### 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**

#### **DECEMBER**

#### LIBRARY CLOSED

Please return all overdue books

Monday 4th- Friday 15th

Prep-Gr2 Swimming Program

Tuesday 12th

- 2018 Orientation Day at DSC
- DPS transition to 2018 classes
- Present Gifts to Family Services at assembly

Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Volunteers Morning tea in Gym-11am

Thurs 14th Gr5/6 Presentation Evening

Monday 18th

- · Grade 6 Dinner DPS Gym
- Reports distributed

Tues 19th Gr5/6 Volleyball Comp at ARC

Wed 20th FREE DRESS DAY

Whole School Reward-Students dress as Teachers

Teachers dress as Students

Thurs 21st Gr5/6 Swim Celebration

Final Day Term 4 - 3.20pm finish

#### **JANUARY 2018**

Monday 29th Office Opens

Tues 30<sup>th</sup> Assessment Appointments for F-Gr2

Wed 31st Grade 3-6 Commence

(Assessment appointments F-Gr2 continue)

#### **FEB 2018**

Thursday 1st Foundation-Gr2 Commence

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Respectful Relationships

Community & Parent Information Evening

5.30-6.30 in the gym

#### ASSEMBLY 9.00am every Tuesday in the Gym

Office Hours: 8.30am to 4.00pm Students' School Banking Day: Fridays

#### LIBRARY IS CLOSED

From Monday 4th December no classes will operate.

### ALL BOOKS WERE DUE BACK ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER

Any students that have not returned (or paid for) lost items will have their borrowing suspended in 2018 until items are returned or paid for.

## Current Focus Celebrate Community

Celebrating Community means taking the time to reflect on all of our achievements: it is important to do this regularly to ensure that we acknowledge everyone in our community. As students you can reflect on what you've achieved: individually, in a small group, as part of a class, as part of a sporting group /or community group.

Being part of a community means that we can reflect on the different aspects of daily life: how we may have contributed to the school and wider community in the achievement of goals. Just as you share achievements with family and friends it is important to share achievements within your school community and the wider community too. Be sure to celebrate personal achievements in a positive and respectful manner.

Reflect on the importance of your values and incorporate these into daily life at home, at school and in the wider community. Our values help us attain benefits both personally and for the wider community!

Throughout this year our fortnightly focus has continued to further develop the personal qualities / skills and values of each and every child. It is hoped that these will become an integral part of our students' daily lives.

Karen McHugh

## 5/6 Presentation & Grade 6 Graduation Evening

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm sharp
Daylesford Town Hall
\$5 per person or \$10 per family
Students performing are to be at the
hall at 6.30pm

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### JUNIOR SWIM PROGRAM

The first week of our two-week junior swim program concluded today with a vast majority of children very actively engaged in this program. I would sincerely like to thank Bendigo Bank who have provided Danni, an Auswim trained teacher, who has been the linchpin for this program. Likewise, we have both Liam and Jordyn supporting the program. We would really like to know as to whether there are any parents with an Auswim qualification as we certainly need backup "on call" instructors just in case someone is unwell and the Auswim teachers are unable to attend. If you, or if you know of, any current Auswim trained instructors, can you please contact the school.

#### **DRUMMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL CONCERT**

Last Monday I had the absolute pleasure of attending the Drummond Primary School concert. Not only were the skills and talents of the children on display but the concert itself was very well attended by the Drummond community. Well done to all students and likewise Suzanne, Meg and Peter, the teachers, for what was a fun and engaging evening.

#### 5/6 PRESENTATION NIGHT-Thursday 14th Dec.

We thoroughly look forward to the Daylesford Primary School Presentation and Graduation Night to be held next Thursday at 7.00pm at the Daylesford Town Hall. This will be a very engaging night and a wonderful opportunity to show case the talents of all senior children. We look forward to not only their performances but also celebrating achievements, especially those of our 2017 Year 6 children, as they move toward their next exciting educational opportunity at respective secondary schools. We look forward to seeing you there.

#### KITCHEN GARDEN VOLUNTEERS AFTERNOON TEA

A huge thank you to all who have been involved in supporting the Kitchen Garden program throughout 2017. Whether it be the fantastic fundraising longest lunch at the end of term one (a huge thank you to both Natasha and Kylie!!), or the significant support by the whole Daylesford Community including our many parent helpers, it is greatly appreciated. Without this support the program would very much struggle to continue. Well done to all!!

#### TRANSITION DAY/STEP UP DAY

We very much look forward to next Tuesday, the 12<sup>th</sup> of December, when our Year 6 children will be attending their respective secondary schools. All children will move up to their 2018 classes from 10am-1.30pm on this day.

#### **VOLUNTEER MORNING TEA-Wednesday 13th Dec.**

We look forward to hosting a morning tea for all our volunteers on Wednesday. It will be held in the Gym at 11am-11.45am. If you have volunteered your time within our school, please come along. It is our way of saying thank you for your contribution.

Enjoy your weekend Trevor Edwards







## RRRR - RESILIENCE, RIGHTS AND RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

is all about Social and Emotional Learning (SEL). This is linked to our current practices in our Families Program.

Our research tells us that Social and Emotional Learning helps our students to succeed in school, at work and in life.

In schools, this helps students with their decision making, awareness of self and others and self-regulation. Kids who are self-aware and confident try harder and handle failure better, developing resilience. Children with these emotional assets have academic results that are proven to be better.

SEL has a positive impact on mental and physical health. It can reduce emotional distress and increase self-esteem.

The RRRR (Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships) program is a Government initiative linked to the Victorian Curriculum. It is being trialled in 2017 and will be implemented in all classes in 2018.

We are very fortunate to be in a LEAD SCHOOL position. Our team members have received important and relevant training that will assist our school and other schools in the area to successfully deliver this RRRR program.

A parent/community information evening is planned for MONDAY 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 2018, Daylesford Primary School Gym @ 5.30-6.30pm. All welcome.

#### **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 <a href="http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au">http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au</a>
Volunteer checks are free of charge.

<u>All</u> volunteers are to present their WWCC card to the <u>office</u> for registration before commencing volunteering.

#### **Unexplained Absence Letters**

have been distributed, these will indicate days where unexplained absences have been recorded. If you receive one of these notes please indicate the reason for your child's absence and return as soon as possible. Thank you

# PARENT VOLUNTEERS TERM 4 2017

FRIDAY	SICK BAY WASHING	SCHOOL BANKING
15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Catherine Meadows	June Cooper
22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	No Canteen or Banking	

CANTEEN DUTY		
Weds 13 <sup>th</sup>	Livia Comelli	
Thurs 14th		
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>	Shelley Sandow/Lisa Dinning	

- Chicken and Gravy Rolls (\$4.80) still available until sold out.
- PRICE ADJUSTMENT –
   Salad Wrap now \$4.00

   Chicken Salad Wrap still \$5.00.

HOME MADE SAUSAGE ROLLS...AVAILABLE UNTIL SOLD OUT....\$2 each.



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



Helping men live happier, healthier, longer lives. Funding game-changing men's health projects.

The male staff of Daylesford Primary School participated in Movember.

Thank you to everyone who donated, \$870.00 was raised. Thank you to Alex Parsons who organised the project.

## STUDENT / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

### **Christmas Craft**



#### **Daylesford Library**

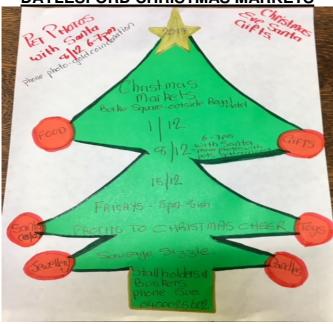
Thursday 7th and Friday 14th December at 4pm

All ages welcome Bookings required 5348 2800





#### **DAYLESFORD CHRISTMAS MARKETS**





Proudly run by local police and volunteers.

### FRI 15<sup>™</sup> DEC

Daylesford Town Hall from 6-9pm Primary Age / \$5 entry.

Dress up as your fave movie character! Fully supervised. Students WILL NOT be permitted outside until collected by parent or guardian.

Volunteers needed. If you are a parent of Primary aged children, or work with children and hold a current Working with Children check then we need your assistance. Please help us provide this fun children's event. Please contact either Mina Martin 5348 2342 or Michelle Clifford gypsys den@msn.com



#### BACHELOR OF SOCIAL SCIENCE.

FREE info session: Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Dec 1pm Daylesford Neighbourhood Centre. (DNC)

Together with Federation Uni, DNC will be delivering a Bachelor of Social Science in 2018, 2 days per week during school hours. To develop a broad set of essential communication and research skills, that will prepare you for careers both locally and across the globe.

Please RSVP 03 5348 3569 or daylesford@ourneighbourhood.org.au



Safer Together

### DAYLESFORD, HEPBURN AND HEPBURN SPRINGS RESIDENTS ARE INVITED...

To a community meeting and BBQ lunch hosted by CFA,
Forest Fire Management Victoria and the Hepburn Shire Council

- With help from you, the local community, our agencies want to know your understanding of bushfire risk.
- Discuss how Daylesford, Hepburn and Hepburn Springs communities and local agencies can work together on bushfire risk planning.
- Learn how bushfires are predicted in your area using Phoenix Rapidfire (computer modelling).

Sunday 10th December 2017

11:00 am - 1:00pm

**Hepburn Fire Station** 

149 Main Road, Hepburn

Bring your neighbour- everyone is welcome!

