2016 WHAT'S COMING UP

JUNE 2016
Fri 10 Serra Terror Catering – Parents and Friends Association commencing set-up at 4:00pm and preparing for service at 6:00pm at the Dunkeld Community Centre.

Mon 13 Queen's Birthday Public Holiday.

Tues 14 Sporting Schools – Hockey. Last session for the Term 2. Held from 3:30pm – 4:50pm. Please bring runners and an afternoon snack.

Wed 15 MARC Library.
  During- school Sporting Schools program for Prep to Year 2 students from 11:30am to 1:30pm.
  Year 5 Transition Day at Baimbridge College – available for all Year 5 students.

Fri 17 National Buddy Day – students are encouraged to wear casual dress (with a touch of purple) and are welcome to send a gold coin donation to support The Alannah and Madeline Foundation.

Wed 22 During-school Sporting Schools program for Prep to Year 2 students from 11:30am to 12:30pm.

Fri 24 Last Day of Term 2. Early dismissal at 2:30pm.

JULY 2016
Mon 11 First day of Term 3.

AUGUST 2016
Thurs 11 Victorian Primary Schools Golf Tournament at Parklands Golf Club, Hamilton.

Mon 15 Year 5 Excursion to BioCATS Geelong – Simonds Stadium. Further details to follow.

Tues 30 Year 4/5/6 Bendigo/Swan Hill/Echuca Camp.

Wed 31 Year 4/5/6 Bendigo/Swan Hill/Echuca Camp.

SEPTEMBER 2016
Thurs 1 Year 4/5/6 Bendigo/Swan Hill/Echuca Camp.

Fri 2 Year 4/5/6 Bendigo/Swan Hill/Echuca Camp.

Mon 5 Year 2/3 Norval Camp.

Tues 6 Year 2/3 Norval Camp.

Wed 7 Year 2/3 Norval Camp.

OCTOBER 2016
Fri 14 The Greater Region Athletics Championships to be held in Ballarat at Lianberras Athletics Track.

2016 SCHOOL COUNCIL, SUB-COMMITTEES AND P & F MEETING DATES

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FORM’S ATTACHED TO THIS NEWSLETTER

CASUAL DRESS with a touch of purple
NATIONAL BUDDY DAY
FRIDAY 17 JUNE

National Buddy Day Information
FROM Mr Paul Jeffreys, Principal...

There are a number of people who gave up a vast amount of time last Sunday to help at the school Working Bee. Thank you. We now have shrubs around buildings trimmed, bark spread around both the play areas and gardens, natives planted and mulched along the front fence, bench seats inserted around the sand pit and small oval, front netball area weeded and tidied, boxed garden areas mended and made safer, logs placed around large play area, shade cloth replaced, old sand pit almost cleaned up, large palm tree removed, mowing done, maintenance to play equipment, firewood cut for the SAKG garden area, removal of concrete near the basketball court, among other things. Special thank you must go to Adrian Kelly who coordinated with Mark Lazzari and Luke Balkin to organise the working teams. Thank you also Luke, Mark and Mick Alderman for bringing tractors to make lighter work for others. Anthony Graham, Anthony Frost and Simon Cullinane spent several hours up ladders grappling with shade cloth while Emma Gordon, Karen Kent and Bev Hampton toiled around garden beds. Todd Burger and Simon Jury did a great job fixing up the timber boxing around the carpark gardens. Thank you Lucinda and Pat Jackson, Jason Linskens and Geoff Potter, Robert Glazebrook and Andrew Peters, Craig Williamson and Jack Calvert and Adrian Field for your variety of jobs and to Darren Gordon for his work on the mower. And thank you Stacey Balkin for cooking the sausages. It’s always a bit dangerous mentioning names because someone will have been missed, but nevertheless your contribution is not diminished. Sincere thanks for your support and work on the day.

STAFF LONG SERVICE LEAVE
For the first 2 weeks of Term 3, Mrs Jane Higgins will be on Long Service Leave. During this time, Mrs Louise Patterson will be the replacement teacher. Mrs Ann Howard will be taking Long Service Leave for the entirety of Term 4 and she will be replaced by Mrs Alison Prentice. The PE position usually filled by Alison Prentice on Tuesdays of each week will be taken up by Mrs Naomie Phillips in Term 4.

SCHOOL CAMPS
School Council has approved the following school camps:
- Year 4/5/6 Bendigo/Swan Hill/Echuca Camp – Tuesday 30 August to Friday 2 September.
- Year 2/3 Norval Camp – Monday 5 September to Wednesday 7 September.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS
SERRA TERROR CATERING is taking place this Wednesday and Friday. We have had a good response to our request for helpers, however, if you are free Friday night and would like to spend the night out with some lovely ladies, please feel free to pop down to the Community Centre from 6pm onwards.

Meetings: Our next meeting will be held on Monday 11 July 2016 at 7:30pm at the school. No meeting in June due to the long weekend.

If you require any further information about the P & F Association please contact Ally Gordon, President on 0429 900 747 or Naomi Phillips, Secretary on 0429 998 504.

BAIMBRIDGE COLLEGE VISIT
On Tuesday 31 May, Baimbridge College student Miranda McIntyre came to the Grade 5/6 classroom (with Ms Cook and Mr Hill). She talked to the Grade 5’s about going to High School. I can’t wait to attend the Baimbridge Transition Day on Wednesday 15 June. By Ella Jackson

ABORIGINAL ARTIST VISITS YEAR 1
On Friday 3 June, the Year 1 students had a guest speaker, Koori artist, Ms Nerissa Major from Dunkeld and they learnt about their birth elements. Most children had the birth element of Air. Air means cleansing and cleaning and watch the Willie (wille means rushing and being silly). Spirit was Helen’s element and it means connection and protection. Miss Berry’s element was Fire meaning creativity, passion and to follow your interest. Water was another element and it means calming and going with the flow. Earth is grounding and harmony itself; these people are peace makers. We enjoyed this session with Nerissa and look forward to next week when we learn about Dreamtime stories and see her paintings.

Mitchell Gordon and Penny Burger working on their Aboriginal Art.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART
On Wednesday 25 May our students participated in the Jump Rope for Heart Jump Off! After practising their skipping skills all term, students had the chance to show off their talent and participate in a whole bunch of differing skipping activities. Due to the winter like conditions, we had to make use of indoor spaces for our skipping rotations! Over the last eight weeks students have been raising money for the Heart Foundation through the Jump Rope program. We raised approximately $2,414.00 (online and sponsorship forms). This is well above our initial target of $600.00. Well done and thank you to the school and general community for giving so generously to a great cause!

One, two, three JUMP! A combined class group attempt to be the first group to do one full skip.

NATIONAL BUDDY DAY
Students, staff and parents are encouraged to participate in the National Buddy Day on Friday 17 June at our school by wearing casual clothes with a
ZONE CROSS COUNTRY
On Friday 27 May, the following students participated in the Zone Cross Country Championships in Warrnambool: Zach Burgess, Oliver Fenwick, Sam Cullinan, Edward Williamson, Thomas Calvert, Charlie Field, Alexander Prentice, Julia Kelly, Sarah Symes, Ella Jackson, Chloe Frost, Xanthe Huf. Congratulations to everyone who ran their hardest. Well done to Zach Burgess and Thomas Calvert who qualified for the Regional Cross Country which was held on Monday 6 June at Warrnambool.

REGIONAL CROSS COUNTRY
On Monday 6 June, I went to Warrnambool for the Regional Cross Country where I ran last Friday. There were over 1000 people competing at the event. In my race I came 16th out of 80. Well done to Thomas Calvert who qualified for the event but didn’t participate. This is my feeling about it. I was nervous but when I saw some old friends I had fun. By Zach Burgess Year 6

GOLF CLINIC
On Monday 6 June Mr Tony Collier, a professional golfer from Ballarat, came to our school to teach the Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 students about golf. Some students already knew how to use a golf club. For some of the Year 3/4 students it was a new challenge. Mr Collier taught us how to grip the club and hit the ball. If you swing the club back past your shoulders it will give you more power. Tony will select the best players for the school team. To determine this, Tony told us to grab five golf balls out of a bucket, put them on a tee and hit them as far as we could. That was my favourite activity. We all had great fun. By Ashleigh McNaughton, Year 6

ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT
With Mr. Stephan’s yesterday we worked on our ecological footprint. An ecological footprint describes if everyone lived like this certain person we would use a certain amount of worlds. For example if everyone lived like we would need 3.2 worlds of energy. If every Australian used less packaged foods it would use 14 million fewer global hectares, an area which could cover 6 million football fields.

If everyone in the world took three minute showers Australia would have too much water we would have to throw some back into the ocean. If everyone in the world lived like I do we would need 3.2 worlds. By Anna Schumann and Ella Jackson

FOOTBALL CLINIC
On Monday 6 June we went to Melville Oval for an AFL Clinic. We participated with the Carlton Football Club. We did seven activities, it was fun. The activities were marking the ball, hand balling into a target, hand balling into a rebound net, juggling with the football, kicking the ball into a pole (we got the most) and then we had to knock over a ‘specky’ bag (a blow up man) then we had to run to a Baimbridge College student which hand balled the ball to us, then we threw the ball back. I enjoyed it. After that we came back to school. By Brooke Hill, Year 5

When we got to the AFL clinic, I obtained Carlton’s signatures because I barrack for them. I was really lucky because Mr Jeffreys handed out two tickets for two games of football and I got the Carlton v Brisbane and we smashed them. The game was the Saturday before the clinic. We did things like marking and hand balling and we broke the record for kicking a ball into a post from 5 metres. By Edward Williamson Year 6

WOOLLY WEST FEST
On Wednesday 1 June Naomi Turner accompanied Matt Porter from the MARC Library van. Students worked on small projects for the Woolly West Fest.

SPORTING SCHOOLS
Hockey 1, Hockey 2, Hockey 3!
That's what’s happening in Term 2. Tuesday afternoons from 3.30pm to 4.50pm. Please ensure your child is picked up at 4:50pm. Could parents please notify Mrs Prentice before taking their child home. Students are also reminded to please bring some food for an afternoon snack, runners and a water bottle. Come and have a bit of FUN! The last after-school session will be held on Tuesday 14 June.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program (SAKG)
From the Kitchen.....

We welcome back our Year 3 students and friends of the kitchen garden program. Year 3 with Mrs Higgins will finish off
the term by harvesting, preparing and sharing for the next three weeks.
Clare Kennedy, SAKG Kitchen Specialist

From the Garden...

In gardening this term, we have been learning about the different plants that we have been planting, such as carrots, spring onions, poppies, dwarf plants, flowers and more. Two weeks ago Rachel, Lisa and Miquela gave the chooks medicine. We have been giving the plants plenty of water to keep them alive and growing. At the start of every lesson, we get a piece of paper that has a type of leaf on it and we have to find it and show it to a Friend of the garden. In our garden beds we have been weeding to keep the plants alive. We have been making garden beds bigger to fit more plants in. In today’s lesson we got to choose a task to do in pairs. We picked to do this newsletter report to let you know what we have been up to. By Chloe Frost and Shayana Tuhakaraina. Year 4

In the garden we have been planting seeds like lettuce and parsley. We have been having so much fun in the garden. Throughout the year we have been having scavenger hunts. On the second of June, we spotted a snake. Every Thursday we have had a new friend. In the chook shed, we have put stepping stones so please don’t put scraps on the stepping stones. Inside the chook shed we have put up some new posters. Near the hay bales, people have spotted some snakes, so please be aware! By Amity Haley and Elyssa Rennie Year 3

Lisa McIntyre, SAKG Garden Specialist

BIKE BUS

Getting active! Dunkeld Consolidated School students enjoy riding together as a group to and from school every Wednesday. Children welcome to get on board – text Penny Fraser on 0417 396 866.

FOUND

School Rugby Jumper - unnamed. Found in March.
School Rugby Jumper – Size 12 (has the name of a past student on tag). Please see the Office Staff.

LOST


ROYAL CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL

Royal Children’s Hospital Good Friday Appeal personnel recently called into the Dunkeld Consolidated School, en route to Casterton, to personally thank the Dunkeld Consolidated School students and community for their generous donations and support of the 2016 Good Friday Appeal. Pictured below (left to right) are Ms Yvette Pratt, Partnerships Officer; Ms Melanie Bowie, Administrator and Ms Emoke Bakacs, Deputy Director.

Top Left: Hockey One, Two, Three Sporting Schools participants enjoying learning all about Hockey Top Middle: Jump for Heart group doing the Teddy Bear Teddy Bear Turn around.
Top right: Mia Russell and Jack Reynolds doing a spot of Aboriginal Art in Year 1.
Middle: Mad Hatter! Mr Stephens wearing his crazy hat as part of his promise to the Year 2 students for raising money for Jump Rope for Heart.