

Daylesford Primary School Newsletter

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➤ **"SEMPER MELIORA"** (Always better things)



*Be Respectful, Be a Responsible Learner, Be Honest and Trustworthy
Be Caring and Compassionate, Be a Good Citizen*

DIARY DATES

FEBRUARY

Tues 28th 6.30 - School Council Meeting

MARCH

Thurs 2nd Helping @ Home Information Night
for Prep parents.
5.30pm in Prep Rooms.

Mon 13th Labour Day Holiday

Tues 14 & Weds 15th Parent/Teacher Interviews

Tues 15th Gr6 Celebration Meeting
9am in Meeting room

Friday 17th 5/6 Golf Program

Tues 21st Cultural Diversity Day.

Friday 24th 5/6 Golf Program

Tues 28th School Council (AGM & Elections)

Friday 31st House Cross Country and
End of Term 2 - 2.30pm finish.

No Canteen or Banking

**Preps do not attend school on
Wednesdays during Term 1.**

APRIL

Mon 17th Easter Monday

Tues 18th Start of Term 2.

Wednesday 26th - Friday 28th
Gr3/4 & Gr5/6 Camps
(further information next week)

ASSEMBLY 9.00am every Tuesday in the Gym

Office Hours: 8.30am to 4.00pm

Students' School Banking Day: Fridays

Term Dates 2017

Term 1 30th Jan – 31st March

Term 2 18th April – 30th June

Term 3 17th July – 22nd September

Term 4 9th October – 22nd December

DROP-OFF & PICK-UP SAFETY

Could parents/carers please make sure when leaving students in the morning, or picking up after school by car that for student safety they use the School Crossing. Please also DO NOT cross double lines to park...nor park in the school driveway.

Term 1 2017 No. 4 Friday, 24th February, 2017

Current Focus

Play by the rules

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We discussed this week and even played games where rules weren't explained clearly and then were. We discovered that it was very important that everyone understood the rules to a game and therefore everyone knew what was happening and most importantly, everyone participated and enjoyed what we were playing. So playing by the rules is important.

Be respectful and play safe! If you play by the rules, it will be fun for everyone. If you play by the rules you won't get hurt and that also means using the school equipment appropriately. Finally, if you include others there will be no arguments.

Zak Resuugan

Playing by the rules is important because:

No one gets hurt, it's more fun and you get to make more friends!

Things you need to do:

Have Fun! Play Fairly! Listen to the rules! Keep your hands, feet and objects to yourself!

Tamara Brooks

You should always play by the rules because it is safe and it shows you are a better role model for other people, definitely for the preps. I love playing by the rules, it is fun!

Dylan Gledhill

Play safely
Listen carefully to the rules
Agree on the same rules
Yes! You can play with me.

Be careful.
You can be part of our game.

Tell the rules to everyone playing.
Helps friendships.
Explain the rules to rules to your game.

Re explain the rules.
Use the playground equipment appropriately.
Let people play.
Enjoy!
Solve problems by talking.

Heidi Torrance

A reminder to parents that we are a Sun Smart School and school hats are to be worn at recess, lunchtime and sport during terms 1 & 4. Hats can be purchased from the office for \$12

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Daylesford Primary School-School Council Elections

As with every state school in Victoria we at Daylesford need to proceed with our school council election process.

At Daylesford Primary School we have a school council configuration of 15 members in total, made up of 8 parents, 5 Department of Education employees and 2 community members.

At this stage as the tenure for school council is two years we currently have 4 parent vacancies and 5 Department of Education vacancies. I would like to take the opportunity to thank Lauren Bennet, Kathy Douglas, Shelley Bowen, Lorinda Churches and community member Jennie Brennan for their contribution to school council over at least a two-year period. Likewise, I would like to thank David Garner, Karen McHugh, Peter Burke and Jendy Fry for their support of the Daylesford Primary School council over their many years of active contribution. It is very important to acknowledge that if any of the retiring school councillors wish to renominate they are most welcome. Again thank you for your support.

I have attached to this newsletter information about becoming a school councillor and I encourage everyone to read it. If you are interested in finding out further information please contact me and I'll explore any considerations you may have. That being the case I would like to extend an invitation for any interested parents who would like to be involved in school council to please fill out a nomination form that is available at the office.

The nomination process extends from today, Friday 24th February, to Friday the 3rd of March. A timetable of the school council election process has been posted on the sliding window at the office.

School council is a wonderful opportunity for people to impact the direction of the school and I encourage any interested parties to have a chat with me regarding nomination and involvement. Again thank you for your support.

Senior Swimming Sports

At the time of printing, the Gr3-6 children have just completed the 2 week swimming program. Congratulations to all participants and we trust that the weather was fantastic for today's event. It is wonderful to see the active participation of all. A huge thankyou to our supporters who did a great job including Sherilee, who coordinated the program, Maree Kypers who was a sensational support and Kara Cooper who instructed our future swimmers.

Monday morning Breakfast

A huge thank you to the breakfast club organisers for what was a wonderful breakfast last Monday. Please be aware that there are two breakfast clubs per term. Stay tuned!

Enjoy your weekend.

Trevor Edwards
Principal



KITCHEN GARDEN - FEBRUARY

Could anyone wishing to volunteer in our Kitchen garden program who has not yet contacted Gill Carron please do so ASAP as the roster is being finalised and there are some classes who need more helpers. The program begins week 5 on Friday, March 3rd. Many thanks, Gill & Sandra



"Our vegie garden is looking good."



"Getting ready for garden next week! Wheelbarrow licence tests"

ITALIAN WORD/PHRASE OF THE WEEK



Sienna "Qual'è il tuo colore preferito?" What is your favourite colour?

Freya "Il mio colore preferito è" My favourite colour is

ALL VOLUNTEERS

When volunteering at school, working with children checks are now required in line with The Child Safe Standards.

WWC forms are available on line
<http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au>

Volunteer checks are free of charge.

All volunteers are to present their WWCC card to the **office** for registration before commencing volunteering.



This bench seat has been presented to the Daylesford Primary School Community by Kathy Watt, to say a huge 'thank you for allowing me to share so many memories with you over 42 years'. A new spot at school to relax or to just sit and ponder. Special thanks to Peter Fiume for this beautiful piece of work.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

DO YOU HAVE A VALID MEANS-TESTED CONCESSION CARD?

Then you may be eligible to apply for the CSEF (CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSION FUND)

Eligibility will be subject to the parent/carer's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (30 January 2017) or term two (18 April 2017).

The annual CSEF amount per primary student will be \$125, which will be paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

Please contact the front office for an application form (or download from the CSEF website www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

The CSEF Program closes on 30th June, 2017

CSEF and PARENTS/CARERS OF PREP STUDENTS

- Prep students in 2017 who are eligible Camp, Sports and Excursion Funds (CSEF) recipients are automatically eligible for uniform support.
- Applications for the Prep Package will open Tuesday 18th April (First day of Term 2)

Please ensure if you are eligible for CSEF that you have applied

CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE

Are you eligible?

For students to be eligible for a conveyance allowance they must:

- Be aged over five by 30th April 2017.
- Live more than 4.8km by the **shortest practicable** route from the nearest bus stop, and
- Be enrolled at the nearest government school.
- Parents who applied last year will need to reapply for 2017 by Tuesday, **28th February, 2017**.
- If you have been placed on a waiting list for bus travel you may also be eligible.

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REQUESTS FOR THE ARTROOM

The art room needs magazines of all kinds but especially ones with pictures of people in them. (would you mind have a quick flick though and removing anything that may be inappropriate for a primary school setting?). We also need old towels for wiping up spills and drying hands if you have any that are getting shabby.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Just to let you know that even if you were logged onto your child's seesaw portfolio last year you will need to use the new code you recently received to log into this year's portfolio. Sorry for the confusion and inconvenience. Any problems don't hesitate to email me on wassell.nicole.a@edumail.vic.gov.au

PARENT VOLUNTEERS Term 1 2017

FRIDAY	SICK BAY WASHING	BANKING
24 th Feb		Shelley Sandow
3 rd March	Catherine Meadows	June Cooper
10 th March	Samantha Harris	Shelley Sandow
17 th March	Fiona Torrance	June Cooper
24 th March	Tania Green	Shelley Sandow
31 st March	Sam Kinnear	June Cooper

CANTEEN DUTY

Weds 1 st March	
Thurs 2 nd March	
Fri 3 rd March	
Weds 8 th March	
Thurs 9 th March	
Friday 10 th March	



**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**

**AMENDMENT TO OUR LUNCH ORDER
LIST: PIZZA SLICE (Aussie) was priced at
\$4.90 it should have been \$3.00**

**SPAGHETTI BOLOGNAISE STILL
AVAILABLE AT CANTEEN UNTIL SOLD
OUT (18 LEFT) \$4.90**

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LIBRARY REMINDER...Overdue items 2016.
Several overdue notices were sent home last year. Students with items still not returned from 2016 have their borrowing suspended until items are either returned or paid for.



We have been kindly donated a fish tank stand - (2ft wide x 1ft deep by 2ft 4 inches high). Does anyone have a small fish tank that would suit this stand, that they no longer need? Please contact the office.

FUNDRAISING NEWS



Hosted by Natasha Morgan and a stellar lineup of chefs and producers, spend an afternoon in the stunning gardens of Oak and Monkey Puzzle celebrating Daylesford and region's finest local, seasonal and artisan producers and winemakers.

Join Natasha Morgan and Kylie Himmerman at Oak and Monkey Puzzle, Natasha's bespoke event, landscape design and artisan focused property, where they will be joined by some of the region's finest chefs, producers and winemakers.

Surrounded by the property's beautifully designed productive landscapes amidst its colonial oak trees and the kitchen garden celebrate the best local and seasonal food and wine the region has to offer.

Enquiries: 53486590

Profits from this year's Melbourne Food and Wine Festival Longest Lunch will be kindly donated to the Daylesford Primary School kitchen garden project.

The theme of the festival is "Let's Celebrate" so we have decided to celebrate all our wonderful producers, awesome chefs and talented wine makers.

We will be asking parents/carers to volunteer their time to help out at this event.

HEALTHY FOOD RECIPE

Zesty Pesto Pasta Salad

Ingredients

250g uncooked farfelle pasta, or pasta shells
½ cup (80g) basil pesto
Juice of 1 lemon (4 tablespoons)
2 tomatoes, diced
2 onions, chopped
200g mixed lettuce leaves, coarsely chopped
1 x 400g can of chickpeas, drained and rinsed



Method

Cook pasta in a large saucepan of boiling water, according to packet instructions.

Drain cooked pasta, and rinse under cold water.

Drain and set aside in a large bowl.

In a small bowl, combine the basil pesto and lemon juice to make the salad dressing; then gently mix the pesto dressing through the pasta.

In a large mixing bowl, combine the pasta (with dressing), and tomato, onion, lettuce and chickpeas.

Serve as a main item, or in half-size serves for a tasty side dish.

Serves: 8 medium bowls or 16 sides

Category: **Everyday (Green)**

STUDENT / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Daylesford Farmers Market

Growers :makers: producers

Eat make bake grow & shop local -

Beautiful range of local producers of plants fruit cheese organic fruit & Vegies eggs plants herbs oils cheeses breads pastries coffee honey wine beer sweet treats nuts delicious food & drink and music

Proudly partnered with Rotary - a family & community event
Dogs most welcome

First Saturday of every month - rain hail or shine 9am to 1pm
@ Daylesford Primary School. Find us & like us on Facebook
www.rfm.net.au

Violin teacher for Daylesford Primary

My name is Adam and I am an experienced, classically trained violin teacher who lives locally. I have played and performed many styles of music including classical, experimental, alternative and folk. I am a patient teacher who aims to instill confidence in the student and make playing music a joy. I will be offering lessons during school time. Lessons are one on one and are 30 minutes long (\$33). Shorter lesson lengths are also available (\$18). There is also a discounted term fee available. Any queries please contact me on 5348 7930 or adjustviolin@live.com.au
Adam Menegazzo

GUITAR LESSONS

Is your child interested in learning to play the guitar?

Fun, rewarding lessons in a one-on-one format, with learning experiences tailored to your child's individual needs. During school or after school time slots are currently available but spaces are limited so book early.

Ideal for beginner and intermediate players.

Lachie Hobson 0438 477 656