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Respect & Care

Responsibility

Inclusion, Tolerance & Understanding

Excellence



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.



School Values:

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Ryan's Ramblings

Dear parents, grandparents and friends,

As our term draws to a close I have been thinking and reflecting on what we have achieved over the last 11 weeks, and where we head next.

Thanks to our wonderful community for a very successful start to the school year. We have managed to get through the term with very minimal disruption and have navigated through a number of big ticket events. Some of these include: a wonderful community evening, whole school sports day, 5/6 Camp, NAPLAN testing, Ecolinc excursions and much more. The support our school receives from our community is greatly appreciated and we know that 2023 is going to continue to be a very successful year.

Across the term, our staff have continued to refine our teaching and learning practice in the area of Literacy. Our Foundation to Grade 2 staff have further consolidated their phonics instruction and we have bolstered the decodable resources in classrooms, so that our students have access to the latest research based instruction in reading. Our 3-6 teams have worked hard to implement morphology instruction, which has been well received by our students.

In Inquiry, we have continue to refine our Inquiry cycles, so that the students have more agency in their learning. It was fantastic to see the authentic action taking place this week; especially as the Grade 5/6 students celebrated their newly acquired knowledge of the diverse cultures of the world. Our consultant, Andrea Hillbrick, will continue to work alongside our staff across the year, which we all feel most fortunate to be involved with.

Next term, whilst juggling the great work in Literacy and Inquiry, our focus will shift to refining our Numeracy and Wellbeing practices. We are looking forward to bringing back more consistency in the way we provide numeracy to our students, and also look for more opportunities to involve our wonderful community in school events.

Today, we raised awareness for World Autism Awareness Day. We were all treated to a story read to us by one of our amazing students, Lachie. So many of our friends, classmates, relatives, parents and associates have autism, and I firmly believe that we must continue to break down the many stigmas often unfairly associated with people on the spectrum. I asked our students to consider this statement: Autistic people are wonderful. They have a rich culture and bring great strengths into the world. They often think differently, offer unique perspectives and often communicate these in novel ways. We should continue to walk alongside people with autism, as we can all learn a great deal from each other.

Finally, for those who celebrate Easter, I wish you a fantastic Easter holiday. For those who do not, I hope that you are able to take some time to be with family over the next couple of weeks.

See you all next term!

Ryan



Dates:

Monday 24th April

First Day Term 2



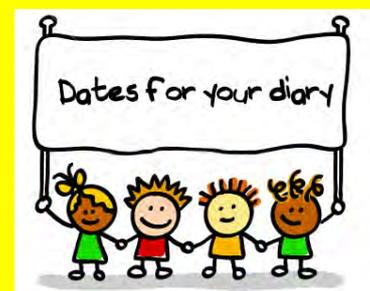
Tuesday 25th April ANZAC DAY Public Holiday

Tuesday 6th June Curriculum Day

Monday 12th June King's Birthday Public Holiday

Wednesday 21st June Student Led Interviews

Friday 23rd June Last Day Term 3 2.30 pm departure



Trixie



It is my pleasure to announce that the recipient of the Term 1 School Values Award is Trixie Harris. Trixie is a highly valued member of Foundation/ One S.

She always arrives at school with a smile and eagerness to engage positively with all learning. Trixie always exemplifies our school values of Respect & Care, Responsibility, Inclusion, Tolerance & Understanding and Excellence. Trixie's peers value and appreciate the kindness Trixie demonstrates towards all peers every day; spreading happiness around our classroom. Trixie always models respect and inclusion towards all members of our school community through her ability to be kind, courteous and supportive.

Trixie consistently exhibits responsibility at school, particularly within her learning. She is always quick to lock into learning and ensures she completes learning tasks to the best of her ability. Trixie shows wonderful initiative in being an organised learner and is always **dependable**.

We applaud Trixie for always striving for excellence and approaching all learning with a growth mindset.

Congratulations Trixie, you thoroughly deserve the Term 1 School Values Award!

Billie



The recipient of the Term 1 school values award for the 1/2 unit is Billie Robinson.

Billie is a thoughtful, respectful member of our school who is respected by both students and teachers alike. She is always one of the first students to be sitting on the floor in the morning and is ready to start her day with a determined attitude. Billie is a keen learner who always tries her best and presents her work to the highest standard.

Billie is also a considerate and thoughtful member of our class. She has a caring heart and is constantly showing acts of kindness to others. If there is ever a person in need, Billie is the first person to help them out. She will quickly gravitate closer to a classmate just to check that they are ok and give them her well known 'Billie smile'. Instantly, her kindness and care work their magic and the fellow student feels safe and cared for by her.

Billie has the most wonderful manners. We constantly hear the words; 'please' and 'thank you' from her and this is a quality that comes naturally. She always respects others and is a polite and courteous student.

When we reflect on the school values, these come naturally to Billie and she follows these every day. She is a wonderful role model who respects and cares for others, she always includes everybody and understands their differences. She is responsible and always shows excellence in everything that she does.

Billie, I can't praise you enough for just being 'you'. Thank you for making our school a better place.

Jacob



The recipient of the Term 1 school values award for the 3/4 unit is Jacob Fellows.

Respect and Care are two school values that Jacob models in our community to a very high degree. Jacob is a very friendly and courteous member of our school. It is never any trouble for him to look after a peer and he treats others with the utmost respect. Any instruction for Jacob is met happily with the words, 'of course' and I literally think that it makes his day to be able to help others.

Making good choices is something that comes naturally to Jacob. He can always be relied on to do the right thing and he encourages others to do so as well. This is what makes Jacob such a good role model and is one of the reasons why his peers look up to him.

Jacob locks into his learning by being an attentive listener, contributing to class discussions and quickly settling into his learning tasks. Collaborating with others isn't always easy to do but Jacob's communication and negotiation skills allow him to be an effective group member. He embraces learning challenges and knows that mistakes are a sign that we are learning.

Inclusion, tolerance and understanding are three words that encapsulate what makes Jacob so amazing. He doesn't believe in holding grudges, treats every day as a new day and sees things from the other person's point of view. That doesn't mean there won't be tricky days but things are made easier by Jacob's ability to turn over a new leaf.

The learning pit can be a challenging place for everyone. It challenges your confidence and also your resilience. When Jacob launches himself into the learning pit, he knows that his mindset will be challenged. That's why he takes with him a solid understanding of the task, a range of positive self-talk and a variety of strategies to help him climb out of the pit and achieve his learning task. Does he make mistakes along the way? Of course! That is what makes Jacob an effective and impressive learner.

Congratulations Jacob!

Aara



The recipient for the prestigious School Values Award for Term One is Aara Kim.

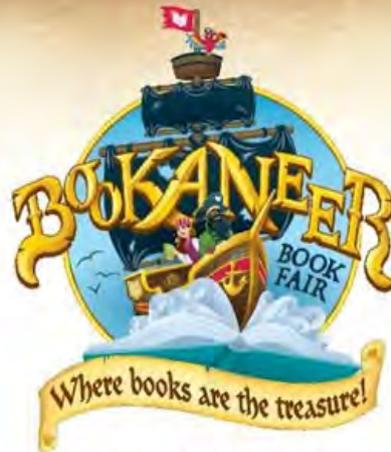
Aara is a kind, caring and responsible student who demonstrates the school values each day.

Aara demonstrates the school value of Excellence in everything she does. She has a growth mindset towards her learning and gives her best effort when faced with a challenge. She contributes to classroom discussions with thoughtful answers and asks insightful questions to clarify concepts.

Aara takes pride in her work and completes all her learning tasks to a high standard. She takes on feedback and applies it to her learning to help her grow as a learner. She works hard in all classes including specialist classes and achieves excellent results.

Aara shows respect and care both in the classroom and out in the yard. She always includes others to ensure that nobody is feeling left out and constantly lends a helping hand to anyone in need.

Congratulations Aara, you should be very proud of all your achievements!



ARRGGH MATEYS!

Come along to the annual
Scholastic Book Fair!
1st May - 5th May

In Week 2 of Term 2, we will be holding our annual book fair.

There will be a huge range of books and stationery starting from \$1.00. Students will be able to preview the books, make a wish list and take a brochure home.

The fair will be open in the Spielvogel Learning Centre for families, from 3:30-4:00pm Monday-Friday. Students will also be able to make purchases at Recess on Tuesday and Wednesday.

You can pay by cash or EFTPOS. All money raised will be going towards the purchase of decodable readers

We can't wait to see you there!



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!)



BALLARAT Gymnastics
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Tue Apr 11th to Fri Apr 14th
Mon Apr 17th to Fri Apr 21st

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

Gymnastics Park Play
FORTRESS FUN (cheerleading)
Mini Olympics Games
Ninja Craft Acrobatics
Dance Circus

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Daily - 9am to 3pm
\$65*

Extra Care 3-5pm
\$15

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www.ballaratgymnsports.com/holiday-fun-program

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



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MINERS JUNIOR CAMPS

MEET AND LEARN FROM ALL YOUR
FAVOURITE BALLARAT MINERS PLAYERS

Register now and be a part of all the fun

BALLARATBASKETBALL.COM

Basketball Ballarat Term 2 Community Programs

Basketball Ballarat provide children with a fun and safe basketball experience that will serve as an introduction to a lifetime involvement in the game. A wide variety of introduction to basketball programs are ran by Basketball Ballarat, allowing children to start learning basketball as young as 4 years old.

Basketball Ballarat's introduction to basketball programs:

- Aussie Hoops – perfect for children aged 4 – 7 years
- Rookie Hoops – perfect for children aged 8 – 11 years
- All Abilities Rookie Hoops – perfect for children aged 5 – 18 years whom are living with a disability
- Mini Miners – perfect for kindergarten aged children, 2 – 4 years
- Next Level – suited for domestic players 2011-2013 born

Registrations are now open for all community hoops programs, with the programs starting the week beginning May 1st.

For more information and to register: [Community - Ballarat Basketball](#)

For further details please contact Ethan Fiegert via email development@ballaratbasketball.com or 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!



HOLIDAY SQUAD

WHAT TO BRING

- Sunscreen
- Water bottles
- 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



BASKETBALL TRAINING



DEVELOP SKILLS AND BUILD THE CONFIDENCE TO PLAY TEAM SPORT

Exies Army Basketball Club would like to invite anyone aged 6+, interested in developing their basketball skills with an option to train only before joining a team.

Training sessions are held weekly after School...

- Monday (Boys)
- Thursday (Girls)

For more information, please contact:

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JOIN THE FUN!

Have you registered for the 2023 season? Sign up before the 23rd of April to go in the running to win the below prizes!

1st Prize - 2023 Western Bulldogs Men's Team Signed Guernsey

2nd Prize - 4 x GA Tickets to Mars Stadium (no reserved seating) - Round 10 Western Bulldogs V Adelaide 20th of May

Register at Play.afl

Any questions please email:
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