



Respect & Care



Responsibility



Inclusion, Tolerance & Understanding



Excellence

Dear parents, grandparents and friends,

Assembly

This week at assembly, Anwin, Chloe, Raff and Eloise shared their recent learning about debating. The grade 5/6 students have learned about being given a position, writing strong arguments with supporting detail as well as a rebuttal. They have learned a great deal, and as anyone with children understands, children refine their persuasive skills all the time!

Transition

Next Tuesday, 8th December, we will once again be conducting a whole school transition morning from 9.30 – 12.30pm, to enable students to spend some time in classrooms at a higher year level. The aim of the session is for students to mix with the students who will be in their year levels in 2021. Our new Foundation students and new students in other year levels will also be at school at this time. We hope that this session will assist all students to have a smooth transition leading into next year. We are currently finalising our staffing and allocating students to classes. Students will find out their new teacher and class on Friday 11th December.

December Reports

Student reports will be sent home on Wednesday 16th December.

A reminder that additional copies of the report can be printed if required. Please let Vicki, Melissa or your child's class teacher know if you need a second copy and if it is to be sent home with your child, emailed to a parent or posted.

Teacher Grade Allocations for 2021

Teaching staff allocations for 2021 will be as follows: Kym Bursill 4 days /Sam Streeter 1 day (Prep B), Brooke Cowan (Prep C), Kellie Healy (1/2H), Sam Bell (1/2B), Sophie Robb (1/2R), Kelly Kosloff (1/2K), Airlie Penny (3/4P), Emma Remilton (3/4E), Kate Maloy (3/4M), Kylie Watson (5/6W), Sam Peeters (5/6P), Dee Clark (Art), Tom O'Loughlin (P.E.), Lauren Rendell (Japanese).

Most of our grades are made up of composites of students in two year levels. In reality, every class is a composite of several levels; there is a wide spread of interests, personalities and abilities in every class and our teachers are trained to teach to their students' points of need.

Christmas raffle

Our office is beginning to look very festive, with raffle prizes coming in every day!

Please return all tickets and money by **Friday 11th December** at the latest.

The raffle will be drawn on Monday 14th December.



Minor Works funding- \$150,000



Thanks to our school community for the great support you have given towards our oval upgrade. It was very exciting to hear news on Wednesday that the Victorian government will fund the project to the value of \$500,000. We will keep everyone up to date as the plans progress!

Natalie Toohey
Principal

Congratulations, Paddy!



Recently our grade 3/4 students, along with hundreds of other students across Ballarat, entered a competition to design the annual Christmas card for local MP, Juliana Addison. Congratulations to Paddy (3/4K), who won the competition and has the honour of having his very 2020 *Ballarat Christmas* drawing on the front of the card!

Danalicious! Get ready for our very own community cookbook!

Our School Council fundraising committee is preparing to create a cookbook full of delicious recipes from our school community. The Cookbook will be titled "Danalicious" and is expected to be ready for sale by term 2 next year.

Do you have a recipe to add to the book? Please see the back page of the newsletter. Students will take home a flyer today- pop it on the door of the fridge to remind you!



Term 4 Mathletics News!

Congratulations to Angus and Harvey for receiving a Silver certificate this week.



Reverse Advent Calendar



Our Reverse Advent Calendar Boxes have arrived. Students are invited to place an item of non-perishable food/toiletries into the box. We will deliver the boxes for those in Ballarat less privileged during the last week of term.

Book Fair 2020

A big thank you to everyone for supporting the very different Book Fair we had this year. I was blown away with all the orders and the amount of shoppers that came in last week during recess! Lots of new books went home to families to enjoy and read over the holidays. All books have been ordered for those still waiting and will be handed to students as soon as they arrive at school.

Your amazing effort has meant we made over \$1000 worth of books for classrooms and the library.

Thank you once again,

Louise and Lauren



Student Of The Week Awards



00K ~ RORO

For his amazing work in maths this week. Roro, we are so proud of your efforts in skip counting. You have displayed a "can do" attitude and have been open to challenges! Keep up the great work, Mr Mathematician!



01B ~ HOLLY

For her terrific growth mindset and respectful listening. Holly, you make wonderful choices and I love seeing you challenge yourself with your counting strategies. Star effort!



0/1S ~ AGATHA

For a sensational week of learning. You have had a red hot go at skip counting this week and found many ways to equally share twelve counters. Well done!!!



1/2D ~ OLIVER

For always giving 100% in all your learning tasks. You are a fantastic role model to others in our room by locking into your activities on a daily basis. Keep it up!



1/2K ~ MIKAYLA

For locking into your listening and learning, Mikayla, I have been so proud of the way you have shared your knowledge this week and made mature decisions. GREAT WORK, SUPERSTAR!



2/3S ~ MIKIAH

For your amazing focus and attitude to learning. You give all tasks 100% effort, you're always locked into your learning, and that makes you a spectacular role model in the classroom.



3/4A ~ EVE

For the way you show excellence in your learning. Eve, you give every task your best effort and have demonstrated your ability to use success criteria in each lesson to ensure your work is completed to a high standard. Great work identifying fractions when looking at chance and writing a detailed persuasive text using a range of persuasive devices to persuade the reader.



3/4K ~ SIANA

For the positive and caring attitude you consistently show every day. In your learning, you continually challenge yourself and get into the pit. You are always willing to help others and treat everyone with kindness and respect. SUPERSTAR!



5/6E ~ NICHOLAS

For demonstrating excellence in everything he does, but especially in maths. You have worked incredibly hard to complete your "My Holiday Journey" project. Sensational work superstar.



5/6K ~ IZAAK

For locking into learning this week and producing some great completed tasks. Keep up the great growth mindset, Izaak. You Rock!

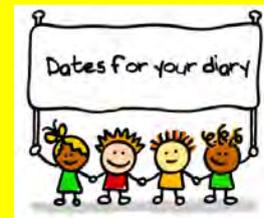


5/6S ~ GABBY

For consistently demonstrating the Dana Street Primary School values. Gabby, your kind, caring and respectful nature, is testament to the way in which you conduct yourself within the schooling community, demonstrating what a wonderful role model you are! Keep it up, legend!

Well done!

Dates: **Monday 7th December**
Japanese day
School Council Meeting ~ 6:30pm at school



Tuesday 8th December
Final transition morning for 2021 Foundation students
Transition morning for all students

Wednesday 9th December
Grade 6 Excursion to Superworld

Monday 14th December
Christmas raffle drawn

Thursday 10th December
Grade 2/3/4 excursion to Victoria Park

Wednesday 16th December
Reports go home
Grade 6 graduation

Friday 11th December
Raffle tickets due back
Crazy sock day ~ gold coin donation
Icy pole Friday

Thursday 17th December
Last day of school for students

Grade 6 Graduation- Wednesday 16th December



Parents of grade 6 students are invited to a gathering at Oscar's Hotel, in between dropping students to school on Graduation night at 5:45pm, and the ceremony at 6:45pm. Some of our parents have kindly organised this, and the cost is \$10 per person for finger food, with people buying their own drinks. If interested, please contact Renae Cattanach as soon as possible for numbers. Ph: 0435737930

Classroom Libraries:

What a welcome surprise our classroom libraries were for students upon their return to school this term. Every classroom in the school now has a selection of quality fiction and non-fiction texts for students to choose and read each day. From Mr Men to mysteries, Dr Seuss to dinosaurs and chapter books to cheeky books, our classroom libraries have so much to offer. Students have been involved in the process of choosing authors and titles for their libraries as well as helping categorise all of the books. It has been wonderful to see students' faces light up when they get to browse through the books to find some new reading material. We can't wait to see which authors and titles we will add to each of the classroom libraries next year!



PARENT PAYMENT FOR 2021

(These prices are approximate at this time)

Foundation & Grade 1:

Essential Student Learning Items	\$30.00
Subscriptions (Mathletics etc)	\$30.00
Excursion Levy	\$180.00

Grade 2:

Essential Student Learning Items	\$30.00
Subscriptions (Mathletics etc)	\$30.00
Excursion Levy	\$155.00

Grade 3 & Grade 4:

Essential Student Learning Items	\$30.00
Subscriptions (Mathletics etc)	\$30.00
Excursion Levy	\$170.00

Grade 5:

Essential Student Learning Items	\$30.00
Subscriptions (Mathletics etc)	\$30.00
Excursion Levy	\$505.00
(includes Camp)	

GRADE 5/6

TERM 4 REFLECTIONS...

MATHS

In maths this term, students have been consolidating knowledge of the four processes and mathematical concepts through real life investigations.

"I was proud when I finished completing my Theme Park. I have enjoyed doing the Maths Warm Ups everyday. I have been determined to learn all of my multiplication facts." By Neve

"I have enjoyed making our journeys through Australia and it has now inspired me to do my trip when I'm older." By Tia

"I have learnt that I can achieve anything in Maths by working hard". By Elyse

"I have learnt about using real information to solve Maths equations, like calculating travel time and fuel cost. This has made me better at division and long multiplication." By Astrid



WRITING

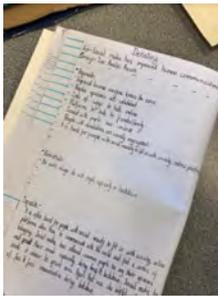
In writing this term, students have been learning how to construct both formal and informal letters as well as plan a debate within a team. Students wrote arguments for or against a topic which they were given. Students have had to construct their own research within their teams.

"I have enjoyed thinking of good points to debate" - Amelie

"I think it will help get our brains moving for later in life" - Hamish

"I liked how we got to work as a team and we all included our ideas"
Eloise

"I learned how to write a informal letter" - Penny



READING

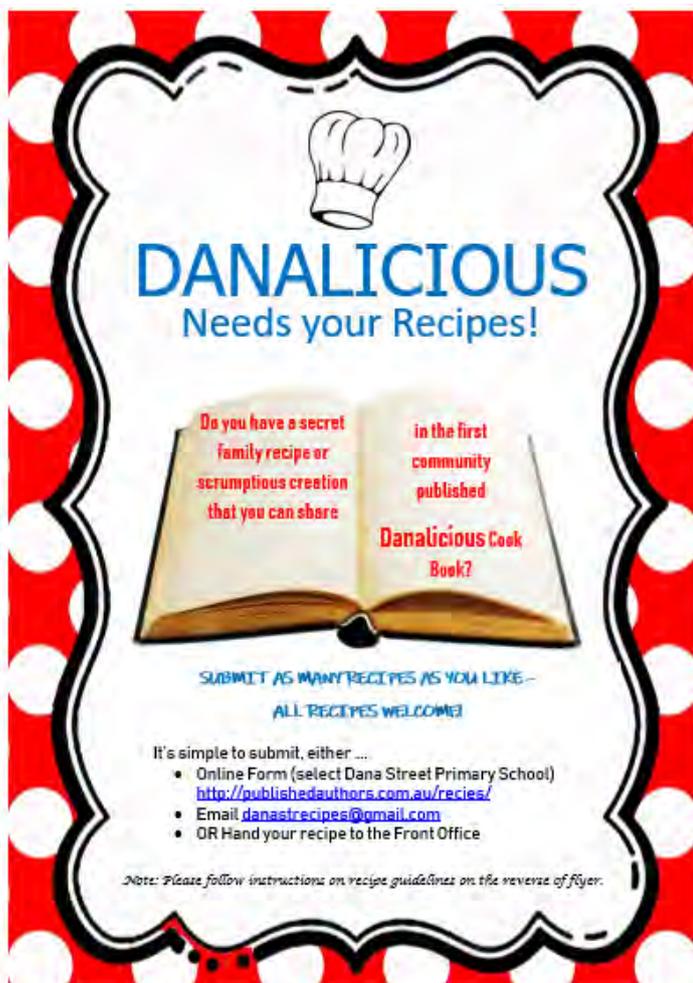
It has been simply outstanding to witness the rich and informative discussions that have occurred in each Literature Circle group, by students presenting their thoughts and opinions of the novel. This demonstrates the skills and strategies that all of the students have learned throughout the year.

"It was great reading new texts, and demonstrating my deeper understandings" - Isaac

"We have enlightening discussions about the novels" - Ellen

"It was fun to read the novel and share each role with my group" - Jasper





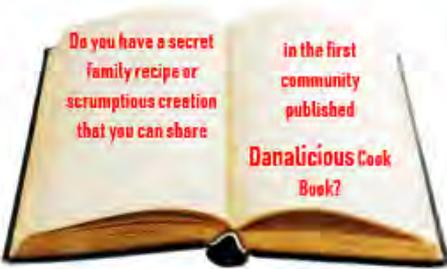


DANALICIOUS

Needs your Recipes!

Do you have a secret family recipe or scrumptious creation that you can share

in the first community published



Danalicious Cook Book?

SUBMIT AS MANY RECIPES AS YOU LIKE - ALL RECIPES WELCOME!

It's simple to submit, either ...

- Online Form (select Dana Street Primary School) <http://publishedauthors.com.au/recipes/>
- Email danastrecipes@gmail.com
- OR Hand your recipe to the Front Office

Note: Please follow instructions on recipe guidelines on the reverse of flyer.

Contact Details:

Your Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Tick your submission category:

FEEDING THE FAMILY

- Soups and salads
- Quick and Easy (those simple weeknight dinners you whip out again and again)
- Family Favourites (for long held family recipes and classic meals your family loves)

YOUNG & HUNGRY

- Kids in the Kitchen (Recipes a kid can cook for themselves or their family. We encourage students to submit their favourite things to make here)
- Lunchbox Fillers (homemade lunch and snack ideas that always get eaten)
- Birthday Party Food (we want to hear about sweets and savouries!)

SOMETHING SWEET

- Cakes, biscuits and slices
- Desserts

Please include in your recipe:

- Recipe title
- Description (Briefly describe why you really like this recipe or why it's so special to you or your family)
- Category (as above)
- Number of people it serves
- Ingredients (as a dot point list, please use these measurements: cup, tbsp, tsp, ml, l, kg)
- Method
- Feel free to include any hints or serving suggestions!

Thank-you for your valuable contribution!

Dana St Community sport

It's wonderful to see life for our students returning to a kind of normal.

Our Dana Jets Futsal team is happily competing on Tuesday afternoons after school.

We also have many students competing for Coronet City Cricket Club. Last week they had a tidy win over Ballan.



Crazy Sock Day

FRIDAY 11TH DECEMBER



Bring a **gold coin** donation

*Money raised will go to Dana St's Sponsor Child

Library Books need to be returned

Library will be closed from Friday 11th December.

Can everyone please return any library books they may have by Tuesday 8th December.

Thank you
Kim

