



Respect & Care



Responsibility



Inclusion, Tolerance & Understanding



Excellence

Dear parents, grandparents and friends,

Remote Learning Highlights

This week, our students showed what positive, resilient learners they are. Almost all students engaged every day with their classroom teacher via the daily Webex meeting and strived to do their best in remote learning.

Teachers are monitoring student wellbeing through the Webex meetings and through chats and student work. Please let us know if you have concerns about your child's wellbeing. We are partners in your child's learning journey and will always strive to help.

Back to school

At this stage, we hope to be back at school, onsite, on Wednesday 28th July.

There may be some changes to our practices, and likely some excursions and events may need to be postponed. We will give families information with as much notice as possible!



ICAS assessments

Students interested in participating in the ICAS assessments should bring their form and money to school by Friday 30th July. The assessments will take place in weeks 6,7 and 8 of term.

Blackspot Funding

Last year and earlier this year, our School Council lobbied all levels of government towards targeting funding at the intersection of Dana and Dawson Streets. The intersection is very dangerous, particularly at drop-off and pick-up times, with cars and pedestrians using the same space. It was fantastic to learn this week that the federal government will allocate \$60,000 to install traffic islands, improve kerbs and pedestrian crossings at the intersection. Thanks to our School Council for their persistence!



Pie Orders

Hopefully the recent lockdown will have little impact on our Pie Drive. Orders and money are now due back to school on **Wednesday 28th July**.

We hope that orders will still be delivered to school on Thursday 5th August. We will let you know of any delay.

Natalie Toohey ~ Principal



Student Of The Week Awards



OOB ~ KAI

For the positive way you have approached home learning this week. It's great to see you engaged in our daily meetings and having a red hot go at your learning. Keep up the amazing work!



OOC ~ MAC

For his enthusiasm during all remote class meetings. Mac, we can always count on you to help drive our class discussions and your passion for animals is admirable. I have loved seeing you challenge yourself. You are a superstar!



1/2B ~ PATRICK

For the fantastic effort that you have applied to your remote learning. You attend each Webex meeting with a smile on your dial and readiness to learn. It was such a delight to read your Minecraft story and see you challenge yourself by using different types of punctuation. Well done, Patrick!



1/2H ~ CONALL

For using a range of strategies to complete his subtraction work. Conall, I was so excited to see you complete all of your equations correctly. You were also super proud of yourself. Well done!



1/2K ~ FINN

For being on time to our daily check in meetings and for being keen to share his thoughts and work with others. Finn, I'm especially impressed with your writing stamina whilst working remotely. Keep up the great work!



1/2R ~ EDWARD

For showing up to every meeting with a giant smile, listening respectfully, and asking great questions! Eddie, you're a superstar learner. Keep up the great work!



3/4M ~ POPPY

For easily settling into remote learning. You have kept your standard high and continued to produce amazing work. You have impressed me with your effort, persistence and the pride you have taken in your learning. Keep it up, Superstar!



3/4P ~ TIGER

For eagerly participating in our classroom morning meetings and sharing insights on the learning topics. Fantastic effort looking at calendar features and adding in important dates to the month of August. Keep up the amazing work, Tiger!



3/4R ~ MAE

For displaying excellence with each of her learning tasks and thinking maturely during remote learning. I was impressed to hear her strategies to complete her required learning without the resources. Mae always aims high with everything she does and I have loved seeing this continue this past week with her portfolio uploads. Amazing effort, superstar!



5/6P ~ ARCHIE

For the dedication and determination that he has demonstrated thus far in remote learning. Archie, each day you have submitted all your learning tasks to an excellent standard. You are consistently using feedback to improve each aspects of your learning! Keep up the great work, legend!



5/6W ~ ANNIE

For showing excellence during your learning tasks this term and taking on feedback to make improvements. You have worked hard to further develop your mathematical knowledge, constantly showing a growth mindset with all learning tasks! You rock, Annie!

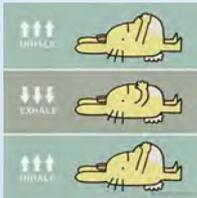
Mindfulness

Our days are often busy and consist of a number of tasks we strive to get through.

As part of our integrated wellbeing practices at Dana Street Primary School, we incorporate regular **brain breaks**, **breathing techniques** and **specific mindful tasks** that develop our students' skills so they can slow down their own speedy days and notice their body's core motions.

Mindfulness teaches kids to focus on the present. It gives them the strategies to self-soothe, regulate and refocus. It also assists them to achieve their best! Some ways we incorporate mindfulness into our school days is through **belly breathing**, where

Watching bubbles and displaying self-control as they gently fall, is a favourite in our Foundation classrooms.



Mindfulness at Home

Our days are full to the brim with family and work commitments and once again home learning. It could be beneficial for our Dana Street families to try out some mindfulness at home. Below are just a few ideas of what you can do during your day to help your family focus on the most important things in life, each other.

1. Model Self-care

Give yourself some well-deserved down time. Do something just for yourself, like reading a book, going for a walk or having a warm bath.

2. Practice Gratitude

Talk about the little things you are grateful for, like having a meal together or sharing a story.

3. Display Empathy

We are all human and sometimes we are not always at our best. Give others around you your support and patience, and let them know you are there for them.

4. Take time to enjoy the little things

Take notice of the taste and texture of a meal. Talk to each other about it as you eat.

5. Tune in to your body

Spend a couple of minutes at bed time or when you wake up in the morning noticing the subtle movements of your body. Place your hands on your tummy and notice yourself breathing or feel your heart beating.

Giving yourself a couple of minutes every now and then can help you to achieve amazing things! Remember to ask your children to show you how, as they have some great ideas!

Pie Drive

***Please note change of date!



Pie Drive order forms and money are due back at school by Wednesday 28th July please.

Pies will be delivered on Thursday 5th August

FREE FOOD AT LOCKDOWN

BKFA provides freshly cooked meals home delivered.



Those who are struggling during lockdown please contact

ORDER YOUR FOOD 0410872267, 0469862609
TEXT OR CALL 0470375030
 (No. of Meals, Address)

When: Thursday 22nd July, Saturday 24th July, Monday 26th July

Order must be placed by 2pm on the day of delivery
 Delivery time : 5pm - 7pm
 Kindly Note : Delivery in Ballarat Region only

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 Land a Hand, Feed a Heart

<http://www.helpinghandsbkfa.org.au> helpinghandsbkfa@gmail.com

Dates: ***All dates may be subject to change according to community restrictions*

Monday 26th to Wednesday 28th July
 Book Fair 3:30pm ~ 4:00pm
Postponed - Date to be advised

Wednesday 28th July
 Pie order forms need to be returned

Friday 30th July
 ICAS Forms to be returned with payment

Wednesday 4th August
 Year 7 placements notifications

Thursday 5th August
 Pie orders to be collected

Friday 6th August
 Movie night
Postponed - Date to be advised

Monday 9th August
 School Council meeting

Mathletics!





A BIG Congratulations to Cahill on achieving his 2nd Gold Certificate for 2021.

Well done and keep up the great work!

DANA STREET'S

MOVIE NIGHT!

FRIDAY AUGUST 6TH



MOVIE STARTS AT 6.30PM
SAUSAGES AVAILABLE FROM 5.45PM



POSTPONED FOR NOW!

TICKETS
MUST BE
PURCHASED
SEATING AVAILABLE

POPCORN \$2
PRE-ORDERED FOR
CATERING PURPOSES

SAUSAGES \$2
JUICE BOXES \$2
AVAILABLE TO
PURCHASE ON THE
NIGHT



VENUE:
BALLARAT
HIGH
SCHOOL
- THE ROBINSON
CENTRE

1726 STURT ST,
LAKE GARDENS,
VIC 3350



TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE OFFICE
SEE YOU THERE!

2021 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)



Dear Parents,

Our students in grades **2, 3, 4, 5 and 6** are offered the opportunity to participate in a range of ICAS competitions/assessments organised by UNSW Global Assessments. The assessments take place in schools throughout Australia and overseas, and are designed for recognising academic excellence. They present an opportunity for students to stretch themselves further in a range of areas.

These assessments are in the form of online multiple-choice type tests in the areas of English, Mathematics, and Science. The questions range in level of difficulty and are quite challenging. We recommend that you discuss the assessments with your child's teacher if unsure about whether your child should participate.

Each assessment has an entry fee. This fee includes a detailed student performance report and a certificate showing your child's achievement compared to other students. Our school is subsidising the fee (from \$17.50 per test to \$8.00) All assessments will be held at school during Term 3, in weeks 6, 7 and 8.

If you would like your child to be involved in any of the assessments please complete the form below and return it to school with payment by **Friday 30th July**

If you would like further information about any of the assessments please contact Mrs Toohey or visit the competition website www.eaa.unsw.edu.au

2021 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)

Student's Name: _____

Grade: _____

I would like my child to participate in the following Competitions /Assessments:

English \$8.00

Mathematics \$8.00

Science \$8.00

Total enclosed:

\$

Parent's Signature: _____