Stark From The Principal

Administration Move

After 14 months in confined quarters Administration Staff finally moved today into the new Admin building. As you are reading today’s newsletter we are probably still up to our ears with relocation. However, we hope that everything falls into place over the weekend and the new admin will have computer and phone access first thing Monday morning. If not we will let you know via facebook and the website.

Within the next couple of weeks I will offer tours for parents through the new buildings. Please read next week’s newsletter for tour times.

Student Leadership

At our final assembly last year we announced the student leadership roles for 2014. Congratulations to the following students who received a leadership role. Students in Years 3-6 are still to elect their Junior School Council representatives which will be done when our Year 5 & 6 students return from Camp.

School Captain Joanna Angeletos Jarryd Thomas
Vice – Captain Beth Campbell Kael D’Alterio

House Captains

Bradman Captains Chloe Harding Nathan Fiddes
Vice Captains Jasmine Lao Zac White
Paterson Captains Shae Lynch Sam Letts
Vice Captains Emily MacLeod Joshua Duckham
Mackellar Captains Ashli Sali Rory Hornidge
Vice Captains Maya McGrath Harry Zervos
Fraser Captains Monica Kustura Kai Stretton
Vice Captains Kristy Bailey Tyson Moxham

Marine Ambassador Jessica Kurth Isabelle Elliott
Leolo Paterno Costa Orfanidis
Buddy Leader Zoe Uildriks Shayan Wilkins
Environment Leader Angela Kaing Helen Vo
Michelle Janai
Transition Leader Taylor Nicholls Felicity Borland
Kahl Anquetil-Kneale

Dingley Primary School's Purpose:

To provide a values based learning environment that develops educated and socially competent lifelong learners, capable of achieving success in a global society.
Music Leader
Tayla Mahney-Killoran
Amber Rossborough

Art Leader
Sofia Sarwari
Bianca Davidson
Amie Shu
Abby Barna-Wright

Science / Maths Leader
Daniel Lam
Zara Bakkalis
Nathan Greenwood
Mikayla Tjong

Communication
At Dingley Primary School there are three ‘formal’ ways for parents to be involved with the school. They are School Council, Parents Association and Class Representative.

What is School Council and what does it do?
All Government Schools in Victoria have a School Council. They are legally formed bodies that are given powers to set the key directions of the school within centrally directed guidelines. In doing this, a School Council is able to directly influence the quality/type of education that the school provides for its students.

Why is Parent membership so important?
Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help shape the direction of the school. Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying in itself and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging. The School Council Election process for 2014 will begin next week. We will have four positions available for parents and two for staff. School Council positions are held for a two years. Elections are conducted annually.

Parents Association
Our Parents Association is a team of committed parents and friends who get together to help make our school the best it can be. They meet once a month, with either myself or Assistant Principal Julie Williams attending each meeting. Parents Association aims are to continue building our School Community to ensure each student at Dingley Primary enjoys learning while accomplishing their full potential. Part of their role is to assist in the important task of raising funds to help all of our students utilise the best possible resources to achieve this. Other roles include encouraging and supporting community values such as organising Mothers/Carers Day and Fathers/Special Persons Day gifts, welcoming new families to our community, Grade 6 graduation celebrations, and generally being a liaison between parents and the school for many queries. Whether you are able to help in a “hands on” role, or merely wish to attend meetings to gather information about your child’s school any family member is welcome.

Staff List
We welcome five new staff this year and are very pleased to reintroduce a Language Other than English (LOTÉ), Japanese to our school. This program will extend to include the whole school by 2016. Our wonderful staff are:

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(Years 5 & 6)  
Fiona Cormack  Red Building  Team Leader  
Di Lewis/ Deb Lowther  Red Building  
Breanna Little/Robert Ridgway  Red Building  
Melissa Verrall  Red Building

Specialists  
Fleur Dean  PE & Level 4 Performing Arts  Team Leader  
Tracey Hutchinson  Visual Arts  
Giulia Voce  Performing Arts  Lev 1-3

Michelle Finos  LOTE/Japanese  
Jenny Porter  Reading Recovery/English Additional Language

Integration Aides  
Joan Head  
Marcia Clark  
Rachel Kurth  
Melanie Watson (temp)

Canteen  
Andrea Flint

Assemblies  
Assembly is held every second Wednesday at 2.45 in the gymnasium and is conducted by our wonderful student leaders. I encourage parents to attend assembly as a class or a level team performs at each assembly. The first assembly for 2014 will be held next Wednesday 12th February.

Level 4 Camp  
On Monday 10th February our Level 4 students and teachers leave for their five day camp at Catherine ‘s Creek, Alambee. They are looking forward to a week of fun and adventure in a country environment.

School Photos  
School photos have been booked for Monday 24th February. You should have already received an envelope with information about payment details. Family photo envelopes can be collected from the office. Please note that students with hair below shoulder length must have their hair tied up for the photo.

Meet the Teacher Meetings  
On Tuesday you would have received a notice about ‘Meet the Teacher ‘meetings to be held on Monday 17th February. These will be ten minute time slots which will enable parents to discuss their children with their new teacher. It is not a parent teacher interview; it is a meet the parent’s session where you can have a casual friendly chat about your child. Booking times available on-line. If you do not have internet access bookings can be made at the school office. Parents of Prep children do not need to book a time for this night as your meet and greets are during the testing time on Wednesdays.

Asthma Plans / Anaphylactic /Allergies  
Documentation regarding student asthma plans is available from the office. Please update your child’s details and return to the office as soon as possible. Parents of anaphylactic children need to ensure that their details are updated and that the school has up to date medication. Policy documentation will be forwarded home to all families next week

Gaye Peel  
Principal
A Note from the Assistant Principal

The children have been back at school over a week now and they have settled into their new grades so well. The Preps have met their buddies and are now already enjoying having play and lunch times with the rest of the school. It has been a smooth start - I think the wonderful new buildings and the landscaping starting to happen has helped us all see what a great school we belong to.

One of our new students has limited joint movement but loves basketball. I was hoping one of our families has a small, freestanding ring in good condition that they no longer wanted and were happy to donate to the school. It would be great if she could succeed in “shooting a hoop”. Please let me know if you can help.

Our brain is around 74% water and Australia has one of the highest incidences of sun induced skin cancer. Two good reasons why we insist all children must wear a broad brimmed hat outside in Term 1. Please make sure your child’s name is on their hat.

The first Assembly for this year will be next Wednesday 11th February at 2.45pm in the gym. I hope to see you there.

Julie Williams

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Fresh Fruit Friday 🍎

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Bendigo Bank have once again decided to generously fund our Fresh Fruit Friday Program. This enables the school to provide the children across all levels with fresh fruit or vegetables. Thank you to the parents/grandparents who have helped cut up and distribute these platters to our students over the past few years. Your help is greatly appreciated. Help is required each Friday morning between 9.00-9.30am. Please pop in and help prepare these platters.

The fruit or vegetables and platters will be ready in the staff room each Friday morning.

Thanks in advance

Danielle Peacock
TERM 1 CANTEEN ROSTER 2014

Term 1

Feb 10 - 14

Monday 10th  
Tuesday 11th  
Wednesday 12th  
Thursday 13th  
Friday 14th

No help required  
No help required  
No help required  
No help required  
Lynne Wisnewski

Feb 17 - 21

Monday 17th  
Tuesday 18th  
Wednesday 19th  
Thursday 20th  
Friday 21st

No help required  
No help required  
Bree Rossborough  
Help Required  
Lynne Wisnewski

Reminder:

Pies, sausage rolls and pasties are available
WEDNESDAY & FRIDAYS ONLY

NEW to the canteen:

Aussie Pasties (meat & vegies) $3.00

Chicken, Corn & Cheese Roll $2.50

Available Wednesday & Friday

New: Mini muffins - available in 'Raspberry' or 'Choc Chip' flavours. Only $1.00 each....

~Frozen yoghurts - mango, strawberry and raspberry flavours available~

At the Canteen:
Delivered fresh to the school,
OAK milk 300ml only $1.40

Kingston Calisthenics College
February
Come & Try Month

All of our weekly classes are open for new members.
This is an opportunity for prospective students and their parents to come and see what calisthenics is all about.

2 FREE CLASSES

Calisthenics is a stage based, artistic Australian sport. It combines dancing, ballet, gymnastics and acting.

Classes held at St Louis de Montfort's School Hall, Dolphin St, Aspendale (at the end of carpark)

Fun Fitness Friends Dancing Confidence
Visit our website for more information about our college, age groups, classes, coaches and more...

www.kingstoncalisthenics.com

Dance Classes & Programs in:

- R.A.D. Classical Ballet
- Contemporary & Lyrical
- S.E.D. Jazz & Tap
- Hip Hop, Funk & Urban
- Angelina Ballerina Academy
- DS Falcons All-Star Cheer

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Dance Struck

1st Lesson Free
CONGRATULATIONS TO ..........the following students who have received VALUES AWARDS recently. These students have their awards firmly placed on the tree in the staffroom window.

HONESTY
- Tim Sanders 12O
- Deelan Moopnar 12O
- Brian Lim 12O
- Shae Lynch 56C
- Mikayla Tjong 56V
- Lachian Kurth 34L
- Freya Charlwood 34E

EMPATHY
- Teagan Petrie 56L
- Ruby Butcher 12O
- Jordan Taylor Prep C

PERSISTENCE
- Jacob Kevorkian 12P
- Erika Koutsavlvis 12S

RESPONSIBILITY
- Angelina Broadfoot 34S
- Steven Huynh 56V
- Nathan Greenwood 56C
- Francois Snyman 56L
- Todd McLaws 56C
- Scanlan Lynch 34S
- Dean Mamos 34S
- Emma Stanton 34C
- Lilli Hoodless 34S
- Jacob Kevorkian 12P
- Olivia Yilmaz 12S
- Tyson Moxham 56R
- Kael D’Alterio 56V

RESPECT
- Tyson Moxham 56R
- Flynn O’Brien 56C
- Harry Zervos 56C
- Evelyn Cimorelli 56V
- Bianca Davidson 56L
- Hunter French Prep A

WELL DONE TO ALL OF OUR STUDENTS.
THANK YOU FOR USING
DINGLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL’S VALUES:
RESPONSIBILITY, RESPECT, EMPATHY,
PERSISTENCE & HONESTY
Welcome to another year of Scholastic Book Club's reading adventures. The first catalogues and order forms for 2014 have just been sent home. If there is an item that you wish to purchase please fill in the order form and return it to school. Your support, by placing an order, entitles Dingley Primary School to a host of Scholastic Book Club rewards. With these reward points, we are able to purchase classroom resources and new books for the library.

Please ensure your order form has:

- Your child’s first name and last name clearly printed at the top.
- The grade on the top of the official Book Club order form.
- A quantity in the box that coincides with the item you wish to order

Please return the official order form together with the correct money, cheque or credit card payment by the due date.

This issue closes on 14th February.

Enjoy reading with your children.
The more you read the more you know.
The more you know the smarter you grow.

Many thanks
Deb Lowther.
GUITAR LESSONS 2014

Weekly guitar lessons will be continuing this year for students from Years 3 to 6. All modern styles and individual abilities are catered for. Lessons will support student interests, whilst teaching appropriate technique and theory. Individual lessons: $26.50 Group Lessons $16.50  (groups of 3 only).

Early payment discount of 50c per lesson applies.

All queries phone: 0417 30 39 42 or 9584 1764

If you are interested in your child starting/continuing guitar lessons please fill out the expression of interest form available from the office and return asap. Thank you.

Daryl Langford  Guitar Teacher

CHESS CLUB 2014

Chess Club is open for all D.P.S. students, boys and girls, years prep to year 6...chess boards are provided in the sessions...

The cost of club for this term is still $24.00 for 6 sessions...

To secure your child's place please pick up a form from the office and send it back as soon as possible.

If you require any further information please don't hesitate to contact myself on: 0413 397 853 or leave a message for me at the Office ...

My warmest regards, Anna Janai

From the Office

Education Maintenance Allowance applications must be in by Friday 28th February 2014. Late applications will not be accepted. The benefit cards must be valid on 28th January 2014 to be able to receive this allowance. If you have any questions please see Michelle in the office. Application forms are available from the office.

If you have chosen to pay your fees by direct debit instalments, the first deduction was made today. Please note that the $30 discount offer has now finished. If you have any questions regarding the fees please see Michelle in the office.
Dingley Primary School
House Swimming Carnival
Reminders and Event Program

Thursday February 20th 2014
Oakleigh Recreation Centre

Dingley Primary School will be holding its annual House Swimming Carnival at Oakleigh Recreation Centre on Thursday 20th February 2014. There is a competitive element to the day in order to select the swim team to compete at the District Swim Carnival. Some children will go on to compete at a Division or State level. However, a majority of the day is spent enjoying the water and competing in fun activities in and around the water.

Reminders

Students will need to bring:

- Lunch/Snack
- Drink bottle
- Hat
- Sunscreen

It is advised that students must be prepared for all weather types as Melbourne’s weather is often unpredictable. The children will obviously need to be wearing their bathers and may like to dress in their house colours if they wish.

Swimming Sports 2014 Program

50m Events

Freestyle

- 10:00 Marshall 10, 11 & 12/13
- 10:10 Start 50m Freestyle

Backstroke

- 10:40 Marshall 10, 11 & 12/13
- 10:50 Start 50m Backstroke

Breaststroke

- 11:10 Marshall 10, 11 & 12/13
- 11:20 Start 50m Breaststroke Races

Butterfly

- 11:30 Marshall 10, 11 & 12/13
- 11:40 Start 50m Butterfly Races

Fun Events

- 12.00 – 2.00

We look forward to a fun day!

Fleur Dean
Physical Education Coordinator
DINGLEY TENNIS CLUB
OPEN DAY

Jumping Castle
Free BBQ
Free Court Hire
Free Coaching
Cardio Tennis
MLC Tennis Hot Shots

SUNDAY 9TH FEBRUARY

FUN!
GAMES!
MUSIC!

ROWAN ROAD
DINGLEY
NEXT TO NETBALL COURTS
New Kids Basketball Training!!!

Ages: 5-12 years old
Where: Springers Leisure Centre, 400 Cheltenham Rd Keysborough

Times:
Monday & Friday
Session 1: (5-8 years) - 4:15pm
till 5:00pm
Session 2: (8-12 years) - 5:10pm
till 6:00pm

Cost: $10 per session

- Maximum 1:8 player coach ratio, so each player gets a lot more one on one attention, unlike usual junior training
- Kids will be grouped in accordance to their ability, ensuring kids of all abilities are catered for
- Drills and games are done in a circuit so each child develops all skills of basketball which include: Ball handling, Shooting, Defence and Passing
- Opportunity to progress into elite group to further develop skills

Enquiries or any questions please contact:
Andre Solomonos on 0451462301 or email at: andre@kingstonbasketball.com
Website: www.kingstonbasketball.com

*Does not include Starter pack (basketball, t-shirt and drink bottle)
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**Information sent home this week:**
- Canteen Helpers Form
- Life Education Forms
- MSP Photography Envelopes
- Getting to know you’ Level 2-4
- 2014 House Swimming Carnival
- Preps Threadworm Information
- Scholastic Book Club
- AASC Forms

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**This week’s banking winner is:**
Amelia Lea of 12J

$5.00 has been deposited into your bank account