



DUNKELD CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

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OCTOBER 2018

- Wednesday 10 Year 2/3 Norval Camp, Halls Gap.
MARC Library.
- Thursday 11 Year 2/3 Norval Camp, Halls Gap.
- Friday 12 Year 2/3 Norval Camp, Halls Gap.
School Assembly commencing at 2.35pm.
Prep/Year 1 Sleepover.
Greater Western Region Athletics Carnival at Llanberris Track, Ballarat.
- Monday 15 Year 4/5/6 Melbourne Camp.
- Tuesday 16 Year 4/5/6 Melbourne Camp.
- Wednesday 17 Year 4/5/6 Melbourne Camp.
- Thursday 18 Year 4/5/6 Melbourne Camp.
Prep to Year 3 excursion to the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra performance at the Hamilton PAC.
SAKG Garden classes. There will be no SAKG Kitchen class today.
PUPIL FREE DAY.
- Friday 19 P & F running the Lego Tent at the Three Peaks Festival.
- Saturday 20 Book Club Orders and monies due in today.
- Wednesday 24 MARC Library.
- Thursday 25 SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes.
Prep students will be preparing and sharing in the Kitchen from 9.00am to 10.30am and will need to bring \$3.00 for their Kitchen class.
Year 6 students will be preparing and sharing in the Kitchen from 11.30am and will need to bring \$3.00 for their Kitchen class.
- Tuesday 30 Facilities Sub-Committee Meeting commencing at 6.30pm.
School Council Meeting commencing at 7.30pm.
- Wednesday 31 Big Blokes Breakfast from 7.30am to 8.45am – hosted by the P & F Association. Gold coin donation for November

NOVEMBER 2018

- Thursday 1 SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes. Year 5 students working in the Kitchen and will need to bring \$3.00 for their Kitchen class
- Tuesday 6 **MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL TODAY.**
- Wednesday 7 MARC Library.
- Thursday 8 SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes. Year 6 students working in the Kitchen and will need to bring \$3.00 for their Kitchen class.
- Friday 9 Woolworths Cricket Blast at Pedrina Park, Hamilton for Year 5 and 6 Students.
- Thursday 15 SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes. Year 5 students working in the Kitchen and will need to bring \$3.00 for their Kitchen Class – Thank You Lunch for SAKG Friends.
- Saturday 17 School Council Fundraiser – ticket booth at the Dunkeld Races.
- Sunday 18 School Council Fundraiser – clean-up at Dunkeld Race Course from 9:00am to 10:30am. Parents, staff and students are welcome to assist – bring your own gloves.
- Wednesday 21 MARC Library.

FROM Mr Paul Jeffreys, Principal...

Welcome back to school everyone, for your last 11 weeks in your current grade. Make the most of your time and make sure you finish off your year with genuine effort all the way to the very end.

We are delighted to welcome to our school community, three new students who arrived on our doorstep last Monday. To Joshua (Year 3) and Emily Lomas (Year 1), along with Oliver Falla (Year 4), their parents Mark and Connie Lomas and Jim Falla and Annette Jones; a warm welcome to Dunkeld and our school. We hope you and your families will enjoy our community and the new friendships coming your way.

What a busy term we have ahead of us: Prep and Year 1 Sleepover, Year 3 and 4 Camp to Halls Gap, Year 4/5/6 Camp to Melbourne, House Athletics Carnival, Graduation Ceremony, Kinder and Year 6 Transition, My Business Rules for Year 6 students, Parent Teacher interviews, MSO performance for Prep to Year 3, Big Blokes Breakfast, Woolworths Cricket Blast ... and there will be more.

We have received an email from the Royal School of Dunkeld in Scotland, informing us that the McDonald children of

Dunkeld Consolidated School, Australia, visited them and ... spoke at their assembly. They clearly left an impact and what a wonderful start to the McDonald children's 'international speaking careers!'

Year 6 students have already begun their 'My Business Rules' project and are busily preparing their business pitch so that they may qualify for a thirty dollar Start-Up Loan from the 'Bank of Dunkeld'. Students are required to conceive and develop a product which they can sell to the market. They will develop an advertising campaign, a prospective budget and run their business with the goal of returning a profit at the end of the project. This will be the third time we have run this entrepreneurial education project at the school with the profits this year going to a charity of the children's choosing.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

School Council has approved a subsidy for the Year 4/5/6 Melbourne Camp. The cost per student for this camp will be \$290.00.

An Afternoon Tea will be hosted for current and prospective SAKG sponsors on Thursday 11 October. Year 5 students will prepare the food in their Kitchen class for this event. Year 6 students will serve the guests and be involved in a presentation about the school's SAKG program.

The Policy Sub-Committee met in September and October and the following policies will be tabled at the next School Council meeting:

- Assessment Policy
- Kindergarten to School Transition Policy
- Medication - Storage and Administration Policy
- Anaphylaxis Management Policy and Procedures
- Supervision and Duty of Care Policy and Procedures
- Investment of School Funds Policy

The next School Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 30 October commencing at 7.30pm.

The Facilities Sub-Committee will also meet on Tuesday 30 October at 6.30pm.

SCHOOL NEWS AND EVENTS

WHOLE SCHOOL CONCERT ON WEDNESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2018

It was fabulous to see our school concert on Wednesday 19 September 2018 supported by so many. Our children and our teachers worked hard to put on a terrific performance. As always it is a very special occasion for our Prep class, performing in their first school concert.



"On Wednesday night 19 September 2018 we had our first school concert. It was fun and I enjoyed it. Henrietta Patterson was the mud. Jim Herrmann and Lulu McDonald were the grass. Nate Elliott and Zach Lance were the hunters. The rest of the class were the explorers". Zoe Trotter, Prep

"On Wednesday night 19 September 2018 we did an amazing performance. Jim Herrmann and Lulu McDonald were the grass. Jasmine Etherton and Tyson Riddle were the forest. Henrietta Patterson and Edward Alderman were the mud. Zach Lance and Nate Elliott were the bear hunters and the rest of the class were explorers. It was so much fun". Jim Herrmann, Prep.

"The play is called 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'. Edward Alderman and I were the mud. Jasmine Etherton and Tyson Riddle were the forest. Jim Herrmann was the grass and Nate Elliott and Zach Lance were the hunters. The rest of the class were explorers. We were proud, we were excited! We were the winners!" Henrietta Patterson, Prep



FOOTY COLOURS DAY FRIDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2018



"On 21 September, we had Footy Colours Day. It was so much fun having all those activities like the blow ups, diving tackle and kick to kick. At the very end of the activities, the Grade 6's had a kick off against Mr Jeffreys. Lachie Phillips beat Mr Jeffreys by a mile." Tom Gordon, Year 5.



REGIONAL ATHLETICS IN BALLARAT FRIDAY 12 OCTOBER



Congratulations to Year 6 student India Ross and Year 4 student Taylor Haley for qualifying to compete in the Greater Western Region Athletics Carnival this coming Friday 12 October 2018. Taylor Haley qualified for the 9-10 years Boys – 80 metres Hurdles and India Ross the 12/13 years Girls – Discus.

While India is unable to compete on Friday due to prior commitments we wish Taylor all the best.

P & F ASSOCIATION

Aaaarghh!!! Term 4 is upon us and so begins the mad dash to the end of the year! I understand everyone is busy, however poor attendance at our meeting after school on Monday prevented us from being able to conduct an official meeting. We did however take the opportunity to plan for upcoming events such as supervising the Lego Tent at the 3 Peaks Festival and The Big Blokes Breakfast (please look out for notices sent home with students and consider volunteering if able).

If anyone has any queries or ideas for P & F please don't hesitate to contact me (Ruth Moyle) on 0428 954 248. Thank you.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program (SAKG)

From the Kitchen ... by Clare Kennedy

Welcome back for our last term of 2018.

A big thank you to those who helped with the SAKG catering during the holidays. You are much appreciated.

Year 5 will be harvesting preparing and sharing in the kitchen this Thursday 11 October.

Thank you to those who have been rostered on for Term 4.



Bake the World a Better Place with the Red Cross and the SAKG Program

Our Year 6 students worked tirelessly to help bake the world a better place and provide lunch for Red Cross volunteers and Friends of the Kitchen Garden program who helped on the day.



Notice Board

LOST BIKE - RETURNED

During the school holidays an email was sent by the school asking school families if anyone knew the whereabouts of a bike that had been left on the school premises on the last day of term. We are happy to inform you that the bike was returned to the bike shed and has been returned to the owner. Thank you.

VICTORIA VALLEY TENNIS

Vic Valley Tennis Club will be holding their junior training on Friday's from 3.45pm – 5.00pm at the Dunkeld Tennis Courts starting on Friday 12 October.

All welcome, any queries please contact Mrs Jen McArthur on 5573 3265. Any senior players interested in playing in the Saturday team competition could you please let us know.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK (WWCC)

All volunteers and classroom helpers at the Dunkeld Consolidated School require a Working with Children Check (WWCC), as per the school's Policy. Volunteers may fill in an online application form via the following website: www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/. The application is then finalised at a participating Australia Post retail outlet (e.g. Hamilton Post Office). You may participate in child-related activities (classroom help, SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes etc.) at our school while your WWCC application is being processed. Volunteers do not have to pay a registration fee for their WWCC, the only cost involved is the cost of the photo, which may be reimbursed by the school.

SCHOOL BUS TRAVEL AND STANDING ORDERS FOR TERM 4

Just a reminder that non-school bus travelers who occasionally may wish to travel on either of the school buses are required to complete and submit an "Application for Adhoc Travel – Student" form to the School Office prior to the event, for approval.

If students are attending activities after school on a regular basis e.g. hockey training, cricket 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 4 as he will be attending hockey training."* You may also simply state that the standing orders provided in Term 3 are still relevant to Term 4.

The new Woodhouse and Mirranatwa School Buses (belonging to Swan Hill Bus Lines trading as BusBiz) are both fitted with seat belts. **All school bus travellers must wear a seat belt.** Please note that the responsibility for fines for not wearing a seat belt lies with the passengers' families.

VISITOR AND STUDENT SIGN IN AND OUT REQUIREMENTS

All visitors to our school, including parents and relatives of our students, are required to sign a Visitors Book at the school administration office upon arrival. Similarly visitors are required to 'sign out' in the Visitors Book at the end of their visit. As a Child Safe School this is a requirement of Ministerial Order No. 870.

Under the Summary Offences Act 1966 and subsequent amendments, the Principal reserves the right, and has the authority to prohibit any potential visitor from entering or remaining within the school, and also has the authority to invite or exclude people from using or being within the school boundaries outside school operating hours.

Late Arrivals and Early Departures

If you (or an authorised adult) wish to collect your child during school hours for a medical appointment etc the parent must report to the office and complete the Sign In/Out Register, as a Child Safe School requirement. Similarly, parents or adults bringing students late to school are also required to call in at the office to complete the Sign In/Out Register.

STUDENT MEDICATION

In the interest of safety, no medicines will be administered by teachers unless written permission and instructions are given by parents. All medication and instructions must be given to the teacher to look after. If this is necessary, please assist us by providing medication in the original packaging that indicates your child's name, the dose required and the time the medication is to be given. Signed parental permission is required.

Parents must notify the school of any asthma attacks their child has had and an Asthma Plan is provided. The school must also be notified of any allergies that their child may have.

FORMS

Big Blokes Breakfast – please complete and return forms by Monday 22 October 2018.

SAKG Garden and Kitchen Rosters for Term 4.

Off the Rails Gallery – Flyer advertising Dawne Chorus Extravaganza and Where the Wild Birds Fly.

Walk to School Fact Sheet for October 2018.