



DUNKELD CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

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May 2018

- Wednesday 9 'Wonderful Women's Breakfast' from 7.30am to 9.00am (organised by the School Council).
MARC Library.
- Thursday 10 SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes. Year 3 students will be preparing and sharing in the Kitchen and will need to bring \$3.00 for their Kitchen class.
- Friday 11 Social Service Mother's Day Stall commencing at 9.15am.
SGSSA District Cross Country at Tarrington Lutheran School commencing at 12.15pm. Parents are responsible for transporting their child to this event.
- Tuesday 15 NAPLAN Language Conventions and Writing Tests for Year 3 and Year 5 students.
- Wednesday 16 NAPLAN Reading Test for Year 3 and Year 5 students.
- Thursday 17 NAPLAN Numeracy Test for Year 3 and Year 5 students.
SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes. Year 4 students will be preparing and sharing in the Kitchen and will need to bring \$3.00 for their Kitchen class.
- Sunday 20 SAKG Program catering fundraiser for Dunkeld Bowling Club luncheon.
- Monday 21 Year 5/6 Excursion to the Hamilton Library and PAC for a Shadow Puppet Workshop and a Puppet Performance.
- Tuesday 22 School Council Meeting commencing at 7.30pm.
- Wednesday 23 MARC Library.
'Writing Conferences that make a difference to teach – building teaching skills and confidence' PD with Deb Sukarna.
- Thursday 24 SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes. Year 3 students will be preparing and sharing in the Kitchen and will need to bring \$3.00 for their Kitchen class.
- Friday 25 Warrnambool/Portland/Hamilton Division Cross Country at Deakin University Sports Oval, Warrnambool. Parents are responsible for transporting their child to this event.
- Wednesday 30 **'OPEN MORNING' to be held at the Dunkeld Consolidated School from 10.00am to 12.30pm.**

June 2018

- Friday 1 Regional Cross Country Championships at Deakin University Sports Oval, Warrnambool. Parents are responsible for transporting their child to this event.
- Monday 4 P & F Association Meeting commencing at 3.30pm at school.
- Monday 11 **Queen's Birthday Public Holiday.**

FROM Mr Paul Jeffreys, Principal...

Last Friday certainly tested the resolve of students, teachers and grown-ups as we ran our annual cross country. This was no easy thing to do for the children, and I imagine that there was turmoil in the minds of our youngest students facing the task of running a long way for the first or second time, in what sometimes seemed cyclonic wind conditions. Speaking to some of our older, experienced students, the word was that it was a very tough run, especially when facing into the wind. Well done to those who won their events on the day. And on behalf of those winners, thank you and well done to those who took part and persevered even though winning was not going to happen for them. To have a winner, you must have someone to compete against. Thanks for your courage everyone.

We had our first ever *Wonderful Women's Breakfast* on Wednesday morning. Members of School Council; Luke Balkin, Simon Gordon, Simon Ross, Todd Burger, Anthony Graham and Trent Adams 'slaved over hot stoves' to table a lovely breakfast for our fantastic mums, grandmothers and important ladies in the lives of our children. And all of you ladies thoroughly deserve to be on the receiving end for a change. It was a lovely atmosphere accompanied by many smiling faces. Many visitors during the morning commented on the presentation of the school; art work, classrooms, new carpet. I am glad for that. Please, parents and friends, you are welcome and you invited to come into the school and visit classrooms, no matter which year level of children, and it does not need to be on special occasions.

WELCOME TO NEW STAFF MEMBER

We welcome Mr Angus Lean to Dunkeld Consolidated School who will be working as a Teacher Aide in the Prep classroom. We wish Angus all the best and that he enjoys the friendly culture offered by Dunkeld Consolidated School.

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

Wonderful Women's Breakfast

The School Council hosted a successful 'Wonderful Women's Breakfast' earlier today at our school. President, Luke Balkin, ably assisted by other parent councillors (namely fathers – Simon Gordon, Trent Adams, Anthony Graham, Todd Burger and Simon Ross), organised this special event to acknowledge all the 'wonderful women' who play such a major role in supporting our students and school in a huge variety of ways. We hope that all the 'wonderful women' and their children enjoyed this special occasion. *Happy Mother's Day!*



PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

Last Thursday the P & F Association catered for students and teachers from Caulfield Grammar School as part of their annual visit to our school. Thank you to everyone who contributed whether it be through donations or assisting on the day. Thank you!

Our monthly meeting was held on Monday 7 May at the new time of 3:30pm. Those in attendance were happy with the new time, it is just a pity we could not get a few more members to come along. Meetings will continue to be held at 3:30pm so mark it in your diary, next meeting is Monday 4 June. If you require any information about the P & F Association please contact Ally Gordon, President on 0429 900 747 or Naomie Phillips, Secretary on 0429 998 504.

Bev Hampton is starting to think about Serra Terror catering. As the major fundraiser for our association, we will be calling for donations and hands on helpers in the near future. We have also committed to holding a sausage sizzle at the Peaks and Trails event in August and are very grateful to be given the opportunity to again man the Lego Tent at the Three Peaks Festival.

Thank you to the School Council for organising the *Wonderful Woman's Breakfast*. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all!

SCHOOL NEWS AND EVENTS

OPEN MORNING ON WEDNESDAY 30 MAY 2018

Dunkeld Consolidated School will be open to visitors from 10.00am to 11.30am on Wednesday 30 May. This year our teachers have decided to have a 'Visual Arts' theme for the morning where visitors may wander through our classes and grounds between 10.00am and 11.00am. Our senior students would love to take you on a tour of our school.

We also invite you to stay for morning tea and following attend our whole school assembly, commencing at 11.30am and finishing at approximately 12.30pm. The school would especially love to see grandparents along with our parents and interested members of the community attend. Parents of pre-school aged children who may be considering joining our school community in the future are also warmly invited to meet us.

EDUCATION WEEK – Shadow Puppet Workshop and Performance on Monday 21 May 2018

As part of Education Week, the Year 5/6 students will be attending a Shadow Puppet Workshop by Little Wing Puppets and a puppet performance entitled "A Little Bit of Blue" at the Hamilton Library and Performing Arts Centre on Monday 21 May. (Little Wing Puppeteer, Jenny Ellis, is from Dunkeld). Further details regarding cost and permission forms will be sent home in the near future.

CAVENDISH RED GUM FESTIVAL

Congratulations to the following Dunkeld Consolidated School students who recently received prizes in the Cavendish Red Gum Festival:

Mia Russell, Year 3	Photography – Encouragement Award
Louis Lazzari, Year 3	Photography – Encouragement Award
Grace Kelly, Year 3	Photography – Encouragement Award
Myles Haley, Year 5	Art Award – Highly Recommended



RECENT SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

On Monday 23 April the Year 6 students went to BioCATS in Geelong. BioCATS is a program run by BioLab staff. You undertake some activities that the footballers would have to consider before and after a game. We also used some special equipment to work out our average running and sprinting time. We used our mathematical skills a lot. First year players Tim Kelly and Charlie Constable came and answered some of our questions, it was great fun and a great learning experience. B Genevieve Trotter, Year 6

Four weeks ago 17 brave students competed in the Warrnambool/Portland/Hamilton Division Athletics. Chloe Frost, India Ross and Charlie Field represented Year 6. Chloe was in 100 metres sprint and came 8th. India was in shotput and discus, she came 5th in shotput and 2 in discus. India will compete in Discus at the Regionals with Taylor Haley, competing in hurdles. Charlie competed in long jump and came 5th, in 100 he got 5th in his heat and in 200m he got 7th. Overall everyone tried their hardest, and had a great time. We also would like to thank Mrs McShane for organising everyone. By Chloe Frost and Charlie Field, Year 6

Last Tuesday Sarah Fornatoro from St John's Ambulance came and taught us basic first aid including the DRSABCD as part of the First Aid in Schools Program. 'D' stands for danger, 'R' stands for response, 'S' stands for send for help, 'A' stands for airways, 'B' stands for breath, 'C' stands for CPR, and 'D' stands for defibrillator. We also practised the 'recovery position' on a partner and then we all did CPR on a dummy called 'Fred'. Students were given a special piece of homework for parents, to take home and complete online: www.stjohnvic.com.au/quiz By Lucille Aarons and Xanthe Huf, Year 6





On Thursday last week, Caulfield Grammar School came to our school and it was great fun because we got to take part in a musical workshop, and before then the students performed a concert. The instruments used were the saxophone, trombone, trumpet and so much more! It was very enjoyable. By Ben Peace, Year 5

On Thursday 3 May we enjoyed a musical performance by Caulfield Grammar School. As we students listened, the Caulfield Grammar juniors and seniors played a wide range of instruments, including, the drums, guitar and keyboard to the saxophone, trombone and trumpet. Then the choir sang us a few beautiful songs including, New York, New York. After that, Year 5 and 6 students worked with the Caulfield Grammar students to sing and do some rhythms. By Campbell Glazebrook, Year 5

When the students of Caulfield Grammar walked onto the stage, instruments in hand, everyone was on edge watching and waiting to hear the first part of the music. The trombone started to play, the saxophone joined in and the music swam around the room in a beautiful harmony. After the bands, came the soothing voices of the choir. Beautiful city was one of the most amazing songs I had ever heard. By Abby Lazzari, Year 5

ANZAC Day Reflections by Year 3 students and Artwork by Year 4 students



It is scary if you get shot. The soldiers were protecting us. If we do not go to war other countries might invade us and take away our freedom. By Drew Hassett, Year 3

I feel courageous. I feel scared of getting shot. We might get bombed by the Air Force. There will be lots of shooting. Maybe I might see one of my friends die. I might die. We thank the soldiers for fighting for us. By Jack Reynolds, Year 3

I think war is silly. The soldiers that went away were very brave. So many people died in the first few seconds of World War I. We will always remember those who died and did not return. If I went to war I would be a nurse because I would like to help. I think war is sad. By Grace Kelly, Year 3

NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM – LITERACY AND NUMERACY 2018

NAPLAN testing will involve all students in Years 3 and 5 only. Please try to ensure that your child is present on each day and on time to school where a test is scheduled. Dates for this year's NAPLAN Tests are as follows:

Tuesday	15 May	NAPLAN Language Conventions and Writing Tests
Wednesday	16 May	NAPLAN Reading Test
Thursday	17 May	NAPLAN Numeracy Test

SPORT

HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY

The rainy weather held off on Friday for our annual House Cross Country events but our competitors (and spectators) had to contend with strong, gusty wind over the picturesque course, which was held on our school grounds. The 5/6 year old competitors' course was run over 500 metres, with 7/8 years running 1000 metres, 9/10 years covering 2000 metres and the 11/12/13 years completing a challenging 3000 metres.

Thank you to all the staff and parents who assisted on the day, in particular our PE Teacher, Mrs Jackie McShane. Thank you also to our Work Experience student, Matt Fry from Monivae College (and past Dunkeld Consolidated School student), who marked the course. Students showed respectfulness, sportsmanship and encouragement by supporting all competitors – 'treating others, as you would like them to treat you'.

Wannon House was the overall winner on the day. Congratulations to each and every competitor, for your enthusiastic participation.

The Age Champions were as follows:

6 years and Under:	Girls: Isla Oldfield	Boys: Edward Alderman
7 years:	Girls: Phoebe Lazzari	Boys: Lachie Gordon
8 years:	Girls: Charlotte Alderman	Boys: Darcy Potter
9 years:	Girls: Grace Potter	Boys: Zander Mibus
10 years:	Girls: Lucy Fraser	Boys: Angus Frost
11 years:	Girls: Pippa Williamson	Boys: Alexander Prentice
12/13 years:	Girls: Xanthe Huf	Boys: Charlie Field



Age Champions were presented with their medallions at the conclusion of the events. Families are reminded that if they wish to have their child's name engraved on their medallion, this will be done free of charge by Hamilton Trophies and Gifts.

12 Years and Under Hockey State Team – Emily McNaughton

Congratulations to Year 6 student, Emily McNaughton, who has been selected as a member (goalie) of the School Sport Victoria Team Vic 12 years and under Hockey State Team. The team will compete in the annual School Sport Australia Hockey Championships in Newcastle from 12 to 17 August 2018, against teams from the ACT, New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania and Western Australia.

We take this opportunity to wish Emily all the best as she prepares for this next level of competition during the coming months.



SGSSA District Cross Country in Tarrington on Friday 11 May 2018



The following students have been nominated to compete at the SGSSA District Cross Country at Tarrington Lutheran School on Friday 11 May: *Charlie Field, Charlie Adams, Xanthe Huf, Chloe Frost, Rachel Hassett, Lucille Aarons, Alexander Prentice, Thomas Gordon, Campbell Glazebrook, Lachie Phillips, Pippa Williamson, Matilda Potter, Abby Lazzari, Addison Linskens, Angus Frost, George Field, Hayden Phillips, Myles Alderman, Lucy Fraser, Bonnie Jackson, Lillian Glazebrook, Zander Mibus, Hugh Prentice, Sebastian Aarons, Oscar Fanning, Grace Potter, Cadence Huf, Edie Jackson and Jemima Ross.*

PE Teacher, Mrs Jackie McShane, will attend and supervise the children for the day. Parents attending may be asked to help out as course marshals. The weather forecast is for wet conditions and we would suggest an extra set of dry clothes (and footwear) for students to wear after their event to prevent them from becoming chilled.

Students have been given a Dunkeld Consolidated School sports jacket (courtesy of the P & F Association) to wear on the day. Could families please ensure that the jacket is washed, before returning it to school in a timely manner.

Warrnambool/Portland/Hamilton Division Cross Country on Friday 25 May 2018

The Division Cross Country Championships will be held at Deakin University Sports Oval in Warrnambool on Friday 25 May 2018 commencing at 10.00am.

Regional Cross Country Championships on Friday 1 June 2018

The Greater Western Regional Cross Country Championships will be held at Deakin University Sports Oval in Warrnambool on Friday 1 June 2018.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program (SAKG)

From the Kitchen ... by Clare Kennedy

THANK YOU TO OUR FRIENDS OF THE KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM

We are very grateful to our wonderful friends of the Kitchen Garden program that helped make the Dunkeld and District Lions Club International Thai Dinner a successful evening last Wednesday.



To those Friends that assisted during the week helping to prepare for the evening, to our Friends that kindly donated beautiful produce, and to those who worked very hard on the night; all volunteering of your time, is very much appreciated.

Sunday 20 May 2018 we have been invited to cater for the Dunkeld Bowling Club's 60th Anniversary and Annual Presentation Day. This is a Sunday Lunch event. If you are available to assist on this day or the Friday prior, could you please fill out and return the attached form **by Monday 14 May**. Thank you.

This week we welcome our Year 3 students into the kitchen to harvest, prepare and share together. We are honing our knife skills chopping, dicing and slicing and the children are displaying excellent behaviour and showing great responsibility with our kitchen equipment. We will use the pasta machines again this

week, which is always fun and requires patience.

From the Garden ... by Lisa McIntyre

Last week our SAKG program helped the Lions Club to present their Thai evening to the community. While this was a wonderful event in itself, it reminded me of one main reason why I believe so much in this SAKG program for our children. It brought people from all parts of our community together, to help each other, share the workload, and enjoy the results. If our children can see their adults participating in this way, that shows and teaches them how also to belong. So while this program teaches our children to grow, prepare and share nutritious food, it also is helping them to learn how to be part of community.

Thank you to everyone involved! And to Clare Kennedy - how lucky are we to have her involved?!!

Notice Board

SOCIAL SERVICE MOTHER'S DAY STALL on Friday 11 May 2018

On Friday 11 May 2017, the Social Service Mother's Day Stall will take place in the school hall from approximately 9.15am. **Students are encouraged to please donate a gift or gifts to the stall.** Children can bring their donations in from now onwards and leave them in the canteen area at the rear of the school hall.

The more gifts that are donated, the more gifts that may be purchased by each child. All money raised by the Social Service stalls is donated to charities chosen by the senior students.

We will sell the gifts in price range from 50 cents to \$3.00. A raffle is also held, at the cost of 50 cents per ticket, with the larger donated gifts making up the prize list. If you are unsure of how much money to send with your child, \$5.00 will generally buy two gifts and raffle tickets. Could all students please bring a bag to place their purchases in on the day of the stall. For further information, please contact Mrs Ruth Kyle on 0428 954 248 or email: writetomargo@hotmail.com

FORMS

SAKG Catering Fundraiser – please return form by Monday 14 May 2018.
'Open Morning' invitation – Wednesday 30 May 2018.