# DRUMMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER NO. 7 - Thursday 23/3/2017

# **CALENDAR**

**MARCH** 

Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Performance at Daylesford Primary

School at 2.20pm

Pick up from DPS at the end of the

day

Tues 28th - Swimming at Kyneton Toyota Sports

Fri 31<sup>st</sup> Aquatic Centre 1.30pm – 2.30pm

(Friday 31<sup>st</sup> 11.30am – 12.30pm)

Fri 31<sup>st</sup> House Cross Country – From 10am

(optional - Grade 3 students as it

clashes with swimming)

Fri 31st Last Day of Term 1, 2.30 p.m. finish

**APRIL** 

Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Easter Monday Tues 18<sup>th</sup> Start of Term 2

Wed 19<sup>th</sup> ANZAC Day service

10.30am. All welcome

Mon 24th House Athletics at Daylesford

**Primary School** 

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Mon 15<sup>th</sup> Wilken Camp - Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Anglesea

#### Term Dates 2017

TERM 1 30<sup>th</sup> January – 31<sup>st</sup> March TERM 2 18<sup>th</sup> April – 30<sup>th</sup> June TERM 3 17<sup>th</sup> July – 22<sup>nd</sup> September TERM 4 9<sup>th</sup> October – 22<sup>nd</sup> December

Office Hours: 8.45am - 4.00pm

#### SPORTS CALENDAR

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March....House Cross Country Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April....House Athletics Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.....Goldfields Cross Country Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May....Goldfields Athletics

## **Principal's Report**

#### **Multicultural Day**

What a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the diverse culture that exists in Australia today. Our guest speaker and ex-student, Sissy Austin, outlined beautifully the importance and generational element of Koorie culture as we stand on Dja Dja Wurrung land. We thank Sissy. It was a great honour to have such a proud Koorie woman as our guest speaker. I would also like to acknowledge how wonderful it was to have parents involved, proudly displaying cultural dress and in some cases teaching the children about their own experiences with culture!



It was also fantastic to have our annexes', Drummond PS and Yandoit PS, in attendance on such an important occasion. Congratulations to all and well done as we celebrate cultural diversity.

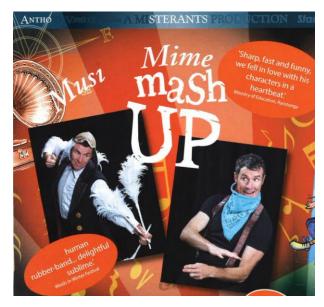


#### **Debbie Rauber-Retirement**

As the head teacher at Yandoit PS since 1999 and as a teacher at Daylesford before that, we congratulate as a community Debbie's utter devotion to the children at Yandoit PS, one of our annexe schools. Well done Debbie and on behalf of all community members we wish you a wonderful and exciting retirement commencing during Term two. Congratulations Debbie!

#### **Comedy Performance**

We are very fortunate to have one of our local residents, Anthony Verity, performing at Daylesford PS on Monday at 2.20pm. Anthony will be performing this show at the Melbourne Comedy festival and for a gold coin donation children will have a fantastic opportunity to witness what promises to be a very engaging and fun filled show. We very much look forward to this opportunity and thank Anthony for his kind offer, at a very much reduced price, so that our children are involved as an audience.



#### End of Term 1

Just a reminder that next Friday, the 31<sup>st</sup> of March, children will be dismissed at 2.30pm. Please be aware of this and have an extremely enjoyable break. Term two commences on Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup> of April.

Enjoy your weekend Trevor Edwards Principal.

### **Current Focus**

# **Listening**

With all classes now underway, one of the most important skills any child or adult can develop is the skill of listening. Listening involves a lot more than simply hearing. Listening means concentrating on what the other person is saying, showing that you are listening by looking at the speaker and responding in some way; perhaps by nodding your head and certainly

by responding to what they say with a question or statement.

Things to remember:

- look at the person who is speaking
- stand/or sit still while you're listening
- keep your hands free of objects
- give a response to the speaker

Karen McHugh

## **Sport Report Update:**

I would like to remind students and parents that next Friday is our 'House Cross Country Event'. Students are encouraged to wear their house colours but don't forget that they need the appropriate running gear. For those unsure where it is held, it is at Jubilee Lake and the course is situated at the open grassed area. All are welcome. See you there! Andrew Kiellerup

## A message from Meg

#### **Camp Wilkin**

This year we will be joining Yandoit Primary School at Camp Wilkin in Anglesea. The camp is planned for May 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> and will depart and return from Daylesford Primary School.

Please Note: A deposit of \$50.00 per student for the camp must be paid before the end of this term

## Farewell to Nicole, Welcome to Peter O'Mara

We are sad to be saying goodbye to Nicole Wassell who has been working with us at Drummond over the since the start of 2016. Nicole will be moving to Yandoit Primary School taking on the role that Debbie Rauber vacates so we look forward to seeing her at many joint events and especially at camp.

Peter O'Mara will be replacing Nicole at Drummond and we are all looking forward to welcoming him in the new term.

# Swimming concludes on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March A reminder

We will be going to the Kyneton Toyota Sports & Aquatic Centre for lessons which commence at 1.30pm and finish at 2.30pm on 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of March.

The final lesson is on Friday the 31<sup>st</sup> of March and starts at 11.30am concluding at 12.30pm on that day.

Please make sure that your child has their swimming outfit, a towel, goggles and a swimming cap (required). All items should be labelled with their name.

We also recommend that your child has some extra snacks for the afternoon as they may be hungry after swimming.

Meg will be driving students to and from swimming.

#### **Performance**

We will be attending a comedy performance at Daylesford Primary School on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> of March as outlined in the Principal's report.

This commences at 2.20pm. Meg will be driving students over at 1.50pm. Students need to bring a gold coin donation for this event.

Students will need to be picked up at Daylesford Primary School at the end of the day, normal school time (3.20pm).

#### ANZAC Day - service on 19th April at 10.30am

Our ANZAC day service will be held on the morning of Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> of April. Members of the local R.S.L. will be attending this service.



All parents are welcome to join us at this service which will be held at the school.

We also have ANZAC day badges and other items for sale. These range in price from \$1.00 to \$4.00 as part of the ANZAC day appeal.

We hope you have a lovely School Holiday Break. This will be the last newsletter for the term.

#### **Enjoy your Easter break**





#### **TUNING IN TO TEENS**

4 CONSECUTIVE WORKSHOPS CREATED BY THE Australian Childhood Foundation, to build supportive childparent

relationships. \$20 entry includes all workshops 6pm-8 30pm

Daylesford Neighbourhood Centre. 13 Camp St. 5348 3569.

WEDS 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th March.

daylesford@ourneighbourhood.org.au

# FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

DO YOU HAVE A VALID MEANS-TESTED CONCESSION CARD?

Then you may be eligible to apply for the CSEF (<u>CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSION</u> 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.

Download from the CSEF website www.education.vic.gov.au/csef The CSEF Program closes on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2017

# **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.

### **Absences**

If your child is absent from school please ring the school office asap on 5348 2480 or send a written explanation on the day of their return.

# Late Arrival and Early Departure

Students being dropped off late to school must be signed in at the office under parent supervision. We ask that parents accompany their child to class to ensure constant supervision.

In the case of early departure from school a reminder that a blue early departure form must be collected and completed at the office. This must then be taken and given to your child's teacher before they can release the child from their care. No student will be released early without receipt of the blue slip.

# **Student & Community Activities**





Dance and Drama classes start now! for pre-school, primary, secondary kids & adults. Creative & Contemporary Dance, Drama, Adult & Child dance, & Studio Hire.

Info and Enrolment at: www.insideoutdancetheatre.com.au



