



# DUNKELD CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

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## Newsletter No. 11 - Wednesday 19 July 2017

### July 2017

- Thursday 20 State Cross Country Championships to be held at Bundoran Park. Alexander Prentice will be competing. SAKG Year 6 Royal Mail Hotel Kitchen Garden excursion and dining experience. **Please note there will be no SAKG Kitchen and Garden lessons held on this day.**
- Friday 21 Felicity's Hope – optional Casual Dress \$1.00 donation.
- Monday 24 Parents and Friends Meeting to be held at 7:30pm at the School. Knitting and Crotchet Group commences for Term 3 at 1:40pm in the library. **Felicity's Hope Sausage Sizzle and fruit order form and money due.**
- Tuesday 25 School Council Meeting to be held at 7:30pm at the school.
- Wednesday 26 Calm Kids 2 PD to be held in Ballarat – Miss Susie Gibson will be attending.
- Thursday 27 SAKG Kitchen Class – Year 3. Students to bring \$3.00. Hoop Time for Year 4 participants to be held at HILAC, Hamilton.
- Friday 28 Felicity's Hope – optional Casual Dress \$1.00 donation. Sausage Sizzle \$2 per sausage & \$0.50 per piece of fruit. **Book Club orders and monies due.**
- Monday 31 Hoop Time for Year 5/6 participants to be held at HILAC Hamilton.

### August 2017

- Wednesday 2 MARC Library. Prep – Year 2 Students attending *Diary of a Wombat* performance at the PAC, Hamilton.
- Thursday 3 SAKG Kitchen Class – Year 4. Students to bring \$3.00.
- Monday 7 **Pupil Free Day.**
- Wednesday 9 Whole School Performance – *A Fish Story* by School Performances to be held at school commencing at 9:50am.
- Thursday 10 SAKG Kitchen Class – Year 5/6. Students to bring \$3.00.
- Wednesday 16 MARC Library.
- Thursday 17 SAKG Kitchen Class – Year 3. Students to bring \$3.00.
- Thursday 24 SAKG Kitchen Class – Year 4. Students to bring \$3.00.
- Friday 25 Physical Education PD workshop to be held in Warrnambool. – Mrs Jackie McShane will be attending.
- Wednesday 30 MARC Library.
- Thursday 31 SAKG Kitchen Class – Year 5/6. Students to bring \$3.

### September 2017

- Monday 4 – Friday 8 National eSmart Week.
- Tuesday 5 Calm Kids 2 PD to be held in Warrnambool – Ms Helen Trahar will be attending.
- Wednesday 13 MARC Library.
- Wednesday 13 - Fri 15 Year 2 and 3 Camp to Grampians Retreat. (Details to follow).

## From Mr Jeffreys....

Welcome back to all.

It was terrific to welcome children to school last Monday morning. It is one of the many 'small joys' we educators have in that first day back when we rekindle our relationships with the world's best age group of human beings.

As I write this note (Monday), exactly four years to the day since I began at this school, I proudly declare that our school is better. Of many things, I simply want to tell you that this morning as children walked/ran towards me or past me out in the school yard, I was warmly greeted; "Hello Mr Jeffreys," Morning Mr Jeffreys." Did you have a nice holiday?" "Mr Jeffreys, on the holidays we ..." Mr Jeffreys, we have new carpet."

No big deal? Actually, big, big deal. Exactly four years ago, nearly every child did not say such things. It was the very first thing I noticed about the children at Dunkeld Consolidated School. And I have not forgotten. I think about it just about every day because as seemingly unimportant as it may appear to many, it is the very foundation of relationships. Without a relationship, there would be no learning (and that's research based if common sense is not enough). So with every gorgeous greeting every day I am reminded of this simple beginning.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

The Policy Sub-Committee held their first meeting in early June. **The next School Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 25 July.** The 2016 School Annual Report has been adopted and has been uploaded to the school website: [www.dunkeld.vic.edu.au](http://www.dunkeld.vic.edu.au)

School Council has approved Monday 7 August as a Pupil Free Day. During the school holidays the following work was carried out on projects funded under the DET's Planned Maintenance Program:

- Sewer and electric pump installations
- Installation and painting of new skirting
- Carpet installed in the remainder of the main building

Our Principal attended a two-day Principals' symposium (Inspired Teaching and Learning: Creating the Education State) in Melbourne on 13 and 14 June. Paul also attended a meeting for GRaSS schools on 15 June.

## PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

**Our next meeting will be held on Monday 24 July at 7:30pm** at the school. We have had to change the date of the meeting due to school holidays and the Pupil Free Day on Monday 7 August. Please make yourself available to attend as we will be discussing the Serra Terror Catering – wrap up and allocation of funds and also the upcoming 3 Peaks Market in the Park fundraising proposal. If we do not have enough people in attendance, we will be unable to make any decisions regarding these two important items.

## SCHOOL NEWS AND EVENTS

### CLASS CAPTAINS – TERM 3

The announcement of the Class Captains is very exciting for all the students, even more so for the lucky six students selected (the smiles on their faces says it all). Congratulations to:

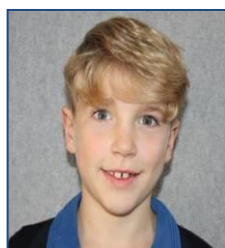
Prep  
Freddie Jury



Year 1  
Indiana Mibus



Year 2  
Louis Lazzari



Year 3  
Grace Potter



Year 4  
Ben Peace



Year 5/6  
Brodie Reynolds



### SPECIAL FUNDRAISING TERM 3 – 'FELICITY'S HOPE'

Every Friday during Term 3, the students of Dunkeld Consolidated School will raise money to help Felicity Gordon and her family. This will be called Felicity's Hope. Every Friday the students will be invited to wear casual clothes with a donation \$1.00, they will also play some games in teams. Every fortnight there will be a BBQ with sausages in bread for \$2.00 each and a piece of fruit for 50c. An order form for each fortnight will be sent home. Please complete and return the attached order form for Friday 28 July, along with payment, by Monday 24 July. We hope that as many students and staff are able to support this important project. Thank you – Management Department: Lucille Aarons, Edward Williamson, Tom Kent and Emily McNaughton

## AROUND THE CLASSROOMS

### Prep and Year 1

Preps have been looking at the letter 'D' this week as their focus letter. Lachie Gordon, Mia Hanna, Max Russell and Mac Jackson display their D items, Dogs, a Demons Scarf and a Dinosaur! (photo right).



*Charlotte Comer and Darcy Potter in Year 1 have created Pic-collages of their work on Rainbow Serpents! Don't they look fantastic!!!*



## STATE CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Year 4 student, Alexander Prentice will compete in the State Cross Country Championships in Melbourne on Thursday 20 July, running in the 2000m event.

The talented runner took time out of his busy schedule to answer a few questions for his supporters:

How you feeling? *Nervous but excited!*

Do you have a lucky charm you'll take with you? *No*

Fav sport: *Footy*

Fav Footy Team: *Hawks and RAMS*

Fav Food: *Pizza*

Where would you go on a holiday if you could go anywhere in the world? *America*

What do you want to be when you grow up: *A Farmer*



*Road to success – how Xander made it to State level:*

School House Cross Country

Place: 1<sup>st</sup>

Time: 8:52min

SGSSA Cross Country @ Tarrington

Place: 1<sup>st</sup>

Time: 8:22min

Zone Cross Country @ Warnambool

Place: 5<sup>th</sup>

Time: No time provided

Regional Cross Country

Place: 5<sup>th</sup>

Time: 8:37min

For anyone wanting to watch Xander in action, you can view the race live on You Tube <http://www.youtube.com/SchoolSportVictoriaTV/live> commencing at 11:25am. Good luck Xander!!

## Hooptime

Hoop Time is a one-day basketball round robin tournament held at HILAC basketball stadium in Hamilton. The Hoop Time program offers children in Grade 4 (junior) and Grade 5 and 6 (senior) the opportunity to play in a fun competition against other district schools with qualified referees.

Our school has entered one x Grade 4 team and two x Grade 5/6 teams in the ROOKIE division. Grade 4 will play on Thursday 27 July and Grade 5/6 will play on Monday 31 July. Parents will be responsible for transporting their own child to and from the event. Forms will be sent home to the children who expressed an interest in participating in this event at the end of Term 2.

Each team will need a parent scorer (very simple task) and a coach. Please contact Alison Prentice on 0429 170 381 if you could assist with either of these roles.

## Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program (SAKG)



## KITCHEN REPORT

Last week of Term 2 our year 4 students harvested, prepared and shared in the kitchen

A big thank you to Christy Lazzari and her willing Year 4 helpers who checked dates and decanted many items in the pantry. After sending home a very out of date bag of popcorn to test if it still had any 'pop' left, I was greeted on Monday with the news that it definitely popped and was delicious!

Our Menu was all about 'apples' as we finished off the many apples that were donated by local producers. B.L.A.T – Bacon, Lettuce, Apple and Tomato in a bread roll, spread with apple aioli.



Potato and Leek Soup with our harvested sweet leeks and to finish we enjoyed an apple pizza with mascarpone, maple and cinnamon. All delicious and a great introduction to new words and food items and a way to look at how produce can be used differently from the ordinary.



This Thursday 20 July, our Year 6 students will be guests of the Royal Mail Hotel's kitchen garden and dining room. We will tour the kitchen garden under the guidance of head gardener Michelle Shanahan and finish with lunch in the two-hatted fine dining restaurant headed by Executive Chef, Robin Wickens. We are so very lucky to experience this and we are very grateful to Mr John Myers, Mrs Kylie Schurmann, Mr Robin Wickens and Ms Michelle Shanahan and their staff for supporting our Kitchen Garden program at Dunkeld Consolidated School.

## GARDEN REPORT by Lisa McIntyre

My sincere thanks again goes to Bev Hampton, Ally Gordon and Jo Aarons, and their families, for watching over our hens these holidays. We are very lucky to have you! And thanks also to Sarah Crawford, who has given us three young chooks; they will be ready to assimilate with the older chooks in the next few weeks.

Late last term, our Memory Garden had an enforced makeover, as, after an audit by the Department of Education (due to our school being on the Bushfire At Risk Register), it was deemed a fire risk, which I admit initially caused me some stress...! However, on working with the team from Power Partners, we relocated all plants that had to be moved, and they supplied us with some new plants as replacements (all expenses were covered by the Department of Education). Even the bark mulch that we had to remove was placed around our fire pit, so nothing was lost or wasted. I would like to sincerely thank Geoff, Rhys and Chris for their patience and understanding, it was greatly appreciated. Indeed, as the project moved through, they became quite engaged in the whole concept, even taking note of plant names to purchase for their own home gardens.

**Tomato seedlings** – once again, with the expert help of Heather Cash, approximately 1880 tomato seeds were sown at the *ERA Nursery* in Hamilton. They are there for another week, when we will collect and transplant them – so please keep this in mind when planning your tomato purchases later in the year! Touch wood, we will have quite a few to sell. *Thanks to Heather, and staff at ERA Nurseries.*



I am looking forward to Term 3 in the Garden, with the Garden Roster (for our volunteer Friends) attached to this newsletter. Please check the roster and contact me if any changes are required. We would love (and need!) to have some more volunteer Friends to be there with us - if you're at all interested, please get in touch with me.

## Notice Board

### SCHOOL BUS TRAVEL – TERM 3

For any change of travel arrangements for the Mirranatwa and Woodhouse School Bus travellers, could you please send a note or make an entry in your child's diary so it can be included on the bus roll. A late change may mean a phone call to the school office. The school will not take the student's word for a change in bus travel.

If students are attending activities after school on a regular basis e.g. dance, hockey training, Sporting Schools etc parents may make a note in the diary advising that their child/children will not be travelling on the bus on a specific afternoon. For example ... *"Tony will not be travelling on the bus on a Friday afternoon for Term 3 as he will be attending hockey training."*

### KNITTING AND CROCHET GROUP BY KATIE ADAMS

Starting **Monday 24 July** at lunchtime for any interested students in years Prep to Year 6. Students are encouraged to bring in any project that have already began at home or from last term. Younger students are also asked to bring in thick wool if they wish to join in as it is easier to use than thinner wool. BYO knitting needles and crotch hooks are a great idea. **A reminder to anyone who has a crotch hook or knitting needles from last term that they must bring them back please.**

### WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program, we will be able to get new educational resources for our school – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Wednesday 26 July to Tuesday 19 September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker/s into the **Dunkeld School Collection Box located at Woolworths Hamilton.**

At the end of the promotion, we will be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you'd like to know more visit [www.woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn](http://www.woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn)

### MISSING SCHOOL RUGBY JUMPERS

Myles Alderman – Size 8. Name on tag on collar.  
Myles Haley – Size 10. Haley on tag.

## FORMS

Felicity's Hope – Sausage Sizzle order form for Friday 28 July. Please return form and money to school by Monday 24 July.  
Kitchen Roster – Term 3  
Garden Roster – Term 3