

Newsletter ~ 6th March to 10th March 2023

Term 1 ~ Week 6

Ballarat Primary School (Dana St)

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Respect & Care

Responsibility

Inclusion, Tolerance & Understanding

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Dana Street Primary School is committed to child safety (Ministerial Order No. 870) and takes all reasonable steps to ensure that the safety of our students is paramount.



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Ryan's Ramblings

Dear parents, grandparents and friends,

It seems as if the Ballarat weather has given us a stark reminder of what it is capable of, this week. Perhaps, it is a good thing that warmer weather is forecast for next.

I was really excited on Monday of this week, to have been able to witness our Student Leaders all perform a set of amazing speeches in front of parents and fellow peers. Our 14 person student leadership group each reflected on what 'Leadership' means to them, and what they would like to achieve this year. It was a proud moment for many parents and families in attendance. An huge thank you to Steven Rothberg for presenting the badges on behalf of our School Council.

Next week, our Grade 3 and 5 students will begin their NAPLAN testing for this year. This will be the first time that the NAPLAN testing will be in Term 1, as opposed to Term 2. Attached to this newsletter is the NAPLAN schedule for our students. There are four tests in total Writing, Reading, Conventions of Language and Numeracy. If you have any questions about NAPLAN testing, please reach out.

On Tuesday evening of next week, I am excited to have our wonderful school community together for our first community evening for the year. Please bring along a picnic dinner, a picnic rug, or chairs, and enjoy some time together. We will have some musical entertainment from our very own staff and some games for the students to participate in. It will be a great time for all of us to connect with each other.

Next Wednesday will see our Whole School Athletics Day, which will be incredibly exciting. Michelle has been working around the clock to get everything organised. In a change this year, all students from Foundation to Grade 6 will have the sports on the same day, which will be fantastic for us all. Buses will be departing school as close to 9:00am as possible, so please ensure your child is at school well before then. If you are unsure of your child's house, please contact your child's teacher via dojo.

As you will know, this weekend is a long weekend. I do hope that you are all able to take the time to relax and unwind this weekend with the ones who mean the most.

Have a fantastic weekend.

Monday 13th March

Labour Day Holiday

No School

Ryan



Dates: Tuesday 7th to 15th March



Somers Camp

Monday 13th March

Labour Day Holiday

Tuesday 14th March

Community Picnic and games night
5pm—7pm.

Wednesday 15th March

Whole school sports day

Tuesday 21st March

Parent/Career Helper Program make
up Session 9am to 10am in Library

Wednesday 22nd March

2024 Prep Information Session 10am

Wednesday 29th March

Parent/Career Helper Program
make up Session 9am to 10am in
Library

Thursday 30th/Friday 31st March

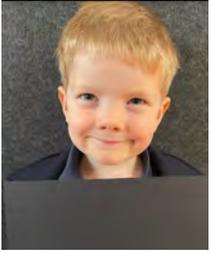
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Thursday 6th April

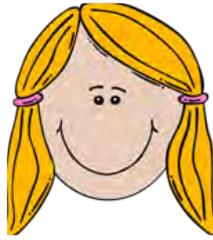
Last Day Term 1 2.30pm Finish



Students Of The Week Awards



00B
Henry
For your clarity in explaining your thinking to your peers. We appreciate the focus and determination you show to learn more and to apply new learning consistently to your work. Amazing effort Henry!



0/1S
Arie
For your positive approach to school and learning experiences. Arie, you always take pride in your learning, give all tasks a red hot go and are a kind classmate to all. Keep up the great work. Amazing effort, Arie!



1/2B
Nolan
For always showing kindness and respect to your classmates. You show great determination when completing tasks and willing to take on feedback to improve your work. You always come into class with a smile and great attitude. It's a pleasure having you in our room, Nolan, keep up the great work!

1/2D
Gemma
For being a positive and thoughtful ray of sunshine. You are happy and enthusiastic every day and we appreciate you being a role model in our class.



1/2K
Charlie
For blowing my socks off during our phonics session this week. Charlie you have constantly tried your best and impressed me with your ability. Keep it up buddy!



3/4B
Edward
For the hard work that you have put into your persuasive writing this week. Edward, it was fantastic to see you using a range of persuasive devices and challenging yourself to produce a series of quality arguments. Way to go, legend!



3/4C
Isla
For modelling the school values and having a go at everything. You show willingness to enter the learning pit and learn new things. It's been great to see your persuasive writing come together, as well as your efforts in completing a range of subtraction problems this week. Keep up the great work. Well done, Isla



3/4N
Alexander
For always challenging yourself and being willing to be in the learning pit! You have worked hard in Maths this week and developing great strategies when working with subtraction. I'm looking forward to reading your very convincing persuasive text. Thanks for being a great leader in 3/4N. Well done Alexander, you should be very proud of yourself!



3/4T
Izzy
For using your growth mindset. It has been such a pleasure to see you using your growth mindset to write your persuasive piece on 'Dogs are better than cats' this week. You have included many persuasive devices to convince the reader. Keep up the great work. Keep being you, Izzy.

5/6A
Savannah
For working diligently in our writing sessions this week. Savannah, you focused your efforts into adding imagery into your persuasive text introduction and incorporated persuasive devices to support your arguments. Keep up the amazing effort!



5/6J
Poppy
For the way she actively listens during whole class focuses. Poppy uses whole body listening and stays actively engaged in discussions by answering questions. It is no surprise to see you achieving success. Keep up the good work!



5/6P
Harequinn
For settling into Dana Street superbly. Harlee, it has been great to see you lock into your learning this week, and instantly form friendships with your fellow peers. Keep being you legend!



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Grade 5/6 Wyuna Camp



Camp was awesome, we got to do lots of fun and interesting activities. We got to go on many walks and treacherous adventures. The food there was incredible, and being in the cabins with friends was great! By far the best camp I have ever been on, even though i have only been on one. Cooper Johnson





When we first arrived at Camp Wyuna, we all took a tour of the area and then found our cabins and our groups. There were four groups, called Sharks, Stingrays, Whales, and Dolphins. Each group did all their activities together, such as boogie boarding, canoeing, a walk around town, beach activities and a night walk, where Sam led us through rotten seaweed for around twenty minutes and got all of our shoes soaked. All in all, the food was great, and this experience will certainly be one to remember.

Eve Laverty



Camp was amazing! But the night walk. Let's just say it had a lot of sludge around. The teachers directed us on a walk for an hour in this sea spew and it was disgusting! After we had found our way back to camp, my shoes were filled with puddles of murky water. In the end, we all laughed about this and was a highlight of our camp.

Pippa Martin





WHOLE SCHOOL SPORTS DAY



9am departure from school

3pm return to school

What to Wear: house colours,
appropriate PE shoes, wide brim hat
and sunscreen.

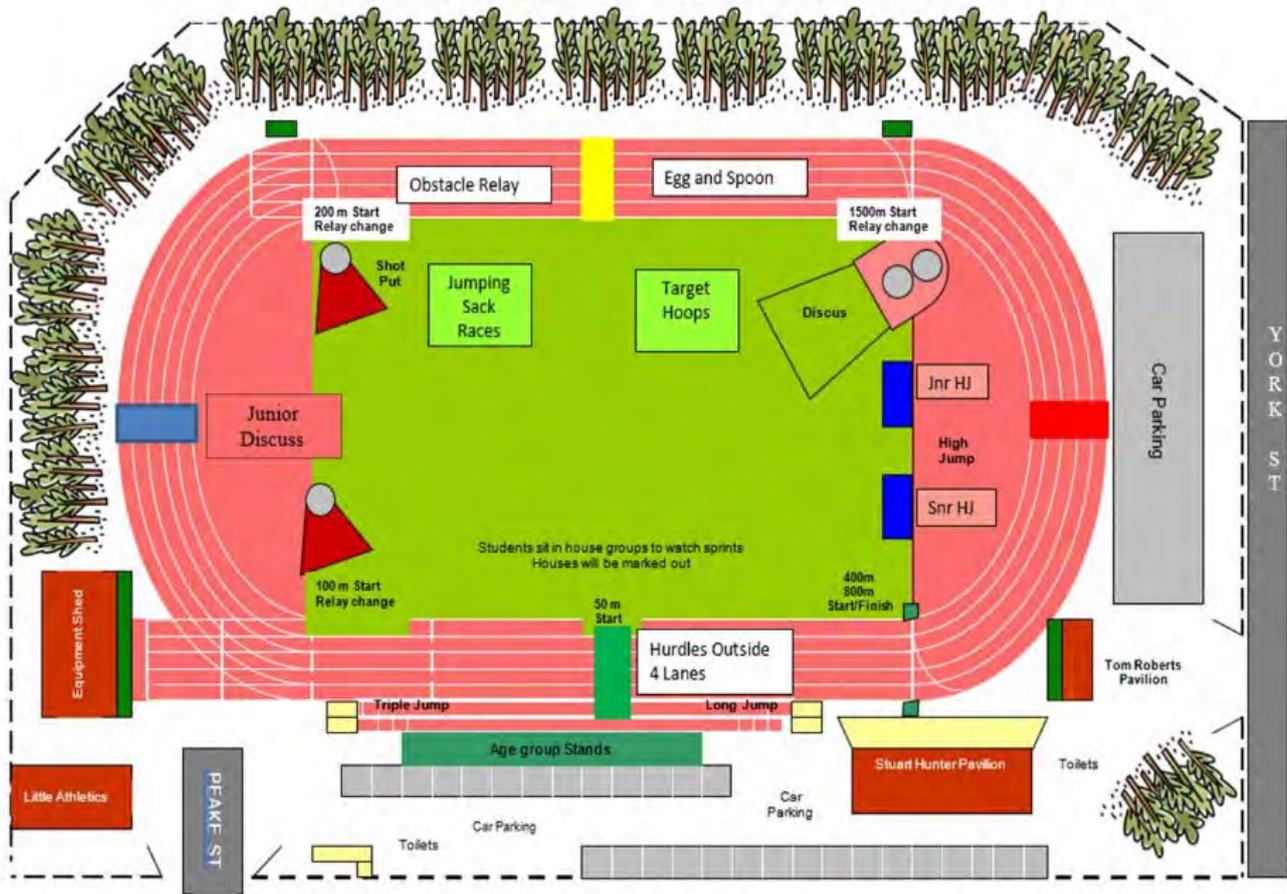
Get in the spirit of Sports Day!

To Pack: snacks, lunch and water
bottle

WEDNESDAY 15TH MARCH
LLANBERRIS ATHLETICS RESERVE

SPORTS DAY INFORMATION

Dana St Primary School Athletics Carnival 2023



Timetable for Sports Day

Foundation		Year 1 & 2		Year 3 to 6	
9:00	Depart School	9:00	Depart School	9:00	Depart School
9:10	Arrive	9:10	Arrive	9:10	
9:15	Warm Up	9:15	Warm Up	9:15	Warm Up or 800m
9:25	5 Minute Run	9:25	5 Minute Run	9:25	5 Minute Run
9:30	Tabloid Sports	9:30	Jnr Rotation 1	9:30	Rotation 1
10:00	Tabloid Sports	10:00	Jnr Rotation 2	10:00	Rotation 2
10:30	Snack	10:30	Snack	10:30	Rotation 3
11:00	Sprints	11:00	Sprints	11:00	Snack/Spectate Jnr 100m
11:30	Standing Jump	11:30	Jnr Rotation 3	11:30	100m
12:00	Vortex	12:00	Jnr Rotation 4	12:00	Rotation 4
12:30	Lunch	12:30	Lunch	12:30	Rotation 5
1:00	Shot Put / Ball Throw	1:00	Tabloid	1:00	Lunch
			Tabloid	1:15	Rotation 6
1:30	Discuss	1:30	Tabloid	1:45	Rotation 7
			Tabloid	2:15	Relays
2:00	Return to School	2:00	Return to School	2:45	Return to School
2:15	Arrive School	2:15	Arrive School	2:55	Arrive School

Hot Cross Buns



Yesterday your family received a Bakers Delight Hot Cross Bun order form. There is also forms available on Class Dojo. Our School Council Fundraising

Committee have organised this popular fundraiser.

There are several flavours available. Order forms are due back at school by Wednesday 22nd March.

The orders will be delivered on Wednesday 29th March, in the 2nd last week of term 1.



Message from Myrtle

Due to the sports next Wednesday Myrtles piano lessons will be on Friday.



KELLY SPORTS EASTER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Tue 11th April - Fri 21st April 2023

Eastwood Leisure Centre, Ballarat

8am to 5pm weekdays

Prep to Grade 6

Fun-filled days featuring sports, games and activities to keep the kids engaged, entertained & active for the full day!

Cost: \$55 per child per day (\$250 for a full week)

Enrol: www.kellysports.com.au/greater-ballarat

Queries: Please call Dom 0417 967 621

KELLY SPORTS TERM 1 AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Spots still open in our after-school programs at Dana St PS

Tuesdays 3.35pm-5.05pm - Multi-Sports: Basketball, Soccer, Cricket, Tennis & Kids Choice

Thursdays 3.35pm-5.05pm - Crazy Games / Kids Choice

Prep to Grade 6

Cost: \$22 + GST per session

Enrol: www.kellysports.com.au/greater-ballarat

Queries: Please call Dom 0417 967 621

*NOTE: We will be running again in Term 2, same days & times (just different Sports!)

Basketball Ballarat Junior Miners Holiday Camp

Adroit Insurance & Risk Junior Holiday Camps are held during each school holidays for children aged 5-13 years old of all genders and abilities.

Improve your skills, develop techniques, enhance your game, meet new friends and ultimately have fun! Our camps cater for the beginner who has never picked up a basketball to the most experience 13 year old in the land!

All participants can expect:

- Meet your favourite Miners players
- Expert instructions from professional coaches including Miners player and coaches
- Develop new basketball skills and training methods
- Fun and inclusive learning environment
- Structured session content including great games and prizes at every camp
- Learn how to be a great team mate and help others succeed

Registrations for Term 1 Holidays are now open, with the camp being held on Wednesday [April 12th](#), Thursday April 13th and Tuesday April 18th from 9:00am till 3:00pm at Selkirk Stadium.

For more information and to register: [Adroit Insurance & Risk Holiday Camp – Ballarat Basketball](#)

For further details please contact Ethan Fiegert via email development@ballaratbasketball.com or for urgent enquiries call reception on (03) 5338 1220



JOIN THE FUN!

Ballarat & Surrounds T1 All Girls Auskick Centre
Western Oval, Ballarat

Monday March 6th - April 3rd from 4:30pm-5:30pm

For more information please contact
Mat Begbie: 0431 128 758



Scan the QR Code to register!



OPEN EVENING

Come along to experience the exceptional and unique opportunities our College offers for Years 7-12.

Our Open Evening will showcase our speciality areas and provide an insight into the quality education students are provided at our College. Join one of our tours to experience the exceptional and unique opportunities our College offers for Years 7-12. The tours will showcase our extensive renovations and refurbishments and you will view our speciality areas and gain an insight into the quality education students are provided at our College.

To provide a more personal and interactive tour, we are placing a limit on the number of people in each group. Tours will be conducted at 15 minute intervals, and we ask that you register for a tour via our College's website and select a time that is most convenient to you.

All tours will commence from the College Main Entrance/Foyer. We look forward to meeting you.

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Book tickets at
mountclearcollege.vic.edu.au



2024 YEAR 7 SHOWCASE EVENING

TUESDAY 14TH MARCH

4:30PM-6:30PM

SEBASTOPOL CAMPUS



Parents and prospective students are warmly invited to attend the Showcase Evening at Phoenix P-12 Community College, Sebastopol Campus. The College will be open between 4:30pm - 6:30pm for visitors to undertake a self-guided tour, exploring interactive displays of students' work and activities across a variety of learning areas. Discover first-hand how your child can share in the lifetime benefits of an excellent secondary education, including a broad range of scholarship opportunities. Further information will be available on the night.



HOLIDAY SQUAD

WHAT TO BRING

- Sunscreen
- Water bottle
- Warm clothes
- Shin pads / Football boots / Runners
- Any medical requirements

WHAT WE PROVIDE

- Snacks and lunch both days
- Lots of fun!

DATES

Miners Rest Primary School
 April 12th-13th 2023
 July 5th-6th 2023
 September 27th-28th 2023

COST

\$230
 Optional extras:
 Shorts and T-shirt \$35



BOOKINGS

To book your session scan the QR Code or visit our website.



www.westernvicfootball.com



WOODMANS HILL
 SECONDARY COLLEGE

Parents of students in
 Grades 4, 5 and 6 are
 warmly encouraged to attend

INFORMATION EVENING

Wednesday 15th March, 2023

Information Sessions

will be held at 5.00pm and 6.00pm
 in the Theatre, followed by school tours.

Bookings essential.



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2023 NAPLAN Schedule

		15 th	16 th Grade 3 Writing (10am) Grade 5 Writing 11:30am	17 th
20 th Grade 3 Reading 10am Grade 5 Reading 11:30am (Grade 3 & 5 Writing Catchup)	21 st Grade 5 Conventions of Language 10am Grade 3 Conventions of Language 11:30am	22 nd	23 rd Grade 3 Numeracy 10am Grade 5 Numeracy 11:30am	24 th Catchup Sessions
25 th Catchup Sessions				