

Dunkeld & District Newsletter



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GREAT VICTORIAN BIKE RIDE CANCELLED

Hello Dunkeld and Region Community Members,

Just a quick update to inform you that as anticipated, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Great Victorian Bike Ride that was scheduled to travel through Dunkeld on Friday 4 December 2020 has been cancelled.

The event is intended to go ahead as planned in late November or early December 2021.

Kahlia Dix, Event Manager from Bicycle Network, whom you may remember from the community Zoom session held back in May, said:

“Although it was tough, it is definitely the correct and responsible decision to make. We are very much excited to continue working with you all in 2021 and rolling out the planned event in the following year. We have an amazing product and want our riders to see your part of the world.”

Mid next year we will run community information sessions on the event and the opportunities it provides for local businesses, performers and community groups.

Please stay safe, and let us know if we can offer any support to you as residents, business owners and event organisers.

Cheers,

Stacey Barnes
Events Marketing and Development
Officer
Economic Development and Tourism
Unit



DONATIONS

Dunkeld & District Community Bank Branch	\$60
Sue and Derek Morse	\$50
Anonymous	\$20

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CHURCH TIMES

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5 th Week	Sunday	August 30
1 st Week	Sunday	September 6
2 nd Week	Sunday	September 13
3 rd Week	Sunday	September 20
4 th Week	Sunday	September 27

Please note that public Masses in the Saint Mary MacKillop Parish Western Border have been suspended as of 6 August 2020 due to Stage 3 COVID19 Restrictions. Please click on the following link for our Online Mass:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-bIQdgo2Zk0xN9ki93aFjw>

Or follow our Facebook page to receive notification of online masses:

<https://www.facebook.com/westernbordercatholicparish/>

If you would like to receive regular email links to invite you to watch our Masses, please email our Parish Office on admin@westernborder.church

Dunkeld Anglican - Uniting Churches

To comply with social distancing please contact Father David beforehand on 5571 1317 or 0423 671 692 or email: droulton72@gmail.com if you would like to attend.

Panyyabyr Uniting Church

Mirranatwa Uniting Church

Services in the Parish are now available on You Tube and Face Book. Also on Google, click in **Hamilton Uniting Church Live streaming**. Available at **11.00am Sundays** or can be viewed at a later time.

Anyone wishing to speak / or meet with Rev Angie Griffin is welcome to contact her regarding a suitable time and place on **0417 367 227**.

WHAT'S ON IN AUGUST / SEPTEMBER

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
24	25	26 Newsletter issue 13 distributed	27	28	29	30
31	1 Sept	2	3	4 Deadline for issue 14	5	6
7	8	9 Newsletter issue 14 distributed	10	11	12	13
14 School resumes	15	16	17	18 Term 3 finishes	19	20



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Some Musings from Father David

The not so gentle art of finger pointing.

To my horror a memory bubbled to the surface the other day. I recalled with shame that I was denigrating one of my fellow clergy. Quite a tirade it was and my ever so patient listener took it all in good natured silence. When I had exhausted my verve and vocabulary, they quietly gave me the rest of the picture.

Was I aware, for example, that Father Bloggs' wife suffered from a rare medical condition that sapped time, energy and dollars? Did I know about their child's addiction and there were some other unmentionable factors as well.

I apologised and went away chastened and disappointed with myself. Not only was I more sympathetic to Father Bloggs next time I met him (in fact I was almost effusive) but it also taught me a lot about the 'not so gentle art of finger pointing'.

We have no idea what another is going through. No concept at all. We are oblivious to the daily trickiness and complexities that others stumble into, wade through, and the monsters they wrestle with. Yet we are swift to engage in the not so gentle finger pointing sport particularly behind their back and especially with our fearless leaders no matter their platform or area of expertise.

Would it be such a terrible idea if instead of pointing our finger with retribution and scorn, we instead pointed at another with praise and support? We might disagree in principle with another on all sorts of issues and ideologies, but deep down they are just like us. They laugh, they cry, they get grumpy, they love and are loved. We're not so different. In this little fleeting life, our opportunities to point a finger with understanding and encouragement evaporate all too swiftly.

Fr David Oulton



RED CROSS NEWS

As the **75th Anniversary** of the ending of **World War 2** has just been commemorated, it seems appropriate to

briefly mention some of the work of **local Red Cross branches** during that war. It had been stated that *Australian women were the only women of any country to send comforts to troops in various battles.*

The **Mirranatwa** branch, which was formed during **WW1** and then probably disbanded after 1918, was **reformed in November 1939**, along with the **Australian Comforts Fund**. Both shared the work amongst about twelve members, meeting in the school building.

Material for making khaki shirts was bought from **Rust's Store** in Dunkeld and **wool** for knitting from **Gibbon's Store**, also in Dunkeld. By the end of **1940**, the group had dispatched 87 pairs of socks, 3 scarves, 10 pairs of mittens, 10 shirts, 8 caps, 2 balaclavas, 1 neck muff, spiral socks, soaps, cakes, pullovers, 20 Christmas hampers, boxes of books and magazines.

Dances were held to raise money for Christmas hampers for locals in the Services and **Mrs Fitzpatrick** would provide the piano music.

In **1944**, an **afternoon tea** was held at **Addinsall's** during which **Sister McWilliam**, a nursing sister from the hospital ship *Wanganella*, spoke of the **Red Cross** providing everything for the sick and wounded. **Money** was also sent to equip *HMAS Napier* with sporting equipment.

Following a brutal battle in the Pacific, several **US airmen** were billeted on local farms for their recovery. A dance was held by the Red Cross and ACF for their entertainment and well-being. The Mirranatwa group finally **disbanded** in February **1946**. (Excerpts from *Water Between the Hills*).

Next issue will mention Victoria Valley Red Cross.
Iris Field, Secretary

Dan Tehan MP

Member for Wannon

As your representative in the Federal Parliament, listening to your views about our local area is my priority.

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Saturday Market Day 8.30am – 1.00pm

To avoid disappointment, orders can be placed for pick up with Geoff.

Farm Gate Deliveries

While the stay-at-home restrictions are in place, we'll offer a weekly farm gate delivery service for those who live outside town boundaries.

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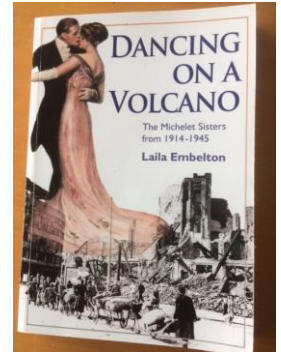


DUNKELD BOOKSHOP NEWS AUGUST 2020

Fire's on, wind's freezing, rain's pelting down. If one of the things you need to feel happy in isolation is a good book, the bookshop's still open at weekends. We're not hugely busy but our locals are still reading and looking for new material. So come in, masked up, and see what's on offer. Here's a selection.

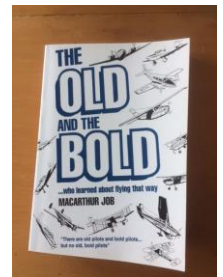
1. **DANCING ON A VOLCANO.**

The Michelet Sisters from 1914-1945 by Laila Embelton
Once inseparable, the sisters were driven apart by war and by the men they married. One was a German aristocrat who loved his country, and the other was a British diplomat working alongside Churchill in the Cabinet War Rooms. An easy read and a truly remarkable family story. This copy is signed by Laila Embelton. **\$15.00**



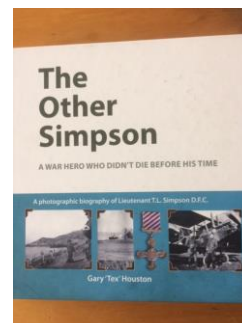
2. **THE OLD AND THE BOLD** by

Macarthur Job. This Australian author is an experienced pilot and an expert on air safety. The book is full of white-knuckle stories based on real-life events. "There are old pilots, and bold pilots, but there are no old, bold pilots." **\$10.00**



3. **THE OTHER SIMPSON** by Tex

Houston. This photographic biography of one of our local heroes, T. Leigh Simpson, was launched here in Dunkeld by Dan Tehan, to a packed house. You may have missed it, but if so we have a few signed copies left. Simpson started his war as a stretcher-bearer in the Light Horse Field Ambulance at Gallipoli. He survived that, and eventually was transferred to



the Australian Flying Corps, and was certainly a 'bold pilot' who survived. A Dunkeld grazier, a Shire President, a CFA Member and president of Hamilton Base Hospital, among other community contributions, Simpson formed a big part of our Dunkeld fabric. Not only that, the photographs he took, and which make up a large part of this book, are truly amazing. **\$85.00**

4. **WILLIAM MOODY.** A Pioneer of Western Victoria. This is an important and entertaining account, much of it in his own words, by one of our pioneers, from family and his own memories spanning the 1840s to his death in 1914. The narrative came into possession of the related Palmer family and Joan Austin Palmer, an author in her own right, has put it together well. Moody was a sheep man, and after many ups and downs settled on a property six miles out of Colerain. He was a great judge of sheep and a breeder of good fine Merinos as well as a Shire Councillor for many years. This is a particularly detailed account of an important time in the Western District pastoral industry in the nineteenth century and is a difficult book to come by. **\$50.00**

5: **ANNA KARENINA** by Leo Tolstoy. If you need a perfect door-stop novel for isolation times, this is it. The charming Anna is one of the most-loved heroines in literature, and the story is such a human tale, with everything from destiny, romance, history, human relationships, tragedy and death mingled together in an unforgettable saga. It has famously been filmed, but for the whole story, you need to read the book. **\$10.00**

Roz Greenwood Old and Rare Books is open from 10.00am to 4.00pm on Saturdays and Sundays throughout the year, or by appointment if you ring Roz or Marg on 0417 360 362.



From the Lions Den

More about the Victorian Lions Foundation

Victorian Lions Rheumatism and Arthritis Medical Research Foundation

Donations through Lions Clubs assist with the continuing research into rheumatic diseases, including a Fibromyalgia Research program which is being undertaken at the Rheumatology Unit, Monash Medical Centre, Clayton.

Virus lockdown plus cold wet weather equals a great time to catch up on the reading.

With reading, every now and then you come across a gem of wisdom. I was reading of the Fathers of the early church and came across a bit of wisdom from Palladius of Galatia, a monk, chronicler and bishop who died between 420 and 430. So here is something for Peter Cameron, Roz Greenwood and Derek Morse and other people of refinement, who enjoy a wine. "Some people swear off wine altogether - for reasons of pride," says Palladius of Galatia. "That's far worse than drinking wine moderately. If you make reason rather than pride your rule, you will never fall into sin." (Palladius, by the way, spent years with the desert fathers surviving on water and a few ounces of bread a day, so he earned the right to talk about moderation.) "

And, please, look on those who drink wine with reason as holy people and those who drink water without reason as profane, and no longer blame or praise the material, but count happy or wretched the minds of those who use the material well or badly."

I will follow with a quote of Winston Churchill. "He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire."

Enjoy the reading.
Peter Hinchey



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Café 109 is still open

Café 109 will remain open for takeaways and delivery service (within the Dunkeld township) offering the same great service during Lockdown 2.0. Please be mindful to practise social distancing and wear your mask when entering the Café.

Monday - Closed

Tuesday – Chicken Parma Night
(4pm – 8pm)

Wednesday – Friday – (4pm – 8pm)

Saturday & Sunday - (Lunch 12pm - 2pm),
(Re-opens 4pm – Dinner from 5.30pm)

Dinner

*Garlic Bread \$11 *Cheesy Garlic Bread \$13 *Pizza Varieties \$17-\$20 *Tennessee Ribs w' chips & salad \$28 *Chicken Parma w' chips & salad \$25 *Chicken Schnitzel w' gravy, chips & salad \$23* Salt & Pepper Squid w' chips & salad \$28 * Porterhouse w' chips & salad \$25 *Garlic Prawns \$25 *Hamburger w' the lot \$15 *Steak Sandwich \$17 * Veggie Burger \$17

Fried Food

Flake \$6.00 *Whiting \$6.00 *Scallops \$2.50 * Crumbed Prawns \$2.50 *Calamari \$2.00 *Minimum Chips \$3.00 *Chips & Gravy \$7.00 *Potato Cakes \$1.00 *Dim Sims \$1.00 *Spring Rolls \$1.00 *Chicken Nuggets \$1.00 *Large Chips \$5.00

Takeaway Family Meal Packs

- Pizza Bundle – 2 x Pizza's, garlic bread & 1.25L Soft Drink \$40
- Fish & Chip Bundle – 4 x pcs Fish, chips & salad \$35
- Chicken Parma's – 4 x Parma's, chips & salad \$70
- Chicken Schnitzel – 4 x Schnitzels, chips & salad \$60

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DUNKELD MUSEUM NEWS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our AGM has had to be postponed due to Covid-19 restrictions; however, we have optimistically rescheduled it to take place at the Museum on Sunday 27 September at 2.00pm. Members will be notified closer to the event if it is going ahead, and an agenda will be sent.

SECRETARY

An Executive meeting was held on 9 August, using Google Meet. At this meeting, **Joyce Gordon** was elected to the position of Museum Secretary for the next twelve months.

BEHIND THE SCENES

- Heather Funk continues to attend to family research enquiries.
- Our new website is awaiting 'sign-off' by Google, and should go 'live' soon. Watch this space!
- We have acquired a facility to have cash-free transactions for admission fees, membership fees, publication purchases and online purchases on our website.
- We have a new scanner for making copies of publications and documents up to A3 size. It's fantastic!

Please note the Museum is closed to visitors during Stage 3 restrictions. When these restrictions are lifted, we will be open by appointment only.

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Landcare News

1. Working For Victoria Work Crews for the Glenelg Hopkins region

This is a note from Dave Nichols, Senior Field Services Officer GHCMA:

'There are no more tree lots (of up to 800 trees and shrubs and guards) available. We have had an overwhelming response from over 60 landholders and all of the larger tree lots have been allocated.

BUT - There is still some room for people wanting the paddock tree allocation of up to 50 paddock trees, tree guards and accompanying sheep/roo proof guards. And so can still contact me for these.'

Dave's number is 0407 321 747.

2. Ever wondered *how old your Red Gum Tree is?*

All the students at Dunkeld Consolidated School (from Prep to Grade 6) have just learnt how to work out the age of the red gums we have living all around us, so I thought you may like to know how to do it too?!!

(Important things to know (or remember/recall from school!!!) Circumference is the measurement of the outside of a circle, diameter is the line that runs from one side of the circle to the other - straight through the middle).

The age of many species of trees can be worked out by counting the growth rings after you cut the tree down. But red gum trees don't have growth rings, and anyway, I would hate to cut them down, just to see how old they were! So, over many, many years, much research has been conducted by scientists, foresters and arborists, and they worked out that red gum trees (in Western Victoria) grow about 3.5mm in diameter, every year.

So, if we find out the diameter of the tree, that would help us work out its age. But would finding that out also involve cutting the tree down? There must be another way!! About **2220 years ago (!)**, Greek Mathematician Archimedes worked out that no matter what size circle you have (its circumference), if you measure a line straight through the middle (its diameter), and then use this equation: "Circumference divided by diameter", you will always get the answer of: 3.142 (also known as "pi").

We need to use this equation to work out the tree's age. Trees are generally measured at 1.3 metres above the ground (also referred to as "Breast Height").

Run a tape measure around the circumference (the outside) of your tree, 1.3 metres above the ground. Take that measurement in millimetres (mm).

Using the example of the tree the children measured - (the circumference was 4400mm), follow this equation:

Circumference (mm) divided by pi = diameter

4400 divided by 3.142 = 1400.3819

We have now found out the tree's diameter - 1400.3819mm.

All we need to do now is this last equation:

Diameter divided by 3.5mm (which is the distance in diameter, the tree grows every year)

1400.3819 divided by 3.5 = 400.10914

That is - this tree is 400 years old!

3. Soil Health Webinars

Richard Murphy - Land Health Coordinator at GHCMA, has shared this information about some upcoming webinars:

'...an invitation to attend a Soil Health webinar series with some of the best known, North American advocates for regenerative agriculture...

The next one coming up is by Gabe Brown, 'Lowering Input Costs and Rejuvenating Soil'. The Tuesday 7.00pm Mountain Time (MT), 1 September time slot, conveniently corresponds to 11.00am (Australian EST) Wednesday 2 September'.

<https://laraonline.us19.listmanage.com/track/click?u=c42fad4a3471e4c3f7409efe0&id=336815d8f7&e=ce3fc6faa7>

4. Grampians Ark

For all residents, landowners and visitors - our Grampians Ark Fox Baiting Program ran from Monday 1 June 2020 - Monday 3 August 2020. For those participating, please let me know of the number of baits you laid, and the number taken.

I have a few spare fox cages to send out - if you would like to try one, please get in touch.

By being able to use multiple control measures (e.g. baiting, drives, cages), we are seeing a significant reduction in fox numbers. We know it can be disheartening when you spend time laying baits and checking, only to find they haven't been taken. It can seem like such a waste of time. But really, it's telling us that the foxes aren't there, or are in low numbers. So what you are doing, is working - *Congratulations - and WELL DONE!!!*

Parks Vic have released a short video, *Celebrating 25 Years of Grampians Ark*.

It is a wonderful production, with stunning scenery, fantastic photography and people speaking from the heart - and one that we as a Landcare group - are very proud to be involved with.

We are privileged and thankful to have been involved with this Grampians Ark Program and with the Parks Vic (Halls Gap) staff for all this time.

Here's the link:

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?feature=youtu.be&v=uvxW3U9n6RQ>

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Kangaroo Island Bushfire Recovery Assistance

We're proud to announce a new partnership with the community of Stokes Bay, Kangaroo Island to assist in the rebuild of the Stokes Bay Community Hall. Severely damaged during the devastating 2019-2020 bushfire season, the Stokes Bay Community Hall is an important gathering place for residents, and its reconstruction will be a priority in the local bushfire recovery process.

Dunkeld & District Community Bank Branch will be assisting the committee to rebuild the Stokes Bay Community Hall with \$5,000 donation.

We're here for you

Our branch remains open to help see you through COVID-19. Call us to make an appointment.

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Be yourself. Don't let a scammer be you. Scamwatch has seen a 55 per cent increase in reports involving loss of personal information this year compared with the same period in 2019, totalling more than 24 000 reports and over \$22 million in losses.

Our top tips to protect yourself:-

- If you receive a phone call from someone you suspect is a scammer, hang up, find the organisation's number yourself and call them back. Never use a number they give you.
- Don't trust a site or an ad just because it's advertised on social media or classified website, or claims it's endorsed by a celebrity. Check independent reviews and be wary of offers too good to be true.
- Be suspicious of emails and messages asking for your personal information, even if they seem to be from a trusted source.
- Watch out for telltale signs of a scam in unsolicited emails and messages, like not using your correct name, typos and grammatical errors, or suspicious web addresses.
- Don't click on links in unexpected emails or messages, even if it appears to have come from a legitimate source.
- Don't share personal information online with someone you've never met in person.
- Don't give financial or account details, or copies of your identity documents to someone online who you've never met in person.
- Never give strangers remote access to your computer.
- Limit what personal information you share about yourself online, including on social media.
- Use strong passwords for your accounts and internet network, and never share them with others.

Resource - <https://www.scamwatch.gov.au/news-alerts/scams-awareness-week>

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***NOTE CHANGE OF HOURS**

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CALLING ALL LOCAL ARTISTS - \$7000 PUBLIC ART COMMISSION

Hamilton Gallery and the Greater Hamilton Library are seeking expressions of interest (EOI) for a \$7000 public art mural to activate and support the local arts community during this difficult time. The artwork will be developed for a 10 metre length of wall at the entry to the Hamilton Gallery and Hamilton Library.

Gallery Director, Joshua White said while there is no specific theme or design in mind for the commission, it should foster community pride.

“Now more than ever, we need the arts to bring optimism and happiness. We know artists everywhere are having a hard time, this is just one way the Gallery, Library and Council are supporting the local arts, while strengthening our cultural identity.

“The sculptural works by artist Ian Bow that have been on the wall for many years, have recently been removed for a much needed rest and conservation work. They will go on exhibition next year for the Gallery’s 60th Anniversary,” Mr White said.

“Southern Grampians Shire has a significant number of public artworks and this will add to the assortment. The work will be positioned outside the entrance to the Gallery and Library. We are seeking a big, bold, high-quality artwork to reflect these important cultural facilities and to represent our strong local arts scene,” Mr White said.

Southern Grampians Shire Council Director of Planning and Development, Andrew Goodsell said this commission demonstrates Council’s commitment to activation of public spaces.

“We recognise that cultural projects such as this develop our community’s sense of place, identity and pride. They activate spaces and help to enrich our lives. During a time of hardship, these projects can help a community to feel connected,” Mr Goodsell said.

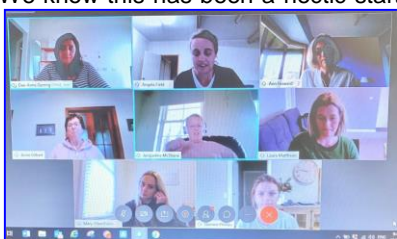
Applications for the EOI close on 30 August, 5.00pm. Council is seeking the installation of the work to occur in mid-September. For further details and an application form please visit the Gallery website.



SCHOOL NEWS

Remote Learning – Term 3

We are now into Week 3 of Remote Learning and I’d like to commend all students and their families for the way in which they have stepped into this second round with confidence and drive to succeed. We have mixed things up from last time, to keep engagement levels high. Thank you to all parents for your cooperation and support of your children and our staff in being available for WebEx sessions and helping with set tasks. We know this has been a hectic start to get back into Remote Learning, as it sure has been for our teaching staff, but now we are in the swing of things, the processes will get easier.



Thank you again to our amazing staff who are busy teaching remotely, as well as spending time on site supervising a

number of students at school. Their days are hectic and tedious, but they never waver in their care and concern for the continued development of each and every student. They continue to smile and are simply inspirational.

We have raised our expectations of students and the work they submit this round of remote learning. This is for a number of reasons. Firstly, students and families are now familiar with the technology and process of posting work, so that major learning curve has been surpassed. Secondly, as this is our second round of Remote Learning, students will end up having a significant time away from normal schooling in 2020. We therefore encourage students to give their best efforts. That is all we ask, their best effort, as we would expect at school. We are here to support students when they have questions and encourage them to do so, so we can help improve their outcomes.

Lastly, our senior students especially, will need to start preparing themselves for the rigors of secondary school. Independence and management of time will be hugely important to your success. Likewise, we don’t wish to see our younger students fall into habits that they will find hard to break when they return to school. By giving less, you are only letting yourselves down and making the transition harder than it need be. Teachers are putting in hours of time creating quality tasks, so please take your time and you will shine.

Permanent Modular School Building

We may see some action starting on the demolition of our current hall and works beginning in the Term 3 holidays, as the new Permanent Modular Building arrives. At this stage, school grounds will be off limits to all personnel for a time period of the holidays, especially during demolition stages. We look forward to sharing the progress as the project unfolds.

Thank you, Dee-Anne Gerring

Remote Learning Reports

Whilst there are many different computer programs being put to use at the moment, Dunkeld Consolidated School has been able to extend the use of Seesaw by teachers and students. As an app that was already in use at the school, our teachers have become more proficient in its use and are setting varied tasks for completion. There are set tasks that must be completed every school day and also a little bit extra for those who wish to extend themselves further. There is an amazing amount of work being produced everyday.

Jemima Ross, Year 5/6 Class Captain:

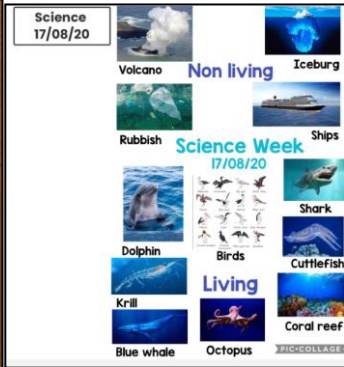
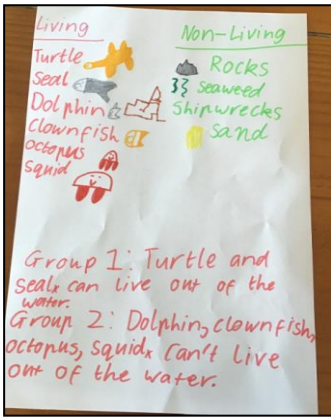


Grade 1/2 - a fun place to read.

Henrietta with her lamb – who would have thought!



Grade 3 Science using the theme of Deep Blue as per the current theme for Science Week.



out of the billy that Lisa had warmed up over the coals. Well done again children, looking forward to next week.
Bev Hampton

From the Garden ... by Lisa McIntyre

I hope all is going well for everyone, working at school from home? I wonder how your seeds are going. Were you able to identify any of them? To help you, the packets included some of these seeds: coriander, lettuce, nasturtium, snapdragon, tomato, gerbera, snow pea, sugar snap pea, zinnia, radish, lemon grass and stevia. I wonder what will germinate first? Please remember to keep your pots moist, but not really, really wet (as the seeds may rot). Warmth and water is what they love!



Have you been going outside, finding North, breathing deeply six times, and working out the wind direction? I have started doing that too, and then I have written down what I heard during the following two minutes. It is amazing what you can hear, and even after just a few days how you can start to tell apart the different bird calls, and even the different dog barks! (I can now tell if it's Maggie or Tom barking). It is like your ears are being trained, and every day they get a little bit stronger! So now, when I fill out my sheet, rather than just writing that I heard birds, I write that I heard a magpie warbling (one of my most favourite sounds!), a blue wren singing, and sparrow's wings flapping. I can't wait to see what you've heard! Lisa McIntyre

Principal's Day on Friday 14 August

Check out our School Facebook page ... on Friday 14 August, we celebrated Principal's Day and we wished our very special Principal, Mrs Dee-Anne Gerring, a "Happy Principal's Day", from all the staff, students and parents of the Dunkeld Consolidated School ... we truly appreciate all that you do for us and our school. A group of on-site students, on behalf of all the students, presented Mrs Gerring with a posy of flowers and a performed a celebratory dance.



Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program

From the Kitchen...by Bev Hampton

On Thursday 13 August SAKG classes continued for the children who are attending school. Thank you, Clare, for your expertise in planning our weekly classes. We were very lucky that Lisa came to school early and lit the fire in the garden's fire pit so we could cook our potatoes. The children wrapped foil around their potatoes and then we went out and put them in the coals.



Whilst out in the garden the children were asked to harvest things that they could use to make coleslaw. Lots of green things were chosen including parsley, pak choy, celery, spring onions and herbs. Back to the kitchen and with the help of Mrs Fitzpatrick everything got washed and chopped to produce a delicious coleslaw. For lunch we had our potatoes in foil with butter, coleslaw, sour cream and cheese.

The orchard has lots of citrus at the moment so we were also able to make orange cakes, use lemon juice in the coleslaw vinaigrette and in our drinks.

The children enjoyed the drinks the previous week so we decided to make them again, they chose ingredients from lemon, ginger and honey and put in their own cup with water

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTION AND DISTRIBUTION DATES FOR 2020

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Please note that the closing date for the Community Newsletter is **6.00pm on the Friday before the distribution date**, as listed in the table.

Please forward your content to Mrs Carol Burger – email: carolburger5103@gmail.com or phone: 0417 374 673.

We are seeking your photo to launch

'DUNKELD UNMASKED'

a light hearted community competition

Photos are needed of Dunkeld community members from
18 years to very grown up



You can cover your hair, take off your glasses if you wish, wear your favourite mask and eyes looking straight at the camera

Please send your pics along with who you are to

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by Friday 28th August

Details of the competition to be released soon

Proceeds going to the DRASS group to continue on going commitments to support refugees and asylum seekers



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DRASS are collecting community members' photos which we will present as a collage of faces in an entry form. This will be available at the Bendigo Bank in about a week's time. There is a \$5.00 entry fee and prizes to be won. More details to come.

The Bundoran Story continues ...

As we are all in lockdown yet again! We (the McShane Family – current Managers of Bundoran) were looking for some extra action around the farm. The history of this homestead has fascinated us since we arrived here nearly two years ago.

We originally visited the Dunkeld Museum to find a picture of the original homestead and heard some interesting stories from the past, including the previous owners and the story of the fires that ripped through the property and burnt it down!

This has stimulated our children as to how horrendous and scary this must have been for the family involved. They have also been thinking that there may be some buried treasures that this family may have left behind.

Which brings us to our very first find. Here is a picture of a WWI medal that had the name Wilson that could be just read on the back. With our connection to Heather Funk from the museum we headed to visit her and show her our find. With much excitement Heather was able to share that Mr Wilson Senior who was attending school in Melbourne when the homestead burnt (the WWI medal's son) was still alive in a nursing home in Adelaide, and that we could return the medal to him. Our family was thrilled.

Here is the current communication between:

*Dear Mr Wilson Senior,
Hi my name is Harry McShane and I found your father's WWI medal with my new metal detector in the old orchard. I am eight years old and I live in the Bundoran homestead. My Dad is the farm manager and I go to Dunkeld Consolidated School and I am in Year 3. We have lived here for just about two years and we went to the Museum and we purchased the picture of the original homestead to hang up in our house. It looked beautiful. The big roundabout is still here but only has roses in the middle of it. Some are really old.*

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

SIMPLE STEPS TO HELP STOP THE SPREAD.

Cough or sneeze into your arm

Use a tissue

Bin the tissue

Wash your hands

HELP STOP THE SPREAD AND STAY HEALTHY

TOGETHER WE CAN HELP STOP THE SPREAD AND STAY HEALTHY.
For more information about Coronavirus (COVID-19) visit health.gov.au

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We would love to know if this new house is built in the same place as the old homestead? It looks like it but we are not sure.

We have read some information about the fire and we cannot imagine how sad it must have been for you all. We have also found your fathers MCC – country membership badge from the 1930's, along with some old rusty pennies and plenty of nails and screws!

We will definitely keep looking and we will pass anything of sentimental value on. We were very excited and emotional to know that we could find you and return these precious items. We have recently heard that the Australian War Memorial is going to reissue a replica to your family and the old one will remain in its original state.

We wonder if you know if there were any other buildings around your home as we will continue to search for treasures. We think we still have your old canoe here too. I can get a picture if you like?

Take care.

From Harry and the McShane Family



REPLY from Mr Wilson Senior – sent via a text:

What a delight it is, that the present occupants of Bundoran homestead found my father's WWI Anzac medal in the ground on the site of the original homestead, after it burnt down in the 1939 bushfire!! It has survived in its basic form after 81 years. I'm sure it could be restored to its original glory. After all this time. My father Basil was in the house when it was well on fire. He was lucky to escape with his life, via the kitchen window, about 6 feet above the ground. The house was full of smoke by then. He groped his way into his bedroom and grabbed his grey suit, which he draped over his head. He lost everything else he had, including all the business papers etc in his desk. At the time Granny Helen and I were living in St Kilda Road flat in walking distance of Melbourne Grammar School. That evening Dad rang us from Glenthompson with the awful news.



DUNKELD RSL SUB-BRANCH

RSL Membership: We invite ex-service men and women to be members and renew their membership (\$40.00 per person) to ensure the future of the RSL locally. If you are a relative of ex-service men or women you can also join the RSL. By becoming a member of the RSL you will be helping the welfare of disabled war veterans and supporting your local RSL Sub-Branch. Application forms are available from

the Secretary/Treasurer, Terrie Nicholson - phone: 5573 3353.

Women Work for Victory in World War II Exhibition:

Women Work for Victory in World War II tells the story of women on the home front during the Second World War. It is an online exhibition for now, while the Old Treasury Building is closed for the COVID 19 pandemic. But the exhibition is in place in the galleries and will be available just as soon as they can open once again.



Women Work for Victory is an important reminder of the contribution played by women across Australian society in the cause of an Allied victory. Many thousands of women joined the workforce during World War II, many working in jobs previously reserved for men. From the fields to the factories, the armed services to the home, women produced the food, clothing and munitions that supplied both the Allied troops in the Pacific region and the civilian population.

Many of these jobs were difficult and dangerous, but thousands of women responded to the call. It is important to remember their stories.

While the critical work of women on the home front during World War II went a long way towards shifting attitudes towards women in the workforce, the exhibition also lays clear the limitations to such changes.

Women Work for Victory reveals that most women at this time were paid far less than men, even where the work they performed was identical. Equal pay was a live issue at the time, but very few women ever achieved it. As the men returned from the war, women had to relinquish many of these jobs. It was 'thanks girls and goodbye!'

For further information, including a downloadable Exhibition booklet, visit the Old Treasury Building website: <https://www.oldtreasurybuilding.org.au/work-for-victory/>

Some more Musings from Father David

One of the many things that COVID season has taught me is resilience. Sunday went like this. Pack car with books, clergy dress, clergy hat, phone, tripod, power board, chargers and iPad. Drive to sunny Cavendish. Set up books, tripod, phone, iPad, wine, power board, chargers and bread. Put on clergy dress and hat, light candles. Restart phone, turn up sound, do a test run, receive message from home to say that we are go for launch. Put 'do not disturb mode'. Say mass and morning prayer. Put out candles, remove clergy garb. Pack up phone, chargers, iPad, books, tripod and power board. Remember to put out candles, cover the altar, put out lights, wash chalice and paten. Sign book. Drive back to sunny Hamilton thinking Jack Horner and "What a good boy am I".

All went well for the first 15 minutes and then for some reason known only to the Archangel Gabrielle himself (must have a quiet cup of tea or maybe something a bit stronger with him) the sound had evaporated. This is not the first time I have appeared as a gawping cleric on the other side of the screen. I could succumb to the temptation, lie on the floor, weep, pull the doona over my head and wait for the end. But thanks to the ministry of the countless and unseen, I march on. I am a little daunted, but enjoying the privilege of resilience and a new beginning. Each morning I say this little prayer. "The night has passed and the day lies open before us. As rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence set our hearts on fire with love for you and for each other." I find it very helpful in COVID season. I hope that you might too.