2013 WHAT’S COMING UP

NOVEMBER
Thurs 7  Graduation Catering Meeting for the Grade 5 parents commencing at 3.30pm.
Mon 11 Dunkeld RSL Sub-Branch Remembrance Day Service at the Cenotaph in the Dunkeld Memorial Park 10.50am.
Tues 12 HOUSE ATHLETICS SPORTS. Kindergarten students are invited to participate in the Kinder race – please have your Kinder child at school by 2.00pm.
       ‘Transition from Primary to Secondary School’ free information night for parents and friends at the Hamilton PAC from 7.00pm to 8.30pm. Contact Glenelg & Southern Grampians LLEN on 5571 9302 for further information.
Wed 13 Sexuality and Puberty Education session for Year 6 students – 9.30am.
Thurs 14 Kinder to Prep Transition Program. Kinder students attend school from 9.00am to 2.20pm.
Fri 15 MILO T20 Blast Schools Cricket Competition at Pedrina Park Hamilton.
Mon 18 Logical Staffing Victorian Primary Schools Golf Championship at the Warrnambool Golf Club. Year 6 student, Ben Cullinane, will be participating.
Tues 19 MILO T20 Blast Schools Cricket Competition at Pedrina Park Hamilton – Regional Finals.
         Tuesday 19 to Friday 27 November   Year 5 and 6 Somers Camp (nine students attending)
Thurs 28 Kinder to Prep Transition Program. Kinder students attend school from 9.00am to 3.20pm. Parent Information session in the school hall at 1.30pm.
       Leadership and Induction SAKG Kitchen Class for Year 2 and Year 5 students.
       SPECIAL ASSEMBLY @ 2.40pm – November ‘Aussie of the Month’ Award and Class Captain reports presented.
       The Dunkeld Kindergarten students will be performing at this Special Assembly.

DECEMBER
Mon  2  SAKG Program catering for the Dunkeld Museum’s annual Christmas Dinner.
Fri  6  P & F Dinner Meeting at Café 109 commencing at 7.00pm.
Mon  9  LAST ACTIVE-AFTER SCHOOL session for Term 4.
         Tues 10 Orientation Day for Year 6 students going into Year 7 in 2014.
       Kinder to Prep Transition Program - Orientation Day for Kinder students going into Prep in 2014. Kinder students attend school all day from 9.00am to 3.25pm.
Thurs 13 Cleaning up and Packing up in the Kitchen in preparation for 2014 from 8.00am to 10.00am. All welcome!
       Year 6 Graduation Dinner, Ceremony and Concert.
Mon 16 Christmas Stall (Social Service) and CRE Concert.

2013 SCHOOL COUNCIL, SUB-COMMITTEES AND P & F MEETING DATES
Tues 12 Nov  Facilities 7.30pm – time to be advised.
Wed 20 Nov  Finance Meeting – time to be advised.
Tues 26 Nov  School Council Meeting No 9 – 7.30pm
Thurs 5 Dec  School Council Dinner
Fri  6 Dec  P & F Dinner Meeting at Café 109 – 7.00pm
Wed 18 Dec  Finance Meeting – time to be advised

CANTEEN DUTY
Mon  11 Nov  Jo Frost
Thurs 14 Nov  Bev Hampton
Mon  18 Nov  Rob Fry
Thurs 21 Nov  Katie Adams
Mon  25 Nov  Rebecca Deacon

2013 TERM DATES
Term 4  Monday 7 October to Friday 20 December

2014 TERM DATES
Term 1  Wednesday 29 January to Friday 4 April
( Teachers commence on Tuesday 28 January)
Term 2  Tuesday 22 April to Friday 27 June
Term 3  Monday 14 July to Friday 19 September
Term 4  Monday 6 October to Friday 19 December

FORMS ATTACHED TO THIS NEWSLETTER - NIL
FROM Mr Paul Jeffreys, Principal...

In the first newsletter of this term, I discussed the need for our children to be more considerate, caring and respectful of one another while at play. The staff have been supportive and diligent in ensuring our playground is a safe and happy place. It is pleasing to report that most notably, children in the lower classes have been responsive to the expectation that we don’t play in an aggressive manner at Dunkeld Consolidated School any more.

Change in playground culture is not something that happens with a single request. Children need to be reminded time and time again, and all stakeholders; children, teachers and parents need to be united in successfully implementing such changes. Together we have made some small but positive steps towards seeing every child feel happy and safe every day they come to school.

I want to say thank you to many wonderful young people in our school. It is such a privilege and pleasure to have so many children take the initiative and simply say ‘hello.’ Such a simple thing is so impressionable. From my perspective, every child who takes the time to give a simple greeting impacts significantly:

- I remember them.
- I am impressed by them.
- It begins conversations and I get to know them.
- Because I get to know them, I can be more effective working with them because there is a relationship.
- I feel both important and humble because, they bother.
- I am thankful because of them.
- I like them.

All of this just because of a simple word or two of greeting; it’s the little things that sometimes leave the greatest impression.

I would like to acknowledge Ben Cullinan for a moment. I have been watching him. Ben has grown a lot in just 15 weeks from when we first met and I don’t mean lengthways. He has developed gentleness towards others which I think is fabulous. He understands that you need to play and act according to the age or ability or maturity of those among you and they are not to be taken advantage of. This is such a complex type of understanding. Some people never develop it. I don’t think you can teach it, but rather you have to be ready to learn it. It sought of happens by osmosis, I think. I’m really happy for you, Ben. And I am happy that others in our school might be noticing… thinking… maybe getting close to being ready themselves. Our school is getting better.

PARENT OPINION SURVEYS

With the results of the Parent Opinion Surveys recently made available to our school, we would like to gather more data regarding school reporting. Shortly your child will bring home a questionnaire which will seek to identify more accurately those elements of school reporting, parent and teacher interviews and goal setting that are not seen positively by parents. We are keen to report in a quiet and conscientious manner and striving to get better in all areas, and also for his great performance as the Little Old Man in the Year 2/3 play. Phillip presented Joshua with his badge and certificate.

2014 CLASSES

There will be a few changes to class and teacher combinations for 2014. The classes and teachers will be as follows:

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SCHOOL UNIFORM

This is a beautiful uniform we have. Many friends and former colleagues who have had a sticky beak at our website have commented on it. It is worth looking our best, and while the hot days are coming, let’s make that effort to ensure our uniforms are clean, neat and worn in a tidy fashion. It has been very good to see all children wearing hats. Great job!

SPECIAL ASSEMBLY AND AUSSIE OF THE MONTH AWARD

At our Special Assembly on Friday 1 November, our special guest was Mr Phillip Della-Vedova, President of the Dunkeld & District Lions Club. Phillip has been involved with many community organisations in the Dunkeld community which includes 15 years of service with the local CFA, SES and the Dunkeld & District Lions Club.

The “Aussie of the Month” recipient for October was Year 2/3 student, Joshua Gordon for going about his work in a quiet and conscientious manner and striving to get better in all areas.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Below are the awards for Weeks 3 and 4 of Term 4, beginning on Monday 21 October 2013:

- Confidence: Hugh Roache Year 4/5/6, Thomas Gordon Prep.
**Getting Along:** Harry Wilkie Year 4/5/6, Josh Hill Year 4/5/6, Xander Prentice Prep, Lily Graham Year 4/5/6, Evie Graham Year 4/5/6.

**Persistence:** India Ross Year 1, Joshua Gordon Year 2/3, Fingal Jackson Year 1.

**Organisation:** Brooke Hill Year 2/3.

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**GRADUATION CATERING MEETING**

The next meeting of the Year 5 parents to organise the catering for the Year 6 Graduation Dinner will be held on Thursday 7 November commencing at 3.30pm.

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**YEAR 6 GRADUATION PRACTICES**

The Grade 6 students are busily preparing for their Graduation, please encourage them to learn their lines and practice their pieces at home.

**HOUSE ATHLETICS SPORTS**

**Tuesday 12 November**

- **SCHOOL BUSES on Tuesday 12 November**
  The school buses (Woodhouse and Mirranatwa) will run as normal in the morning.
  - **THE MIRRANATWA BUS WILL NOT RUN IN THE AFTERNOON.**
  - **THE WOODHOUSE BUS WILL RUN IN THE AFTERNOON.**

  Assistance with setting up and packing up the shade marquees at the beginning and end of the day would be much appreciated.

  If you are able to lend any assistance with the running of the sports please let me know or just see me first thing on the day. The more parents that help means that no one is tied to one event all day and is therefore unable to follow their own child’s progress through the program.

  Students are to wear their respective House colour (red for Wannon and royal blue for Sturgeon) polo shirt to the Sports Day.

  The school day will begin as normal at 9.00am. As soon as possible all children will attend House Meetings. Wannon House Captains are Ben Cullinane and Victoria Mawson and Sturgeon House Captains are Isaac Hanson and Sam Riddle. This is a valuable time for our House Captains to work on the day’s program of events with their team members.

  - **The sports will commence at 9.45am with the Long Distance events.**
  - **A program of events will be sent home for each family before the day – could you please ensure you bring your copy to the House Athletics Sports.**

  The House Sports are a great family affair and this year we would like parents, with their children, to join in the competitive carnival event by organising streamers and balloons in the children’s House colours – red for Wannon and blue for Sturgeon. We will be erecting the red and blue marquees to protect our children from the sun on the day and proudly displaying our school banner. So join in the spirit of the day and make this occasion a day to remember! Please remember your picnic hamper, rug and chairs!

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**KINDER TO PREP TRANSITION PROGRAM**

Please find listed below relevant Transition Program dates for the remainder of Term 4:

- **Tuesday 12 November** – House Athletics Sports Day – Dunkeld Kindergarten families and children are invited to attend. There will be a Kinder/toddler race for the younger children who are present. Please arrive by 2.00pm to enter your child in the Kinder race.
- **Thursday 14 November** – Kinder students to attend the Dunkeld Consolidated School from 9.00am – 2.30pm. Parents to drop off their Kinder children at school by 9.00am to Mrs Debbie Millard and collect them again from school at 2.30pm from Mrs Debbie.
- **Thursday 28 November** – Kinder students to attend the Dunkeld Consolidated School from 9.00am – 3.20pm. Parents to drop off their Kinder children at school by 9.00am to Mrs Debbie Millard and collect them again from school at 3.20pm from Mrs Debbie. An information session will be held in the School Kitchen at 1.30pm for parents.
- **Tuesday 10 December** – Orientation Day – the Kinder children are to attend their 2013 School Campus all day (9.00am – 3.25pm).

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**WESTERN DISTRICT SCHOOL’S SPELLING COMPETITION**

On Thursday 24 October, Sophie Schurmann, Jesse Symes and I all went to the Warrnambool for the Western District Spelling Competition. First we had a written spelling test. Then we had supper. After supper we did ‘Scattergories’. Then we did the oral spelling test. None of us advanced but we all had a go. In the Grade 6 tests there was a word that I’d never heard of before. The word was laureate. Try to spell it without looking. It started at 7:00pm and we didn’t get home until about 10:30pm. It took an hour to get home and we left before it finished too.

By Adam Symes, Year 4/5/6

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**REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE**

On Monday 11 November the Year 6 students will be attending and participating in the Dunkeld RSL Sub-Branch Remembrance Day Service at the Cenotaph in the Dunkeld Memorial Park at 10.50am. Parents and friends are also welcome to join us. Morning tea will be provided by the Dunkeld Red Cross in the Dunkeld RSL Hall in Sterling Street at the completion of the service.

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**SEXUALITY AND PUBERTY EDUCATION PROGRAM**

On Wednesday 13 November a Sexuality and Puberty Education session will be held at the Dunkeld Consolidated School for Year 6 students. The second
session for Year 5 and 6 students will be held late in Term 1 or early Term 2 in 2014. Owing to the lateness of this year’s session it will be run for the Year 6 students only. These sessions will include – Puberty issues, body changes, right names for body parts and hygiene.

MILO T20 BLAST SCHOOL CUP COMPETITION – FRIDAY 15 NOVEMBER (formerly known as Kanga 8’s Cricket)
The MILO T20 Blast School Cup Competition will be held on Friday 15 November at Pedrina Park in Hamilton. All staff wish our competitors the best of luck and hope that they enjoy themselves as they participate in this district event.

Could students please remember to bring a packed lunch, drink, hat, sunscreen and wear their runners and school polo shirt (blue) with navy pants/shorts. Should the boys and girls teams win on the day they will then qualify for the Regional Finals that are this year at Pedrina Park on Tuesday 19 November.

Parents are responsible for transporting students to this event.

A permission form was distributed to Year 5 and 6 students today.

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA)
The Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is provided by the Victorian Government to lower-income families to help with education-related costs.

If you have a child under 16, and you hold a valid Health Care Card, Pension Card, or a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible to receive the EMA. The allowance is paid in two instalments, one in March and one in August.

The payment is intended to assist with education-related costs such as: uniforms, excursions, text books and stationery. You can elect to have your EMA paid in one of the following ways:

- Paid by direct deposit (EFT) into your own nominated bank account; or
- Paid to the school to be held as credit which you can use towards education expenses; or
- Paid by cheque which will be posted to the school for collection.

In 2014, the annual EMA amount per student is:

- $200 for Prep students
- $150 for students in Years 1 – 6.

You need to obtain an EMA application form from the school office and return by 28 February 2014. For more information about EMA, visit http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/financial/Page s/default.aspx

RAFFLE
As previously advised, the Dunkeld Consolidated School Council has organised a major raffle to raise money for the School Camps and Excursion Program.

The highest tally so far is still FIVE books of tickets! Remember there is an incentive prize of a $100.00 TOYWORLD VOUCHER for the family that sells the most books before the end of Term 4!

Four FANTASTIC prizes to be won:

- 1st Prize: ASUS Vivo Tablet
- 2nd Prize: Luggage Set
- 3rd Prize: Olympus Digital Camera
- 4th Prize: Portable Barbecue

A sincere thank you to Harvey Norman and Scullions in Hamilton for their generous support.

Tickets are also available for purchase from the following local businesses:

Dunkeld Post Office, Izzy’s Mountain View Café, Dunkeld Newsagency and Robco Convenience Store.

PREP/YEAR 1 SLEEPOVER
The Prep students were asked to write sentences about what they could see happening in a particular Sleepover photo, please find a selection published below:

- I was about to do sparklers with Mrs Howard. By Addison Linskens
- I did possum spotting with Mrs Gilbert. By Sam Burger
- We are waiting for our food. It was yum. I had 2 hamburgers. By George McMullen
- I am eating breakfast. I am eating Rice Bubbles. By Xander Prentice
- I am lying on my bed. By Emily Featherston
- Mr Jeffreys came to see the children. This is near the Grade One room. I did not go to the sleepover because I had a bit of a sore throat. By Campbell Glazebrook
- We are going possum hunting. We are looking for possums but we did not find a possum with Mrs Gilbert. By Luka Tuhakaraina
- I am brushing my teeth. The toothpaste was mint. I was sleepy. By Amity Haley
- I am waking up. I slept next to Addison. By Olive Jackson
- I am cuddling my teddies. One is Surf and one is Teddy. I am in my bed. By Pippa Williamson

A selection of Year 1 sentences:

- I had two sausages for tea on Friday night. I had fun at the Sleepover. I slept next to Cooper and Lachie in the Prep classroom. Cooper made a fake snoring noise. The girls went to sleep first. I had fun picking up lollies in the Lolly Hunt on Saturday morning. By Tom Heazlewood
- We were given a glow stick. It was fun. When we got a glow stick I used it to go outside. We watched ’Shaun the Sheep’ in the staffroom. It was very funny. We all had a
lolly hunt on Saturday morning. It was cool and great. I liked the Sleepover very much. By Shayana Tuhakaraina

- On Friday night we were Dunkeld Detectives. We were finding things around the school. Reid and I were having lots of fun. I was holding the clipboard and Reid was finding the clues. When we were finished Reid and I drew some pictures. When it was dark we played musical chairs.
- After that we went outside with Mrs Gilbert and we shone a light on the trees because we were looking for possums. By Lachie Phillips
- We did sparklers – they were fun! We went possum hunting and it was fun. We didn’t find any possums. It was dark outside. We played Musical Chairs in the library. I didn’t win but it was fun. I slept next to Monet and Rachel. I had sausages for tea and for dessert I had jelly with a Freddo frog. It was delicious. We watched ‘Shaun the Sheep’ in the staffroom. It was very funny. By Chloe Frost

READ2REMEMBER
Dunkeld Consolidated School students will be participating in this year’s Read2Remember ON Monday 11 November. Read2Remember is a free initiative designed to promote the wellbeing of children and young people in schools by engaging them in the importance of Remembrance Day through meaningful literature. It is the program’s hope that all children come to understand that the characteristics of courage and resilience evident in our brave servicemen and women are the same characteristics that they can call upon to be the best that they can be.

From the Kitchen Garden...

Once again this term we revisit our recipes and how we adapt them to best suit what we have available. We discuss what is in season or why produce is on special at the supermarket or in abundance at farmers markets or our own Vegetable Garden. When food is in season it is at its very best in colour, taste and nutritional quality. Talk with your child when you are shopping and look at the prices. Talk about why some things are cheaper than others, ask them what we have growing in the garden at school and what is ready to harvest. Is some of the produce that is cheaper or in abundance the same as what is ready to harvest?

Our menu over the last fortnight has included Zucchini & Dill Fritters with Whipped Feta, Broccoli & Leek Soup, Homemade Pita Bread, and Rhubarb & Apple with Custard. Baked Eggs with Tomatoes, Herbs and Spices. Spinach Linguine with Peas, Bacon & Thyme and Rhubarb Fool with Cream. Adapting the recipe to best suit what we had in the garden or what was available in the pantry cupboard or on special at the supermarket included parsley and chives instead of dill in the fritters. We had Broccoli that had been blanched and frozen which was harvested last term we used in our soup. Leeks and Rhubarb is abundant in the garden. Silver beet was substituted for spinach. Broad beans and bush peas were used instead of frozen peas. We made fettuccine instead of linguini and yoghurt was a healthy alternative to cream as an accompaniment to our Rhubarb. Both classes were asked to find out what a ‘Fool’ is when it is named in a recipe such as Rhubarb Fool. Five words were commonly used can you guess? D—s—r—t (7 letters) c—d (4) s—we— (6) P—— (6) F--- (5)

I take this opportunity to thank the many ‘Friends’ of the Kitchen Garden who volunteer each week, who help me prepare each week, those who help with many tasks outside of class time and those who are prolific gardeners who turn up with armfuls of delicious fresh produce from the home garden to share with us. I thank the generous folk who donate all sorts of wonderful goodies - this week alone the harvest table was overflowing with wonderful recipe books, eggs, lemons, silver beet, celery, broccoli, cabbages, copies of the lift out Epicure from the Age newspaper and fresh bay leaves. The washing is folded and aprons hung. I couldn’t do it without you.

Happy Preparing and Sharing.
Clare Kennedy, SAKG Kitchen Specialist

These last two weeks have seen a flurry of activity outside, as the weather has been perfect for working in the garden. We have planted and sown cabbages, peas, oregano, beans, carrots, spinach, tomatoes, corn flowers, hollyhocks, pansies, beetroot, silver beet, chilies, eggplants, lettuce, mint, pumpkins and parsley.

The Grade 4/5/6’s conducted a very interesting interview with local farmer Luke Balkin, to find out about his life as a cropping farmer, and how busy it keeps him. As a magnificent stand of broad beans have cropped, this week we will pick and pod them, blanch and freeze them, for use later on. The kiwi fruit vines have been suffering from the cold wintry gales, as have some citrus trees, so we are fashioning protective guards from old shade cloth and stock feed bags, to protect these plants. A difference can be seen already, with small new shoots emerging, and a colour change in the plant.

Iven Field has been working with his crew to erect an outdoor sink (an old “bubble tap” sink) behind the shadehouse. They have done a magnificent job and will finish this plumbing and wood working project this week, we can’t wait to use it. Herman Jansen has generously donated a large pot for our water feature in the Sensory Garden. He and his crew are installing a solar powered fountain in it, and again, we can’t wait to see the result! Brian Mathews and Mr Smith had their friends busy unloading a huge tandem trailer of old hay, very kindly donated (again!) by Des Harris. We spread it underneath the fruit trees; it will be perfect on top of the old sheep manure we laid around the trees some months ago.

Jane Calvert taught the children how to create tomato stands, by lashing and tying fruit tree prunings together, Deb Fenwick helped her friends identify plants growing in the garden. Trish Symes watched as her team measured and mapped firstly the fruit trees (we are hoping to build some bird proof enclosures before the end of the year!) and then the entire garden, and Rose Kennedy’s crew worked on their scarecrows. Heather Cash showed her team how to plant many different plants. Val Peters and Helen Hanson tooled in the garden while Luke’s interview was conducted and Bev Hampton brought in some beautiful bent pumpkin seeds (a precursor to today’s butternut pumpkin), which she and her friends sowed into trays.

So much was achieved; it’s been a fantastic couple of weeks! Oh, and we also planted 80 native shrubs along the western
side of the garden – we are hoping these plants will attract birds and insects into our garden, as they are great pollinators and predators. These shrubs will also create a small wind break, without blocking the magnificent view, and “hopefully” deter kangaroos from bounding through! These plants were kindly donated (again!) by Colin Dunkley from Hamilton Trees.

Lisa McIntyre, SAKG Garden Specialist

FOR SALE
Marinated Olives
at
The Old Bakery &
Wild Plum Café
Dunkeld Consolidated School

The Old Bakery & Wild Plum Café proudly supports the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program
All proceeds from SAKG Olives sales will benefit the Dunkeld Consolidated School SAKG Program
Thank you for your support!
Clare Kennedy and Lisa McIntyre
SAKG Program

Preparing & Sharing
Dunkeld Museum Annual Dinner

We are fortunate enough to be given an opportunity to raise funds for our program by preparing an evening meal for the Dunkeld Museum’s Annual Christmas Dinner.

The Dinner is to be held, Monday 2 December, commencing at 6.30 pm. If you are able to help on the evening with preparation, service, or clean-up we would be very grateful. If you are able to donate in any way (produce, funds, time) we would be ever so thankful for your kindness. Please phone Clare Kennedy on 0427 823 308.

PALACE MARTIAL ARTS TAEKWONDO
On Saturday 26 October three students from the Dunkeld Consolidated School (Jasmine Crawford, Vincent Huf and Adam Crawford) along with two students from Cavendish Primary School (Zac and Samuel Price), participated in the Top Kick Jamboree/4th Hamilton Anti-Bullying.

We listened while some Taekwondo leaders spoke about standing up for yourself and not to harm others. After that we were in our school teams, needed five to participate in three events and one in another.

The first event was the Tug of War, Jasmine went in the Kinder/Prep event, so we need to have another person join us and he came from North Hamilton.

Next was the Korean Wrestling; only one person could do this one. I came second in this event.

The third event was the Obstacle Race. All our team was in this event and we were very quick but not quick enough – we came third.

The last event was Dodge Ball, Jasmine went in the Kinder/Prep event while us boys with Ryan from North Hamilton. We got down to the finals against North Hamilton; we fought hard and came second.

At the end of the day Muhktar presented us with ribbons, there was a raffle and I received first prize. Then Muhktar presented the parent coaches with an award for each school, my Mum (Sarah) was our coach.
By Adam Crawford, Year 4/5/6

DUNKELD RURAL FIRE BRIGADE POSTER COMPETITION
The students are currently involved in creating posters for the annual Dunkeld Rural Fire Brigade Poster Competition. The Fire Brigade very generously offers a gift voucher for the winners from each grade, from Prep to Year 6. This year’s theme is ‘Summer beware, time to prepare’.

Congratulations and Welcome!
Adam and Mel Kent and Will, Year 3 and Tom, Year 1 on the recent birth of their baby son/brother, Billy.

P & F NEWS

P & F Event Calendar 2013:
TERM 4
Last P & F meeting for 2013 at “109” - 7.00pm Fri 6 December
Christmas Stall (students’ Social Service) Mon 16 December

2014
Term 1 General P & F meeting February
P & F AGM March

P & F News: At P & F meetings it is discussed and voted upon where the money, we fundraise, is to go. At times we might receive a request for money from different areas of the school. An example of this is when the librarian Mrs Sue Smith asked for extra funds for the school library. As a group we decided that monies raised from the BBQ at Safeway in August would go towards the school library. P & F may decide that there might be areas of the school where we think money could be spent.

At a meeting earlier this year we decided to look into a new PA system for the hall. We asked two companies to come and look at our existing facilities and received two quotes. It was suggested to us that we could hire equipment to see how it worked in our hall. P & F paid for the hire of PA equipment for the Grade Prep and One concert.

The P & F Association had thought that our stall at Discover Dunkeld would be a perfect opportunity to let school families know that we had a set goal
of a new PA system and that money raised on that day would go towards that goal.

However we had found out at the meeting prior to Discover Dunkeld that some PA systems were to become obsolete due to the frequency spectrum they are on, no longer being available to those systems. This and the cost of a new PA system made those at the October meeting begin to rethink our goal. It was decided that due to the above factors we would leave the replacement of the PA system for this year and revisit the idea next year or in coming years. P & F however did pass a motion to put money into new microphones as the current ones are having issues. The microphones would be purchased by Mrs Macgugan and will comply with the new set frequencies.

Forgotten plates and containers: If you have supported P & F this year with catering and are unable to find a plate or container then it may be in the school canteen. Please feel free to collect it from the bench, located near the hallway sink.

Christmas Stall: Just a reminder that Christmas Stall, as with the Mother’s Day and Father’s Day stall is a students’ Social Services stall. This means that the money raised at the stall will be donated to local charities. Towards the end of this term the senior students will decide upon where the money is to be donated.

Next Meeting: Please note the change of date for the last P & F meeting for 2013. It will now be held on Friday 8 December at 7.00pm at Café 109. An email has been sent out with further details. Please contact Kellie White at white5@hotmail.com.au with your RSVP. The P & F is for the school community and aims to benefit our students and school. The P & F committee very much appreciates all the support we receive from our school families.

Emma Gordon, President and Kellie White, Secretary

CHRISTMAS STALL on Monday 16 December

The Social Service Christmas Stall will be held on Monday morning 16 December at 10.00am. This stall is a general family stall and this makes the choice of donated gifts much easier! Christmas decorations and children’s gifts have proven popular in the past.

Here are a few suggestions for gifts for the stall: soap, make-up, perfume, nails, screws, baby toys, toy cars, marbles, notebooks, pens, pencils, diaries, photo frames, chocolates, jewellery, handkerchiefs, photo albums, home baking, plants, mugs, cards, Christmas decorations, craft items, etc.

If possible, could gifts please be wrapped in coloured or clear cellophane so the children can see what they are purchasing. The students can bring in donations and leave at the front office from now onwards.

Please remember that we count the total gifts donated and divide by the number of children. This is to see how many gifts each child may purchase on the day. The more gifts that are donated, the more gifts that can be purchased by each child. All money raised is donated to charities chosen by the senior students.

We sell the gifts in a price range from $1.00 to $3.00. A raffle is also held, at the cost of 50 cents a ticket, with the larger donated gifts making up the prize list. The helpers choose the prizes from the donated gifts.

For this morning to run smoothly we need help from parents.

We will need six to eight helpers on the Monday morning, from 9.00am to collect the donations as the children arrive, price them, lay them out in the hall and help to serve on the stall. Please consider offering to help, it is a very rewarding experience and good fun. Thanking you in advance for your time and donations, they are greatly appreciated. Younger children are welcome and names can be left with Emma Gordon on 5577 2660 or via email: catman22@bigpond.net.au

INVOLVE YOUR KIDS – BUSHFIRE SURVIVAL PLANNING eBook

The Bushfire Cooperative Research Centre (Bushfire CRC) has produced an eBook for parents on how to talk to children about bushfire preparation and safety. The eBook, Making a bushfire plan? Involve your kids! is based on the PhD research of Briony Towers from RMIT University, which has been presented in many research and industry forums in recent years.

The eBook is designed as an interactive PDF that can be read on a computer or any tablet device, as well as printed. Download it for free at the Bushfire CRC website: http://www.bushfire crc.com/resources/product/involve-your-kids-bushfire-survival-planning-ebook
MEETINGS & EVENTS CALENDAR

Remembrance Day Service at the Dunkeld Memorial Park Cenotaph
- Monday, 11 November, 10.50am sharp

SES training
- Wednesday, 13 November
- Saturday, 16 November
- Monday, 18 November, 9.00pm

Dunkeld Races
- Wednesday, 20 November, 7.00pm

Movie Fundraiser Night at the Hamilton Cinema – About Time
- Wednesday, 20 November, 7.30pm

Dunkeld & District CWA Meeting
- Monday, 25 November, 8.00pm

Dunkeld Red Cross End of Year lunch
- Wednesday, 27 November, 12.00pm

Dunkeld Museum Committee Meeting
- Monday, 25 November, 8.00pm

Dunkeld Museum Annual Christmas Dinner and Guest Speaker
- Monday, 2 December, 6.30pm
- Wednesday, 11 December

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COMMUNITY NEWS & MEETINGS

SWIMMING LESSONS
We will be providing swimming lessons at the Dunkeld Pool starting MONDAY 30 DECEMBER for 2 weeks. Please refer to attached Enrolment form, due to be lodged by Friday 29 November. Places are filling quickly. Lodge your enrolment form as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. Thank you.
Jen McArthur 5573 3265

DUNKELD ARBORETUM STALL - RESULTS
Thank you to everyone who supported us in any way at our Stall last Saturday. We are pleased to announce that we made $1031.70 which was a fantastic result. Allister Crawford was the lucky winner of the beautiful Christmas cake.

DUNKELD RED CROSS
On Remembrance Day – Monday 11 November, we will be serving Morning Tea after the 11.00am Ceremony. Could members please bring, or send a plate to the RSL Hall at 10.30am.
On Thursday, 28 November, we are having our end of year lunch at Catalpa – Tarrington. Meet at Saint Mary’s Church Hall to pool cars at 12.00 midday.

DUNKELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION
The next meeting will be held on Monday 25 November at 8.00pm at the Dunkeld Visitor Information Centre. Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday 25 November.
Mary-Ann Brown, President

VALE - ROSS JONES
It was sad to hear that Ross passed away last week. Ross came to Dunkeld School and made a sound contribution during his time there. He was a dedicated staff member and was great support to me. He will be fondly remembered by many ex-students, parents and staff. Our sympathies are with Sue, David and Belinda, Michael and Kylee at this sad time. We are all thinking of you.
John Smith

DUNKELD PUBLIC LANDS COMMITTEE
Award: We congratulate Barbara Dohle for receiving her award recently. Barbara has been a tireless worker in the community. She has been a terrific supporter of our committee and attended many working bees. Well done, Barbara.
Memorial Park: The Shire has trimmed a large tree in the park. Some of the trees are showing their age. We are looking into replacing them with good shade trees. The trees on the street opposite the Post Office have been earmarked for

Please Note: NO NEWSLETTERS published during School Holidays

Next Newsletter items due by 3:00pm Monday 18 November 2013

Items to be emailed to Rob Fry: forty@iinet.net or ring me on 5574 9233

LATE ITEMS WILL BE HELD OVER UNTIL THE FOLLOWING FORTNIGHT
removal. They are under the power lines and have been butchered.

**Conservation Volunteers:** Katherine has organised tree planting around Dunkeld. Four days have been completed on farms so far. We await the results of our Grant application for Salt Creek works.

**Caravan Park:** Gary is getting busy. Electricity is being renewed to the barbecue area. Our new cabin is almost finished. Next job is to dig footings for it. This won’t be easy because the number of footings required by the engineer would hold up the Rialto. There is power, water and sewerage under the cabin site, so we have to be careful. Hopefully the cabin will be on site within two weeks.

*John Smith, President*

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**Financial Planning On Our Door Step**

**Simon Horne**

Simon has been a local of the South West region for the last 18 years. Based in Hamilton, he and his wife have raised their 2 children into adulthood whilst working as a Financial Planner for the last 12 years.

Simon is a self-confessed workaholic, horrific tennis player but claims an on par skill level when swinging the golf club.

Simon joined the Bendigo Bank in January 2013 and was previously a Financial Planner with Southern Finance Ltd. Prior to financial planning he worked as a wool broker and wool futures advisor.

Simon will now be working out of the Dunkeld & District Community Bank® Branch every Monday and by appointment throughout the week. If coming into the branch to see a Financial Planner is hard for you, why not call us on 5577 2488 and make an appointment for Simon to come see you.

**Already 70,000 reasons to bank with us**

We at the Dunkeld & District Community Bank® Branch are proud to announce that with less than three years of business behind us we have now returned $70,000 back into our region through a vast number of organisations, clubs and charities.

We are only able to do this because of locals making the decision to bank locally. As a full service bank who offers competitive prices across our range of lending, deposit, everyday, wealth, business, telco, agribusiness and insurance products and services, making the decision to switch couldn’t be easier.

Call us on 5577 2488 and discuss today how we can make your banking count.

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**Customer Service Officer - Dunkeld & District Community Bank® Branch Vic**

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**Job No.:** 901867  
**Work type:** Part Time  
**Location:** VIC - Other  
- Opportunity to help people in a positive supportive environment  
- Located in Dunkeld, Vic  
- Part time position

**Position Overview:**

Bendigo Bank is currently working with communities to secure banking services into the future. This innovative banking concept has been established in Dunkeld and is making a vital contribution to the community. As a Customer Service Officer, you will be the face of Dunkeld & District Community Bank® Branch, leading the way with our unique philosophy. You will be given the support you need to do what you do best - listening to customers and using your skills to help them achieve their financial goals.

We are looking for someone with customer service and cash handling experience. You will have good communication and computer skills and a friendly, efficient approach. You will be part of a diverse team in a rewarding work environment. The right person will receive mentoring to advance a long-term career with our growing organisation.

As a Customer Service Officer at our Dunkeld & District Community Bank® Branch you will report to the Branch Manager and work closely with your team to service the needs of consumers. As part of a national organisation we are able to offer exciting careers paths both within Retail and the Bendigo Bank Group.

A full position description including Key Capabilities, Qualifications & Key Functions is available online at: [www.bendigoadelaide.com.au/careers](http://www.bendigoadelaide.com.au/careers)

For further information please contact:
- Name: **Lara Ebery**  
- Phone: 03 5304 4405  
- email: lara.ebery@bendigoadelaide.com.au

**Closing date:**

15 November 2013 5:00pm Aus. Eastern Standard Time

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**DUNKELD RURAL FIRE BRIGADE**

The Brigade wishes to record its appreciation to all volunteer fire-fighters who turned out in the early hours of last Thursday morning (31 October) to deal with the fire in the Royal Mail Hotel Convention Centre.

Although the Brigade responded very rapidly, on arrival the building was found to be well alight and could not be saved. Nevertheless, all those who fought the fire worked very hard to extinguish it as quickly as possible and to prevent it from spreading to other sections of the hotel. Fortunately no-one was in the building at the time and there were no injuries.

Captain Mike Gordon has asked me to convey his special thanks to Dunkeld Brigade members who were first on the scene. They were quick to size up the situation and take action to prevent potential complications which could have arisen from power and gas hazards. Sincere thanks are also due to the Victoria Valley, Glenthompson, Hamilton and Penshurst Brigades who attended the fire. By all accounts a tremendous effort was put in and the teamwork displayed by all concerned was exemplary.

Thanks also to Helena Flinn who ran the communications at Serra Group Base for several hours.

*Peter Flinn, Secretary*
ROO SAFETY ON RACE DAY
The Dunkeld Races are rapidly approaching on Saturday 16 November.

The Race Committee are asking for your assistance in moving resident kangaroos away from the Race Track on the morning of Race Day. This is for the safety of not only kangaroos but also of horses and riders during a race and the extra road traffic risks.

The Committee has permission to “move on” up to 400 kangaroos, courtesy of the Department of Sustainability and Environment.

The majority of roos, when disturbed, naturally head back to the mountains. The biggest concern is moving the individual and small groups of roos at the Racecourse end of town. They hide quietly during the day but if spooked are unpredictable.

Could residents observe these stragglers and contact our local “roo whisperer” who can come and chase them back to the mountains for the day.

Please contact the “roo whisperer” on 0428 772 371 prior to or the morning of the Races.

The Dunkeld Cup
In the shadow of the mountains
Lies a little country town
And there among the red gums
Is a racecourse of renown.

That is where the town folk gather
On the green and pleasant ground
To have a punt and party
While the horses “go around”

It was there that flying Tauto
Once of Bobby’s nags
Wiped out the opposition
And cleaned out the bookies’ bags.

Because a champ trained by a local
Had stirred emotions up
And the whole town was deserted
The day that Tauto won the cup.

And if you want the location
Where this country cup is held
In the shadow of Mount Sturgeon
You will surely find Dunkeld.

John Brown, Portland - 8 November 2005

MOSAIC TO MOUNTAIN FUN RUN 2013
Congratulations to all those who participated in the very successful Dunkeld Kindergarten major fundraiser, the Mosaic to Mountain Fun Run. The weather was perfect for the 10km and 5km events, and we saw competitors travel from across our region, and beyond, for the second annual M2M.

The winners of the 10km events were Thomas Hynes (Warnambool) and Karen Benson (Portland), with Clinton Hall (Warnambool) and Anna Francis (Melbourne) taking second place. The 5km winners were Stephen Tomkins (Casterton) and Sally Beggs (Glenelg), with Nathan Riddle (Dunkeld) and Lucy Bunce (Coleraine) taking second. The winners and runners up in the junior girls and boys were Edward Beggs, Paige Kisell, Clancy Willider and Lily Bester. It was the first year of the team challenge, and Physio Freedom (Hamilton) took out the 10km prize, while our very own Piccaninny Walkers won the 5km category.

The committee wish to thank the legions of mums and dads, grandparents, relatives and friends who helped marshal the course. We had many remarks from participants on how lovely it was to be cheered on by Dunkeld Kinder kids along the route.

Thanks also to the generous local sponsors who we rely on to stage a professional event. In particular, Café 109 and Southern Grampians Shire Council, as well as our major media sponsor Ace Radio, and Iluka Resources for sponsoring St John’s Ambulance Service. We thank Grampians View B&B, Royal Mail Hotel, Corea Quarters and Kelly & Henson as well as a host of Hamilton, Port Fairy and Warnambool businesses for providing prizes and sponsorship. We also thank the Discover Dunkeld Committee for their ongoing encouragement.

We had around 270 people participate in the M2M 2013, which is a great result for our kindergarten and we look forward to next year’s Discover Dunkeld weekend!

From the Kitchen Garden...

Preparing & Sharing - Dunkeld Museum Annual Dinner
We are fortunate enough to be given an opportunity to raise funds for our program by preparing an evening meal for the Dunkeld Museum’s Annual Christmas Dinner.

The Dinner is to be held, Monday 2 December, commencing at 6.30 pm. If you are able to help on the evening with preparation, service, or clean-up we would be very grateful. If you are able to donate in any way (produce, funds, time) we would be ever so thankful for your kindness.

Please phone Clare Kennedy on 0427 823 308.

DISCOVER DUNKELD....
Thanks to our community!

With the removal of the last sculpture from Salt Creek signalling the close of Discover Dunkeld 2013, we behold admiration of the support and enthusiasm bestowed by the greater Dunkeld community!

Each year we summon the folk of Dunkeld with the challenge of creating bigger and better events, with the hope that they can use the Discover Dunkeld platform to strengthen and prosper as community groups, businesses and individuals. Each year we are met with new ideas and new energy, culminating in an event that we host with great pride.

As a committee we volunteer our time with the vision ‘to unite and strengthen our community – to encourage visitors to our region – to share our local experiences, histories and talents’. We approach the event with trepidation and excitement, knowing that we rely on our community to fill the program with events that will draw people to Dunkeld. Whilst we have the greatest confidence in what our region has to offer, we also realise the realities of bringing it to the fore. We are a small community that achieves a lot, people’s calendars are full and to do lists are long, an event like Discover Dunkeld requires so much extra from an already busy group of people.

So, we thank the people of Dunkeld for your enthusiasm, your ability to recognise what we set about to achieve each year in October, and for your ongoing support as community, as enterprise, and as individuals.
We thank you for your imagination and endear you, your hard work and professionalism. 2013 saw much success achieved. The inaugural WheelFun, an event added to the repertoire of the Dunkeld Adventure group, celebrating healthy lifestyles and the natural beauty of the region. We saw the second Mosaic to Mountain Fun Run, now a major and sustainable fundraiser for the Dunkeld Kindergarten. We celebrated artists of the region with Lost in Sculpture, acquiring a beautiful artwork for the Salt Creek Walking Trail, for locals and visitors to appreciate for years to come. We exposed and celebrated the rich timber milling history of Dunkeld with the Saw Mill Open Day, and revelled in the quality produce that our fertile land and industrious farmers bring to us at The Grampians Harvest Dinner.

We brought new people to the region and gave local folk something to enjoy. The Grampians Cricket Club brought a night of music and culture with the Welsh Male Choir at Devon Park, a fundraising opportunity for the club and a night out for music enthusiasts. Market in the Park brought new stallholders and old, enterprises locals building their businesses, and favourites from afar for us all to enjoy. All while the sun shone down upon us for a beautiful weekend in Dunkeld, so we thank you too Mother Nature!

Most of all we thank the selfless individuals who volunteer their time to our external partners and to our own Discover Dunkeld group. Every time the Discover Dunkeld Committee meets we reflect upon our vision and our values. In the afterglow of the 2013 event, our ‘values’ ring true with particular clarity. We value ‘Our vibrant community – our volunteers – building and strengthening new and existing relationships – the contribution of all members of our community – social connectedness – strengthening relationships with all stakeholders – development, sustainability and prosperity’.

So, thank you to one and all that made Discover Dunkeld 2013 an event for our community to be proud of. With over 3,000 people passing through the town for the main weekend alone, we can safely herald growth and prosperity for Discover Dunkeld and for our community.

We look forward with optimism to an even brighter 2014!

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For further information about the project or to request a survey to be posted to you, please email Aditi Lohan (aditi.lohan@uqconnect.edu.au) or call (07 3365 7689) at the Parenting and Family Support Centre in the School of Psychology at the University of Queensland, St Lucia QLD 4072 (Fax: 07 3365 6724).

Thank you for your time and participation.

Aditi Lohan, Alina Morawska and Amy Mitchell
UQ Parenting and Family Support Centre

EUROPEAN WASPS

It’s that time of year again - when queen wasps emerge from hibernation and look for sites to build their nests. A number of local farmers have reported an increase in wasp sightings, especially under wood piles. So it could be a sign of a bad wasp year. Now is the time to act! If you find a large European wasp, safely destroy it, as one queen has the potential to raise 1000’s of wasps. It’ll save a lot of discomfort later on

“Grampians Ark” and “Grampians to Grasslands”

FOX CONTROL PROGRAMS

Participants, residents, landholders and visitors please be advised that the latest Fox Baiting Pulse begins Monday 7 October and will run to Sunday 8 December 2013. Baits can be picked up at Kelly and Henson, you will need to provide your ACUP and note which program you’re involved in. Please also fill the bait data form provided. We need to provide some data and evidence of bait take as part of the program requirements. We are also very interested in hearing of other fox control methods, if you have numbers of foxes caught spotlighting or on day shoots etc, we’d be very interested to hear of them. Every bit counts! If you are interested in joining this program, please contact me.

Lisa McIntyre 5574 9235

DUNKELD RSL SUB-BRANCH

RSL Membership

We invite ex-service men and women to be members and renew their membership to ensure the future of the RSL locally. If you are a relative of ex-service men or women you can also join the RSL. By becoming a member of the RSL you will be helping the welfare of disabled war veterans. Application forms are available from the Secretary/Treasurer, Terrie Nicholson on 5573 3353.

Remembrance Day Service on Monday 11 November: The Dunkeld RSL Sub-Branch will hold a Remembrance Day Service commencing at 10.50am sharp on Monday 11 November at the Cenotaph in the Dunkeld Memorial Park. Morning tea will be provided by the Dunkeld Red Cross after the service in the Dunkeld RSL Hall in Sterling Street. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

‘Remember this November’ and purchase a poppy from Dunkeld RSL Sub-Branch members (or from the Dunkeld Newsagency or Old Dunkeld Bakery) – the money raised is used to assist both current and former serving members of the Australian and Allied defence forces and their dependents when in need. For more information please visit: http://www. anzacappeal.com.au.

Remembrance Day in Australia is dedicated to Australians who died as a result of war, particularly from World War I onwards. A minute of silence is dedicated to the deceased, especially for soldiers who died fighting to protect our nation.

“They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them.”
Working Bee: Thank you to those members who were able to attend a working bee at the RSL last Sunday – Derek Morse, Gary Phillips and Ian and Heather Macgugan. Thank you also to Graeme (Grub) Templeton and Geoff Hinchcliffe for all their hard work in cleaning and mopping the hall floor during the week.

11/11/100 Years: The Dunkeld RSL Sub-Branch and Dunkeld Museum will be involved with a La Trobe University (LTU) Online Photojournalism initiative. This project will acknowledge the centenary of the 1914 – 1918 War by photographing 100 World War 1 Memorials across Australia and including a story of a person’s associated with that Memorial. Planned launch date is Remembrance Day 2014. The idea and concept for 11/11/100 Memorials is ©Ms Julie Mellowick, LTU, Online Photojournalism and Julie will be attending the Dunkeld RSL Sub-Branch’s Remembrance Day service next Monday. The story of the four Williams brothers (Frank, John Edward, Michael Wright and Thomas Peter) will be featured in the book. Terrie Nicholson, Secretary/Treasurer

FROM THE LIONS DEN

On a club level we have had a fairly quiet time lately but at our next dinner meeting the District Governor will be here along with the Penshurst and Cavendish Club members. But in the meantime we will be represented at the District Convention where we will be presenting our portfolios of Crime Watch and Farm Safe to the Lions of this district and guests from other districts.

Town Characters

Lately I have been talking to people about how the characters of old, both good and not so good have virtually disappeared from our society. All communities have their characters and these people can give life to in some cases a dull community. Dunkeld, Glenthompson and the surrounding areas have all had them over the years, but I would like to share a story about a husband and wife from Ararat.

Husband: He has a big rough man who worked at the quarry and although he was basically honest he used to supplement his income by trapping and skinning possums. One day a man went to the character’s house to serve a civil debt summons. The character, we will call him John, opened the door, asked him what he wanted and when he was told about the summons he said, “Did anyone see you come in?” The man answered “No.” At this John reeved the door open and pushed him aside, threw the bag into the cart and drove away. That afternoon John came home and said, “Darling I have got a present for you.” Like most married ladies Jane was a romantic at heart and thought to herself, ‘he has remembered our wedding anniversary.’ So she straightened her hair, smoothed her dress and went outside to the love of her life. John said, “here love I bought you a box of apples.” Jane, very quietly but distinctly said, “Apples, I'll give you bloody apples.” So every meal from then until the box was empty John had apples, he had them baxed, stewed, fried and raw. Apparently that is where the saying ‘she’ll be apples originated.

Peter Hinchey

DUNKELD MUSEUM UPDATE

Committee Meeting: Our next monthly Committee Meeting will be held on Monday 18 November commencing at 8:00pm at the Dunkeld Museum.

Guest Speaker Meetings: The audience at Monday night’s guest speaker meeting was treated to a high calibre speaker Mr Ian O’Connell, who is a well-known Kelpie breeder and trainer who lives near Hamilton. Ian spoke enthusiastically about Australia’s iconic working dog, the Kelpie and shared some of his training tips with the audience. He also brought along one of his young dogs, Cassie, and introduced her to the audience.

Kelpie

A tear rolled down Jack Gleeson’s cheek For the son he’d never see, For the dog he’d never work again, And what he knew they could be.

He’d ridden all the eastern states, And bred a strain of dogs, in time; Now he was about to die, A stockman cut down in his prime.

He left his wife and unborn child And his dogs already famed, His black and tan sheep dog bitch After which a breed was named.

It all started on the Warrock run Where Jack saw dogs that could work sheep, Collies brought from Scotland And a pup he wished to keep.

George Robertson wouldn’t sell her, Not to Jack or anyone. ‘When you’ve got dogs like this,’ he said, ‘They pass them father on to son.’

But he gave one to a nephew Who didn’t follow in that course, He knew Jack Gleeson pretty well And had a liking for his horse.

He said he’d swap the dog For Gleeson’s stockhorse tall and stout, By the old Glenelg at midnight To save his uncle finding out.

And so down by the river On an eerie moonlit night, Where the Red Gums touch the water And the yellow-belly bite.

Jack Gleeson sat there waiting
With the stockhorse on a lead, Listening to the rippling waters And the roos and emus feed.

Then a rustling from the bushes Sent a shiver down his spine, He looked up to see a horseman pause, Then wave a knowing sign.

So Jack rode towards the ford, Where Warrock met Dunrobin run, They exchanged the pup and stockhorse And the midnight deal was done.

Both horsemen rode off quietly Through the fast descending fog, Until Jack stopped above the river To take a good look at his dog.

The sky was clear as crystal And cold air made him shiver As the full moon cast his shadow Down across the fogbound river.

His thoughts turned back to Ireland, Of haunted fords and streams, By the spectre they called Kelpie And how it filled his early dreams.

He could hear a horse at canter As he fixed a thoughtful gaze On the tops of lifeless Red Gums Jutting out above the haze.

He glanced down at the pup Who picked her ears up at his sight, Then smiled, called her ‘Kelpie’, And rode off into the night.

Perhaps he knew Jack Gleeson’s Kelpie Would be known throughout the land, Her descendants strong-willed working dogs Just as the stockman planned.

Jack headed north with Kelpie And broke her in along the way, A station north of Cootamundra Was where he’d find work to stay.

As he crossed the Murrumbidgee He met Coonambil Station’s boss. It was here Jack mated Kelpie With a Collie dog called Moss.

From Forbes to Yarrawonga, Kelpie’s pups would show their guile, In the woolshed, on the paddocks With mobs of thousands, or at trial.

They became, simply, Kelpies, Sought for their desire to work, For their pride, for their intelligence, With so little that they shirk.

Now if you’re heading into Casterton And the sky is crystal clear, Make a stop down by the river And if you’re quiet you will hear

A whistle through the Red Gums, A mob of sheep take flight, Then horses’ hooves and barking Will echo through the night.

But there is no horseman out there, No real dogs or running sheep, Just Jack Gleeson working Kelpie, A spectre Casterton will keep.

By Peter Dowsley, Casterton

Annual Christmas Dinner and Guest Speaker on Monday 2 December: The Dunkeld Museum’s Annual Christmas Dinner will be held on Monday 2 December at 6.30pm for a 7.00pm start at the Dunkeld Consolidated School. The cost of the dinner will be $30.00 per person. Please bring your own drinks and glasses. The school’s Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program will be catering for our meal, which will be a fundraiser for this worthwhile program.

For catering purposes could you please contact our Secretary, Mrs Wendy Williams on 5577 2386 if you wish to attend our Christmas dinner. Guest Speaker to be confirmed.

Museum Duty: The following volunteers are on Museum duty from 1.00pm – 5.00pm on:

If you are unable to carry out your duty on your rostered day could you please contact one of the other volunteers to arrange a swap.
Terrie Nicholson, Publicity Officer, Dunkeld Museum

RAFFLE
As previously advised, the Dunkeld Consolidated School Council has organised a major raffle to raise money for the School Camps and Excursion Program.

The highest tally so far is still FIVE books of tickets! Remember there is an incentive prize of a $100.00 TOYWORLD VOUCHER for the family that sells the most books before the end of Term 4!

Four FANTASTIC prizes to be won:
• 1st Prize: ASUS Vivo Tablet
• 2nd Prize: Luggage Set
• 3rd Prize: Olympus Digital Camera
• 4th Prize: Portable Barbecue

A sincere thank you to Harvey Norman and Scullions in Hamilton for their generous support.

Tickets are also available for purchase from the following local businesses:
Dunkeld Post Office, Izy’s Mountain View Café, Dunkeld Newsagency and Robco Convenience Store.

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From the Kitchen Garden...

Once again this term we revisit our recipes and how we adapt them to best suit what we have available. We discuss what is in season or why produce is on special at the supermarket or in abundance at farmers markets or our own Vegetable Garden. When food is in season it is at its very best in colour, taste and nutritional quality. Talk with your child when you are shopping and look at the prices. Talk about why some things are cheaper than others, ask them what we have growing in the garden at school and what is ready to harvest. Is some of the produce that is cheaper or in abundance the same as what is ready to harvest?

Our menu over the last fortnight has included Zucchini & Dill Fritters with Whipped Feta, Broccoli & Leek Soup, Homemade Pita Bread, and Rhubarb & Apple with custard. Baked Eggs with Tomatoes, Herbs and Spices, Spinach Linguine with Peas, Bacon & Thyme and Rhubarb Fool with Cream. Adapting the recipe to best suit what we had in the garden or what was available in the pantry cupboard or on special at the supermarket included parsley and chives instead of dill in the fritters. We had Broccoli that had been blanched and frozen which was harvested last term we used in our soup. Leeks and Rhubarb is abundant in the garden. Silver beet was substituted for spinach. Broad beans and bush peas were used instead of frozen peas. We made fettuccine instead of linguini and yoghurt was a healthy alternative to cream as an accompaniment to our Rhubarb Fool. Five words were commonly used can you guess? D—s—r— (7 letters) c—d (4) s—we— (6) P— (6) F—t (5)

I take this opportunity to thank the many ‘Friends’ of the Kitchen Garden who volunteer each week, who help me prepare each week, those who help with many tasks outside of class time and those who are prolific gardeners who turn up with armfuls of delicious fresh produce from the home garden to share with us. I thank the generous folk who donate all sorts of wonderful goodies - this week alone the harvest table was overflowing with wonderful recipe books, eggs, lemons, silver beet, celery, broccoli, cabbages, copies of the lift out Epicure from the Age newspaper and fresh bay leaves. The washing is folded and aprons hung. I couldn’t do it without you.

Happy Preparing and Sharing.
Clare Kennedy, SAKG Kitchen Specialist

These last two weeks have seen a flurry of activity outside, as the weather has been perfect for working in the garden. We have planted and sown cabbages, peas, oregano, beans, carrots, spinach, tomatoes, corn flowers, hollyhocks, pansies, beetroot, silver beet, chilies, eggplants, lettuce, mint, pumpkins and parsley.

The Grade 4/5/6’s conducted a very interesting interview with local farmer Luke Balkin, to find out about his life as a cropping farmer, and how busy it keeps him. As a magnificent stand of broad beans have cropped, this week we will pick and pod them, blanch and freeze them, for use later on. The kiwi fruit vines have been suffering from the cold wintry gales, as have some citrus trees, so we are fashioning protective guards from old shade cloth and stock feed bags, to protect these plants. A difference can be seen already, with small new shoots emerging, and a colour change in the plant.

Iven Field has been working with his crew to erect an outdoor sink (an old “bubble tap” sink) behind the shadehouse. They have done a magnificent job and will finish this plumbing and wood working project this week, we can’t wait to use it. Herman Jansen has generously donated a large pot for our water feature in the Sensory Garden. He and his crew are installing a solar powered fountain in it, and again, we can’t wait to see the result! Brian Mathews and Mr Smith had their friends busy unloading a huge tandem trailer of old hay, very kindly donated (again!) by Des Harris. We spread it underneath the fruit trees; it will be perfect on top of the old sheep manure we laid around the trees some months ago.

Jane Calvert taught the children how to create tomato stands, by lashing and tying fruit tree prunings together, Deb Fenwick helped her friends identify plants growing in the garden, Trish Symes watched as her team measured and mapped firstly the fruit trees (we are hoping to build some bird proof enclosures before the end of the year!) and then the entire garden, and Rose Kennedy’s crew worked on their scarecrows. Heather Cash showed her team how to plant many different plants, Val Peters and Helen Hanson toiled in the garden while Luke’s interview was conducted and Bev Hampton brought in some beautiful bent pumpkin seeds (a precursor to today’s butternut pumpkin), which she and her friends sowed into trays.

So much was achieved; it’s been a fantastic couple of weeks! Oh, and we also planted 80 native shrubs along the western side of the garden – we are hoping these plants will attract birds and insects into our garden, as they are great pollinators and predators. These shrubs will also create a small wind break, without blocking the magnificent view, and “hopefully” deter kangaroos from bounding through! These plants were kindly donated (again!) by Colin Dunkley from Hamilton Trees.

Lisa McIntyre, SAKG Garden Specialist

SPORTS REPORTS

GRAMPtANS CRICKET NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS:
• T20 Match v Boorcan CC Friday 8 November.
• Karaoke Saturday 23 November.
• Dunkeld Races clean up for parents and kids 9.00am Sunday 17 November.

Grampians CC Movember Team raising funds for men’s health – sign up using this link http://au.movember.com/mospace/7228409

Returning home to club – Sam Kerber who is now playing for Monash Tigers in the Victorian Premier competition, will return to club for training on Tuesday 19 November as part of a state initiative to encourage players back to their home clubs.

NEWS

Grampians CC extends congratulations to Daniel Kerber, Lachie Field (both U14) and James Povey (U16) who have all...
made the Western Waves Squads for this season's State Championships.

Grampians CC is on Facebook and any interested parents, players, supporters can follow the club's progress with regular updates.

Super Fridays are featured every Friday night, with Milo in2Cricket for our youngest stars, followed by junior training, women's matches and senior training, with BBQ and refreshments available for all.

Ty Gilmore (Captain), James Povey, Duncan Cameron, Alec McIntyre and Stephen Field all represented Hamilton in the recent Interassociation 20-20 competition, with the team finishing runners-up.

JUNIORS

Under 12's: Began the season against St Andrews at Gray St and showed they will be very competitive, despite fielding a youngish side. Hugh Roache with 14 was top score, with Sam Riddle a patient 9 and first gamers Victoria Mawson and Brendan Paterson batting to retirement. Ben Cullinane and Vincent Huf bowled some frighteningly fast deliveries and were well supported by some energetic fielders. Will Mooney completed a strong all round game. Training has been fantastic and many thanks to Darren Gordon and the other parents who are willing to be involved.

Under 14's: The first loss in two seasons against College hopefully gives our players the incentive to work a little harder. Josh Mawson was awesome with 21 and Lachie Field managed 3 wickets, but a steady flow of wickets made the task of scoring 97 too hard. Great to see Bailey Dewan-Holmes and Zac Burgess make their debuts and perform creditably.

U16's: Bye.

SENIORS

A Grade: Wash out on day 2 draw v Byaduk.

B Grade: Defeated outright, with only Daniel Kerber 20 not out and Chris Barry 4 wickets standing outs.

D Grade: An Exciting 20 run win with several contributors Lachie Field 42, James Cullinane 35 not out, Adrian Kelly 35 not out and Lachie McIntyre a blistering 35.

Women's: A narrow loss at home v College with Debbie Millard and Stacey Haley sharing a big partnership and Tianah Burgess taking a wicket.

GARDEN NOTES  NOVEMBER

As further frosts are unlikely, virtually all of your remaining spring vegetable plantings can be made, these include sweet corn, pumpkin, cucumber, zucchini, squash, melons, capsicum, eggplant and late tomato. As some of these crops take time to mature, try to plant before the end of November as that they can grow and mature before autumn frosts appear.

After flowering, your spring blossom trees can be lightly pruned to shape the tree and to provide plenty of growth for next spring flowers.

With your roses, "Black Spot", mildew and aphids are major problems likely to be found. The first two being fungus diseases, prevention is the correct approach as once a particular leaf is effected, it can not be cured. The aim is to prevent the disease from taking hold in the first place and then to prevent it from spreading onto clean growth. Use of overhead sprinklers for watering can create excess humidity which favours the development and spread of these diseases. Uncovered manure spread around the base of your roses can also lead to the spread of fungus diseases, as can planting your roses too close to each other or to other plants. Any spent flowers, prunings and effected leaves should be gathered up and disposed of preferably by burning. Suitable fungicides for black spot control include TRIFORINE® and MANCOZEB ®. Potassium Bicarbonate or a mixture of milk and water will help in the battle against mildew. Aphids should be sprayed when significant numbers are present on the new buds of your roses. Many sprays give good control including PYRETHRUM, MAURIK, NATRASOAP, and MALATHON.

It is still time to plant dahlias but try to plant them before the end of November.

One reader has asked about the dangers of using bore or creek water with an unknown salt content on her garden. Your water can be tested, if the salt content is 500 parts per million or less, it is quite safe. Some very hardy plants can tolerate up to 1500ppm but avoid watering overhead. A useful test is to try the water on beans, if they survive so will any other plant. Also, if the water is ok to drink, then it can be used on your garden.

Finally, don’t cut lawns too short as we approach the hot summer months.

Happy Gardening    Stephen Hughan
DUNKELD CHURCH TIMES

Saint Patrick’s Catholic Church
Parish Priest - Father Pat Mugavin - 5571 1161 E-mail: hamilton@ballarat.catholic.org.au

1st Week Sunday November 3 9.00am Mass
2nd Week Sunday November 10 9.00am Assembly of Word and Communion
3rd Week Sunday November 17 9.00am Mass
4th Week Sunday November 24 9.00am Assembly of Word and Communion

Saint Mary’s Anglican Church
Rector Father Adrian Stephens Rectory Phone: 5571 1317
E-mail: rector.hamilton@bigpond.com Pastoral Mobile: 0429 303 990

1st Sunday of the month 9.00am Parish Mass
2nd Sunday of the month 11.00am Lay led service
3rd Sunday of the month No service
4th Sunday of the month 11.00am Communion Service
5th Sunday of the month No service in Dunkeld - Service in Hamilton – 10.30am

Judeo Christian Church
Cnr Adams and Fairbairn Streets, Dunkeld Pastor Greg Gardner Mobile: 0403 960 900
2nd and last Sunday of each month 10.30am

Uniting Church - Services all at St Mary’s Anglican Church
November 10 Don Taubert 9.00am
November 24 Combined at Hamilton 9.30am Elaine Edwards HC

NEWSLETTER DATES

School Newsletter items only to Terrie Nicholson. Due in by 3.00pm as per the fortnightly Monday as indicated. Could you please email items to: nicholson.terrie.f@edumail.vic.gov.au

Community Newsletter items are due in by 3.00pm as per the fortnightly Monday as indicated. Please email items to Robyn Fry: forty@iinet.net
The School and Community Newsletter is distributed fortnightly on Thursday (except during the school holidays):

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FIGHTING IT TOGETHER FIT TO FUNCTION
Naomie Phillips, Nikki Parker, Sarah Harrison, Kate Darroch and Erin Parker are part of the Fighting It Together Fit to Function team embarking on 60km walk on 2 and 3 March next year to raise vital money for Peter Mac Hospital to aid treatment and further study into women's cancers. Our aim is to raise $30,000 for this amazing hospital and work they do. We are hosting a Gala Evening on Saturday 23 November 2013 at RahBar, 163 Toorak Road, South Yarra and hope you might support us. Tickets $50 (donated entirely to Peter Mac) – finger food and entertainment included, drinks at bar prices, raffles and silent auctions. Dress – cocktail. Purchase your tickets from wewc.ticketbud.com/fightingittogethergala – early bird $10 off till 31 October. Thank You.
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(male/female) travelling to Hamilton on a Tuesday
fortnightly basis from Glenthompson and Dunkeld.

If you would like to use this service, please contact the
HACC Office on 5551 8480 for assessment. Pick up is from
your home. Seats are available.

To our regular bus users, if you are unable to use the bus on
the designated date please ring the Bus Driver, Reg, on
0466 839 135 by 8:30am.

The MOBILE LIBRARY is a free service
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including picture books, audio books, DVDs and a great
range of fiction and special interest book.
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SAINT MARYS
21st CHRISTMAS EXPO 2013
The Christmas Expo will be held Saturday 7 December in the Hamilton PAC from 9.30-3.30pm.
Parade along Gray Street from 10.30am.
Pre purchase ride wristbands from St Mary's Primary School.
1=$15
2=$25
3=$40
Or $20 each on the day
Lots of new and exciting traders this year including many local traders, petting zoo and Santa’s Fun land.
Guest speaker: Mr Glenn Manton
Whitelion, AFL Footballer,
media personality and Winter Olympics
bobsledding

Topic: “My Life - How life events shape the
person you become”

Essential presentation for all young people, parents
and anyone who works with young people.

Tuesday 12 November 2013
4.00pm – 4.30pm
Western District Health Service Auditorium
Kitchener Street, Hamilton

Registrations are essential and should be booked through the Frances Hewett Community Centre on 5551 8450.
Breakfast from 9am

Lunch 12 – 2.30pm

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Wayne Dennett 0400 542 419
Parents are invited to enrol their children for private swimming lessons, with Austswim qualified instructors, at the Dunkeld Swimming Pool in 2014. **Children MUST BE 4 YEARS OLD.**

Please fill in the form below and return to the Dunkeld Consolidated School by Friday 29 November (please copy if you have more than two children). Class groupings and times can then be organised and communicated to parents via the final newsletter of the year. Please note, class times will be determined based on numbers and best usage of pool space. If you have more than one child enrolled we will attempt to put them in concurrent or consecutive classes however this is not always possible.

Ten days will be offered and we highly recommend both programs are done:
Program 1 – Monday 30 December to Friday 3 January 2014
Program 2 – Monday 6 January to Friday 10 January 2014

Lessons will be 30 - 40 minutes duration (depending on age).
Cost will be $35 per child/per program (**to be paid on first day of program**).

### Child 1

| Parent/Guardian Name:________________________ | Parent/Guardian Name:________________________ |
| Phone Number:______________________________ | Phone Number:______________________________ |
| Child’s Name:______________________________ | Child’s Name:______________________________ |
| Date Of Birth ____________________________ | Date Of Birth ____________________________ |

Program 1: **YES** / **NO**  
Program 2: **YES** / **NO**

Current Swim Level (please circle)  

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### Child 2

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