



# DUNKELD CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

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## Newsletter No. 12 – Wednesday 3 August 2022

### AUGUST 2022

- Friday 5 SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes - Year 4/5 students will be preparing and sharing in the Kitchen. Special Assembly commencing at 2.40pm in the school hall.
- Friday 12 SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes - Year 5/6 students will be preparing and sharing in the Kitchen. **FUN** Friday.
- Monday 15 National Science Week – theme *Glass: More than meets the eye*. Saturday 13 to Saturday 21 August.
- Friday 19 Prep to Year 2 Inquiry Excursion to the Halls Gap Zoo. SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes - Year 4/5 students will be preparing and sharing in the Kitchen. Assembly commencing at 2.40pm in the school hall.
- Monday 22 Book Week theme: *Dreaming with eyes open ...* (Saturday 20 to Friday 26 August).
- Tuesday 23 Play Is The Way PD in Melbourne.
- Wednesday 24 **Book Week Parade and Activity Day.** Four-year-old Kinder children will participate in the parade and their parents will join us in the hall.
- Friday 26 Daffodil Day – students and staff are encouraged to wear a 'touch of yellow' and bring a gold coin donation for the Cancer Council. SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes - Year 5/6 students will be preparing and sharing in the Kitchen. **FUN** Friday.
- Tuesday 30 School Council Meeting commencing at 7.30pm in the staffroom.

### SEPTEMBER 2022

- Thursday 1 Year 2 Grampians Retreat Camp.
- Friday 2 Year 2 Grampians Retreat Camp. Special Assembly commencing at 2.40pm in the school hall. SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes - Year 4/5 students will be preparing and sharing in the Kitchen.
- Friday 9 SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes - Year 5/6 students will be preparing and sharing in the Kitchen. **FUN** Friday.
- Tuesday 13 Footy/Sports Team Colours Day – students are encouraged to wear their favourite team colours. Jumpers, hats, scarves, socks or ribbons etc may be worn. Free AFL clinics for Year 4/5 and Year 5/6 students.
- Wednesday 14 Kinder to Prep Transition Program. Kinder children to visit at 12.30pm and enjoy a play and lunch with the Prep and Year 1 students.
- Thursday 15 Prep/Year 1 Sleepover at school.
- Friday 16 Prep/Year 1 students will participate in special activities at school as part of their Sleepover. Special Assembly commencing at 9.00am in the school hall. SAKG Kitchen and Garden classes – Year 4/5 students will be preparing and sharing in the Kitchen. **LAST DAY OF TERM 3 – early dismissal at 2.30pm.**  
**School buses will run one hour earlier in the afternoon.**

## FROM Mrs Angela Field, Acting Principal...

### Teaching and Learning

Mrs Jackie Mibus and Miss Sarah Gordon will be attending 'Play Is The Way' Professional Development in Melbourne on Tuesday 23 August. This will ensure all teaching staff will be trained in the delivery of this social/emotional program, delivering on the key focus area of wellbeing, as stated in our Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) for 2022.

Preliminary NAPLAN results (except Writing) have been released. Staff will analyse the data in PLC sessions and review our AIP targets over the coming weeks.

National Science Week commences Monday 15 August. Staff met recently to plan activities that will take place in each classroom during the Inquiry hour on Mondays and Wednesdays.



Book Week is coming up, 22 to 26 August 2022. A dress-up day and activities will take place on Wednesday 24 August 2022. Students will participate in multi-age book activities, based upon the shortlisted books chosen for 2022.

### Sporting events

Hoop Time has again come and gone, with children in Years 3 to 6 given the opportunity to participate. Of course, events like this cannot happen if we don't have the coaches and scorers to assist. I would personally like to thank, Bec Macgugan, Alison Prentice, Sarah Alderman, and Vicki Heazlewood for taking on coaching roles, as well as staff members Mrs Jackie McShane and Mrs Jackie Mibus. We also had wonderful support from parents volunteering to score the games.

### And now to our **Hockey 7s team...**!

They travelled to Dimboola last Friday 29 July to compete at the Greater Western Region Hockey 7s tournament. To have the coaching expertise of Lea and Jen McArthur is wonderful and our team of mixed aged ranging from Grade 4 to 6 came away champions. Such a proud moment for Lea and Jen, and our fantastic competitors: Elodie Cochran, Henrietta Patterson, Ned Peters, Max Russell, Ella Peters, Phoebe Lazzari, Phoebe Ross, Darcy Potter and Ben Peters. They now move onto the next stage, the State titles, in Melbourne on Thursday 8 September 2022.



### Work Experience

Genevieve Trotter (past student) will be on work experience placement from Monday 8 to Friday 12 August 2022, assisting teachers in the Year Prep/Year 1 and Year 2/3 classrooms.

### Camps

From all reports, students had a wonderful time on school camps in Melbourne and Sovereign Hill. We now look forward to the Grade 2 camp to Grampians Retreat Thursday 1 to Friday 2 September. The Prep/Year 1 sleepover will also take place this term on Thursday 15 September.

### Student Voice

Our Student Voice leaders met last week to plan some upcoming dates including Footy/Sports Colours Day on Tuesday 13 September.

**Daffodil Day** will be held on Friday 26 August, with students asked to wear a touch of yellow and bring a gold coin to donate to the Cancer Council.

### Transition

Our Year 6 students and Mrs Phillips attended BioLAB in Geelong on Thursday 21 July. This forms part of our traditional transition program for our Year 6 students, joining with other Year 6 students from smaller schools in the region.

Mrs Gilbert and I, met with Alice Milne from the Dunkeld Kindergarten to plan the Transition program for 2023 Prep students. Anne will visit the Kindergarten on Wednesday 10 August to meet the children. Wednesday 17 and 24 August, Alice and the Kindergarten children will visit school, familiarising themselves with the surrounds on the 17<sup>th</sup> before joining us for the Book Week Parade on 24 August at 9.00am. On Wednesday 7 September I will attend the Dunkeld Kindergarten at drop-off time to meet and greet the children and their parents. To wrap up the term, the Kindergarten children will visit at 12:30pm after their Bush Kinder morning, joining the Prep/one students for a play and lunch.

Thank you,

*Ange Field, Acting Principal*

## SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

### Year 4/5 Poems

In Reading the Year 5 students read the book 'The Inheritance'. It is shortlisted for this year's Children's Book of the Year Awards.

The book is about three brothers who inherit their dying father's business. He was a well know industrialist whose dying wish was for his business to continue to grow and prosper.

Their sister returned from travelling and questioned the brothers about what they will leave their children. They said the business - but she was referring to our world and how and what condition will we leave it in. We worked on an art activity to show what the world could look like if we look after it and what it will look like if humans destroy it. We then wrote poems from the earth's point of view.



I am the Earth

I wonder when the sky will clear  
I hear city's getting bigger  
I see pollution in the sky  
I want the world to go back to normal

I am the Earth  
I feel like the people are trashing me  
I touch giant skyscrapers being built  
I worry about being ruined  
I cry for the creatures in the ocean

I am the Earth  
I say stop doing this to me  
I dream that they will stop  
I try to make things better  
I hope that the world will be okay  
I am the Earth

By Gemma Kyle

I am the Earth

I wonder why people pollute me  
I hear chainsaws cutting down trees  
I see black smoke covering me  
I want it to stop  
I am the Earth

I pretend it never happened  
I feel people ruining me  
I touch dirty water each day  
I worry about if it will ever stop  
I cry for the sea animals being killed  
I am the Earth

I understand that humans want big  
factories to work in  
I say I want it to go away  
I dream that I will be back to normal  
I try to convince them  
I hope it stops  
I am the earth

By Clementine Blackwell

***I am the Earth***

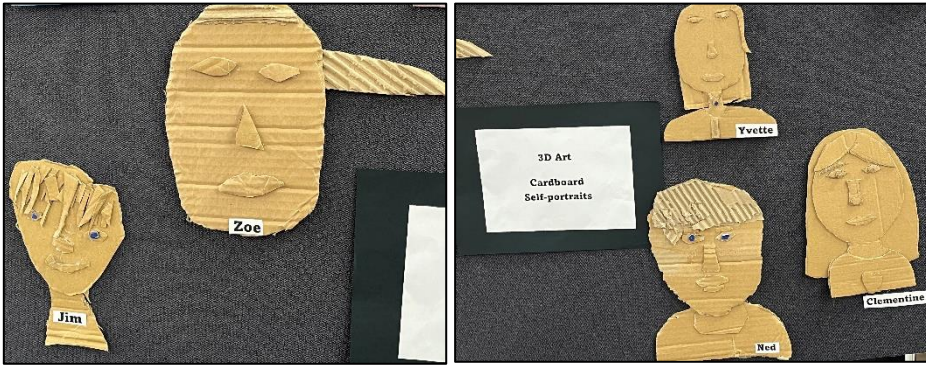
I am the Earth  
I wonder how long I will last  
I hear gun shots  
I see lots of destruction  
I want to go back to normal  
I am the Earth

I pretend that everything is fine  
I feel sad that I am being destroyed  
I touch factory smoke and oil  
I worry about the atmosphere holding me together  
I cry for the people experiencing war  
I am the Earth

I understand that I might not be here for long  
I say that all is ok  
I dream that I will heal  
I try to help the animals in the ocean  
I hope I heal  
I am the Earth

By Patrick Lomas

## Year 4/5 - 3D Self Portraits



The Year 4 and 5 students enjoyed creating these self-portraits during their Art class.

## Year 6 BioLAB Excursion on Thursday 21 July 2022



On Thursday 21 July the Year 6 students travelled to Penshurst to catch the bus. There were many schools attending the BioLAB (Victorian BioScience Education Centre) program in Belmont and BioCATS facility at Simonds Stadium in Geelong.

On this excursion we had the opportunity to learn about Usain Bolt and decimals; we recorded our reaction times to see if we could beat Usain. We also tracked our heart rate and tested our low resting heart rate. The lowest heart rate of the day was 59 bpm. This was a wonderful opportunity for all of us to get to know and work with students from other schools. We all really enjoyed the day overall!



By Charlotte Alderman, Ben Peters, Darcy Potter and Jack Jones

## FUN Friday Report



It was cool because Charlie and I set up dodge ball, hurdles, baton relay and a bounce relay with a basketball. We also did a relay where you have a ball between two people and you have to try and hold the ball off the ground until the finish line.

The inside group were making flag chains and doing sport and flag bingo for the commonwealth games.

Interviews:

Jim Herrmann: Fun Friday was great because we got to run and do relays and hangout with my mates.

Yvette Fanning: I think that it was different because I got to make a chain using different countries' flags.

Matilda Pattullo: It was fun because of all the colouring and sports we got to participate in.

Michaela Roache: Exciting because I love sport and colouring in. I coloured the Commonwealth Mascot playing sports.



Student Voice - Ava Balkin, Heidi Burger, Sean Bird and Darcy Potter.

## School Assembly on Friday 22 July 2022

### HONOUR CERTIFICATES

Prep/Year 1: Poppy Skermer, Thomas Roache.

Year 2/3: Ben Rennie, Chloe Skermer, Jackson O'keeffe, Ryan Hertweck, Lahni O'Neill, Gracee O'Neill.

Year 4/5: Edward Alderman, Millie McShane, Yin Vass, Jim Herrmann.

Year 5/6: Harry McShane, Jack Jones, Max Russell.

## SPORTS

### Greater Western Region Hockey 7's Competition at Dimboola

After competing in the local Hockey 7's Competition in Hamilton, and winning, Dunkeld's Hockey 7's team (Max Russell, Ned Peters, Phoebe Ross, Ella Peters, Phoebe Lazzari, Darcy Potter, Ben Peters, Henrietta Patterson, Elodie Cochran) made it through to the Greater Western Region competition in Dimboola and won again! In September they will be heading off to Melbourne to compete in the State titles! We interviewed some students who competed at Dimboola to tell us about their Hockey 7's experience so far.

Darcy Potter: We got to travel hours to a town that we were not familiar with. There were some very challenging, tough games but I am very happy and proud that we won! I enjoyed it.  
 Phoebe Ross: I loved playing in Hockey 7's! It was a great experience and my team worked extremely well together. Our team even made it through to State!  
 Ned Peters: My favourite part about Hockey 7's in Dimboola was the final where we competed against Ballarat Grammar School and won! The score in the final was 2-1.  
 Thank you to our super coach, Lea McArthur.  
 By Sports Captains Phoebe Ross, Ella Peters, Indi Mibus and Phoebe Lazzari



## Hoop Time Basketball

### Junior Hoop Time - Year 3 and 4 Students

On Thursday 21 July, the following Year 3 and 4 students, accompanied by staff member, Mrs Jackie McShane, participated in the Junior Hoop Time basketball competition at HILAC - *Banjo Hyland, Edward Alderman, George Lomas, Zoe Trotter, Tyson Riddle, Nate Elliott, Minu Sutherland, Grace Macgugan, Digby Heazlewood, George Heazlewood, Henrietta Patterson, Olivia Balkin, Isla Oldfield Mann, Lucy Rennie, Will Griffin-Wilson.*

Lucy Rennie: I enjoyed Hoop Time because we got to play basketball all day and it was fun going up against other schools. My favourite part was that my team won every game and I got a goal.

George Lomas: I enjoyed Hoop Time because we got to the grand final! My favourite part was playing games with my friends and classmates. Such an enjoyable day!

Thank you to our coaches - Mrs Jackie McShane, Mrs Bec Macgugan and Mrs Vicki Heazlewood.



### Senior Hoop Time - Year 5 and 6 Students

The following Year 5 and 6 students participated in the Senior Hoop Time competition: *Ned Peters, Felix Hyland, Sean Bird, Jack Jones, Phoebe Lazzari, Ava Balkin, Charlie Linke, Yvette Fanning, Clementine Blackwell, Phoebe Ross, Charlotte Alderman, Alex Bird, Lachie Oldfield Mann, Patrick Lomas, Jack Oldfield Mann, Charles Prentice, Lachie Gordon, Darcy Potter, Korey Rennie.*

Korey Rennie: On Monday 25 July, most of the Year 5 and 6 students competed in Hoop Time at HILAC. I was on the Rookies team. We won every game that we played in the Rookies division! The hot chips at the canteen were so delicious!

Charles Prentice: On Monday 25 July I participated in Hoop Time. There were seven people on my team, Jack Oldfield Mann, Lachie Oldfield Mann, Darcy Potter, Lachie Gordon, Patrick Lomas, Alex Bird and I. We played well but unfortunately lost all of our games but the scores were close. We lost by 1, 2, 4 and 12. It was an extremely exciting day!



Patrick Lomas: On Monday 25 July nearly all of the Year 5 and 6 students competed at Hoop Time which was at HILAC. We all had a blast! It was a great experience to play basketball with my friends! Unfortunately, we lost every game but it was still the best day of my life! I was in the All Stars team. On my team, was Charles Prentice, Lachie Gordon, Lachie Oldfield Mann, Jack Oldfield Mann, Darcy Potter, Alex Bird and I. Alison Prentice was our coach. I had so much fun! We were all so exhausted afterwards!

Thank you to our coaches – Mrs Jackie Mibus, Mrs Sarah Alderman and Mrs Alison Prentice.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL

School Council held a meeting on Tuesday 2 August 2022, which included the following agenda items:

- Subsidy approved for students attending State sporting events (\$100.00 per student).
- Term 3 Pupil Free Day has been moved to Term 4 on Monday 31 October 2022 (student report writing).
- Further discussion on the Pick-up/Drop-off Zone on Dickie Street.
- AFL goal posts will be installed on the small oval by the end of August.
- Approval for a Prep to Year 2 Inquiry Excursion to the Halls Gap Zoo on Friday 19 August 2022.
- School events including Hoop Time, Hockey 7's competition, Year 6 BioLAB Excursion, National Science Week, Book Week and Kinder to Prep Transition Program
- Play Is The Way Professional Development (Mrs Mibus and Miss Gordon).
- Parent/Teacher interviews.
- Preliminary NAPLAN results (no Writing) have been released.
- Maintenance - new library shelving has been completed and boards have been replaced on the exterior landing near the toilets.

Reports by SAKG Kitchen and Garden Captains –  
Charlie Linke and Ben Peters



From the Kitchen...

On Friday 29 July the Year 5/6 students had a theme of the Commonwealth Games to cook with. They cooked food from different parts of the world:



From Scotland they made Rumbledethumps - main ingredients potato, cabbage and onion.



From India they made Vegetable Samosas - fried or baked pastry with a savory filling, including ingredients such as spiced potatoes, onions, and peas.



From South Africa they made Bobotie - casserole with curried ground beef at the bottom and a thin layer of egg custard on top.

From Cyprus they made Fasolia Yaxni - Green Beans in Tomato Sauce.

From the Garden...



While the Year 5/6 students were cooking the Year 4/5 students were gardening. One group was making tea with blood oranges and lemons with Vivien Brodsky while another group was planting seeds in the greenhouse with Kate Fanning. The Year 2/3 students were also in the garden lighting the fire and collecting branches and sticks to put on the fire. Another group planted snapdragons around the apple trees. After that, the Prep/Year 1 students made badges for their trees, picked lemons and drank tea.

- REMINDERS -

LET'S GET RECYCLING

Our school is teaming up with Wonder Recycling Rewards to help reduce soft plastic waste in our environment. By collecting and recycling our soft plastic waste at school, we can protect our environment, oceans and wildlife – and earn new sports equipment for our school.

There are three simple steps to helping our school keep soft plastic waste out of the environment:

- SCRUNCH – Do the Scrunch Test! If it's plastic and you can scrunch it into a ball, it's soft plastic and we can recycle it!
- COLLECT – Drop your soft plastic waste into the Wonder Recycling Rewards Collection Boxes at our school.
- PLAY – Earn Wonder Recycling Rewards points to receive new sports equipment for our school.



**YES PLEASE** - Wonder bread bags (and all other bread bags too).

**NO THANKS** – plastic bottles, plastic containers, glass, paper, cardboard, tin cans, food waste.

The Dunkeld Consolidated School wants your Used Batteries!

The Dunkeld Consolidated School Council has been conducting an ongoing Battery Collection Fundraiser. Kelly's Dunkeld have kindly offered to be a central collection point for used batteries for the Dunkeld Consolidated School (Jason Linskens was instrumental in organising this). Any unwanted car, truck, tractor, boat batteries etc may be dropped off at Kelly's Hardware Store, 101 Parker Street, Dunkeld.

Components of used batteries e.g., metals, acids and plastics are reclaimed, recycled and put back into the manufacturing process to build more batteries and household products, 98% of the battery is recycled.

If you require any assistance with the pick-up of your used batteries, please contact Simon Ross on 0408 984 499. Thank you for your continued support!

The Dunkeld Consolidated School Council would also like to thank Mr Nathan Hinkley and Mr Terry Schultz, Grampians Tyre Service, Hamilton for their generous support of our Used Batteries Fundraising project.