

2016 WHAT'S COMING UP

JUNE 2016

Wed 22 During-school Sporting Schools program for Prep to Year 2 students from 11:30am to 12:30pm.

Fri 24 **Last Day of Term 2. Early dismissal at 2:30pm.**

JULY 2016

Mon 11 **First day of Term 3.**

AUGUST 2016

Mon 1 **PUPIL FREE DAY.**

Mon 8 Olympics Day at School.

Thurs 11 Victorian Primary Schools Golf Tournament at Parklands Golf Club, Hamilton.

Mon 15 Year 5 Excursion to BioCATS Geelong: the Victorian BioScience Education Centre, Simonds Stadium.

Further details to follow.

Tues 30 Year 4/5/6 Bendigo/Swan Hill/Echuca Camp.

Wed 31 Year 4/5/6 Bendigo/Swan Hill/Echuca Camp.

SEPTEMBER 2016

Thurs 1 Year 4/5/6 Bendigo/Swan Hill/Echuca Camp.

Fri 2 Year 4/5/6 Bendigo/Swan Hill/Echuca Camp.

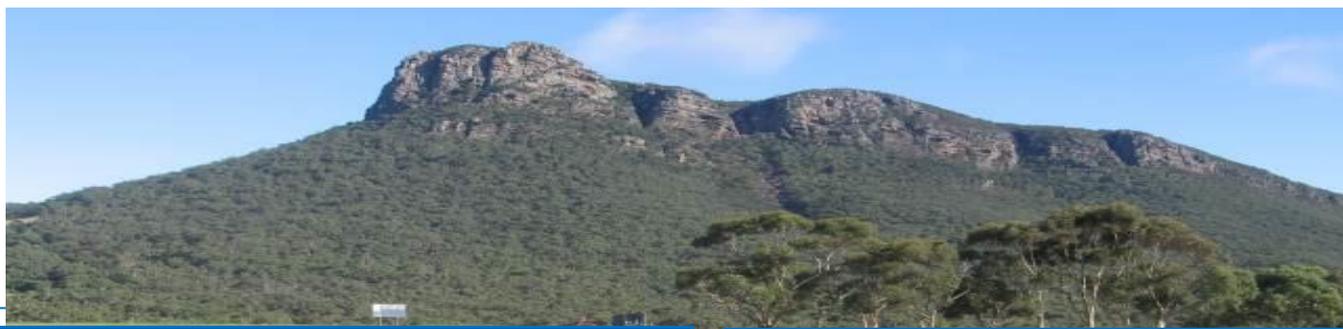
Mon 5 Year 2/3 Norval Camp.

Tues 6 Year 2/3 Norval Camp.

Wed 7 Year 2/3 Norval Camp.

OCTOBER 2016

Fri 14 The Greater Western Region Athletics Championships to be held in Ballarat at Llanberris Athletics Track.



2016 SCHOOL COUNCIL, SUB-COMMITTEES AND P & F MEETING DATES

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| Mon 11 July | Parents and Friends Association 7:30pm |
| Tues 12 July | Policy Meeting 5:30pm – 6:30pm Facilities 7:30pm – 8:30pm Community and School Promotions 8:30pm – 9:30pm |
| Tues 26 July | School Council Meeting 7:30pm |

2016 TERM DATES

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| Term 2: | Monday 11 April to Friday 24 June |
| Term 3: | Monday 11 July to Friday 16 September |
| Term 4: | Monday 3 October to Tuesday 20 December |

**FRIDAY 24 JUNE
LAST DAY OF TERM
EARLY DISSMISSAL
2:30pm**

FORM/S ATTACHED TO THIS NEWSLETTER

Bus Safety flyer

FROM Mr Paul Jeffreys, Principal...

For this final Newsletter of Term 2, I take the opportunity to wish all of our students a happy holiday. To our students in Year 3 to 6, keep practising your tables over the holidays ... I am so proud of your efforts and who knows where you might end up in reaching goals by the end of the year. To the Year 5 and 6 students, you need to start thinking about developing a small business idea as we begin 'My Business Rules' next term. And children in Year 3 and 4 will have the challenge of creating an advertisement to present to an audience which should be fun and challenging. The whole school can also look forward to a special 'Olympics Day' next term and our 'Olympic Committee' has been busy planning a great day for you.

Thank you to parents and friends of the school for your support in so many different ways: classroom helpers, SAKG helpers, working bee helpers, library helpers, School Council and sub-committee members, book coverers, Book Club tabulators, P & F members, 'taxi parents', and I apologise to others I may have missed as I sit here writing.

Thank you to our classroom teachers: Annabelle Forbes, Jayne Berry, James Stephens, Jane Higgins, Anne Gilbert, Ann Howard, Alison Prentice, Naomi Phillips, Matt Porter and Marco Antonelli. Thank you also to people in various support roles at the school; Aditya Kanagala, Clare Kennedy, Lisa McIntyre, Helen Trahar, Terrie Nicholson and Ally Gordon. I hope you all have a restful break.

SCHOOL CAMPS

School Council has approved the following school camps:

- Year 4/5/6 Bendigo/Swan Hill/Echuca Camp – Tuesday 30 August to Friday 2 September
- Year 2/3 Norval Camp – Monday 5 September to Wednesday 7 September

SCHOOL COUNCIL REPORT

Back to school for Parents

A few weeks ago a group of parents went "back to school" for the evening and attended a Mathematics Information Session hosted by the teachers. The purpose of the evening was to find out about how our children are learning maths, how their progress is measured and we even had the daunting task (for some of us) of having a go at the Grade 5 NAPLAN test. The evening gave us a really good understanding of how maths is being taught to our children. Thanks to Mr Jeffreys and the teachers for the preparation and giving up your evening to hold the session.

Every now and then information sessions are held about how the school is approaching education of our children. I encourage parents and carers to take advantage of these sessions - it is always enlightening and gives us an understanding of how our children are learning and how we can support them in their learning at home.

Maintenance Book

There is a Maintenance Book at the office. If you see something that needs to be fixed at the school, feel free to have it included in the Maintenance Book by the office staff and the Facilities Sub-Committee will look into it.

Lucinda Peterson
School Council President

PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS

SERRA TERROR CATERING is by far the biggest fundraiser for the Parents and Friends Association. Although we do not have the confirmed profit from this event, we can safely say that we will make between \$2500 - \$3000 and that figure is being on the very conservative side. This would not have been possible without the fantastic help of our school community. Thank you to those who donated items and/or their time. Unfortunately we received feedback that we needed more helpers to serve on the night, however, given that it is a long weekend and people have other commitments; it is hard to get more help. Personally, I don't think we did too bad serving 350 people in an hour with just seven of us. We did however appreciate the assistance of Keri Ross and Georgie Mann who supported us during the busy period – thank you. Also, thank you to Clare Kennedy who kindly made our gluten free slice for the night and to the Dunkeld Old Bakery for not only making the delicious bread rolls but for lending us their baskets, a special mention to Geoff Potter for arranging all this for us. Thank you also to the Glenthompson Dunkeld Football Netball Club for loaning us their bain-marie. Lastly, to single out one person who did a huge amount of work on this job, Bev Hampton. Bev did everything from setting the menu and ordering goods, the rosters, job lists, cooking, serving and cleaning up. It is no wonder that this event ran so smoothly with Bev in control. We received a lot of positive feedback on both our food and friendly service. The money raised goes towards the end of year whole school excursion, the puberty education program, and the engraving of the graduation pens.

Meetings: Our next meeting will be held on **Monday 11 July 2016 at 7:30pm at the school. No meeting in June due to the long weekend.**

If you require any further information about the P & F Association please contact Ally Gordon, President on 0429 900 747 or Naomie Phillips, Secretary on 0429 998 504.

BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE VISIT – TRANSITION DAY

On Wednesday 15 June, the Year 5 Students went to Baimbridge College for the Transition Day. Some of us travelled by bus and others by car. The bus trip was a bit weird because we weren't used to it. Other Year 5 students from all around Hamilton also went. We all had to go to the "mad house" to meet Mr McDonald. We did PE then a walk (which was walking around the school) then we had recess. After recess we had science then double wood work and then it was lunch time. After lunch we had Humanities then English and after that we went to the mad house to collect our bags and go home. **COMMENTS:** Brooke Hill: In Science we

conducted experiments it was so fun. Ella Jackson: I liked wood work and PE the best it was awesome. Sarah Symes: In PE we played ball games it was fun. Ben Potter: I liked PE it was cool. *By Brooke Hill*

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

Please send in any outstanding sponsorship monies to the office before Friday 24 June.

NATIONAL BUDDY DAY

On Friday 17 June our school participated in National Buddy Day. On this day we were asked to bring a gold coin donation and wear casual clothes with a touch of purple to support The Alannah and Madeline Foundation. We raised \$120.00 for the foundation. At 12:30pm the Year 5/6 went over to the Prep class room to do some activities with our buddies these included: bubbles. *By Ashleigh McNaughton*

The Preps reflections on the activities on the day are as follows:

"I liked the purple balloons because we got to share them and play with them." *By Indiana Mibus*

"I liked making the friendship bracelets. I think my buddy, Ella Jackson, enjoyed the session because she had a smile." *By Charlotte Alderman*

"My favourite part of the buddy day was the purple balloons because they were fun to play with!" *by Archer Etherton*

"I loved the bubble blowing activity and I think my buddy, Will Kent, did too because he blew a big bubble!" *by Phoebe Ross*

"I liked learning how to do the buddy handshake. I think my buddy, Isabel, enjoyed this session because we had fun together and she was very kind and caring." *By Ava Balkin*

"I think my buddy, Oliver Fenwick, liked the bubble blowing activity best because he looked like he was having fun when he did it. My favourite activity was answering the questions about what my buddy and I like." *By Bonnie Peters*

"I liked blowing bubbles. I think my buddy, Edward, enjoyed this too because he was smiling." *By Charlie Linke*

"My favourite activity on buddy day was making the friendship bracelets. I am still wearing mine!" *by Ella Peters*

"I loved blowing the bubbles because you watch them pop! I think my buddy Anna liked helping me." *By Charlotte Comer*

"I liked when we made friendship bracelets. I think my buddy, Julia, enjoyed the day too." *By Olivia Njoroge*

"I liked the bubble blowing. I think my buddy, Sam, liked tapping the balloons the best because it was fun." *By Darcy Potter*

"I loved the bubble blowing and bracelet making. I think my buddy, Ben, enjoyed it too because he was blowing lots of bubbles!" *by Kierun McClure*



Top: Year 5/6's buddy up with Preps for bubble blowing. Middle: Isabel Hanson with her buddy Ava Balkin enjoyed making friendship bracelets. Bottom: Ollie Fenwick and Bonnie Peters buddied up for a fun afternoon of activities.

WEAVING LOOM

Year 4 students, Xanthe Huf and Emily McNaughton enjoyed helping create a large weaving loom in the garden last week during a SAKG Garden class. Weavings were created with fruit tree pruning's, baling twine, flowers and recycled found objects. This is a work in progress and proved a very popular winter garden art activity.



LIMERICKS IN YEAR 2

Year 2 have been working on the rhyming patterns and humour of limericks.



Once there was a ute
On that ute there was a boot
It was owned by a boy
That thought it was a toy
And that boy played the flute
By Angus Frost

A dog once went to space
He got lost, what a disgrace!
He went without permission
What an exhibition!
And then the dog went back to his place!
By Jemima Ross



HAMILTON EISTEDDFOD 2016

Nineteen students from Year 1 to 6 represented Dunkeld Consolidated School at the recent Hamilton Eisteddfod (Music sections). In the multi instrumental section Gray Street Primary School, Cavendish Primary School and various Hamilton College groups were competing with our students. We were fortunate to receive an Honourable Mention (3rd placing), which was very good considering that we had only had a practice as a group. In the recorder sections we were competing with students from Cavendish. The adjudicator was particularly pleased to see some boys competing from both schools. Congratulations to all the students involved, you looked great in your uniforms, you were enthusiastic and when not playing on stage you showed respect and good manners as an audience. Thank you to all parents, grandparents, family members and friends for your support and encouragement of the children. I was very proud of you all. *By Mrs Macgugan*

MULTI INSTRUMENTAL GROUP (all 18 students) – HONOURABLE MENTION
PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS RECORDER GROUP (16 players) – 2nd (trophy)
PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS RECORDER GROUP (10 players) – 2nd (trophy)

10 Years and Under Recorder Duet

- Anna Rennie & Chloe Frost – 1st
- Emily McNaughton & Lucille Aarons – 2nd

11 Years and Under Recorder Duet

- Ben Potter & Will Kent – 2nd

11 Years and Over Recorder Solo

- Anna Schurmann – 1st

10 Years and Under Recorder Solo

- Ella Jackson – 1st
- Ashleigh McNaughton – 2nd
- Anna Rennie – Honourable Mention
- Ben Potter – Honourable Mention
- Emily McNaughton – Honourable Mention

11 Years and Over Recorder Duet

- Ashleigh & Emily McNaughton – Honourable Mention

11 Years and Over Recorder Trio

- Ashleigh McNaughton, Ella Jackson & Anna Schurmann

10 Years and Under Recorder Trio

- Thomas Kent, Addison Linskens & Matilda Potter

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program (SAKG)



From the Kitchen.....

Wishing all of the SAKG family a lovely break, enjoy your holidays and happy preparing and sharing together a great family activity to do in the kitchen during winter, with Year 3 practicing their new knife skills, come into school pick a bunch of parsley and let them have a practice.

Clare Kennedy, SAKG Kitchen Specialist

| Roster for first 3 weeks of Term 3 THURSDAY 14 JULY 2016 – YEAR 3 | |
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| 11.15am – 2.00pm | Heather Hampton Melissa McIntyre Sarah Crawford Erin Rennie |
| THURSDAY 21 JULY 2016 – YEAR 4 | |
| 11.15am – 2.00pm | Annette Huf Keri Ross Jo Aarons Anna Topia |
| THURSDAY 28 JULY 2016 – YEAR 5/6 | |
| 11.15am – 2.00pm | Melissa McIntyre Emma Gordon Kerren Collins Elaine Schurmann |

From the Garden...

Vivien Brodsky, one of our volunteer Friends, presented a very interesting and informative talk on ancient foods, in particular those that originated from Mexico. She showed our Grade 1 and 2 groups the many common foods that we eat today originated from Mexico, and were then traded and transported around the world. Foods we consider staple today such as tomatoes, beans and corn, and chillies, choko's and vanilla beans, left Mexico around 500 years ago. Both children and adults learnt a lot that day!



With beautiful rain falling, we've had a few "inside" days. The Grade 5/6s have been talking about classification of living things, so they researched their topic using their computers and produced a table showing different organisms, and their classification.

Thank you to the 'Fabulous Families' that have offered to help look after the chooks over the holidays. The roster is below.
 27 June - Ally Gordon
 29 June - Penny Fraser
 1 July - Lachlan McIntyre
 3 July - Emma Gordon
 5 July - Lisa McIntyre
 7 July - Kate Brian
 9 July - Emma Gordon
 11 July - Lisa McIntyre

Our big thankyou this week goes to Iven Field, who has reconditioned an old "heavy as lead" condemned blackboard and turned it into an extremely useful piece of equipment, hinged onto the garden shed. A perfect example of reusing!
Lisa McIntyre, SAKG Garden Specialist

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| FOUND |
| School Rugby Jumper - unnamed. Found in March. |
| School Rugby Jumper – Size 12 (has the name of a past student on tag). Please see the Office Staff. |
| LOST |
| School Rugby Jumper – belonging to Grace Potter size 8. |
| Has Grace on the tag on the collar. |

Pre-election Training with the Victorian Local Governance Association
Monday, 4 July 2016
Hamilton from 5.45pm to 9.00pm
 The Victorian Local Governance Association (VLGA) is proud to deliver pre-election training with the support of the Victorian Government and Southern Grampians Shire Council.
 Join the VLGA, a leader in good governance, advocacy and training in the local government sector, in preparation for local government elections in October 2016.
 Learn about local government, the role of councillors and the importance of advocacy and leadership at a local level.
 For more information, contact Lisa Mahood on **(03) 9349 7999**