



# DUNKELD CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

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## Newsletter No. 10 – Wednesday 20 June 2018

### June 2018

- Wednesday 20 MARC Library.
- Thursday 21 SAKG Kitchen Garden. Year 3 Students will be preparing and sharing in the Kitchen and will need to bring \$3.00 for their Kitchen class.
- Friday 22 Whole School Excursion to Hamilton PAC – *George's Marvellous Medicine*.  
School Assembly commencing at 2.35pm in the school hall.
- Sunday 24 **New Date** – School Working Bee from 9.00am to 12.00 noon.
- Mon-Thurs 25-28 Parent-Teacher Interviews.
- Tuesday 26 Facilities Sub-Committee Meeting from 6.30pm to 7.30pm.  
School Council Meeting commencing at 7.30pm.
- Thursday 28 SAKG Kitchen Garden. Year 4 Students will be preparing and sharing in the Kitchen and will need to bring \$3.00 for their Kitchen class.
- Friday 29 **Last Day of Term 2 – Assembly to be held at 12.45pm, lunch at 1.30pm and early dismissal at 2.30pm.**

### July 2018

- Monday 16 **First Day of Term 3.**
- Wednesday 18 MARC Library.
- Thursday 19 SAKG Kitchen Garden. Year 5 Students will be preparing and sharing in the Kitchen and will need to bring \$3.00 for their Kitchen class.  
State Cross Country Championships at Bundoora Park.
- Thursday 26 SAKG Kitchen Garden. Year 6 Students will be preparing and sharing in the Kitchen and will need to bring \$3.00 for their Kitchen class.
- Monday 30 e-Smart information sessions for parents and students. Further details to follow.

### August 2018

- Wednesday 1 MARC Library.
- Thursday 30 Year 5/6 Parliament of Victoria excursion to Hamilton Exhibition and Conference Centre.

## FROM Mr Paul Jeffreys, Principal...

Recently at assemblies, we have presented to some of our students with Merit badges. The definition for 'merit' is: *the quality of being particularly good or worthy, especially so as to deserve praise or reward*. Already at our school, for many years, we have acknowledged and presented merit for sports in the form of medals and ribbons. Now, we can acknowledge students for academic and citizenship attributes. Children who are acknowledged with Merit badges (from Year 3 and up) may wear them for the remainder of the year and keep them thereafter; the following year, all students start with a 'clean slate' and may be acknowledged again, for the same reason or for something different.

Campbell Glazebrook recently received a merit for his achievements in learning his times tables and for his mental calculation skills. Emily McNaughton received a merit for outstanding citizenship. Last Friday at assembly two more students received Merit badges:

Tom Kent was acknowledged for his humility and we described to the assembly the characteristics he displays to be seen as humble:

- Feeling that you have no special importance that makes you better than others.
- You don't think about being better.
- You don't worry about being worse.
- You are comfortable just being yourself.
- You never show off.
- You are true to yourself.
- You are happy to see others do well.

Lillian Glazebrook was acknowledged for citizenship and we described to the assembly the characteristics which Lillian displays:

- You are kind.
- You are courteous towards others.
- You are helpful.
- You are caring.
- You are humble.
- You always try your best.
- You are courageous.
- You are trustworthy.
- You are honest.

Congratulations to Campbell, Emily, Tom and Lillian.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

A reminder that the Dunkeld Consolidated School Council Facilities Sub-Committee will be holding a Working Bee this **SUNDAY 24 JUNE 2018 commencing at 9.00am**. Working Bee tasks will include:

- Tidying up the garden beds.
- Planting out front garden beds.
- Tidying and cleaning the storage sheds.
- Sweeping leaves/dirt from around the buildings particularly the bike shed, BER building and eating areas.
- General gardening.
- General mowing.
- Cleaning exterior windows.
- Repairs to base boards on exterior building.
- Prune trees/shrubs along boundary fence on Dickie Street.

A free sausage sizzle will be provided by the Grampians Cricket Club. Please come along, you are guaranteed of an enjoyable day – there will be a job for everyone and your help and support will be greatly appreciated. Children are most welcome.

## SCHOOL NEWS AND EVENTS

### WORK EXPERIENCE STUDENT

This week we have welcomed back ex-student Brendan Paterson (from Baimbridge College) who is undertaking his Year 10 Work Experience. Brendan has a keen interest in sport and joined Jackie McShane on Tuesday assisting with PE. We wish Brendan luck as he is shortly to fly to the United States to compete in 5000m long distance running.

### PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

A huge thank you to all families who volunteered their time or donated goods for the recent Serra Terror catering event. From all reports, the night ran smoother than ever and we have the wonderful Bev Hampton and her coordinating team of Ally Gordon and Ruth Kyle to thank! This night is a major fundraiser for the Parents & Friends Association and we especially thank these three amazing ladies for all their time preparing and planning for this event. Special thanks to Dunkeld Kindergarten, Dennis and Maree Willey and Clare Kennedy for your support.

Thank you to the Serra Terror Committee for giving us this opportunity to raise funds for our school.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday 30 July at 3:30pm in the school hall. The urn will be boiling and there will be some yummy afternoon tea on offer!

### PASS THE POETRY PLEASE



the show was very funny.

*The Poetry Show by Xanthe Huf, Year 6* On Wednesday 6 June, Carolyn Eccles of School Performance Tours came to our school to do a puppet and poetry show. She made strange faces that made everyone laugh. I was the Fairy-Godmother in the Cinderella show. It had a lot of spoonerisms in it. To make a spoonerism you need two words and then you switch the first letters around. It was really fun. I think everyone enjoyed it as much as I did.

*The Poetry Show by Seamus McDonald, Prep*

On 6 June at the poetry show I was asked to be the Prince! I had to wear a special cape. It was a bit scary being in front of the whole school but



## FRIENDSHIP TREE AND BUDDY BENCH

Last week all of our students under the direction of Jayne Greig and Helen Trahar got to place their hand print on the 'Friendship Tree' and 'Buddy Bench'. The idea of this space is twofold. Firstly 'a space where children go when they are lonely and looking for friends' and secondly to 'give a helping hand' to a friend who is lonely. Acknowledgement to Helen Trahar and Nicholas Huzony for first painting these items white for the children to then place their colorful hand prints.



### Friendship Tree and Buddy Bench.....

Jim Herrmann: If I am lonely

then I will go to the Friendship Tree and I will find a friend and I will be happy.

Henrietta Patterson: When you are lonely go to the friendship tree and you won't feel sad. I feel happy that we have a friendship tree because I have a place and I feel glad.

Zachary Lance: We made a Friendship Tree and Buddy Bench. We go there when we feel lonely. I like the friendship pole.

Jasmine Etherton: If you go to the Friendship Tree that means you have to put your hand on it. I will feel happy because I will find a friend.



## SPORT

### BASKETBALL

Over the last couple of terms we have had two boys' teams competing in the Friday night basketball competition at HILAC in Hamilton (Under 10 and Under 12). Both teams have had great success and the under 12 boys are to play in the **Grand Final** on Friday 22 June at 5.30pm on Court 2. It would be great if you could make it along to give them some support.

## Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program (SAKG)

*From the Kitchen ... by Clare Kennedy*

In Term 3 the Year 5 and 6 students will be harvesting preparing and sharing in the SAKG Kitchen. The students have been very patient waiting to get into the kitchen and I look forward to having their expertise and enthusiasm in the Kitchen for the remainder of the year. Thank you to our Year 3 and 4 students for your willingness to try new things and to our Friends of the Kitchen Garden who have encouraged our students to do their very best in harvesting preparing and sharing during Terms 1 and 2.

A big thank you to Mrs Gilbert and Mrs Higgins for all of your support during our Kitchen classes.

**To any parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and friends who would like to help our Year 5 and 6 students in the Kitchen this semester we would welcome and appreciate you very much. Please see the note attached to this newsletter and return same to school by Monday 25 June 2018.**

Have fun preparing and sharing food together in the school holidays to come.

*From the Garden ... by Lisa McIntyre*

The last few weeks have been quite cold out in the garden, but that hasn't stopped us! If the weather is suitable, the fire is lit by the two appointed "Fire Masters" - they are the only people allowed to touch the fire on that day. They learn the necessity of using dry wood, and plan for the following fire by collecting kindling for the next team. They set and light the fire, feed and tend it, and at the end of the day, safely extinguish it. Safety is paramount and the Fire Masters learn to keep buckets of water close at hand, and to read the weather (e.g. noticing the wind direction and strength). The rest of us get to enjoy a warm fire (as long as we sit up-wind - out of any smoke!).

The Grade 1 and 2 students learnt all about a very common mollusc we have in our garden - the common snail. Ask them how many teeth snails have - I hope they remember, because you will be amazed!

We have been busy planting peas, chives, spring onions, leeks, cabbage, and lettuce, just to name a few! We're also planting flowers - those that have petals that we can eat. Though you won't get fat by eating these, they do add a beautiful flavour to salads and cooking, and have the added benefit of bringing beneficial insects into our garden, which help pollinate our other flowers, and help keep insect pests under control. This week we'll be planting hollyhocks, pansies, snap dragons, violas, dianthus, English daisies and nasturtiums.

Thanks To Wannon Water and their "Water It, Grow It, Cook It" competition which Dunkeld Consolidated School won last year with the entry that Clare Kennedy and her Grade 3 class submitted. I recently had a *wonderful* day at Bunnings in Warrnambool, choosing tools and equipment for the SAKG program. We now have enough tools to cover the larger groups we have in our garden classes, which is fantastic and something that we are extremely grateful for!

**It can get very cold and muddy during garden lessons, so please send appropriate clothes with your child on a**





Thursday to put on when they have their Garden lesson - a coat, woolly hat and boots are ideal!

**The Garden and Kitchen rosters need filling for Terms 3 and 4 - if you are at all interested in helping us, please complete the note attached to this newsletter and return to school by Monday 25 June 2018.**

I would really love to have some more Friends helping us in the garden as we now include two grades per class, and I really hope to keep the children in small groups of three. Sometimes there are 11 groups! Even if it's only occasionally, we would love, and need, your help. It's not a hard job at all, we aim to keep each lesson enjoyable and interactive for everyone! If anyone is able to help feed, water and collect eggs over the holidays, please get in touch with me on 5574 9235 or email: [advancel@bigpond.com](mailto:advancel@bigpond.com).

#### **WANTED: For SAKG Garden Art Projects**

**Plastic lids of various colours and sizes, large coloured plastic bottles and unused car wheel trims**

We are looking to brighten up our school garden with some revamped and new garden art projects.

Please start collecting and leave your donations in the box in the corridor leading to the hall.

## **NOTICE BOARD**

### **LAST DAY OF TERM 2**

**On the last day of term a whole school assembly will take place at 12.45pm.** Lunch will occur at 1.30pm as normal. Please do not forget that there will be early dismissal at 2.30pm.

### **SCHOOL CAMPS**

Just a quick reminder of the dates set for this year's school camps:

Grade 2 and 3

Norval Camp: Wednesday 10 – Friday 12 October 2018

Grades 4, 5 and 6

Melbourne Camp: Monday 15 – Thursday 18 October 2018

Prep and Grade 1

Sleepover at School, date to be advised.

### **WHOLE SCHOOL EXCURSION – GEORGE'S MARVELLOUS MEDICINE**

All students will be attending the "George's Marvellous Medicine" performance at the Hamilton PAC on Friday 22 June 2018. This performance is an adaption of the much-loved book by Roald Dahl. Thanks to the P & F Association who are covering the bus hire expenses for this excursion, the cost per student will only be \$8.00. The bus will depart from school at 9.35am

### **HAMILTON EISTEDDFOD**

Lucille Aarons, Emily McNaughton, Jasmine Crawford, Ben Peace, Matilda Potter, Leah Morelli, Sebastian Aarons, Libby Hermann, Charlotte Alderman and Ava Balkin participated in the Hamilton Eisteddfod as 'The Dunkeld Musos'. The students competed in the recorder and vocal sections in solos, duets, trios and a large group item. Well done to the students for their courage to play in front of an adjudicator and an audience of all ages. Fantastic memories to have forever. Thanks to all the parents, friends and grandparents who came along to support our students and an especially BIG THANK YOU to the children for all their hard work practicing and preparing. We had FUN!!!!

Lucille Aarons – 1<sup>st</sup> for recorder solo

Leah Morelli – 1<sup>st</sup> for recorder solo

Leah Morelli – 2<sup>nd</sup> in Primary Vocal solo

Leah Morelli and Libby Hermann – 1<sup>st</sup> for their duet

Libby Hermann and Charlotte Alderman – 2<sup>nd</sup> for their duet

Leah Morelli and Charlotte Alderman – Honourable Mention for their duet

Emily McNaughton – Honourable Mention for recorder solo

Emily McNaughton, Jasmine Crawford & Lucille Aarons – 2<sup>nd</sup> for their recorder trio

Emily McNaughton and Jasmine Crawford – 1<sup>st</sup> for their duet

Emily McNaughton and Lucille Aarons – 2<sup>nd</sup> for their duet

Leah Morelli, Libby Hermann and Charlotte Alderman – 1<sup>st</sup> for their recorder trio

Everyone – 2<sup>nd</sup> for recorder group item

Ava and Charlotte stepped up and participated after only a few lessons, thank you girls, we hope you enjoyed the experience. We will have lots of experienced players for next year's Eisteddfod. Thanks to everyone from Mrs Macgugan.



### **SECOND HAND SCHOOL UNIFORMS**

As the weather is getting colder and more clothing is required, please remember that the school has a large number of second hand items available for purchase for a small donation. We have recently received a number of items as people assess their wardrobe with the change of seasons.

## **FORMS**

**SAKG – Volunteer Request Forms for Terms 3 and 4 – please return by Monday 25 June 2018**