



DUNKELD CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

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October 2017

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

- **Monday 23 to Friday 27**
- Wednesday 25
- Friday 27
- Tuesday 31

Year 4/5/6 Camp at Healesville. Students are to arrive at school at 8:15am sharp for departure at 8:30am.
MARC Library.

No School Assembly will be held due to Year 4/5/6 Healesville Camp.

School Council Meeting to be held at 7:30pm at the school.

Wide Open Road Optometrist second visit to school to complete eye tests.

Setting up for Big Blokes Breakfast commencing at 3:30pm.

November 2017

- Wednesday 1
- Sunday 5
- Monday 6
- Tuesday 7
- Wednesday 8

Big Blokes Breakfast commencing at 7:30am on the walkway at School. **Gold coin donation for November.**
Sexuality and Puberty Education session for Year 6 students with WDHS staff.

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.

Working Bee to be held at school from 10:00am – 1:00pm. Free BBQ lunch will be provided.

Parent & Friends Meeting commencing at 7:30pm at school.

MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL.

MARC Library.

Sexuality and Puberty Education session for Year 6 students with WDHS staff. (Year 5 students may also attend this session if parents wish them to).

- Friday 10
- Thursday 16
- Saturday 18
- Sunday 19
- Tuesday 21 to Wednesday 29
- Tuesday 21

MILO T20 Blast for Year 5 and 6 Students. Further details to follow.

School Concert.

School Council Fundraiser – Ticket booth at the Dunkeld Races. Further details to follow.

School Council Fundraiser – Clean up at Dunkeld Race Course commencing at 9:00am to 10:30am approx.

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.

- Thursday 30 November:

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.

Felicity's Hope

On Friday 22 September 2017, the Year 5 and 6 students warmly welcomed special guest Felicity Gordon to their classroom.

Felicity presented a thank you gift to the students which reads: THANK YOU Dunkeld Consolidated School Grade 5 & 6, 2017 for your outstanding organization of FELICITY'S HOPE. Your work and dedication to this project was incredible. The money you raised will be put towards my rehabilitation from my AVM brain haemorrhage.

Signed by Felicity Gordon.

Felicity had previously mentioned to the students that one of her goals was to walk up the Piccaninny. Flick can tick this off the list as the photos on the thank you board show a very happy lady standing at the entrance of the Piccaninny, accompanied by a photo of thumbs up and all smiles once she had reached the top. What a fantastic achievement Flick, well done!



SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

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Please find listed below some friendly reminders of upcoming activities being organised by School Council:

- A Working Bee will be held at the school on Sunday 5 November commencing at 10.00am. A free barbecue lunch will be held in conjunction with the Grampians Cricket Club members. Many worthwhile tasks will be undertaken and children are invited to participate (they will have their own special list of tasks to complete).
- School Council will be supporting the Dunkeld Races by providing workers for the ticket booth on Saturday 18 November and will also be participating in the clean-up on Sunday 19 November (this will be a fundraising event for our school).
- A Sheep Drive/Wool Drive will be held during this term and will be co-ordinated by school councillors, Luke Balkin and Trent Adams.
- 'Request for helpers' forms will be sent home early next week regarding the Working Bee and Dunkeld Races.

PARENTS & FRIENDS

- Three Peaks Festival – Thank you to everyone who assisted in the AGL Lego tent on Saturday at the festival. We thank the Three Peaks Festival for giving the P & F this fundraising opportunity.
- Big Blokes Breakfast – Will be held on Wednesday 1 November and again will be held in conjunction with Movember. Invitations have been created by students and sent home. RSVP's are required. Please complete the form requesting donations and assistance (form sent home on Monday 23 October). Numbers will again be well over 100!

SCHOOL NEWS AND EVENTS

YEAR 4, 5 and 6 HEALESVILLE CAMP

On Monday 23 October, thirty-five extremely keen students from Years 4, 5 and 6 boarded the bus to head off to Healesville for the week. There were not any tears from the students, but the same cannot be said for a couple of parents! We look forward to the stories of their many adventures when they return on Friday.

Ready to roll: Mr Jeffreys with a group of Year 4 students eager to get going.



THREE PEAKS FESTIVAL FUN



It was a sea of colour in the AGL Lego tent on Saturday 21 October at the Three Peaks Festival with Duplo and Lego spread everywhere. There was something for all kids (big and small) to do from the colouring in station taking on the challenge to build something in a minute while being blindfolded. Many just enjoyed creating their own masterpieces. Ned Peters was never too far away from the Lego tent. Ned, with the assistance of his Dad was one of the many kids who enjoyed the task of building the more technical Super Hero Characters.

Left: Ned Peters, Prep: Super Hero Creator!



Right: Jasmine Crawford, Year 4 being creative

MELBOURNE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Last Thursday 19 September, we went to Hamilton to see the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra (MSO) perform. They played classical music and explained what the different parts of the orchestra did. They taught us about the four elements of music/musical conversations, silences, melody and rhythm. At the start, Eric taught us a song he had written called 'Yananhi' and the body percussion to match it. We had to stomp, stomp, thigh, thigh, chest, chest, arms and the clap to match the noises to the music and chant. Thomas and Michael, who played the clarinet and a clarinet base horn, had a competition to see which instrument was the fastest. The MSO had the best music. We loved them. Hopefully we will see them again in two years' time. *By Wil Balkin and Alisha Cross Yr 3*

SPORT

GREATER REGION CHAMPIONSHIPS



Three students from our school competed at the Greater Western Region Championships on Friday 13 October in Ballarat at Llanberris Athletics Track. Lachie Phillips threw very well to come in 6th place in the Discus 9-10 yr boys. Sam Cullinane ran his hardest to come in 6th in the 800m 12-13 year boys and Alexander Prentice ran a great race come in 4th in the 800m 9-10 year boys. ***Congratulations boys on your fantastic results.***



KITCHEN REPORT by Clare Kennedy

This week we see the garden flourish with parsley, celery, lettuce, spinach, leeks, lemons and mint. Year 3 begin Term 4 classes in the Kitchen. We will bake egg, bacon, leek, parsley and cheese quiches. One group can prepare the filling while another can make the pastry to roll and fill our quiche tins. Lettuce, celery and herbs together with pantry items will provide a base for our 'salad of the imagination' together with a salad dressing that the students can research through cook books using pantry items and herbs from the garden. We have preserved apples in the freezer, which will be a lovely filling with mascarpone inside our crepes. A busy and enjoyable day in the Kitchen tomorrow.

A big thank you to Annette Huf who has been instrumental in bringing our 2018 SAKG calendar to fruition. It is beautiful. Colourful photos that will look wonderful on any wall. A copy for you to look at is at the front office. Thank you for supporting our efforts to raise funds for the SAKG Program (please see order form attached).

A big thank you to the Dunkeld General Store and Dunkeld Old Bakery who have kindly agreed to stock our calendars for you and your family and friends to purchase.
Warm regards, Clare Kennedy

Wannon Water – Water it, Grow it, Cook it

Dunkeld Consolidated School's Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program have won first prize in the Wannon Water – *Water it, Grow it, Cook it* Competition for 2017 with the prize winning recipe of an Asian Omelette. The Year 3 students harvested and prepared produce grown in the schools vegetable garden and enjoyed this nutritional tasty dish for lunch.

Eggs were collected from the schools chickens together with broccoli, spring onions, coriander and silver beet harvested from the garden. Pantry items included, sunflower oil, sesame oil and fish sauce.

An Asian omelette is often cooked, sliced, and served on top of noodle, soup or curry dishes. The Year 3 students enjoyed their omelette with a 'salad of the imagination' using produce grown in the garden together with a dressing using lemon juice and extra virgin olive oil.

It is a useful basic recipe to learn as omelettes can be made with many different vegetables and herbs depending on the season and what is growing in the garden. It is enjoyed for breakfast, lunch or dinner.

The Dunkeld Consolidated School sincerely thanks Wannon Water for this generous prize of \$1,000.00 worth of goods from Bunnings Warehouse.



Above: SAKG Kitchen Garden Captain Lucille Aarons receives the award from Wannon Water Education Officer Catherine Grist.

FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS OF THE SAKG PROGRAM – THANK YOU LUNCH

The SAKG program would like to thank our 'Friends and Supporters' of the Kitchen Garden program for sharing lunch in the school hall on Thursday 12 October. We really appreciated all of your help during the year and look forward to your continued support in 2018.

*Ann Howard, Lisa McIntyre and Clare Kennedy
SAKG Program*

GARDEN REPORT by Lisa McIntyre



Thank you to all those lovely people who helped in many ways to make our SAKG tent at the Three Peaks Festival so successful. To those that supplied produce, bought anything, and helped on the day – thanks! We raised \$748.00.

Last Thursday we took the garden inside, as asphalt was being laid outside on the play area. We looked at flowers, their structure and function, and used magnifying glasses and microscopes to see in greater detail.



MISS BERRY PRESENTATION



At assembly on Friday, Mr Jeffreys announced that the school will be welcoming a new Prep Teacher, Mrs Greig. A clever play on words Mr Jeffreys ... with the upcoming wedding of Miss Berry, she will return to our school as Mrs Greig. Each class presented Miss Berry with a special gift including a lovely pink veil presented by Prep class captain Charlie Kelly for Miss Berry to wear during the assembly. We would like to wish Miss Berry and her fiancé Stu all the very best on the wedding day.



Right: Year 5/6 class captain Genevieve Trotter presents Miss Berry with a bouquet of flowers along with well wishes on her special day.

CUTTING THE RIBBON



Works to renovate the current Art room into the Year 6 classroom for 2018 are well underway. The 2018 Year 6 students celebrated by cutting the ribbon to the new entrance. Xanthe Huf was given the honour of cutting the ribbon (photo left).

SPECIAL GUEST, MR PETER FLINN

Former school councillor and a member of the School's 150th Anniversary Committee, Mr Peter Flinn, visited the school recently to speak with the Year 4, 5 and 6 students about his visit to the Royal School of Dunkeld, Scotland's 450th Anniversary celebrations, which were held in June of this year. The two 'Dunkeld' schools first established contact in 1910 when flags, letters and other material were exchanged. The historical flag box and flag are now housed at the Dunkeld Museum.



The Year 4, 5 and 6 students at our school have established 'pen friends' (via email) with their counterparts in Dunkeld, Scotland. Our students thoroughly enjoyed Mr Flinn's presentation, which included photos of the school, students and staff at the 450th Anniversary celebrations. Dunkeld Consolidated School students had the opportunity to watch a short video recording that Mr Flinn had made of the Earl of Wessex, Prince Edward, unveiling the Royal School of Dunkeld's Coat of Arms Letter Patent. They were also able to hear the strong Scottish accent of Head Teacher, Ms Julie Menzies.

DUNKELD CAROLS – CHILDRENS CHOIR

The Dunkeld Community Carols will be held at the Community Centre on Sunday 16 December at 7.30pm. It would be lovely to once again have a children's choir perform some items. Practices will be held on Mondays after school from 3.45pm to 4.30pm at the Community Centre (old hall/chapel area). ALL PREP TO GRADE 6 students are invited to participate. The Mondays involved are November 13, 20 and 27 and December 4 and 11. If you are interested in your child/ren coming along to sing, please send me a text as an expression of interest and to help me print words, music etc. Any queries please contact Mrs Heather Macgugan on 0400 952 716.

HAMILTON GOLF CLUB – GOLF LESSONS

The Hamilton Golf Club is offering students lessons with professional golfer Ben Roberts from Golf City Ballarat on Sunday 12 November. Children's Intro to Golf will be held from 9.30am – 10.20am. Cost \$7.50. Introduction to golf for beginners and non-handicappers 10.30am – 11.20am cost \$15. Short game lesson 11.30am – 12.30pm. Brush up on your chipping and putting with a group session. Cost \$15. Equipment will be supplied for the lessons. Bookings essential (limited places). Please contact the Hamilton Golf Club on 5571 2644.

WORKS COMPLETED

Last week the new bitumen re-sealing took place as part of the projects funded under the DET's 'Planned Maintenance Program'. Replacement of asphalt to the car park, roundabout, front of school buildings and rear of school buildings has been completed. Priority had to be given (as per DET guidelines) to the items prioritised on the condition assessment reports.

Other works yet to be completed:

- Installation of fire graded gutter guards around entire main buildings.



FORMS

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SAKG Calendar Order form – due back by Friday 10 November 2017.
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