



Deer Park North Primary School Newsletter

Learning for Life

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Respect

Principal - Liz Balharrie

Care

Responsibility

Assistant Principal - Teresa Woods

Honesty

Trust

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Calendar of Events



Term Two

Friday 19 June

School as a Catchment Project Planting Day & Lunch for volunteers.

Monday 22 June

Jump rope for heart!

Wednesday 24 June

Parent/Teacher Interviews (Student Led Conferences)

Student dismissed 2.00pm

Thursday 25 June

School Council Meeting

Friday 26 June

End of Term - Early dismissal at 2:30pm

2015 School Terms

Term 2

April 13 - June 26

Term 3

July 13 - September 18

Term 4

October 5 - December 18

Student Playground Supervision

The school offers yard supervision from 8.45am & after school until 3.30pm. Children should not be sent to school before 8.45am; and picked up by 3.30pm.



Message from the Principal

Dear Parents & Friends,

This term the school grounds have been transformed before our eyes with the first stage of School as a Catchment project almost completed. We are all very excited about the planting day tomorrow which will see the wetland and productive garden filled with a wide selection of vegetables, fruit trees, native vegetation and shade trees. Thank you to our parents and friends who will be coming along to lend a hand. Our Green Team students will also be involved in the planting and mulching. More information about the project is on our school website under Special Projects.

Teachers have been busy preparing Semester One reports for students which will be sent home next week. Parents and carers have been invited to make a time to attend meetings with teachers next Wednesday where students will talk about their learning goals, achievements and future learning. A reminder that students will be dismissed at 2pm on Wednesday 24 June.

News about school programs and events are regularly put onto the school website. Our aim is to reduce the size of the newsletter and provide up-to-date information about policies, programs and events on our website. Important notices and information will continue to be provided through the school newsletter and Skoolbag app as required.

With school holidays soon upon us, I would like to congratulate our students on their wonderful efforts and achievements in their learning this semester supported by DPNPS's hard working and dedicated staff. We can look forward to new learning in the second half of the year with renewed energy, interest and enthusiasm! Wishing everyone a happy and safe school holiday period. Please note that students will be dismissed at 2:30pm on Friday 26 June.

Kind Regards, *Liz Balharrie*

Canteen Friday 26/06/15

Breakfast club will still be open on this day from

8:25am - 8:50am

Canteen will be closed on the day. No lunch orders on this day

Early dismissal at 2:30pm

The Gratitude Garden

After much discussion between teachers and their classes we have decided that we are going to call our new quiet garden "The Gratitude Garden." We are hopeful that the garden will be used by students and their teachers to nurture and encourage young minds to thrive. We are aware of the impact of positive thinking has on our own mindsets and acknowledge that being grateful is a major contributing practice that can help us to develop a positive mindset. We hope that through mindfulness activities within the garden and the classes that children will take notice of the positive things, show gratitude and in turn demonstrate a positive mindset. The Building Healthy Communities in Melbourne's West Committee will be officially opening the Gratitude Garden early in Term 3.



Heart Foundation

Jump Rope for Heart

Our school's Jump Rope for Heart Jump Off Day is on Monday June 22nd. So feel free to come along and celebrate all the money students have raised, help out and get involved in lots of different skipping games! Our school is doing fantastic so please keep fundraising money for a good cause.

Preps – 9:15 am
Grade 1/2
Grade 3/4 – 12:45 pm
Grade 5/6 – 2:15 pm

Miss McIntyre, P.E teacher

Hi Kids!

Thanks for joining your schools Jump Rope for Heart team. Together, we can have fun and help others. Your school Jump Off day is coming up soon so get skipping. Simply ask family and friends to help you raise money for a great cause! Why not try to use the internet to get sponsors. It's fun! Log on to www.heartfoundation.org.au/jumpropeforheart and follow the directions! All you need to do is **Click, Flick and Skip!**

Clocktower Concert ...

Grade 3/4 students will have the opportunity to participate in a network concert in Term Three on the evening of September 7th. Each student in Grade 3/4 received a notice last week to gather expressions of interest. We would love to include some of our school's vibrant culture and diversity in our concert. If your family has a cultural song, dance or performance and you could assist coordinating a small act please come and see either Fleur Sadlier or Zoe Haehsy.

We look forward to a wonderful Clocktower Network Concert! Make sure to put the date in your calendar!

Student Led Conferences

Parent Teacher Interviews will take on a new look this year. Teachers have decided that students will play a big part in the reporting process. Children will be active participants in our up coming meetings by sharing the details of their learning and showing examples of their learning. Teachers will be working with students to identify what they are proud of and want to share. Parents are asked to be supportive of their child's efforts and celebrate their learning.



What's on at the Hub?
Interested in an activity?

For more information about any of the Hub's activities please come and see Carolyn, hub leader on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Phone 9363 4600



Parents and Friends
Coffee 'n chat
On 9am Monday mornings

The School as a catchment project day hub is on Friday June 19

A big thank you to the wonderful parents who have volunteered to cook. We will be cooking in the old canteen and starting at 9am. If you have an apron could you please bring on the day to wear.



PMP is an activity that engages children in movement activities combining perception and movement. This program has been tailored for younger children and babies.
Where: Gym foyer
When: Monday mornings 9-10am
We look forward to seeing you and your children there.