



# DUNKELD CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

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## Newsletter No. 16 - Wednesday 11 October 2017

### October 2017

*"Walk to School" program during the month of October.*

- Thursday 12 Friends of the SAKG thank you lunch commencing at 12:30pm at school.
  - Friday 13 Kinder to Prep Transition Program – Miss Berry will visit the Dunkeld Kindergarten students.
  - Saturday 14 Regional Athletics Championships to be held in Ballarat at Llanberris Athletics Track.
  - Thursday 19 Wide Open Road Optometry complimentary eye testing for students conducted at school.
  - Saturday 21 Organisation of a Writers Workshop PD with Deb Sukarna in Preston, Melbourne.
  - Monday 23 to Friday 27 Melbourne Symphony Orchestra performance to be held at Hamilton PAC. Year 3 – 6 students will be attending.
  - Friday 27 Book Club orders and monies due back to school.
  - Wednesday 25 Three Peaks Festival. P & F will be assisting with the running of the LEGO activity tent.
  - Tuesday 31 SAKG Produce Stall at the Three Peaks Festival.
- Year 4/5/6 Camp at Healesville. Students are to arrive at school at 8:15am sharp for departure at 8:30am.**
- No School Assembly will be held due to Year 4/5/6 Healesville Camp.
- MARC Library.
- School Council Meeting to be held at 7:30pm at the school.

### November 2017

- Wednesday 1 Big Blokes Breakfast commencing at 7:30am on the walkway at School.
  - Sunday 5 Sexuality and Puberty Education session for Year 6 students with WDHS staff from 10.00am to 11.00am.
  - Monday 6 Kinder to Prep Transition Program - Kinder students to attend the Dunkeld Consolidated School from 1.15pm – 2.20pm for a tour of the Prep Classroom and will have lunch and a play with their Year 5 Buddies.
  - Tuesday 7 Working Bee to be held at school commencing from 10:00am – 1:00pm. Free BBQ lunch will be provided.
  - Wednesday 8 Parent & Friends Meeting commencing at 7:30pm at school.
  - Friday 10 **MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY. NO SCHOOL.**
  - Thursday 16 MARC Library.
  - Tuesday 21 to Wednesday 29 Sexuality and Puberty Education session for Year 6 students with WDHS staff from 9.15am to 10.15am. (Year 5 students may also attend this session if parents wish them to).
  - Thursday 30 November: MILO T20 Blast for Year 5 and 6 Students. Further details to follow.
- School Concert.
- Somers Camp (for attending Year 5 and 6 students)
- Kinder to Prep Transition Program - Kinder students to attend the Dunkeld Consolidated School from 9.00am – 1.00pm.
- Kinder to Prep Transition Program - Year 5 students and Mrs Howard will visit the Dunkeld Kindergarten from 11.00am to 12.00 noon.

### December 2017

- Friday 1 **HOUSE ATHLETICS SPORTS** – Kindergarten students are invited to participate in the Kinder Race.

## From Mr Jeffreys....

Welcome back to Term 4. And with that comes the realisation that your child is not far from moving on to their respective next year level of schooling. For our Year 6 students the move to secondary school can be a mixture of apprehension, excitement, uncertainty and adventure. For now Year 6, you still belong to us and so be sure to finish your time here in a positive and dignified manner.

It is also a time to think about our new students who will be joining us in Prep next year and we look forward to getting to know those children and new families over the course of this term.

You will notice the busyness of this final term of the year (term dates above) and so with such things as the school concert, house athletics, Big Blokes Breakfast, Graduation, transformation of the art room into a Year 6 classroom and a myriad of other activities I believe staff would be very appreciative of any help you might be able to offer.

Our Year 5/6 students have sent out an invitation to Felicity Gordon to attend our school so that students can present a cheque from their fundraising efforts of Term 3 to Felicity and her family. Following, students will publish a final report in the next available newsletter. We are proud of you, Year 5 and 6 boys and girls. Thank you so much to all of our families for supporting this initiative; it was far greater than expected and you are wonderful. I would also like to acknowledge the cooperation, patience and support for the children from Mrs Ann Howard throughout the last term and on behalf of everyone involved I thank you sincerely, Ann.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

A Working Bee will be held at the school on **Sunday 5 November** commencing at 10.00am. A free BBQ lunch will be held in conjunction with the Grampians Cricket Club members. Lots of worthwhile tasks to be completed and children are invited to participate. Mark Lazzari, Facilities Sub-Committee.

## PARENTS & FRIENDS

The Parents & Friends met on Monday 9 October for their monthly meeting. Items discussed included:

- 3 Peaks Festival – A form has been sent out to families requesting assistance on the day from 9:30 am – 3:30pm, 1.5hr shifts. We require 3 people per shift. **Please return the form by Friday 13 October.**
- Big Blokes Breakfast – Will be held on Wednesday 1 November and again will be in conjunction with Movember. Invitations will be created by students and sent home. RSVP's will be required.
- Used books – All remaining books have been donated to the Dunkeld Museum for their second hand book stall at the 3 Peaks Festival. A very big thank you to Jed and Kate Comer for storing the books for the past year and to Karen Kent who housed them for a number of years.

## SCHOOL NEWS AND EVENTS

### YEAR 4, 5 AND 6 HEALESVILLE CAMP

The Year 4/5/6 camp to Healesville will be held from Monday 23 October to Friday 27 October. Students are required to be at school by **8:15am on Monday 23 October for departure at 8:30am**. Return will be at approximately 3.00pm at Dunkeld on Friday 27 October. Children will be required to take a packed lunch, snacks and drinks for the first day only (no fizzy soft drinks). These should all be in disposable containers and NO glass bottles please. Medications clearly labelled with the student's name and written instructions for administration are to be placed in a zip lock bag and handed to Ms Helen Trahar prior to the camp.

### Year 2 & 3 CAMP – GRAMPIANS RETREAT

The Year 2 and 3 students from Dunkeld Consolidated School went to Grampians Retreat from 13 September to 15 September. We went to have fun and to have the courage to try new things. The best food on the camp were hamburgers and chocolate mousse. By Libby Herrmann Year 2



The Grade 2 and 3 students went to Grampians Retreat Camp. I was proud of myself on camp because I tried a new thing and was being brave. I would rate the camp 10/10. By Louis Lazzari Year 2

My favourite part of the camp was the giant swing (photo right) and the night walk and dinner. I was brave on the giant swing and the scariest part was pulling the rope! By Jack Reynolds Year 2

I would recommend Grampians Retreat Camp because it teaches you how to be brave. The ropes course was very challenging. I rate the camp 100/100. By Nate Year 2

The camp was fun and made you try new things. I was proud of myself because I had a go at the giant swing. The best food on the camp was breakfast and dessert! By Logan Ross-Urry Year 2



*Funny Faces! Year 2 and 3 students at Grampians Retreat Camp*

## WHOLE SCHOOL CONCERT

The whole School Concert will be held on **Thursday 16 November** at the Dunkeld Community Centre - 7:15pm for a 7:30pm start. Gold coin entry. Further details regarding costume requirements will be sent home by your child's teacher/s.

## TERM 4 CLASS CAPTAINS

*It is with excitement that we announce the Class Captains for Term 4, 2017. The Class Captains will be presented with their badges and certificates at an assembly on Friday 13 October (commencing at 2.45pm). (Their roles may include delivering notes and diaries etc to the office, Class Captain reports at Assemblies, welcoming visitors to their classrooms etc).*



Charlie Kelly  
Prep



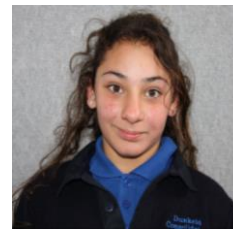
Phoebe Ross  
Year 1



Penny Burger  
Year 2



Connor Gordon  
Year 3



Antonia Huzony  
Year 4



Genevieve Trotter  
Year 5/6

## A VISIT TO THE MUSEUM

Year 3 stepped back in time when they visited the Dunkeld Museum on Tuesday 19 September. The students had been looking at the history of our local community and wanted to know the answers to many questions they had relating to the settlement of the area, devastating fires that raised four out of five of the public houses standing at the time (plus a third of the houses in the township) and also how the buildings in the township have changed over time. Following their visit, students created dioramas (photo right) that represented their significant local historical location that they had investigated.



## SEXUALITY AND PUBERTY EDUCATION

The school has recently confirmed the dates for the 2017 Sexuality and Puberty Education sessions for the Year 5 and 6 students. There will be two one hour sessions held on: Wednesday 1 November commencing at 10.00am and Wednesday 8 November commencing at 9.15am. These sessions will be conducted by WDHS staff (Sue Watt and Stuart Willder) and will include Puberty issues, body changes, correct names for body parts and personal hygiene. The P & F Association generously funds this program.

## KINDER TO PREP TRANSITION PROGRAM

Please find listed below relevant Transition Program dates for Term 4:

- Thursday 12 October: Miss Jayne Berry will visit the Kindergarten at lunchtime for an introductory visit.
- Wednesday 1 November: Kinder students to attend the Dunkeld Consolidated School from 1.15pm – 2.20pm for a tour of the Prep Classroom and to have lunch and a play with their Year 5 Buddies.
- Tuesday 21 November: Kinder students to attend the Dunkeld Consolidated School from 9.00am – 1.00pm. Parents to drop off their Kinder children at school 9.00am to Mrs Debbie Millard and collect them again from school at 1.00pm from Mrs Debbie.
- Thursday 30 November: The Year 5 students and Mrs Howard will visit the Dunkeld Kindergarten from 11.00am to 12.00 noon to read, enjoy a snack and play with the Kinder children.
- Friday 1 December: Kinder/toddler race for the younger children who are present. Please arrive by approximately 1.45pm to enter your child in the Kinder race.
- Tuesday 12 December: Kinder students to attend the Dunkeld Consolidated School from 9.00am – 3.25pm. Parents to make their own arrangements to deliver their children to and from school. (Kinder staff will not be in attendance). **An information session for parents will be held in the School Hall at 2.30pm.**

## SPORT

### GREATER REGION CHAMPIONSHIPS



Three students from Dunkeld have qualified to attend the Greater Region Championships to be held on Friday 13 October in Ballarat at Lianberris Athletics Track. They are: Lachie Phillips in the Discus, Sam Cullinane in the 800 metres and Alexander Prentice in the 800 metres. ***This is a super effort and we wish them all the very best!***

### MILO In2CRICKET CLINIC

Students in Prep to Year 2 were fortunate to be given the opportunity to participate in a cricket clinic ran by Cricket Victoria. Clinic Co-ordinator Shay Deary split the large group into three activities, throwing, batting and bowling. Thank you to Grampians Cricket Club representative Christy Lazzari for assisting Shay in the running of the activities. **Everyone had a ball!!**





## WALK TO SCHOOL IN OCTOBER



**VicHealth's Walk to School month** is happening in October. Many students are taking advantage of the nice weather and riding or walking to and from school each day. Children who take part will be building healthy habits for life – and could win some great prizes for their family and their school.



## Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program (SAKG)

### KITCHEN REPORT by Clare Kennedy

While Clare enjoys some well-earned leave, there will be no Kitchen Classes held on Thursday 12 and 19 October.

A Thank You Lunch for Friends of the SAKG Kitchen Garden Program will be held on Thursday 12 October commencing at 12:30pm. **Year 5/6 students are to bring \$3.00 for their lunch.**



### GARDEN REPORT by Lisa McIntyre

This year's Three Peaks Festival will offer great activities for all ages with a variety of stalls. This is an annual fundraiser for the SAKG Program and is a great way to get some 'outside money' into our school as well as promote our wonderful school. This year we are holding our SAKG Produce Stall and we would love and need your help to serve customers, and to talk about the program to interested people. ***We would also really appreciate and welcome donations of baked goods (ingredients must be listed), fruit, vegetables, eggs, preserves and plants. These are all greatly appreciated and very sort after by market visitors!*** Items may be dropped off at the school kitchen on Friday 20 October or at the stall on Saturday morning (21 October). Please contact Lisa McIntyre on 5574 9235 or 0428 749 235 if you have any queries.

Tomato order forms are due in Friday 13 October. Please contact the office if you require a replacement order form. Thank you.

## Notice Board

### SCHOOL BUS TRAVEL – TERM 4

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."*

### BENDIGO BANK VISIT



Year 5/6 students had a visit from Louise Field, Bendigo Bank Customer Services Officer from the Dunkeld & District Community Bank. Louise spoke to the students about banking as part of the bank's community engagement. Thank you Louise for taking the time to visit our school.

### DUNKELD HOCKEY

2017 has been a fabulous year for the Dunkeld Hockey Club with our largest number of players, enabling us to introduce a Division 5 junior team to accompany our existing Division 4 team. This has meant we can bring our new younger players through a beginner competition played with adjusted rules to better develop their skills. This is exciting growth for our club and we were so pleased to have so many Dunkeld children playing and enjoying their hockey. All our players worked hard to develop their hockey skills, understanding of the game, organisation and team work and we are very proud of their efforts. Thank you to all the families who support our teams with travel to training, games and roster duties (and for my babysitters!), these teams couldn't happen without all your hard work. Well done Dunkeld Hockey, can't wait to see you all back in 2018! Lea and Jen McArthur



### in2Cricket

in2Cricket is great fun. Kids learn the basic cricket skills and is available for kids of all abilities aged 5 – 8 years. The in2cricket season starts on Thursday 12 October at the Dunkeld Cricket Club grounds commencing at 4.00pm. Please visit [www.playcricket.com.au](http://www.playcricket.com.au) to register. Please contact Geoff Potter on 0419 108 919 if you have any queries.

### FORMS

in2Cricket Flier

SAKG Kitchen and Garden Rosters for Term 4

Order forms for School Jumpers, Royal Blue Skivvies and Tartan Pinafores and Trousers