2016 WHAT’S COMING UP

SEPTEMBER 2016
Wed  7  Year 2/3 Norval Camp – Last day of Camp. Students will return to school by 3:00pm.
Wed  7  MARC Library.
      Year 4 and 5 students, Mrs Howard and Mrs Gilbert will visit the Dunkeld Kindergarten from approx.
      10:00am to 11:15am to read to prospective Prep children (2017) and join them for a morning snack
      and play as part of the Kinder to Prep Transition Program.
      Aussie Football Lightning Premiership for Year 4 to 6 to be held in Hamilton (venue to be advised)
      from 3:00pm – 5:00pm.
Thurs 15  Ballarat Grammar Musical Performance to be held in the School Hall at 10:00am for the whole school
      to attend.
Fri  16  Footy Colours Day. Students to wear school uniform and are encouraged to wear beanies, scarves,
      jumpers etc of their Footy team. (Please note no footy activities will take place).
      LAST DAY OF TERM 3 – early dismissal at 2.30pm.

OCTOBER 2016
Mon  3  FIRST DAY OF TERM 4
Thurs 13  Western District Schools Spelling Competition to be held at Warrnambool Primary School at 7:00pm.
Fri  14  The Greater Western Region Athletics Championships to be held in Ballarat at Llanberris Athletics
      Track.
Tue  18  Whole School Concert at the Dunkeld Community Centre - 7:15pm for a 7:30pm start. Gold coin
      entry.

NOVEMBER 2016
Tues  1  Public Holiday – Melbourne Cup
Tues  8  Big Blokes Breakfast to be held in conjunction with Movember! Breakfast will be held from 7:30am to
      8:45am.

DECEMBER 2016
Tues 20  LAST DAY OF TERM 4 – early dismissal at 2.30pm.

2016 SCHOOL COUNCIL, SUB-COMMITTEES
AND P & F MEETING DATES
Mon 12 Sept  Parents and Friends Association 7:30pm
Tues 13 Sept  School Council Meeting – 7:30pm
Tues  4 Oct  Policy Sub-Committee Meeting – 5.30pm.
Community and School Promotions – 6.30pm.
Facilities Sub-Committee Meeting – 7:30pm

FOOTY COLOURS DAY
16 SEPTEMBER 2016
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2016 TERM DATES
Term 3:  Monday 11 July to Friday 16 September
Term 4:  Monday 3 October to Tuesday 20 December

FORM/S ATTACHED TO THIS NEWSLETTER
We are SunSmart Family Note
SAKG Tomato Order Form
**YEAR 4, 5 & 6 CAMP**

On Tuesday 30 August, the Year 4, 5 and 6 students headed off on their camp to visit Bendigo, Swan Hill and Echuca. Over the three days, the students participated in a number of activities and visited many interesting places.

During camp we discovered some things about early settlement and learned a lot of new things. We went to the Central Deborah Goldmine in Bendigo where we were put 61 metres under the ground in an actual gold mine. I learnt that Bendigo was the largest producer for gold in Victoria. WOW. We went on a cruise on the Murray River on a boat called Alexander Arbuthnot. In Swan Hill we visited the Pioneer Settlement and learnt about blacksmiths, the schools, rope making, indigenous culture, transport, paddle steamers and the old shops. In the old school we got to write in ink and learnt that in the olden days when a kid slightly did something wrong they would whip them!! We were able to buy something at the settlement. I brought a giant lolly pop, boiled lollies and a light up wrist band. On our last day we went to the Golden Dragon Chinese Museum. Our guide taught us all about the history of China. We were able to see all the different heirlooms and explore the museum garden. I was amazed by its beautiful artefacts.  

*By Anna Rennie Yr 4*

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**BOOK WEEK**

Students enjoyed participating in a number of activities during book week from Monday 21 to Friday 26 August. On Friday the 26 August, the 4 year old Dunkeld Kindergarten students were invited to dress up and attend a book parade along with the whole school. (as pictured with our Prep class). It was great to see everyone dress up.

This week is book week. I went as a footballer. It was fun. Maxi and Jake were footballers too. Miss Berry dressed up as Belle, Helen was the Fairy God Mother. Louis was Where's Wally. My book was Kick it to Nick. It is a chapter book. My little brother was a pirate. My jumper colours were blue and white. I think that everyone’s costumes were good. I felt good.  

*By Hugh Prentice Yr 1*

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Today is book week. We all dressed up as people in books. First we all went to the hall and we all looked amazing. We had a parade with costumes on. I dressed up as the Sugar Plum Fairy. Penny was Dorothy and Annabelle was a doctor. Miss Berry was Belle and Helen was a Fairy God Mother. It was the best book week day ever. I had a good day.  

*By Mia Russell Yr 1*

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**YEAR PREP AND 1 SLEEPOVER**

We would like to take this opportunity to express a huge thank you to the wonderful support in particular Luke Balkin during our recent Prep and 1 Sleepover. Many thanks must also go to our fabulous ladies, Margie Ross, Christie Linke, Priscilla Jury and Karen Hassett who worked tirelessly to prepare the children breakfast on Saturday morning. Without your help, such events as these would not be nearly as easy to run so thank you. The children had a wonderful time and that is always the main aim of these events. Thank you kindly from us all to Jayne Berry, Annabelle Forbes and Helen Trahar.

**MISSING** — A black and red torch. May have accidently been picked up. Please pass to Miss Berry or Miss Forbes if you come across it.

“**My favourite activity was the sparklers because I hadn’t done it before.**” *By Heidi Burger Prep*

“**My favourite part of the sleepover was watching the movie, ‘Barnyard’ because it was a bit funny!**” *By Charlotte Alderman Prep*

“**My Mum came to do breakfast. It was yummy.**” *By Charlie Linke Prep*

“I liked the night walk.” *By Phoebe Ross Prep*

“The sleepover was fun and my favourite activity was the sparklers.” *By Ava Balkin Prep*

“I felt so excited about the sleepover. The breakfast was my favourite.” *By Elia Peters Prep*

“We had a night walk and we had rotations. I felt happy. My favourite activity was the sparklers.” *By Indiana Mibus Prep*

“I enjoyed my first sleepover. I loved watching the movie, ‘Barnyard’.” *By Phoebe Lazzari Prep*

“We went on a scavenger hunt and I felt happy.” *By Bonnie Peters Prep*

“I slept well except going to the toilet because I had lots of drinks like Milo!” *By Darcy Potter Prep*

“My favourite part of the sleepover was sleeping in the hall.” *By Archer Etherton Prep*

At the sleepover Dad made my bed. We had a treasure hunt where we looked for animal foot prints. We had a BBQ for tea. I ate a hamburger in bread and a frog in a pond with ice cream. Our group went on a night walk. We had sparklers and danced. Sleeping in the hall was fun. We got to watch a movie in bed. *By Annabelle Johnstone Yr 1*

On Friday the Prep and Grade Ones had a sleep at school. First we got to school at 6.00pm. We made our beds and went to play on the playground. Then we did a search. We had to find a bird, emu, tree, web and rocks that looked the same, and a stick that looks like a Y. Next we had a disco. I was doing my best. The radio sounded like it was spitting. Then we did activities. My favourite activity was the disco. Finally we had tea. I had two sausages and a hamburger. I was full. Then we watched Barnyard. I liked the coyote parts. Then we went to sleep. Helen came around and took photos of us. Then we woke up, got dressed and went to have breakfast. I had a bowl of Rice Bubbles and two p...
PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS

Meeting: Our next meeting will be held on Monday 12 September 2016 at 7:30pm at the school.

FATHERS’ DAY STALL
The annual Father’s Day Social Services Stall was held on Friday 26 August. Thankyou to everyone who contributed to the stall through donations, purchases, assisting with the stall on the day. We raised $241.75 from the stall and $152.40 from the raffle, giving a total of $394.15.

The lucky raffle winners were:
- Darcy Potter – Mug with toffees
- Addison Linskens – Mug with toffees
- Connor Gordon – Dad Mug
- Isabella Jury – Dad Mug
- Drew Hassett - Box of chocolates
- Louis Lazzari – Tin of nuts
- Tom Kent – 2 pairs of Explorer Socks
- Indi Ross – 5 pairs of socks
- Jasmin Crawford – Photo frame
- Georgia Adams – Photo Frame
- Claudia Cochran – Wallet
- Brook Hill – Bucket of malteasers
- Pippa Williamson – Tin shortbread
- Zach Burgess – Sponge Bag
- Seb Davenport – Tin Arnott biscuits
- India Mibus – Meat Thermometer
- Will Balkin – Chocolates
- Ella Jackson – Pie Face game
- Angus Frost – Picnic Blanket
- Zander Mibus – Picnic Blanket
- Jemima Ross – Boxed Glasses
- Ben Peace – Boxed Glasses
- Bonnie Jackson – Book –Me and My dad
- Edie Jackson – Mixed Bag
- Ava Balkin – Mixed Bag

Naomie Phillips Co-ordinator

STUDENT-TEACHER
The Dunkeld Consolidated School welcomed student-teacher, Miss Erin Bailey, from Deakin University, Waurn Ponds Campus to our school for a week’s placement from Monday 29 August to Friday 2 September. Miss Bailey enjoyed her time in each of the classrooms including a SAKG Kitchen class with the Year 2 students.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program (SAKG)

From the Kitchen...

We welcomed Year 1 and 2 into the kitchen to introduce them to the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program. We were all very excited and I wish to thank all of the students for being courageous and trying new foods that they may not have been familiar with. Thank you to our Friends of the Kitchen Garden Program for helping on the days that our little chefs visited. Due to unforeseen circumstances there will be no Kitchen class held this Thursday 8 September. The SAKG Kitchen classes will resume on Thursday 15 September (as per the roster) with the Prep students preparing and sharing in the kitchen.

On September 1 the first day of Spring, it was Kitchen. I made carrot and yoghurt muffins. This is the food that we made; carrot and yoghurt muffins; leek, sweet potato and thyme frittata; Honey and cream dips; Fruit skewers with strawberries, rock melon and kiwi fruit; rosemary potato and spinach pizza. My favourite food was fruit skewers. The helpers were Clare Kennedy, Miss Bailey, Mrs Prentice, Stacey Balkin, Melissa Field, Keri Ross, Geoff Potter and Mr Stephens. By Jemima Ross Yr 2

I made muffins and they were yum but the pizza was yuck. My favourite was the Fruit stick skewers. They had strawberries, rock melon and kiwi fruit. The muffins reminded me of strawberry cake, it was delicious! I baked with Miss Bailey and Myles. The group was fun. I like sultanas in the muffins. By Mia Roberts Yr 2

I made the Pizza at cooking last Thursday. My favourite food was the fruit skewers with cream honey. I wore a yellow apron. I hope I can cook again. By Drew Hassett Yr 1

On Thursday was cooking. I was in the pink group. I was with Annabelle, Charlotte, Nate, Helen and my mum. We made fruit skewers with honey cream. The other groups made carrot and yoghurt muffins; leek and potato thyme frittatas; garlic and cheese pizza. I love cooking. The thing I loved the best is eating. By Sebastian Aarons Yr 1

Clare Kennedy, SAKG Kitchen Specialist

From the Garden...

Last week we had a visit from parent and local farmer, Todd Burger. Todd very generously advised us on growing linseed, a versatile and viable cropping option in this area. His information engaged not only the students, but our adult Friends as well, with a great discussion being held around the fire, before the seed bed was prepared, and sowing commenced! We learnt that linseed (also known as flax) is used for many purposes, from oiling cricket bats, to adding to cosmetics, to making cloth, and as a healthy additive to our diets. It grows well in clay soils, and is sown now, so that the crop is not too tall at harvest time – as it has a tendency to lodge (fall over). We have our fingers crossed that this crop will survive the ravages of our rabbit population, and our slightly sandy loam soil! Thanks Todd for your help and advice!

We have been very busy cleaning up the pots that ERA Nurseries have so generously given us – they will be used to transplant the tomato seedlings into. Here we have Margie Ross showing Zach and Sam how to wash!! All proceeds from this fundraiser will go towards the SAKG program, and again we thank ERA Nurseries for their very generous support. The tomato order form was attached to the last newsletter, and is also available on the school’s website. Tomatoes are a fantastic, prolific plant, what tastes better in summer than a home grown tomato?

Just had to show off this beautiful photo – a handful of delicious broccoli, grown in our garden. We’re not sure what to put this fantastic crop down to – the compost, the sheep poo tea, the weekly doses of molasses, the regular snail hunts, or the fantastic blend of rainfall and sun… I guess it doesn’t really matter!

Lisa McIntyre, SAKG Garden Specialist
TOMATO PLANTS – ORDERS AND PAYMENT
A reminder that Tomato Plants order forms with payment should be returned to the school office by Friday 9 September (please see attached form). The order form is also available online on the school’s website: www.dunkeld.vic.edu.au

SAKG Friend, Ms Heather Cash (kindly supported by ERA Nurseries Hamilton), has organised this fundraiser for the school’s Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program. Tomato plants shall be available for collection from the school in approximately mid-October.

SCHOOL HATS are to be worn from Thursday 1 September as per the School’s Sun Smart UV Policy.

HEAD LICE
There has been an instance of head lice reported recently and the school seeks parents’ co-operation in regularly checking your child’s hair. In instances where head lice or eggs are found could you please treat your child’s hair accordingly.

Health regulations require that where a child has head lice, that child should not return to school until the day after appropriate treatment has started. Please note, this refers only to those children who have live head lice and does not refer to head lice eggs.

If head lice or eggs are found on your child’s hair you need to inform:
- The school and advise when the treatment has started.
- Parents or carers of your child’s friends so they too have the opportunity to detect and treat their children if necessary.

The Dunkeld Consolidated School is aware that head lice can be a sensitive issue and is committed to maintaining your confidentiality.

CRICKET SEASON IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!!!
Grampians Cricket Club is offering its very popular In2Cricket Milo program held at the Dunkeld School Oval at 4.15pm, starting Thursday 13th October for 8 weeks. Info will be coming home this week, registrations are online and updates are available on the Grampians Cricket Club Facebook page.

Grade 3’s will have the option to either register for in2Cricket or train with the Under 12’s. Under 12’s is for Grade 4, 5 & 6, they will play Wednesday nights and train on Thursday s at 4.15pm. Further details will come home in a letter this week.

INTER SCHOOL CHESS TOURNAMENT
On Friday 2 September, Sam Burger competed in the Inter School Chess Tournament in Hamilton at Gray Street Primary School. This event was well attended by schools from Hamilton and surrounding areas. The main focus was all about learning and getting better at chess, not about winning. Congratulations to Sam on his fantastic effort on the day and for proudly representing the Dunkeld Consolidated School.

Hamilton Netball Competition – Term 4
Looking for anyone who may be interested in taking part in the Term 4 netball competition to be held at at Pedrina Park, Hamilton. Dunkeld Consolidated School is looking to enter an under 11’s team. The session starts on Saturday 8th October and concludes Saturday 3rd December (9 weeks). Total amount per junior is, $49 VNA (unless previously paid this year) and $45 game fees. Please return your expression of Interest forms by Friday 9 September.
Alison Prentice Sports Co-Coordinator

PHOTO BOOTH

Book Week – Dress up

The whole school enjoyed dressing up as their favourite book characters

ROPE MAKING - at Pioneer settlement

Year 4, 5 and 6 students learning the art of rope making