

DRUMMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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**we are respectful – we are responsible learners – we are honest and trustworthy
we are caring and compassionate – we are good citizens**

CALENDAR

OCTOBER

- Sat 13th** Trivia Night Gym (Information to follow next week)
- Thurs 18th** Drummond School Council 3.45pm
- Fri 19th** Foundation–2 House Athletic Sports
DPS Oval – all day

NOVEMBER

- Thurs 1st** First Cooking Day at Drummond
- Mon 5th** Pupil Free Day
- Tues 6th** Melbourne Cup Day (no School)
- Mon 12th** Grade 6 Graduation Photos 9am
- Tues 13th** Community Dance - Whole School Concert
- Sat 17th & Sun 18th** Paul Bangay KG Fundraiser

2018 TERM DATES

Office Hours: 8.30am to 4.00pm

Term 4: 8 October to 21 December

improve health related outcomes and subjective wellbeing. It also reduces antisocial behaviours. It is walk to school Month. Physical activity has proven benefits for children's (& adults) Social & Emotional Learning.

FORTNIGHTLY FOCUS

PERSISTENCE (Responsible Learner)

There are few more admired qualities in people than persistence / perseverance and that means seeing something through from beginning to end. So many people have this quality and it is one we should all aspire to.

“Seeing it through” means starting anything from a puzzle, a book, a job around the house, schoolwork, training, etc and persisting until it is finished/or the job is done. Even when things get difficult you shouldn't give up and walk away from it. Come back to it and take another look: you might ask questions, do some research, work a little harder, get someone to help/advice you but don't give up! Be prepared to try doing things in a different way.

Mostly it means persisting (sticking with it) and working with what you started until you are happy with your achievement/or the end result!

Karen McHugh

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome back everyone to our final term for the year. I trust everyone has had an enjoyable break as we enter into a very busy and engaging term.

TRIVIA NIGHT SATURDAY 13TH OCTOBER AT 7PM

We very much look forward to our school trivia night to be hosted at Victoria Park from 7pm this Saturday night. A huge thank you to Andrea and her team who have committed so much time and energy into ensuring that the night is a success. I look forward to reporting as to who wins and also as to how much money was raised. Thank you to all who have committed to attending this fun night.

PICK MY PROJECT – ROBOTICS

Unfortunately, we were unsuccessful in gaining this grant (in our case \$42000). We required approximately 200 votes but didn't achieve our goal. We will once again ensure we have an attempt next year. A huge congratulations to Trentham community for their well-earned success in receiving funding

WE ARE A RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIP SCHOOL

KIDS HELPLINE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE: 1800 551 800

HEADSPACE FOR TEENS: 1800 650 890

Sometimes talking about what has been happening in your life can bring up concerns, where you may need to seek extra support.

RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

The *Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships* learning materials have been designed for teachers in primary and secondary schools to develop students' social, emotional and positive relationship skills. Efforts to promote social and emotional skills and positive gender relationships in children and young people has been shown to



*We would like to pay our respects to elders past and present.
We are proud to acknowledge Dja Dja Wurrung as the Traditional Owners of this Country.*

for a very worthy cause. This was the only project that was successful in the Hepburn Shire so we will be very proactive next year in promoting our project!

WORLD TEACHERS DAY TUESDAY 9TH OCTOBER

I would like to acknowledge our teaching staff at Daylesford, Drummond and Yandoit Primary Schools for all their efforts in ensuring that your children have the opportunity to develop as young people! Thank you to all!

PUPIL FREE DAY 5TH NOVEMBER & MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY 6TH NOVEMBER

Just a reminder that the schools pupil free day is on Monday the 5th of November. This coincides with the Melbourne Cup public holiday on Tuesday the 6th of November. This has been organised so that the disruption is as minimal as possible and allows families to enjoy a potential long weekend.

COMMUNITY DANCE 13TH NOVEMBER

Please book this in your calendar as we are hosting a fabulous event on our school oval showcasing the performing arts of Daylesford, Drummond & Yandoit primary schools. Further information will follow! Thank you to the eight musicians and parents who have been involved in a practice session in preparation for the night. This was held at the school on a Sunday during the term break with Katie Yeung, one of our music teachers, organising this opportunity. Thank you everyone, it should be a fabulous occasion!

WALK TO SCHOOL MONTH

October is Walk to School month in Victoria. As it is very difficult to do so in many of our student's circumstances and home locations, we have opted to participate in safe walking tracks such as around the oval, school playground, art room as an option. There may be a time in October when classes walk around Lake Daylesford. These opportunities will not only be undertaken in a safe, organised manner but will also promote the theme of being active and participating in physical exercise.

I hope everyone has an enjoyable weekend.

Trevor Edwards
Principal

Letter to the editor published in The Advocate Wednesday 3rd October 2018

PLASTIC PROBLEM

My name is Jude Oxnam. I'm 12 years old and I go to Daylesford Primary School. I'm writing to discuss plastic and rubbish being on the ground and not being cleaned up. Recently I picked up a plastic bottle and other little pieces of plastic. I am disgusted at how much plastic I have seen around the supermarket, in particular the bushes and on the ground around the High School. I really want single-use plastic to be banned in Australia. It's hurting our animals and it's killing them so please read this. Thank you for taking the time to read my letter and I hope you can make a positive change to our environment!

-Jude Oxnam

Whole School Concert

Our whole school concert will be held in the evening of Tuesday 13th November.

WHAT: It will be a folk dancing experience with a live band, picnic atmosphere and will 100% involve audience participation!

WHERE: On the school oval, arranged in a big circle. Parents & friends on picnic blankets around the edges, band on a small stage in the middle and dance floor around the stage- 360 degrees of dance!

It's going to be like a big gorgeous community picnic with dancing and music!

GETTING IT TO THE NEXT LEVEL: Let's really make the atmosphere fun and maybe raise some funds too..... We could do this by including:

- Sausage sizzle
- Cake stall
- Coffee van
- Food van

WE NEED YOU! Whilst the teachers are busy organising amazing feats of folk dancing and music, we need some parents & friends to help with the extra pizzazz!

Can you help us with:

- Sausage sizzlin'!
- Co-ordinating a cake stall
- Finding food vans to come
- Getting the BEST coffee van ☑

Please get in contact with us if you want to help make a truly memorable experience for the school and wider community.

The Performing Arts Team, Suzanne & Katie

A message from Meg

Welcome back everyone! I hope that you all enjoyed your holidays and are ready to enjoy a wonderful term of learning.

Cooking every second Thursday – commencing Thursday 1st November

I have deferred the start of our cooking this term to introduce to the students the idea of cooking from around the world.

We will look at how different cultures eat different foods. For example, instead of a sandwich, some cultures may use flat bread or rice.

Once we have started this discussion in class, we will commence cooking and creating some delicious meals.

Staff Changes this term
I would like to thank Libby Fuller for joining us on Fridays for all of last term. We really enjoyed having you're here on Fridays Libby!

