went very well with all the grade 3-6 students entering into the spirit of the day. House colours were clearly on display and spirits remained high as the children jumped, ran and threw. Congratulations to Miles Wilkinson and Holly Murphy who won the 100 metre championship event. Well done Tipperary who were the overall winners on the day.

Well done to Andrew Kiellerup and Sherilee who did a great job in organising the day and another BIG thank you to all the parents who attended, many of whom were a great assistance on the day. Including some wonderful photos by Sophie Loft which can be viewed on our school website [http://www.daylesps.vic.edu.au/news/gallery.html](http://www.daylesps.vic.edu.au/news/gallery.html)

The grade 3 & 5 students completed four NAPLAN test in three days last week. I was very pleased with the way the students applied themselves and used a variety of strategies, like planning before you write, which have clearly been well taught by our staff.

Open morning at Daylesford PS on Tuesday the 19th and at Drummond PS on the 20th saw a number of families with pre-school children arrive and have a tour of our schools. After the tour, they were able to speak with David Garner and myself, or in the case of Drummond, Dianne about our schools. I am now calling for Prep enrolments for next year. If you know of a child that may wish to attend Drummond school in 2016, can you please contact Dianne.

The grade 5&6 students are attending the Anglesea Camp and we would like to wish them all the best.

Some good news. The Deputy Premier and Minister for Education, The Hon. James Merlino, MP has announced through the May budget that additional funding has been allocated to Education. The first initiative to flow through is a Camps, Sport and Excursion fund. Parents with a current concession card may apply. The application forms will be available from Drummond upon request.

Peter Burke

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**be caring and compassionate - be a good citizen**
CURRENT FOCUS

“Empathy” (My feelings / Your feelings)

It is important to be able to look at someone’s face and think about how he or she might be feeling then act in a caring way.

We do this by asking questions.

“You look ....... Are you ok?”, “Can I help?”
“I felt ....... when you did that/ said that?”
“What I want is for you to .........”

That way we are noticing other people’s feelings and encouraging them to notice our feelings.

We can all act in a kind and caring way.

Empathy is:
Looking at someone’s face to know how they might be feeling.
Asking someone if they are ok, if you can’t tell by their face?
Giving a friend a cuddle when they are feeling sad.
Showing a friend how to do something if they are having trouble.
Singing to someone to make them feel better.
Saying sorry if you’ve accidently hurt someone.
Playing with someone who is feeling left out.

We know how we would feel so then we know how other people feel.

At school we can:
1. Look at people’s faces
2. Try and understand how they are feeling
3. Help if we can

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**Staff News**

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Kerry Carmen to our staff for semester 2, 2015. Kerry shall be replacing Nadine when she goes on maternity leave.

As Kerry will be here next Thursday, please take the opportunity to introduce yourself to her.

**Home Reading P-1-2N**

Congratulations to our amazing readers!!

Wolfgang has completed 100 nights of reading and Montana has completed 50 nights of reading.

Well done!!!

Nadine

**Working Bee**

A working bee has been suggested for concret ing our Malmsbury Road entrance and levelling out the undercover play space.

We would like to arrange this at a time convenient to our volunteer parents.

Please let us know if you are available and when.

**Walk to School Day**

School Council has suggested we participate in a walk to school day. We have decided to wait for fine weather later in the year to hold this event.

**Kitchen Garden Cooking – Hot Lunch Friday**

Fresh healthy school cooked lunches have been very popular on Fridays. However this is proving a lot of work for a small number of people.

We really need to involve more helpers. We are looking for more cooks and assistants. If you are not available on a Friday but would be willing to cook a nutritious lunch you are welcome to do this on another day.

We would love to stock the freezer with a variety of health alternatives. Please see Claire Rawlinson or Dianne if you can help.

**Jobs to be Done**

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**3L Milk Bottles Still Wanted**

Wanted for Art Display: Washed and preferably cut 3ltr milk bottles. Please see Dianne for details.

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National Simultaneous Storytime – Wed 27th May

P-1-2N have been invited to attend this event at Daylesford Library on Wednesday 27th May at 10.30am. To attend this event we need two or three drivers and have attached a form so you can indicate your availability.

Sustainability

Everyone enjoyed digging up artichokes and cooking them. Yum.

Sofia digging for artichokes

Sierra and others washing produce.

Archie has a long nose but shorter than “Pinocchinoise”!!!

Adventure Playspace - New Additions

Come and make some music!!