## DRUMMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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#### NEWSLETTER NO. 23 - Thursday 7/9/2017

## <u>CALENDAR</u>

#### AUGUST SEPTEMBER

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> School visit to Kyneton Botanic

**Gardens** 

DEFERRED UNTIL 22<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER

(last day of school).

Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Kyneton Daffodil and Arts Festival

Parade & Fair

Drummond PS will join the parade

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Drum workshops at Town Hall

Drivers required

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Working Bee & Sausage Sizzle

**Drummond Primary School** 

Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Rotary Concert at Town Hall

(Drummond students will be performing)

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> End of Term 3 finish at 2.30pm

School visit to Kyneton Botanic Gardens

#### Term Dates 2017

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

# Working Bee After School Friday September 15<sup>th</sup>

We would appreciate your help with some tidying up around our School on Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> of September at the end of the day from 3.30pm – to 5.00pm

We will also be holding a sausage sizzle that afternoon. Come and join in on the fun!!!



### **Unexplained Absence Letters**

Were distributed last week, 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

### **Current Focus – Integrity**

The BOOK FAIR COMMITTEE would like to thank the School community and wider local community for supporting the Book fair

We would like to personally thank our amazing crew

Everyone put in an incredible effort-from book sorters, to the book sellers, not forgetting the cake stall goodies makers and a special mention to the set up and pack up crews and ALL the families and students who came and purchased books.

Meg visited on Friday afternoon to gather some books for our classroom.

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### **BOOK FAIR**

We would all like to congratulate the Book Fair Committee, the School Community and the wider local community for supporting the book fair. It was an amazing event that has raised approximately \$7,000 with sales reaching more than 2,000 books. What a marvellous effort! We would like to thank the following families and local businesses:

#### (Families)

Bennett, Dickerson-Bray, Churches, Cooper, Hunt-Dinning, O'Connor/D'Onghia, Douglas, English, Hunt, Madsen/O'Brien, McCaskill, Phelan, Phypers, Richmond, Santurini, Toner/McLachlan, Wells/Thompson, Kinnear, McColl, Sim, Olifent, and Deborah/office staff, and Paul for doing the tables, Trefor John & Richard Perry. (Apologies to those people and families that we have most certainly forgotten to jot down along the way).

**(Local businesses)** - Hocking Stuart-Daylesford, Coles Supermarket, Hepburn Bathhouse & Spa, Daylesford Neighbourhood Centre, Plastic Bag Free Daylesford, Daylesford Cinema, Daylesford Community Op Shop & Paradise Books

I would like to personally thank both Nel Staite and Shelley Sandow for their magnificent co-ordination and leadership in what was a brilliant event. All money raised supports the school's literacy program.

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# hockingstuart

Well done to all!

# THREE LOST CHILDREN OF DAYLESFORD COMMEMORATION

At next Tuesday's school Assembly we will be devoting our whole assembly to the "Three Lost Children of Daylesford" commemoration. Being 150 years after this tragic event it is very important to recognise the significance of what occurred as an aspect of our important local history. We have Anne E. Stewart telling one story of the Lost Children. We will also be recognising the significance of the occasion by outlining the facts behind the school's annual "Graham Dux" Awards and we will be promoting the opportunity for the whole Daylesford community to reflect on what was a tragic but extremely moving aspect of Daylesford's, and Australia's, history.

We invite all community members along to this important assembly.

Throughout this week we have had all children attend the Historical Museum where they have been able to develop their understanding of what occurred 150 years ago. We thank the Daylesford & District Historical Museum volunteers who have assisted us as a school in the preparation of this important reflection opportunity.

Likewise, the children have been actively involved in preparing for this event by contributing to class wreaths which will be laid in remembrance of these children.

I encourage everyone to undertake some research yourself as this important 150 commemoration opportunity is a very significant event for the Daylesford Primary School and community.

#### MID YEAR CONCERT

Included with this newsletter is the annual Prep to Grade 4 Concert promotion "Come See the Sea and the Faraway Tree". We encourage families and friends to attend this engaging aspect of our Performing Arts program.

#### LLANBERIS DIVISIONAL ATHLETICS SPORTS

At the time of writing preparations are in place for 32 of our students to compete in these combined athletics sports against various other schools on Friday. Congratulations to all competitors for your achievements in being selected to represent the school and we look forward to finding out as to how everyone went. Well done to all!

#### JUDITH PURTELL RETIREMENT

Our School Crossing Attendant/Lollypop lady, Judith Purtell, has announced that she will be retiring at the end of term 3. We wish Judith a wonderful retirement after approximately seven years attending to the care and safety of the children crossing Vincent Street.

Judith will be a special guest at our final term assembly on Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup> September. Please take the time to thank Judith in the coming few weeks for her care and consideration to all students and families crossing Vincent Street. A new crossing attendant will be announced shortly.

# WORKING BEE AT DRUMMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

I encourage any person who is able to support one of our annexes, Drummond Primary School's Working Bee, to contact me early next week. The working bee will be held next Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> September, commencing at 3.30 and concluding at 5.30pm. A BBQ will follow.

If you can assist can you please contact either myself or Meg at Drummond. You will be made most welcome and your support will be greatly appreciated.

Enjoy your weekend, Trevor Edwards

#### 'GRAHAM' DUX WINNERS

With this year commemorating the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Three Lost Children, The Daylesford & District Historical Society is keen to hear from past Graham Dux recipients. We would love your story, a photo of you and your award. Please talk to our volunteers and ensure we get your details.

(Ph: 5348 1453)

### A message from Meg

# <u>Three Lost Children of Daylesford – Special</u> <u>Assembly 12 September at Daylesford Primary</u> School

We will be attending a special assembly at Daylesford Primary School on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September. Please arrive at Daylesford Primary School by 8.45am.

Following the assembly we hope to be visiting the Daylesford Museum.

This is still to be confirmed.

#### Late Arrivals, Early Departures and Absences

Currently the Education Department is looking at all schools to improve unexplained absences. This includes unexplained late arrivals and early departures.

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!

# Kyneton Botanical Gardens Visit THIS HAS BEEN DEFERRED UNTIL THE LAST DAY OF TERM – SEPTEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>

Due to the wet weather we have decided to defer our trip to the Gardens.

As a part of our wellness program and to acknowledge the amazing effort all our students have made in their learning, we thought it was time that we had an outing!

We plan to leave school at 11.00am and buy our lunch at Super Sushi in Kyneton (<\$10.00 per student should be enough to cover this cost).

Expected return time is 1:30pm

We have attached a green permission form which much be completed and returned before the excursion.

# REMINDER - Kyneton Daffodil & Arts Festival & Fair Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September

Drummond Primary School will be marching in the parade on Sunday as part of the festival. Can all students please meet at 12.15pm at the show grounds.

We are making hats this coming week at school so please make sure you bring your wonderful hats and wear bright colours on the day.

#### **Scholastic Book Club**

Last week we sent out our first book club catalogue. If you are interested in purchasing any books please make sure your order (with payment) is returned by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September (tomorrow).

#### <u>REMINDER - Drumming Workshop – The Salaka</u> <u>Ensemble</u>

#### Friday September 15th

We have been invited to join the students from Daylesford Primary school at a Drumming Workshop at the Daylesford Town Hall.

Please return your note with payment by next Thursday 14 September.

#### **REMINDER - Cooking**

Just a quick reminder that next week (14<sup>th</sup> September) is cooking week (on Thursday afternoon). Please bring your \$4.00 to school prior to Thursday so that Meg can get all the ingredients.



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.



# Student & Community Activities

BASKETBALL AT THE ARC

JUNIOR BASKETBALL WILL BE RECOMMENCING AT THE ARC ON Tuesday's (4PM-5PM)
Anyone interested in playing please come along.

All ages are welcome.

Enquiries: Sam (0407045369)



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### SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AT DAYLESFORD LIBRARIES



### Make your own Insect Hotel

Make the creatures in your garden feel more at home with their own Bug-ingham Palace!



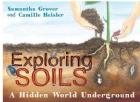
#### Daylesford Library

Thursday 28th September 2pm Suitable for ages 6+ Bookings Required Ph 5348 2800



#### **Exploring Soils with Samantha Grover**

Have you ever wondered what happens in the earth underneath us? Join soil scientist and author Samantha Grover as she takes you to an underground world filled with activity and discoveries.



#### Daylesford Library

Wednesday 4th October, 3pm Suitable for ages 6+ Bookings Required Ph 5348 2800





# Steampunk Craft

Join us for a crafting session with an industrial theme inspired by the CBCA shortlisted book Mechanica.



Thursday 5th October, 2pm Suitable for ages 10+ Bookings Required Ph 5348 2800

















#### Warm up with Dance and Drama!

Creative Dance, Drama Classes, Contemporary Dance, Adult and Child Dance

For pre-school, primary, secondary kids & adults. Studio Hire available.

Info and Enrolment at: www.insideoutdancetheatre.com.au Enquiries: 0417 592 522 or or jo@insideoutdancetheatre.com.au Factory 2 / 39 East St, Daylesford



## Kyneton Basketball Summer Season Registration

### Now open

Ages 5-18 Women's Competition - Monday's 7pm-9p Tuesday-U/12 Boys 4-5pm U/14 Boys 5-6pm U/16 U/18 6-7pm Wednesday U/12 Girls 4:30-5:30pm U/14 Girls 4:30pm-5:30pm U/16/18 Girls 5:30pm-6:30pm Thursday- U/9 4-5pm (5 years to 9 year old) Season Begins first week of Term 4 and runs through to the end of 1st term in 2018.



Kyneton Basketball Website- To register websites.sportstg.com/assoc\_page.cgi?c=0-8178-0-0-0 \$10 per week Note: Discount on fees after registration in season for **Team Manager and Coaches**