NEWSLETTER

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Brendan McDonough - Principal Report

FATHER'S DAY BBQ

We christened our brand new BBQ trailer last Thursday with the Father's Day BBQ. It was fantastic to see so many dads, grandpas etc at our community BBQ. The students really enjoyed having visitors and there was a great buzz around the school. A huge thank you to all of the staff who arrived at 7:30 am and prepared breakfast.

WORKING BEE

We are holding a working bee at school this Saturday from 8am-12:30pm. Jobs will include: painting, weeding, moving crushed rock, general tidying etc. It would be great to see some new faces this Saturday. A free sausage sizzle will be on from 12-12:30 for workers and their children.

CURRICULUM DAY

The staff worked hard at last week's curriculum day. It was a chance to reflect on our 4 year strategic plan and to look at highlights over the past 4 years. This will become part of our School Review in 2020. At the end of our school review we will have written a new strategic plan for the following 4 years.

We are looking for parent input on future directions for the school. We are holding a very important parent forum on Wednesday 11th of September at 2:45pm. Parents will be asked to answer three very short questions based on highlights, areas of improvement and future directions. This forum will be held in the library and will have some great door prizes!!

NAPLAN

Student NAPLAN results become available this week. We will send home individual reports as soon as we have them. School is able to access NAPLAN results as of Wednesday 4th of September.

FORWARD DATES

Sept / Oct 2019

Space Incursion	4th Sept
Working Bee	6th Sept
Footy Day Sausage Sizzle	11th Sept
Parent Forum	11th Sept
Swimming Program Prep-Gr4	16th - 20th Sept
Divisional Athletics	18th Sept
End of Term 3 2:30pm Finish	20th Sept
Term 4 Commences	7th Oct
Grade 3/4 Camp Phillip Island	9th-11th Oct
Prep Orientation Physical Education	16th Oct
Twilight Sports	23rd Oct

We are SUNSMART

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DISTRICT ATHLETICS

Our students had a fabulous athletics carnival. We have 12 individual students and 2 relay teams that have qualified for the next level. This is a fantastic achievement from our team. Well done to all of our little legends and to Mr. Penny.

HOOPTIME

Our Middle School students competed in 'Hooptime' last week. Our All Stars Boys Team made the grand final and went down in a thriller. Our focus next year is to get more girls interested in basketball so that we can enter more mixed teams.

WAKAKIRRI

The Wakakirri results are in and unfortunately we did not make the state finals this year. We performed magnificently on the night and must have been desperately close! I was really proud of all of our students. Thank you to all of the parents and staff who helped on the night and a massive thank you to Kate O'Beirne and Staci Malberg who gave up their Wednesday afternoons on a voluntary basis to train our dancers.

SOCIAL MEDIA

I was recently alerted to the fact that we received an enormous amount of positive feedback on social media. A new parent was asking for recommendations on local schools and over thirty of our parents responded and gave our school a great review. Social media (although I try and stay off it) is a fantastic way to give our school a pump up so we appreciate all of the positive reviews.

CAR PARKING

Please do not park in the area between the prep grades and the hall at any time. This is a safety hazard as it involves reversing out as families are walking to and from school. Family safety is our number one priority.

Brendan McDonough
Principal

EVERY DAY COUNTS

LIBRARY NEWS

Thank you to all the families that supported the Book Fair. This is a major fundraiser for the Library. Due to your generous support the Library received $950 worth of new books for the children to enjoy.

Special thanks must go to my outstanding sales team, Mrs Heffernan and Ms Darnell, without their ongoing support it would be impossible to run such an event.

Thank you also to Miss O'Brien, who came in everyday to see if we needed any help.

Happy Reading Everyone!

Nerida Dennett.

Environment Committee News

The students will be selling some of the lovely fresh produce that has grown in the school garden at this Friday's assembly. There will be lots of silver beet and rhubarb—perfect for hot apple and rhubarb pie. Small change only, preferred no higher notes than $5. Money raised will go towards purchasing more items to grow in the garden.

Thank you to
Oasis Horticulture
for their ongoing support.

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Kindness Week

This week at DMPS we are celebrating Kindness Week!

These are some of the activities we are doing in class and the playground throughout the week. We are also trying to complete something the 'Random Acts of Kindness' list (see below), some of these could be done home too.

The WellBeing Team

Random Acts of Kindness

MannersMonday

Use your best manners!

- ♡ Hold the door for someone
- ♡ Say "please", "thank you" and "excuse me"
- ♡ Use good table manners

Thoughtful Thursday

Do something to make someone feel good!

- ♡ Make a picture for someone in your family
- ♡ Send a card to someone who is sick
- ♡ Donate items to the Art Room

Thank you Tuesday

Who deserves a thank you for helping you?

- ♡ Thank them in person
- ♡ Write them a small note
- ♡ Create a picture for them

Friendship Friday

Make a new friend today!

- ♡ At lunch, sit at a table in birthday months
- ♡ Talk to someone you don't usually sit with
- ♡ Include everyone!

What Can I do to Help? Wednesday

Think of ways you can help your parents or teacher!

- ♡ Clean your room
- ♡ Put the dishes in the sink
- ♡ Pick up the rubbish in the classroom
- ♡ Pick up rubbish in the playground
- ♡ Clean your bag hole in your classroom

Kindness Week

Mon 2nd Sept to Friday 6th Sept

Letters of Gratitude

Write a letter to someone in the community thanking them for what they have done. If possible, deliver it personally and read it out.

Kindness Activity Grid/Bingo Board

Students complete the kindness activities and mark them off.

Kindness Buckets

Students have a cup on their table (or pigeon hole or back hole) to collect 'kindness points', awarded for showing kindness throughout the week. At the end of the week, students tally up their points for a grade winner and an overall winner in the school.

Kindness Wordle

Students can create a 'Kindness Wordle' in their class.

Kindness Tokens

During yard duty, staff give students 'Kindness Tokens' (like Friendship tokens) for showing kindness to others. This will be drawn at assembly.

Kindness Grade of the Week

The specialists' bear will be awarded to the grade showing the most kindness to their class mates in Music, P.E. and Indo.

Our Values this week are based on Kindness as it is our Kindness Week!

DEVON MEADOWS PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS WILL REMEMBER TO USE THEIR MANNERS AT ALL TIMES AND BE KIND TO OTHERS.

DEVON MEADOWS PRIMARY SCHOOL STAFF WILL ALWAYS DEMONSTRATE KINDNESS TOWARDS OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY.

DEVON MEADOWS PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS ALWAYS SHOW KINDNESS TOWARDS OTHERS IN OUR SCHOOL.

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COME AND TRY/ REGISTRATION DAY

September 21st: 10am - 12pm
September 27th: 12pm - 2pm
(Multi Class Athletes 11am - 12pm September 27th)

Season starts: Saturday, 5th October 2019

- Stay fit during the off season with athletics - sprints, hurdles, long jump, discus and more....
- Socialise with peers
- Training to upskill techniques
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Tennis LESSONS @ DEVON MEADOWS TENNIS CLUB

When: Tuesday afternoon and Saturday morning
Where: Devon Meadows Tennis Club
Corner Browns & Cross Roads, Devon Meadows, VIC 3977
FREE TRIAL LESSON!
Bookings Essential
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SEP 19 DORA AND THE LOST CITY OF GOLD
SEP 19 UGLYDOLLS
SEP 19 ABOMINABLE
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NOV 28 FROZEN 2
DEC 5 THE ADDAMS FAMILY

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Kids enjoy environmental activities, animal encounters and native animal care. Day includes: interactions with dingo, python, off-limits animals, feeding animals & food prep, animal enrichment activities. Learn about our animals, their conservation and the environment. For ages 7-14 years.

Spring 2019 school holiday dates:

- Week 1: Mon 23rd, Tue 24th, Thursday 26th September
- Week 2: Mon 30th September, Tue 1st, Wed 2nd, Thu 3rd, Friday 4th October 10am–4pm

Cost: $90.00 per day, or $250 for 3 days (pro rata for additional days).
Maximum 16 children per day.

Bookings essential as spaces are limited
Dress for the weather and wear closed-toe shoes, long pants and remember your hat or raincoat. BYO lunch or purchase at the café.

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