



# DUNKELD CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

*We are a Child Safe School and we will protect all children at all times.*

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## Newsletter No. 12 - Wednesday 2 August 2017

### August 2017

- Thursday 3 SAKG Kitchen Class – Year 4. Students to bring \$3.00.
- Monday 7 **Pupil Free Day.**  
**Parent Opinion Survey opens online.**
- Tuesday 8 Felicity's Hope BBQ order forms and money due back for the BBQ held 11 August.
- Wednesday 9 Whole School Performance – *A Fish Story* by School Performances to be held at school commencing at 9:50am.  
Toyota Good For Footy Clinic to be held at Melville Oval from 4:15pm – 5:30pm.
- 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 Autism Spectrum Workshop PD in Geelong – Miss Susie Gibson and Ms Helen Trahar attending  
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.
- Sunday 27 **Parent Opinion Survey closes online.**
- Wednesday 30 MARC Library.
- Thursday 31 SAKG Kitchen Class – Year 5/6. Students to bring \$3.00.  
First Aid Training for staff to be held at school.

### September 2017

- Friday 1 Father's Day Social Services Stall commencing at 9:15am.
- Monday 4 – Friday 8 National eSmart Week.  
Parents & Friends Meeting to be held at 7:30pm  
Inter School Chess Competition to be held at The Hamilton and Alexandra College commencing at 9:10am  
Calm Kids 2 – Mindfulness for Autism, Asperger's, ADHD and Anxiety P-12 PD to be held in Warrnambool – Ms Helen Trahar, Miss Susie Gibson and Miss Jayne Berry will be attending.
- Tuesday 5 SAKG Kitchen Class - Year 3. Students to bring \$3.00.
- Thursday 7 First Aid Training for staff to be held at school.
- Wednesday 13 MARC Library.
- Wednesday 13 - Fri 15 Year 2 and 3 Camp to Grampians Retreat. (Details to follow).
- Thursday 14 SAKG Kitchen Class - Year 4. Students to bring \$3.00.
- Thursday 21 SAKG Kitchen Class - Year 5/6. Students to bring \$3.00.

## From Mr Jeffreys....

Well done Simon Cullinane. You were the first to complete reading a 'blokes book.' Simon read 'Kokoda' by Peter Fitzsimons. When Simon returned the book, his second as an adult (please read below), I put it on him to write a paragraph about the book. That was a big call to ask of Simon and I admire his courage to tackle a 'book report' for the principal. Great role model, Dad.

*Thanks Paul, for laying the bait to come into the school one morning and to choose a book from beside your office. This invitation was expressed via a newsletter to the fathers of all the school. Well I'm pleased to say that I finished my second book, EVER!! The book I chose was KOKODA. Written by Peter Fitzsimons (a former Australian Rugby star) this book is the story about the Australian Diggers and their battle in Papua New Guinea in 1942 and early 1943 against the Japanese. Set on the Kokoda track and the supreme effort of mainly the Australian 39<sup>th</sup> Battalion along with latterly the 2<sup>nd</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> Battalions. The book amazed me. The courage of men, loss of friends, the strength of mateship and what can be achieved. If you are not a reader like me I can suggest this as an unreal start. To whoever has the book 'Tobruk,' which I saw when I picked this book up, can you finish it and get it back because I am going to have a crack at my 3<sup>rd</sup> book. One thing for sure is I will be far wiser when standing at our Cenotaph at 6.30am next year on ANZAC day. Thanks Paul for giving me that opportunity.*  
Shanks.

Well Simon, 'Tobruk' has been returned after being read by Brad Kyle, and I have placed it on reserve just for you. By the way Simon, you write with a strong voice and you showed a deep understanding of the text. You were able to demonstrate your empathy with the main theme of the book. Your sense of audience was noted. While there were some minor grammatical and punctuation errors, these days the most important thing in a piece of writing is evidence of deep thinking and you showed that. I think an A minus for your first effort. Well done and keep up the good work. Dear Brad, I know we discussed 'Tobruk' briefly. Would you mind writing a book review? Just a short paragraph... 50 odd words?

## SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

School Council met on Tuesday 25 July with the following items being highlighted:

- Project work has been completed during the school holidays under the Planned Maintenance Program funding.
- This year's Parent Opinion Survey will be completed online.
- The Staff Registers Policy was approved.
- School Camps program and subsidies for 2017.
- An Occupational Health and Safety Management System audit will be conducted at our school during this term.
- Possible fundraising activities for this year.
- Principal attended a Data Literacy PD in Geelong.
- Professional Development workshops that staff have recently attended include Understanding Disability and eduPay.
- P & F Association's report on catering for the Serra Terror dinner.

Policy and Facilities Sub-Committees met on Tuesday 1 August.

## PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

Parents & Friends met on Monday 24 July. Bev Hampton was thanked for the tremendous amount of work she put into the Serra Terror catering on the Friday evening. The profit from the event is currently \$4991.98 with more financial donations yet to be received. The P & F moved the motion to pay for the bus hire for two school performances to Hamilton; one for the Preps – Year 2 in August, and the other for the Year 3-6 in October. The motion was also passed to pay for the whole school performance, A Fish Story, on Wednesday 9 August. Committed funds for 2017, including the bus hire for the whole school end of year excursion, the Sexuality and Puberty Education program for the senior students, and the purchase and engraving of the Year 6 Graduation Pens will be taken out of the profit made from Serra Terror. It was agreed to hold the Big Blokes Breakfast again in November, promoting Movember (watch this space for further details). Thank you to those who attended the meeting on a wet and miserable winter's night. Our next meeting is to be held on Monday 4 September at 7:30pm. Come along!

## SCHOOL NEWS AND EVENTS

### PARENT OPINION SURVEY 2017

All families in our School Community are invited to participate in the 2017 Parent Opinion Survey.

Each year, the school conducts the Parent Opinion Survey. Results will be used to inform and direct our future school planning and improvement.

I ask you to please take the time to complete the survey as your opinions are important to us and will contribute to the future management and organisation of our school.

- ◆ The survey is conducted **online** by ORIMA Research and should take around **15 minutes** to complete.
- ◆ The survey will be open from **Monday 7 August to Sunday 27 August 2017**.
- ◆ The survey can be completed using any device connected to the internet (even a mobile phone).
- ◆ Should you require access to a device to complete the survey, please let the school office know.

Please be assured that your responses are completely confidential. The survey is conducted anonymously and it is important to us that you complete the survey as honestly as possible. Your comments in the final open-ended question will be provided back to the school. Each family should have received a letter with the link in a letter sent home. Please contact the Office if you require any assistance.

**NOTE:** Only **one parent** from your family is invited to complete the survey.

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


Last Friday's Felicity's Hope hit off with a great start, almost everyone in the school was wearing casual clothes. The first BBQ was very yummy and well organised. The games were more organised because Genevieve, Monet and Lachie let students know at lunch what the groups were and who to go with, and what grade was to get their sausage and fruit. Overall there was a great outcome. The next BBQ will be on Friday 11 August. Forms and money are due in on Tuesday 8 August. By Tom Kent and Lucille Aarons.

## SPORT

### STATE CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Year 4 student, Alexander Prentice competed in the State Cross Country Championships in Melbourne on Thursday 20 July, running in the 2000m event. Xander achieved a Personal Best setting a time of 8:02 minutes, finishing in 65<sup>th</sup> position. The winner of the event ran it in a time of 7:00min. 92 runners spread themselves along the start line eagerly awaiting the starter's horn. Bang, and they were off. Xander got off to a tricky start as he dodged some less fortunate runners who had hit the ground in the battle to get an early position.

Conditions were wet underfoot and trying to get in a good rhythm was a little difficult whilst keeping an eye out for competitors' legs, feet and elbows. Those who were watching live would have caught a glimpse of Xander as he came around the final corner towards the finish line. His first comments after completing the race were "I'm hungry, can I get a pie!". Congratulations on a fantastic result and personal achievement to reach state level!

Alexander PRENTICE		
 <b>Finish Time</b> <b>8:02</b> Overall : 65 / 92 Gender : 65 / 92 Categ : 65 / 92	Race No	<b>1114</b>
	Gender	<b>Male</b>
	Category	<b>9-10yo</b>
	Status	<b>Finished</b>
	Team	<b>Dunkeld PS</b>

## Hooptime

Twenty-one students from Years 4, 5 and 6 participated in Hooptime over two days. The Year 4 Rookies bounced off the action on Thursday 27 July playing against teams from Hamilton and surrounds. The combination of Abby Lazzari, Pippa Williamson, Xander Prentice, Tom Gordon, Ben Peace, Matilda Potter and Myles Haley (photo right) contributed to the Dunkeld Dragons winning all of their games. Well done Dragons!!



The Dunkeld Dingoes and the Dunkeld Dragons from Years 5/6 took to the courts on Monday 31 July. The Dingoes team of Lachie Phillips, Tom Kent, Charlie Field, India Ross, Brodie Reynolds, Lucille Aarons, Chloe Frost and Sarah Symes (photo left) won 3 out of the 4 games. The Dragons won all 4 games. High fives all round for Genevieve Trotter, Monet Graham, Ben Potter, Charlie Adams, Edward Williamson, Ella Jackson, Ned Andrew, Emily McNaughton and Fingal Jackson.



We would like to thank Al Prentice for organising and coaching the teams over the two days, and to the parents who provided assistance also. Al reported that all students were so well behaved. They made sure everyone in the team was involved and displayed fabulous sportsmanship! It was a really fun couple of days. Great work by all.

## Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program (SAKG)

### KITCHEN REPORT by Clare Kennedy



The first week of term we were fortunate to be special guests of the Royal Mail Hotel Kitchen Garden and Restaurant. Our Year 6 students were polite, respectful and engaging. They asked great questions to help increase their knowledge of the culinary world, seasonality and tips and tricks from the garden to the kitchen. They were courageous as they experienced many new sights, smells and tastes. We discovered many new plants for the upcoming seasons, seedlings for transportation into the main garden, and hundreds of potatoes ready for chitting. We walked the many stations of the working kitchen as chefs prepared for lunch and dinner. We watched as chefs carried out *mise en place*, a French culinary term meaning 'everything in its place'. They placed tiny herbs and petals on dishes and we observed artistic creations on the plate. It was a pleasure to dine with our Year 6 students and I was proud of every one of them. Thank you to the staff of the Royal Mail Hotel and Kitchen Garden for providing such a memorable, delicious and educational experience.

Last week Year 3 prepared and shared in the kitchen. We tasted Cauliflower, Bacon and Parmesan Soup; Roti Bread; Asian Omelette and finished with Apple and Mascarpone Pizza. It is so gratifying to be able to step out of the back door and bring in baskets of delicious fresh produce – eggs, broccoli, cauliflower, bokchoy, chives, silverbeet, lemons and parsley to create a yummy lunch we can all share. Thank you to Lisa and our Friends of the Garden who plan and toil to make this happen.

*Dear Field Family and Friends*

*We will miss Iven who has contributed so much to our SAKG Program. His passion, humour and smiling eyes, will be forever, etched in our memory as we sit in his seat, work in his shed and walk around our beautiful garden. Rest in peace, Iven.*

## YEAR 6 EXCURSION TO ROYAL MAIL HOTEL KITCHEN GARDEN AND DINING EXPERIENCE

We had ice cream and cake with roses that had been coated in sugar so that they were like lollies. We also had cream and rose syrup. My favourite bit of the experience was the garden. We saw plants that I didn't even know existed. It was a lovely day out and I hope I can do it again sometime. *By Ben Potter*

When we went to the Royal Mail Hotel, it was an amazing experience to go. My favourite meal was the dessert which was the Roses and Violet. It was delicious I could eat it forever. My main was the John Dory and the best bit about the John Dory was the oyster on top. The experience was out of this world and I will never forget it. *By Ned Andrew*



I really enjoyed the garden. I ate food I've never had before like Wood Roasted John Dory with oyster, kohlrabi, apple and parsley for main and dessert I had assorted cheeses and fruits, I liked the cheese and apple, apple was the only fruit to have. *By Sarah Symes*

The Royal Mail was the best fine dining experience I've ever had (and the only one). First off we went to the garden, and Michelle showed us around. I learnt about salty ice plants. Then we drove up to the Royal Mail, everything was so delicate. Chef Stone showed us around the kitchen, and then Dan, our waiter, answered all the questions we asked. Out came our meals. First was the amuse bouche, which had: cured trout, almond purée, and a couple of other delicious things. After that we had our main, I had great ocean duck, with blood purée, duck heart, quince and sweet mace. Last was dessert, I had roses and violet, it's called that because they cook petals off flowers in liquid sugar, it had rose hip sorbet, orange cake and a sort of cream base. *By Edward Williamson*



## GARDEN REPORT by Lisa McIntyre



It is with great sadness and heavy hearts that we farewelled Iven Field last week. Iven has been such a staunch supporter of our School's Kitchen Garden program, and has been participating as one of our weekly Friends since we began the program. The children loved being in his group; he taught them (and me!) gardening and handyman skills, to be persistent and patient, to use their imagination and to keep a sense of humour. And he was such a great and valued member of our volunteer Friends Team. Everywhere we look in the garden (and around the school) we see Iven's handiwork, a wonderful reminder of his generosity and his skills. And every time we see them, we'll remember him, such a gentle, special friend, who we miss and who we have been so lucky to have. Our love and thoughts are with you, Iris, Stephen, Marcia, Carmen and Adrian and your families.

*Left: Iven volunteered his time to concrete the garden fire pit and to erect a safety fence around the fire.*

*Not wanting to put his own name on his work, fellow SAKG Friends did it for him.*



## Notice Board

### FATHERS DAY SOCIAL SERVICES STALL FRIDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

On Friday 1 September the students will hold their annual Fathers' Day Stall. This stall forms part of their Social Service program, along with the Mothers' Day and Christmas Stalls.

**Donations of gifts for the stall are most welcome** e.g. small tools, nails, chocolates, lollies, plants, wallets, books, toiletries, socks and mugs are some suggestions. *Could you please wrap your gifts in clear cellophane.*



**Children can bring the donations in and leave them in the old canteen area in the School Hall from now onwards. The gifts are then sorted through and priced (ranging from 50c - \$3.00).**

**Raffle tickets will also be on sale for 50c/ticket.**

***For this to run smoothly we need some help from parents!*** We'll need about 4 – 6 parents to help on Friday morning at 9.00am to collect the donations as children arrive, price them, lay out and serve at the stall to make it all run smoothly. Please consider helping, it is really a rewarding experience, and good fun! We really appreciate the time, donations and effort that you provide. *Names can be left with Naomie Phillips on 0429 998 504.*

### PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR SEMESTER 1 2017

The following students were awarded certificates for Perfect Attendance for Semester 1, 2017. Well done to: Ned Andrew, Year 6, Sarah Symes, Year 6, Matilda Potter, Year 4, Hayden Phillips, Year 3, Lillian Glazebrook, Year 3, Grace Potter, Year 3 and Hugh Prentice, Year 2.



### WANTED!!!

**Needed... Urgently  
Flight Feathers...  
for a Year 4 project at school.**  
Turkey Feathers – the best  
Goose or duck – second best  
Chicken – third best but workable

### CREATIVE CHARACTERS AND WRITING BY PREP

Clementine Blackwell in Prep has written a creative piece on Billy the Monster and has included an illustration of her creative character. *Billy has a green tummy, she has a brown lip and she has a little smile. She is brown. My monster has a tail and it has spikes on its tail. She is friendly. She drinks milk and eats spaghetti with strawberries. She sleeps at night.*

*On Saturday I went to the playground and we went to the shops and we got some birthday food for Luke's birthday. He liked his bed and he liked his presents. One of the presents was some army men. By Charlie Kelly.*



## FORMS

Toyota Good for Footy Clinic Information  
Father's Day Social Services Stall Flier