



NEWSLETTER

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Bec Wrotny – Principal Report

DATES

Term 2 2025

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope everyone had a wonderful break and enjoyed the stunning warmer weather Melbourne is hanging onto. The first week back was a gentle return to school life as we had Easter Monday and ANZAC Day public holidays. We are back this week for a full week and have a very busy 11-week term ahead.

Logan's Garden

Our memorial wall and garden space for Logan has been upgraded with the families support. We had a very generous offer from Brigitte Dawson and Melissa Turner from Melbourne Murals to work with our year 3 and 4 students to update the space. They have offered to come back to paint an additional piece with our Deadly Devons group. We are so grateful for the generous offers updating our beautiful school.

Summer Devries

It was lovely to chat with Summer on the first day back and hear that she has once again made Nationals for Equestrian. Congratulations on your achievements and we cannot wait to hear about how you go.

Mother's Day

Our Specialist team have been busy preparing our Mother's Day breakfast celebrations on Thursday 8th May. This year you are encouraged to wear 'a splash of pink' and pay a gold coin donation to the Jane McGrath foundation to support breast cancer research. Egg and bacon rolls, gluten free and halal options will be available for Breakfast on the morning, no pre order required. Activities will be set up for you to enjoy with your student/s. We can not wait to see our Community out in force for one of our favorite celebrations. Our Mothers Day stall will throughout the day. The maximum spend per student will be \$15.00.

School Photos

School Photo Day will be held on Friday 9th May. Please come with your best hair and friendly smiles!

Attitudes to School Survey

The annual Attitudes to School Survey for Grade 4 to Year 12 students will run from Monday 12 May to Friday 13 June 2025. More information for families will come out later this Term. The Attitudes to School Survey provides us as a school with a very valuable insight into how students are feeling about many aspects of school and everyday life. It informs our practices and helps us cater for our students' varied needs.

Netball Clinic
(Grade 4-Grade 6)

May 2nd

Assembly

May 2nd

Step into Prep
(2:30-3:20)

May 2nd

Mothers Day
Morning

May 8th

Mothers Day
Stall

May 8th

School Photo
Day

May 9th

Book Club Due
Back

May 13th

District Athletics

May 14th

Step into Prep
(2:30-3:20)

May 16th

Epilepsy
Awareness Day

May 21st

Dinosaur World
(Grade1/2)

May 22nd

Division Cross
Country

May 28th

Assembly

May 30th

Step into Prep
(2:30-3:20)

May 30th

Foundation Big
Goose Excursion

June 6th

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Wear Purple for Epilepsy Awareness Day

On **Wednesday 21st May** the school will be holding a 'Wear Purple' day for Epilepsy awareness. The National Day was held earlier in the year, but it is never too late to jump on board! We currently have multiple members of our Community who are dealing with Epilepsy so we will use this opportunity to raise awareness and understanding. More information to come as the date approaches.

'Epilepsy is a disorder of the brain, and seizures are caused by a temporary disruption of the electrical activity in the brain. Epilepsy is diagnosed when someone has a tendency to have recurrent seizures.

Approximately 3% to 3.5% of Australians will be diagnosed with epilepsy at some point in their lives and over 250,000 Australians currently live with epilepsy.

Epilepsy can start at any age although it is more likely to be diagnosed in childhood or senior years.

There are many different types of epilepsies and people's experiences differ greatly. Some types of epilepsy are age-limited and the person eventually stops having seizures. For others, epilepsy is a life-long condition.' (www.epilepsy.org.au)

Step into prep

We have had a phenomenal turnout to school tours already this year for 2026 Foundation students. Our Step Into Prep program will commence on Friday 2nd May. If you have family or friends interested in enrolling, please forward them on to the Admin team who will book them a tour and a spot in Step into Prep.

Sessions will run on a Friday at 2.30-3.20 on the following dates:

Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
2 nd May	1 st August	17 th Oct
16 th May	15 th August	31 st Oct
30 th May	29 th August	14 th Nov
13 th June	12 th Sep	28 th Nov
27 th June		

Local Newspapers

We have been very lucky to have Alex Chambers' Dad attend many of our recent school events and we are quickly becoming regulars in the local papers, showcasing all great things about DMPS. Alex has kindly put up a display on the Admin building windows for you all to enjoy. Thanks Alex.

As always, if you have any questions, feedback or concerns throughout the year please do not hesitate to get in contact with either your child's teacher, Paul, or myself.

Bec Wrotny

Principal

Mural

The Grade 3/4 Students were lucky enough to be visited by local artists Brigitte and Melissa from Melbourne Murals in their Art Class. Students worked on a design that centred around native wildlife local to the area. This was an attempt to revamp Logan's Garden and continues to be a quiet place for kids to sit, reflect in a beautiful space. We are very grateful to Melbourne Murals and we look forward to future projects with them.



DMPs

MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

THURSDAY 8TH MAY

8:00AM – 8:45AM

Egg and bacon rolls, gluten free
and Halal options provided

Bring a gold
donation for the
Jane McGrath
Foundation & wear
a touch of PINK to
show your support

**Science,
PE
& Art
activities**

Mums,
Step- Mums &
special people
welcome

COFFEE CART, EFTPOS AVAILABLE



Epilepsy Awareness Fundraiser

When: Wednesday 21st May

Clothes: wear purple or a touch of purple. Students not required to wear uniform.

Gold coin donation to raise money for Epilepsy Foundation.



To learn more about Epilepsy, or to visit their shop, use the QR code.



R U OK?™ Day

2025

**CALLING ALL LEGENDS OF DEVON
MEADOWS - WE need YOU!**

This R U OK? Day– **THURS THE 11th OF SEP**

we're looking for volunteers from our school
community to help spread the power of strong
mental health, connection and kindness!

*Can you or someone you know teach a fun and
engaging mental health focused lesson?*

Or share a story at our R U OK Day assembly?

No experience needed– just passion, positivity and a
current WWC Check.

Let's make this another memorable day for our
DMPS children. Together, we can make a real
difference!

Interested?

Contact Nicole Lockhart on

nicole.lockhart@education.vic.gov.au or 5998 2304

**LET'S SHOW EVERYONE IT'S OK TO ASK R
U OK?**



2026 Foundation Transition Program Commencing Term 2, 2025

Living For Today. Learning For Tomorrow

Devon Meadows Primary School is situated in an attractive rural setting with well-established playing areas and sports grounds. We provide a caring secure environment where each child is valued as a unique and important individual. Here at Devon Meadows Primary School, we are a smaller, caring and community focused school. Our curriculum is centred around developing each child to their full potential academically, physically and socially.

The learning experiences provided at Devon Meadows Primary School aim to support our students to become critical thinkers and problem solvers. Our facilities and programs provide students with an educational experience that is engaging, collaborative and challenging.

Come and discover our:

- Spacious, rural setting and natural school grounds
- Inclusive learning community
- Supportive and caring educators and wider school community
- Evidence-based curriculum programs
- Systematic Synthetic Phonics (SSP) approach from Foundation-Grade 6
- Open-ended and investigative mathematics tasks that support differentiation
- Modern technologies including student iPads or laptops in every year level
- Specialist program teaching Physical Education, The Arts, AUSLAN and Science
- Extra curricular activities, clubs, incursions, excursions and camp program
- Before and after school care run by TheirCare

We understand that choosing a school for your child can be a challenging decision. We aim to support you and your child throughout their school journey.

Please turn over for details of our Transition Program commencing in Term 2, 2025.

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ENROLMENTS FOR 2026

Online enrolments open term 2 .
Children must turn 5 years old by 30th April
2026.

School tours can be organised by
contacting the office on 5998 2304



2025 TRANSITION DATES:

TERM TWO

FRIDAY 2nd MAY	Pre-Prep Program	2:30pm to 3:20pm
FRIDAY 16th MAY	Pre-Prep Program	2:30pm to 3:20pm
FRIDAY 30st MAY	Pre-Prep Program	2:30pm to 3:20pm
FRIDAY 13th JUN	Pre-Prep Program	2:30pm to 3:20pm
FRIDAY 27th JUN	Pre-Prep Program	2:30pm to 3:20pm

TERM THREE

FRIDAY 1st AUG	Pre-Prep Program	2:30pm to 3:20pm
FRIDAY 15th AUG	Pre-Prep Program	2:30pm to 3:20pm
FRIDAY 29th AUG	Pre-Prep Program	2:30pm to 3:20pm
FRIDAY 12th SEPT	Pre-Prep Program	2:30pm to 3:20pm

TERM FOUR

FRIDAY 17th OCT	Pre-Prep Program	2:30pm to 3:20pm
FRIDAY 31st OCT	Pre-Prep Program	2:30pm to 3:20pm
FRIDAY 14th NOV	Pre-Prep Program	2:30pm to 3:20pm
FRIDAY 28th NOV	Pre-Prep Program	2:30pm to 3:20pm

State Wide Transition

TUESDAY 9th DEC	9:15am to 12:00pm
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Respect • Teamwork • Commitment to learning • Friendship