



DUNKELD CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

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NOVEMBER 2018

- Wednesday 7 Kinder to Prep Transition Program - Kinder children attending school from 9.00am - 1.00pm. 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.
- Tuesday 13 Kinder to Prep Transition Program - Kinder children attending school from 9.00am - 1.00pm. Save Our Farmers in Drought - Sausage Sizzle and Casual Dress Day.
- Wednesday 14 My Business Rules Stalls at morning recess.
- 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 booths at the Dunkeld Races.
- Sunday 18 School Council Fundraiser – clean-up at Dunkeld Racecourse from 9:00am to 10:30am. **Parents, staff and students are welcome to assist – bring your own gloves.**
- Tuesday 20 Save Our Farmers in Drought - Sausage Sizzle and Casual Dress Day.
- Wednesday 21 MARC Library.
- Thursday 22 SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes. Year 6 students working in the Kitchen and will need to bring \$3.00 for their Kitchen class.
- Friday 23 House Athletics Sports. Kindergarten students are invited to participate in the Kinder Race. **NO SCHOOL LUNCH ORDERS TODAY** (families are welcome to organise their own lunch purchases).
- Monday 26 Kinder to Prep Transition Program - Grade 5 students and Mr Mojica-Perez to visit the Dunkeld Kinder from 11.00am – 12 noon.
- Tuesday 27 Save Our Farmers in Drought - Sausage Sizzle and Casual Dress Day.
- Wednesday 28 My Business Rules Stalls at morning recess.
- Thursday 29 SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes. Year 5 students working in the Kitchen and will need to bring \$3.00 for their Kitchen class.

DECEMBER 2018

- Wednesday 5 MARC Library – all MARC Library books are due back today.
- Thursday 6 Year 6 students preparing and sharing a 'Thank You' Lunch for all school staff.
- Tuesday 11 Kinder to Prep Transition Program. Kinder children attending school from 9.00am - 3.25pm. Parent Information Session for parents/carers (of Prep children in 2019) at 2.30pm.
- Wednesday 12 **MARC Library – last visit for 2018.**
- Thursday 13 Clean Up Day in the Kitchen and Garden – *no SAKG Kitchen or Garden lessons.*
- Friday 21 **LAST DAY OF TERM 4 – early dismissal at 2.30pm.**

FROM Mr Paul Jeffreys, Principal...

Year Six students are busily preparing their business products from the My Business Rules project to go on sale next week on the walkway. We have been impressed with the products the students have developed along with their business pitches, which were required in order to receive a start-up loan from the school. The students have placed advertisements on the windows of the walkway, and some have put up forms whereby orders can be made by their clientele. At the end of the 'selling' period, should there be a collective profit, the students will decide which charity the profits should go towards.

Kindergarten children are attending our school today from 9:00am to 1:00pm. This will be their first 'school' visit without their Kindergarten staff. 2019 Prep teachers, Mrs Dee-Anne Gerring and Mrs Jackie McShane will be in attendance for the session.

Please be advised that the NAPLAN Data for our school is available to view on the school website. Alternatively, you may view a copy of the data at our school. This can be done by enquiring at the front office.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

School Council met on Tuesday 30 October and items of business that were discussed included:

- Detailed information about our school's 2018 NAPLAN results (for Year 3 and 5 students) were presented by Paul Jeffreys. **School Council are very pleased to report that our NAPLAN results for 2018 were exceptionally good.** Congratulations and thank you to Paul Jeffreys, our Principal, and staff for committing to changes and improvements in their teaching programs. A hard copy of the results is available from the school office or please visit our school website: <http://www.dunkeld.vic.edu.au/page/109/Annual-Report>
- Acknowledgement of the life of Mr Tony Williams who passed away recently (Tony was Principal of our school from 2000 to 2007).
- **School Council fundraising events for Term 4:** Sheep Drive/Wool Drive and working in the Dunkeld Races ticket booths on Saturday 17 November and participating in the post-Races Clean Up on Sunday 18 November {funds raised from these events will go towards the school's Camping Program and Information and Communications Technology (ICT) projects}.
- Donation of \$2,000.00 received from the Peaks & Trails Committee.
- SAKG Program sponsorship.
- Approval given for a subsidy of \$100.00 per iPad for the 2019 Year 2 students.
- Confirmation that the Cricket (and multi-purpose) Training Facility grant has been approved. Works will not begin until mid-2019.
- The following policies were approved: Assessment Policy, Kindergarten to School Transition Policy, Medication – Storage and Administration Policy, Investment of School Funds Policy and Supervision and Duty of Care Policy and Procedures.
- Woolworths Cricket Blast competition on Friday 9 November.
- Parent Teacher interviews will be held during the week commencing 26 November.
- Staffing for 2019.
- School Review 2019.
- Kinder to Prep Transition Program for 2018.
- Staff members have attended a number of Professional Development sessions including Learning in a Maker-Centred Classroom on 19 October (Pupil Free Day), Formative Assessment (English Online interview and Mathematics Online interview), Writers Workshop, the Big Melbourne Kitchen Garden PD Day and Emergency Management Plans and School Bus Guidelines.
- Parent helpers, Jo Aarons and Holly Herrmann, attended a Library PD during October.
- Updates were provided on the Prep/Year 1 Sleepover, Year 2/3 Norval Camp and Year 4/5/6 Melbourne Camp.

SCHOOL NEWS AND EVENTS

GRADE 4/5/6 CAMP MELBOURNE

The Grade 4/5/6 Camp to Melbourne was jammed full with lots of different activities including the Zoo, Shrine of Remembrance, Lygon Street, the Vic Market, Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre (MSAC), Eureka Sky Deck and more. Please find below some recollections of the trip by our Grade 5 and 6 students:

Grade 5 Recollections

I was so high, I was scared to death of how high I was. It was a relief when I got to the ground floor. *Sam Burger*

As I lay down on the vibrating couch I felt like I was home. *Amity Haley*

The city of Melbourne spread out before us like a blanket, I could hear the delight of children's reactions to the scene it was dark but the city was bright. *Abby Lazzari*

The room went black and the night sky sparkled above us, it was as if the roof had been lifted off the building and it had become nighttime. *Olive Jackson*

MSAC was full of marvelous, majestic mammals playing around like monkeys. *Tom Gordon*

Grade 6 Recollections

The art on the ground was so spectacular I couldn't resist dropping money in her bowl. *Tom Kent*

The gorilla looked at me ferociously like it wanted to hammer me. *Brodie Reynolds*

Mr Jeffreys was the last to put his foot through the door. The door closed. No way of getting out now. *Monet Graham*

When we got to the top, looking out of the windows makes your stomach feel weary and your head feel pretty dizzy. *Lachie Phillips*

As the doors opened out to the wind deck a blast of breeze blew into my face, as if there was a tornado. *Chloe Frost*

I was sliding up the walls and speeding around the bends. I could feel all the water gushing past me and then I suddenly burst out into the light. *Fingal Jackson*

His music was so lively, everyone was smiling and laughing, some people were even dancing! *Lucille Aarons*

We reach the top level everyone ran to the plaque to see what it was, then silence hits the shrine. It was just some words, what did this mean? Then all of a sudden a beam of light hits the stone and shines across the words as we remember the soldiers who fought in the wars. *Charlie Field*

We walk into Shark Fin Inn and all these wondrous smells fill my mind with delicious thoughts. *Xanthe Huf*

P & F ASSOCIATION - BIG BLOKES BREAKFAST

A big thank you to all those involved in the annual Big Blokes Breakfast last week! It was great to see so many fathers, grandfathers, uncles, brothers and mothers come along to share breakfast, enjoy a tour of the school and support the Movember cause (\$169.85 donated in total). A special thanks to Fiona King for organising this event and all those who gave their time to help set up, serve, bake AMAZING quiches and muffins and help with a swift clean up afterwards!

We shall soon be welcoming our 2019 Preps as they start visiting the school and the school has a selection of second hand uniforms available for parents to browse. If any wardrobes are overflowing with uniforms and shoes that no longer fit, please feel free to drop them into the office (clean and in good condition). Particularly uniforms in sizes 4 to 6 for our littlest students!

Thank you Ruth Kyle, President, P & F Association.

AUTHOR AMELIA TROMPF SCHOOL VISIT

On Wednesday 24 October 2018, author Ms Amelia Trompf, came to school to read her book 'Who is Fitzy Fox?' to all the Prep to Year 2 children. Generously, each student then received the book as a gift from Amelia.



Charlotte Comer, Grade 2

Character: Mother Fox

Point in story: Father Fox let Fitzy Fox come for dinner.

Thoughts: Why is Fitzy Fox in London when he is supposed to be in Melbourne?

Ben Peters, Grade 2

Character: A guard

Point in story: When Fitzy Fox came up to the guard.

Thoughts: Lucky he is not a fox because the royal family shoots foxes.

By Ella Peters, Grade 2

Character: Arabella

Point in story: At the gelateria.

Thoughts: What's wrong? Have a gelato to cheer you up.

Seamus McDonald, Prep

'An author came and her name was Amelia. She wrote a book called 'Who is Fitzy Fox?' and 'Fitzy Fox went on a plane to London'. He tried to work out if he was a fox or a dog and the answer was right in front of him.'

BEARS TO SCHOOL

Bears to School is an innovative community-focused program to help Australian Primary School students connect to the stories, people and times we commemorate in the 2014-2018 Centenary in a way that respects the learning needs of younger people. Bears to School is an opportunity for individuals, families, organisations and businesses to donate a uniformed bear to local Primary Schools to support educational activities related to the Centenary.

The Dunkeld Consolidated School has received a Lone Pine Centenary Bear, Corporal David Cohen, from a Dunkeld RSL member. Funds raised through Bears to School support work with and for Australian veterans and veteran families. For further information please visit the website: <https://anzacbears.com.au/about/>



CONGRATULATIONS – LUCILLE AARONS

On Friday 26 October 2018 Lucille Aarons was presented with a cheque for \$100.00 as her prize for winning the National Water Week Poster Competition in the Grade 5/6 category. Catherine Grist of Wannon Water presented Lucille with her prize. Lucille's success meant that the school also received a prize in the form of \$150.00 worth of merchandise including a weather station, hand held magnifiers, buckets and hose nozzles. Lucille's poster will now go on to be judged at State Level.



MY BUSINESS RULES

Children in Year 6 are winding up a project we have called 'My Business Rules'. They were asked to come up with a business idea (a product) and market it to our community with the intention of selling as many of their products as they could to make a profit after expenses. They were encouraged to think about who would buy their products, where they could market their product and how they would advertise in order to corner the market in a competitive environment.

The students will have their first 'Market Day' this coming Wednesday 14 November and their second on Wednesday 28 November at morning recess. Stalls open for business at 11:00am. For sale to students and adults will be a range of products created by our young entrepreneurs ranging from : pen holders, kinetic sand, badges and lanyons, floonies, sketch-art, anklets, dog tags, glitter jars, slime, bath bombs, ocean in a bottle and tool handles. Already, many orders have been taken and some of the businesses are looking like making healthy profits.

After the businesses close, Year 6 students will be required to repay their loans ... hopefully. All profits from the businesses will be pooled and the students will then decide which charity they think they would like to support.

Market Days: 11.00am on Wednesday 14 November and Wednesday 28 November.



From the Kitchen ... by Clare Kennedy

On Friday 26 October Lisa McIntyre and I attended the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation Professional Development Day held at Collingwood College. Over 100 like-minded people from Kitchen Garden Programs around Australia were in attendance from Early Learning Facilities, Primary and Secondary Schools. It was wonderful to be amongst people who are all passionate about pleasurable food education for children and teenagers. Many ideas and resources were shared and many questions were asked, as Dunkeld Consolidated School was one of the first round of schools to receive Foundation funds over 10 years ago. Many schools and facilities are just beginning. I was lucky enough to



attend a workshop with Stephanie Alexander who is still after all this time very passionate about the program and her vision to see the SAKG embedded into school curriculums across Australia.

Thursday 25 October our Prep students enjoyed morning tea that we prepared and shared together. Baked Eggs and Ham, Yoghurt Flat Breads and Fresh Fruit Skewers. Thank you to our adult helpers that assisted on the day Matthew Lance, Kaye Griffin, Renae Jones, Jennifer McDonald, Louise Mann, Louise Patterson, Casey Trotter, Amanda Cochran and Holly Hermann. Prep chefs were very excited and courageous as they tried new tastes and skills.

"We cooked flat bread, we worked with Louise Mann. I felt happy. We made fruit kebabs, green eggs and ham. It was all yummy" – Isla Oldfield, Prep

"We made fruit sticks. We worked with parent helper Lou Patterson, Angus Lean, Jim Herrmann and Nate Elliott. I felt happy and hungry." – Finn Parker, Prep

"We cooked with green eggs and ham. We worked with Lulu McDonald, Edward Alderman and parent helper Jen McDonald. I felt happy and excited." Tyson Griffin-Wilson, Prep



Notice Board

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

The week beginning 26 November 2018 has been allotted as interview week. You should receive a form from your child's teacher in which you can select times that are suitable. However we are mindful that our final term is a busy one and if required, you may make arrangements with your child's teacher outside the allotted times given for interviews.

SCHOOL HOUSE ATHLETICS

The School House Athletics will be held on Friday 23 November 2018 commencing with long distance races (800 metres and 200 metres) at 9.15am:

- Students are to arrive at school at the normal time and go to their respective classrooms so that the teachers may mark the Attendance Rolls.
- Assistance with setting up and packing up the shade marquees at the beginning and end of the day would be much appreciated.
- Students are to wear their respective House colour (red for Wannon and royal blue for Sturgeon) polo shirt to the sports day.
- A program of events will be sent home with the eldest student in the family in the near future **(please ensure you bring your copy to the sports day as there will be no extra copies available).**
- Students are encouraged to bring their own drink bottle.
- Parents will be required to help at most events, acting as starters, markers and place referees.
- **There will be NO SCHOOL LUNCH ORDERS placed with Izzy's Mountain View Café** (families are welcome to organise their own lunch purchases).
- Please remember to bring your picnic hamper, rug, chairs, sunscreen, hat and water!

SCHOOL COUNCIL FUNDRAISERS

The Dunkeld Consolidated School Council have been given a wonderful opportunity to help raise funds for our school at this year's Dunkeld Races, which will be held on Saturday 17 November 2018. Funds raised will go towards the school's Camping Program and Information and Communications Technology (ICT) projects.

- School Councillors have offered their assistance selling tickets in the Ticket Booths at the cemetery gate entrance and main gate entrance, with Ms Bev Hampton, kindly overseeing operations.
- **On Sunday 18 November, we would welcome any assistance with the post-Races Clean-Up**, commencing at 9.00am at the Dunkeld Racecourse. Children are welcome to attend with their parents. **Please bring your own gloves.** (Children love finding any cash left lying around).

School Council President, Mr Luke Balkin, has kindly offered to co-ordinate the Sheep Drive/Wool Drive during Term 4. If you have any sheep, lambs or wool that you would like to donate, could you please contact Luke on 0429 626 748.

We appreciate any assistance that you may be able to give to help make these fundraisers a great success.

MARC LIBRARY BOOKS

Wednesday 5 December 2018 is the last day for MARC Library books to be returned. Teachers have a list of books outstanding and will be following up to ensure all books are returned on time.

FORMS

Dunkeld Races Clean Up School Fundraiser – please return form by Monday 12 November 2018