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

CALENDAR

April
Saturday 18th April
• Family working bee and BBQ
• 10 – 12 Working Bee
• 12 onwards Family BBQ
Wednesday 22nd – Fri 24th
• Drummond and Yandoit Annexes Camp
• Grade 2-6 at Cave Hill Creek
• P&1 students are invited to attend Drummond PS while 2-6 students are on camp.
• School council Meeting 6pm
Wednesday 29th April
• ANZAC Day Service 2.30pm
• Parents and Community welcome

May
Wednesday 6th
• 3-6 Goldfields Cross Country at Clunes
Wednesday 27th
• National Simultaneous Storytime 11am “The Brothers Quibble by Aaron Blabey

Preps will attend school all days from Term 2 onwards

School Term Dates 2015

Term 2 Tues 14th Apr – Fri 26th June
Term 3 Mon 13th July – Fri 11th Sept

Respect Self and Others
(Be Respectful)

FOCUS OF THE WEEK

Respect Self and Others

Respect is when we recognise the worth, quality and importance of others. It is also important to have the same recognition of one’s self and have a self belief. Respecting self is an appreciation of and valuing yourself physically, socially, mentally and emotionally: knowing, understanding and valuing one’s strengths and traits.

There are many people who influence our opinions and the choices we make: friends, parents, family members, teachers, sporting coaches and other significant adults in our lives. We have conversations with them about many issues in life,
we spend time/or associate with them and they are often people who are our role models.

At times we will agree with them or we may even disagree on some things but the way we do so is important in keeping the lines of communication open: respectful of self and others’ opinions. One way to show people that we hear what they are saying is to respond and say things like, “That is an interesting idea … but I believe we could approach it in this way” or “I think we are just going to have to agree to disagree on that point”. Even if we disagree we should make every effort to be a good listener and be prepared to justify our opinions. This is what we do as learners. We make room for new ideas by talking and listening to others with respect. That means no interruptions and using positive body language, nodding and smiling when we agree or looking puzzled/or shaking our head to indicate we disagree.

We all want people to respect us and our ideas. We certainly expect people to be respectful of the adults we trust: parents, other family members, teachers, sporting coaches, etc. Respect for self and others can be displayed when we talk, play, work and learn at school, within the community or at home.

Respecting others shows everyone that we are friendly, responsible and thoughtful students at Daylesford Primary.

David Garner

PRINCIPALS REPORT

Welcome back everyone. Thank you for your cooperation with our Pupil Free day on Monday. The day was highly beneficial to all staff and a great deal of planning was done. I am looking forward to working with you all again this throughout this term.

We had an excellent first term and Term 2 has started well. We have emphasised the focus of the fortnight ‘Respect Self and Others’ very strongly as we believe this to be very important and if we as a school get this right then many of the other social values will follow.

DPS Grade 3/4 have been on camp at Cave Hill Creek this week and Drummond and Yandoit Annexes will have their camp next week. Cave Hill Creek is an excellent school camp and we expect all students to have a positive and fun-filled experience.

I would like to finish with a couple of reminders. Firstly, it is very important to maintain punctuality to school as we move into the winter term. If your child is late to class they miss the daily introduction, which outlines the program for the day and places a purpose around the learning. It is disrespectful to be late and places unnecessary pressure on staff. Please maintain high standards in this area.

Secondly, there is an expectation that parents assist their children with Home Learning. Students have a Reading Log that needs to be filled in and signed by parents. The expectation is 15 minutes daily reading, but we appreciate some students read longer than this and this needs to be recorded in their Reading Log. Some students also have weekly M100W reading and spelling lists to focus on. Students work on reading and then move to spelling the High Frequency words from each level. Jennifer Warburton, Isaac’s Grandma, comes in 3 Tuesdays a month to test and encourage the children and also keeps very helpful records for the teachers. We are so grateful for Jennifer’s continued enthusiasm and dedication.

Finally, can I formally invite you all to our special afternoon ANZAC ceremony on Wednesday 29th April at 2pm. Students have stories to read, Don Morrison has a presentation to the school and there will be a guest speaker from the local RSL. This year marks a very special commemoration for ANZAC Day and the students will also be presented with a special memorial of the Day.

WORKING BEE AND FAMILY BBQ

Date: Saturday 18th April
Time 10- 12 for working Bee
BBQ: 12 onwards
Please indicate on form sent out this week if you are able to attend and if you are able to bring a salad and a dessert/fruit platter to share.
We will be holding a special assembly to commemorate ANZAC 100th anniversary on Wednesday 29th April at 2.30 pm.

### DRUMMOND AND YANDOIT ANNEXES SCHOOL CAMP

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Thank you to all families for paying the deposit of $50 so promptly. The balance of $150 is needed to be paid by Friday 17th April. Please contact Debbie re payment, if this has not already been made.

We have attached another “What to bring on camp” list for your convenience. Please make sure that all items are clearly named and are packed in bags that children can carry themselves. Please attach names to all carry bags.

As children bring lunch on the first day it will need to be in a named bag with a named water bottle. Lunches and drink bottles can be placed in the containers provided.

Please be at Daylesford Primary School Bus stop (near the school oval) by 8.45am for a 9.00am departure.

Medications must be given to the teachers on duty.

### 3-6 HOUSE ATHLETICS

This year, the 3-6 House Athletics will be held on Monday 27th April. This is the Monday straight after our school camp and we have made the decision not to participate this time, as the timeline has been so short.

If there are any families who wish their child to participate in the sports could they please speak to Deb before the camp.

### VEGIE GARDEN

Over the past few months, Dave and Nicholas have been working on changes to the vegie garden. We have been watching the posts go in, one by one. Over the holidays, the heritage fencing and gate were put in place. All of this has added so much charm and character to our garden.

There is more to do, but THANKYOU Dave and Nicholas for all your work so far.