DRUMMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER NO. 28 - Thursday 9/11/2017

CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

Sat 11th Remembrance Day

Wed 22nd Pupil Free day – 2018 planning

Sat 25th Daylesford Show

DECEMBER

Mon 4th End of Year Concert – Drummond Hall

Fri 22nd Last day of school

FEBRUARY 2018

Mon 5th Respectful Relationships

Community & Parent Information Evening 5.30pm – 6.30pm

Term Dates 2017

TERM 4 9th October – 22nd 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

JUNIOR ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Last Monday we hosted our first Junior Athletics Carnival for many years at the Daylesford Primary School oval. It was great to see so many parents and community members attending to witness the joy of children having fun and competing to the best of their ability. Well done to all the children, organisers and parents who volunteered to assist.

Update by Meg:

<u>Congratulations to Sierra who came 1st in High jump</u> and 3rd in the running race. Well done Sierra!!!

Remembrance Day

You are invited to the Remembrance Day commemoration to be hosted at the cenotaph at 10.30am on Saturday the 11th of November.

Skate Park Fundraiser

On Sunday 19th November, there will be a significant fundraiser at the Daylesford Skate Park to raise money for Skate Park improvements. As many of our students thoroughly enjoy skateboarding, we encourage everyone to be involved. There will be food vans, fantastic musical acts throughout the day and a great time to be had by all. Further information will be provided in next week's newsletter.

Pupil Free Day

I would like to remind everyone that Wednesday the 22nd of November is a pupil free day. However, this day does correspond with our T20 Blast Girls Regional cricket final so a further information letter about this

will follow next week to outline to all participants and families as to how this great opportunity will be supported by the school. On this day, we will also be hosting kinder transition visits for our next year's prep/foundation children from 9.30 until 12.30. Again further information will follow next week.

Enjoy your weekend Trevor Edwards Principal

> Free 2 day workshop for parents & carers of school-aged students on the autism spectrum!

Ballarat 28 & 29 November 2017

positivepartnerships.com.au



For further information log on to http://www.positivepartnerships.com.au/

A message from Meg

Working Bee

Thank you to all those who participated in our working bee. We were able to do a number of things that have made our school look very neat and tidy.

Hedging, weeding, burning off, sweeping and tidying up around the kitchen was all completed and we celebrated with a great sausage sizzle!

Thanks once again to all.

Contributions 2017/2018

An envelope detailing school contributions for next year will be attached to this newsletter. This outlines the school's approach to procuring items for students for next year. Your prompt response to this would be appreciated.

We are still trying to recoup contributions from this year from some of our students. This will be in a separate letter attached to the newsletter. These payments are overdue and payable and we would appreciate you contacting the Daylesford Primary School office to resolve these.

<u>Late Arrivals, Early Departures and Absences -</u> 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!

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

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 tennis news please visit our website www.daylesfordtennis.com or our facebook page DaylesfordLawnTennisClub.

No bookings required just come on the day.



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



FUN-FUN-FUN at this year's DAYLESFORD HIGHLAND GATHERING...SAT 2nd DECEMBER.

There will be 4 sessions of Scottish Highland Dancing for anyone to try.

A teacher will give lessons at 11.30am, 12.30pm, 2.00pm & 3.00pm (in one of the change rooms in the Pavilion). Now is your chance to have a Highland Fling be you young or not so young.

There will also be a Marquee set up for anyone to have a go at playing the bagpipes or drums, under the tuition of Pipe Band member.

Come and try your skills - It's all for free.

After the Massed Bands Spectacular about 4.00pm there is a competition, open to all, where solo pipers play a pop song. This is not to be missed.

For more information contact John on 0427 514 308

