Calendar of Events

**Term Three**

**Thursday 30 July**
1/2 Excursion - Melbourne Aquarium

**Thursday 6 August**
3/4 Incursion - Healthy Bodies

**Wednesday 19 August**
5/6 Excursion - Immigration Museum

**Friday 21 August**
Athletics - Interschool at Keilor Park

**Monday 24– Friday 28 August**
Book Week

**Tuesday 25 August**
Prep Incursion - Designing a Billy-cart

**Wednesday 26 August**
Poetry Workshops: Prep - Year 6

**Friday 28 August**
Book Week Character Parade

**Thursday 3 September**
Fathers’ Day Stall

**Monday 7 September**
Clocktower Performance Year 3/4 students

**Friday 18 September**
End of Term - Early dismissal at 2:30pm

**2015 School Terms**

**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.

Our Purpose: To engage each child’s curiosity, build on their strengths and preferred learning styles to develop healthy, socially responsible, capable and resourceful life long learners.
**Environmental Education at DPNPS**

This term students have been participating in a new innovative program to learn about our environment and how we interact with it. Classroom teachers and have been collaborating with Mr Navaretti to provide new learning experiences which will utilise the new garden spaces at school. In the last few weeks students have been learning about where our food comes from, what parts of the plants we eat, the flow of water on different surfaces (concrete, roofs and garden beds). The Preps have been considering the materials which are used to make everything around them and which all come from the Earth.

**Prep Program**

This term the Prep inquiry topic is 'What can we make?'. Prep students will explore and use different materials and objects in their school and classroom environments to create and construct. We will be working towards creating and constructing a large igloo made entirely from plastic milk bottles! Stay tuned for this large construction.

On Tuesday 28th July, the Prep students participated in an incursion called 'Brickworks'. We will be exploring construction, materials, developing our fine motor skills and working with others to explore our imagination.

Jodi Woodward

**Beehive**

This term the Preps are learning about 'Buildings' in the Beehive. They have been discussing their house as a building and exploring what items and rooms a house needs. Over the next few weeks, Preps will be encouraged to make a house in small groups using a range of materials including drawing, cutting & pasting and 3 Dimensional objects.

**Physical Education**

Preps are practicing their running skills, remembering to look forward, and bend their arms and legs. They are using this skill during relay races and a range of games, where they encourage each other. The Preps are given the chance to use positive language such as ‘congratulations’, ‘good try’ and ‘better luck next time’.

**Music**

In terms 3 & 4, Preps are having Music on Mondays. Students have been exploring different instruments and discovering the many sounds they make. Preps have begun putting simple sounds to the beat of songs using rhythm sticks and singing.

Ms Auld-Caillinan

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**BOOK WEEK - Books light up our world!**

This year Book Week is Monday 24 – Friday 28 August

♦ We are holding a Book Fair between Monday 17th August – Thursday 27th August in the school library.

♦ We are having a Book Character Parade on Friday August 28 at 9:30am. All welcome!! Each class will be working together to plan their Book Character costumes!!!

♦ We have poetry writing sessions organised for our students and teachers on Wednesday August 26 facilitated by Mandy Tunica!

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**SCHOOL BANKING**

Last week we had some special visitors at our whole school assembly - Susan Brailsford, Commonwealth Bank - School Banking Specialist, Pru, one of the Dollarmite characters and our school banking volunteers! Pru presented banking awards to some well-deserving students. Congratulations to our student bankers!

Students can open a Dollarmite account at any Commonwealth Bank. Information packs are available at the school office. If you would like to help our parent volunteers with student banking please contact Michelle on 93634600.

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Thank you to our school community for collecting Earn & Learn stickers.

We can purchase educational equipment with the points collected: 1 sticker for every $10 spent.

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**More on our website...**

www.deerparknthps.vic.edu.au

- Book Week, including more about the Book Fair...
- Community Hub news...
- Science news - Three states of matter: Solid, Liquid and gas and more...