# **DRUMMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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### NEWSLETTER NO. 27 - Thursday 2/11/2017

## **CALENDAR**

#### NOVEMBER

- Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Working Bee with Sausage Sizzle
- Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Day at Daylesford Primary School (in conjunction with Foundation – 2 Athletics Day)
- Tues 7<sup>th</sup> Melbourne Cup Day Holiday
- Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day
- Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Pupil Free day 2018 planning
- Sat 25<sup>th</sup> Daylesford Show

#### DECEMBER

- Mon 4<sup>th</sup> End of Year Concert Drummond Hall
- Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Last day of school

#### **FEBRUARY 2018**

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Respectful Relationships Community & Parent Information Evening 5.30pm – 6.30pm

#### Term Dates 2017

TERM 4 9<sup>th</sup> October – 22<sup>nd</sup> December

Office Hours: 8.45am - 4.00pm

## Current Focus Reliability

Do you like to help out? Can other people rely on you/depend on you? Do you keep your promises and stand by others who may be in need? These are some important qualities to have. People appreciate others for many reasons particularly if they know they can be relied upon to: lend a hand, give advice, look after pets when neighbours are away on holiday, complete a task at school and be supportive of them.

It's important to know that there are people in our lives who we can rely on: at home, at school or in the community. We can support others at play, while we work but sometimes it is the help that we give when it is least expected that means the most! Knowing that we can be relied upon has a twofold effect: helping others can make us feel good about ourselves too.

Being reliable demonstrates that we have many of the following characteristics and qualities. We are:

- dependable and can be relied upon in most situations
- certain about what we can do and prepared to have-a-go
- constant for people and will persist in our efforts to help others
- genuinely interested in the welfare of both ourselves and others
- trustworthy

Karen McHugh

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### SMS TEST AS A BUSHFIRE AT RISK REGISTER SCHOOL (BARR)

Thank you to everyone as you all should have received a text message from the school last week as we tested our system. I'm pleased to say that it all went very well and any slight hiccups have been rectified. As the bushfire season approaches this will be one of our methods to inform everyone of a Code Red Day and hence a school closure, as required as a Bushfire at Risk Register School (Daylesford, Drummond and Yandoit Primary School's are included on this register). We will continue to be vigilant from our end and I certainly encourage everyone to have their own emergency management plan in place and have a trial run.

#### JUNIOR ATHLETICS MONDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

We look forward to hosting our junior athletics carnival on Monday. The program commences at 11.30am and we encourage as many parents and community members to come and watch. Most of the activities will be held at the Daylesford Primary School's oval. We look forward to seeing you there.

#### MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Please note that Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup> of November is the Melbourne Cup Public Holiday therefore no children are to be at school on this day.

#### DRUMMOND WORKING BEE

We look forward to our two hour Drummond working Bee tonight from 3.30pm onwards. A BBQ will follow. If you would like to join us you would be most welcome.

#### PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to all children who participated in the Premiers Reading Challenge. During the week I received some 139 certificates for students who have achieved reading the required number of reading opportunities. Likewise, I thank all parents and staff who have supported the challenge. Certificates will be handed out to children early next week, class by class. Congratulations to all students who participated and we look forward to being involved once again in 2018.

Enjoy your weekend Trevor Edwards Principal

#### What you can do to help maintain healthy teeth:

- Limit how often you have sweet foods and consume them during meal times rather than between meals.
- Limit sweet drinks, including fruit juices (even if diluted, fruit juice contains natural sugars which can lead to tooth decay).
- Choose healthy snacks such as fresh fruit, vegetable sticks, natural yoghurt, plain popcorn, soups or cheese.



- Choose fresh fruit over dried fruit, as dried fruit will leave a sticky residue on your teeth and can contribute to tooth decay.
- Cut down the sugar added to cups of tea and coffee.
- Drink <u>fluoridated</u> tap water and plain milk instead of soft drinks, juice or cordial.
- Have a piece of cheese after consuming sweet or acidic food as dairy products assist in reversing the decay process.

## A message from Meg

#### Working Bee

We will be holding our working bee on tomorrow evening (3<sup>rd</sup> November) immediately after school.

During this time there will be a sausage sizzle to keep our energy up!!!

We look forward to seeing you there!

#### **Respectful Relationships**

Meg will be attending a full day PD on Monday with respect to this current program. Suzanne will be at Drummond all day.

This program is running throughout Daylesford, Drummond and Yandoit Primary Schools.

Essentially, when we reference the terminology "Respectful Relationships" we are looking to develop students' social, emotional and positive relationship skills.

If you have any queries with regard to this program, please contact Meg, particularly after next week's PD.

#### <u>Cooking – Term 4</u> Repeated by student request!!!

Today's recipe is Zucchini Slice



#### Ingredients

- 2 zucchini, grated
- 1 large onion finely chopped
- 3 rashers of bacon finely chopped
- 1 cup tasty cheese grated
- 1 cup self-raising flour
- ½ cup of oil
- 5 eggs
- Salt/pepper

#### Method

- 1. Preheat oven to 170°C. Grease and line a nonstick lamington tin.
- 2. Combine zucchini, onion, bacon, flour and cheese in a large bowl. Add oil and lightly beaten eggs, and mix. Season with a little salt and pepper. Pour into lamington tin.
- 3. Bake for 35-40 mins until golden and set. Allow to cool slightly before cutting.



#### Icy poles

Now that the weather is trying to warm up we have icy poles available for purchase at school.

These will be available to students to purchase for 50 cents each

#### Late Arrivals, Early Departures and Absences -Reminder

At Drummond Primary School we have applied the same principle as Daylesford and have implemented an Absence/Late Arrival folder which will be situated on top of the cupboard below where the newsletter is displayed.

#### Parents are required to complete the relevant details and sign the sheet at any time they are late or leaving early. Absences should be noted there as well.

#### Lateness = Lost Learning

(figures below are calculated over a school year)
5 minutes late each day = 3 days lost!
10 minutes late each day = 6 days lost!
15 minutes late each day = 9 days lost!
20 minutes late each day = 12 days lost!
30 minutes late each day = 18 days lost!

#### Activities in the last week

#### Building our new Basketball Ring

Saxon and Sierra have been working really well together to help build our new Basketball Ring. They are working hard and doing an amazing job.





In addition, we have been creating some extraordinary art works:





As you can see from Alana's wonderful picture, we have also finished our Scratchies pictures – and they look amazing!!!

Anouk, Alana and Montana set up the display to take this amazing picture



A reminder to parents that we are a Sun Smart School and as such there is an updated SunSmart policy.

It is recommended now that hats are available "all year round" at school, so students can be reminded whenever local UV levels are 3 and above.

The new guidelines are to ensure all students/staff have some UV exposure for vitamin D, while ensuring they are well protected from too much.



### LEARN TO SWIM

VICSWIM SUMMER KIDZ PROGRAM Hepburn Pools will again be running the VICSWIM Learn to Swim Program 15th - 19th January, 2018 from 10am to 12.50pm. Sessions are available at Clunes, Daylesford and Trentham. Registration is open online now through VICSWIM, http://vicswim.com.au/ Cost is \$30 per participant payable to VICSWIM.

Hepburn Shire Council www.hepburn.vic.gov.au/swimming-pools/ PH: 5348 2306

## Student & Community Activities

#### DAYLESFORD JUNIOR TENNIS STARTED SATURDAY 28 OCTOBER

A new season of Daylesford junior tennis started on Saturday 28 October. Daylesford junior tennis caters for school aged children prep - VCE and all skill levels. Competition players should arrive at the courts 9.00am for registration for a 9.30am playing start. For new or beginner players a modified "Hot Shots" skill development session will occur each week. The Hot Shots program players should arrive at 9.45am for the first session. To find out more about the junior tennis programs and to keep up to date with starting times, membership and other please tennis news visit our website www.daylesfordtennis.com or our facebook page DaylesfordLawnTennisClub.

No bookings required just come on the day.



