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## Ryan's Ramblings

### Dear parents, grandparents and friends,

A rather sweltry end to another fantastic week at Dana Street.

Today we had a day of very extreme heat. Our staff managed our students with the absolute best care ensuring extra time and space was given for hydration and shade. I wish to thank the amazing families who donated icy poles to our school this week, so that all students may enjoy a refreshing treat!

I had the distinct pleasure of joining the 1/2 students on their excursion to Ecolinc this week. Thank you to our hardworking staff and parent helpers for ensuring the students had a wonderful experience. The theme of the day was all about minibeasts. By the end of the day, the students could tell me the difference between insects and arachnids, and what a macroinvertebrate is. Amazing work, Kids!

Earlier this week, we announced the results of the Grade 6 House Leaders for 2023. Whilst many of the results were very close, there were eight clear winners who will now be presented to our school as our House Captains. As elected by our students, I am very proud of the following leaders:

Baker House: William B and Spencer G

Spielvogel House: Marley J and Charles R

Dunne House: Ava B and Cooper H

Martin House: Pippa M and Eve L

These leaders, along with our School Captains and Junior School Council leaders will participate in their first Leadership Training day on Tuesday of next week.

Our staff met this week in their unit teams to plan student learning goals. Over the next week, if you haven't seen already, you should receive information from your child's teacher about what your child is working on in Literacy and Numeracy. I am confident that our already strong home/school partnerships will ensure that these goals are supported and achieved.

On Monday of next week, our staff will be engaging with our consultant, Andrea Hillbrick, to continue our development of inquiry learning. Please be reminded that this is a student free day.

Did you know that we have a Mental Health and Wellbeing Leader again this year? I am so pleased that we can continue with the suite of wellbeing supports for our children and our MHaWL forms a pivotal part of this endeavour. Kellie Healy has begun her work in her new role and is very keen on connecting our students and families with supports. Please keep an eye out on Dojo and in the newsletter for information about how we can collectively support our children with their mental health.

Can we please ask parents of children with long hair that they send them to school with their hair tied up? Unfortunately, head lice spreads very quickly and one way to mitigate this is to have long hair securely tied up whilst at school. Of course, this applies to all students, regardless of gender, with shoulder length or longer hair.

Finally, I hope the cool change comes quickly this evening. The weather this weekend looks magnificent, so I hope you all get the chance to make the most of it.

Ryan



Monday 20th February

Staff Professional Development day -

No Students

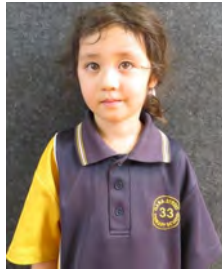
Dana Street Primary School is committed to child safety (Ministerial Order No. 870) and takes all reasonable steps to ensure that the safety of our students is paramount.



# Students Of The Week Awards



**00B  
Celeste**  
For the focused and motivated approach you show towards all learning experiences. Celeste we appreciate how quickly you lock into your learning in the classroom and it's been lovely to see you developing new friendships in the playground.



**0/1S  
Eve**  
For a wonderful start to school. Eve, you are quick to lock into your learning and always take pride in your work. Amazing effort!



**1/2B  
Axel**  
For showing an outstanding level of respect during our Ecolinc excursion. You participated in all of the activities with enthusiasm and you were a great leader with such a positive attitude. Keep up the great work Axel!

**1/2D  
Evie**

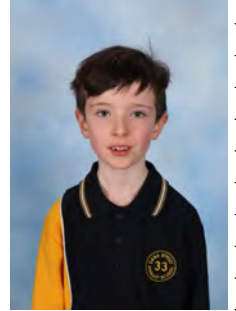
For always being locked into her learning. You consistently try your absolute best in every lesson. You are also always a polite, helpful, and kind member of our class. Thank you for being such a role model!



**1/2K  
Mila**  
For being a wonderful friend and role model to her classmates. Mila, you have shown that you have a very caring nature and helped out others in your class, especially on our Ecolinc Excursion.



**3/4B  
Finn**  
For being such a wonderful role model. Finn, you consistently challenge yourself and encourage others to do so as well. It is great to have such a responsible and studious person in our class. Well done, legend!



**3/4C  
Zephyr**  
For a good start to the term and working hard on his Growth Mindset. You've worked really well on your reading and writing activities this week, especially as you plan to write your narrative. It's great seeing you focus on tasks, and your willingness to ask questions when you find yourself in the learning pit. Keep up the great work. Well done, Zephyr!



**3/4N  
Spencer**  
For his caring attitude towards all his classmates. Spencer has challenged himself both in Literacy and Numeracy this week. You have done a fantastic job showing your imagination by creating an interesting character and setting got your narrative. You always look for challenges during Maths and you are working hard on developing great strategies. Thankyou for being such a great leader in our classroom.



**3/4T  
Molly**  
For engaging and locking-in to her learning. It's been great seeing your willingness to participate in our class discussions, and share your wonderful thoughts and ideas. You've shown self-motivation to stay focused and complete independent activities in all areas of learning. Keep up the great work, Keep being you, Molly.

**5/6A  
Aara**

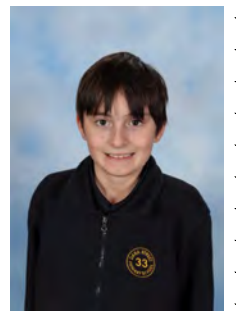
For the way you continuously strive for Excellence each day. You have shown true determination when learning new writing skills this week and have confidently applied them to your narrative. Keep up the super effort, Aara!



**5/6J  
Remy**  
For his amazing start to grade 5! Remy, you have displayed enthusiasm and a growth mindset towards all learning tasks, and you are not afraid to challenge yourself. Keep working hard and you will reap the rewards!



**5/6P  
Kale**  
For showing resilience and determination this week. Kale, you have locked into all learning tasks and demonstrated a can-do attitude! You have overcome challenges and displayed a growth mindset! Keep it up superstar!

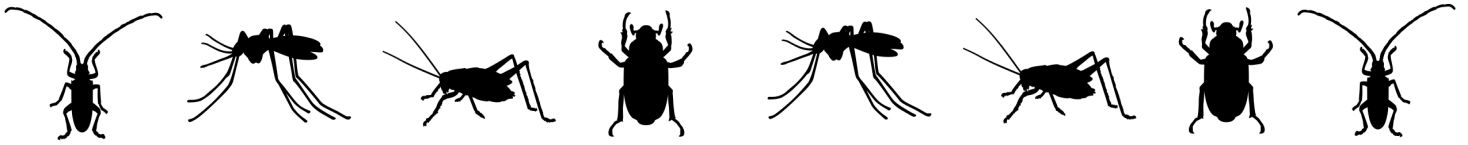


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# Minibeasts!

This week the 1/2 classes attended Eco-link to learn about minibeasts. The valuable information that we took away from this excursion will assist us with our Term 2 Inquiry. The F/1 students will look forward to going on this excursion in term 2.



## ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR CSEF?

# DO YOU HAVE A HEALTHCARE CARD?

### Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) applications

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a **Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent**, you may be eligible. There is also a special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families.

The payment amount this year for eligible primary school students is \$125. Payments are made direct to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

**If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.**

**If you would like to apply for the first time, please contact the school office and ask for an application form.**

Check with the school office if you are unsure, and please return completed forms to the school office as soon as possible.

#### Dates:

**Monday 20th February**

*Staff Professional Development day - No Students*

*School Council Meeting*

**Tuesday 21st & Wednesday 22nd February**

*Grade 5 Sovereign Hill experience*

**Wednesday 22nd February**

*No school for Foundation (prep) students*

**Monday 27th to Wednesday 1st March**

*Grade 5/6 camp Wyuna*

**Wednesday 1st March**

*No school for Foundation students*

**Monday 7th to 15th March**

*Somers Camp*

**Monday 13th March**

*Labour Day Holiday*

**Tuesday 14th March**

*Community Night BBQ and games*

**Wednesday 15th March**

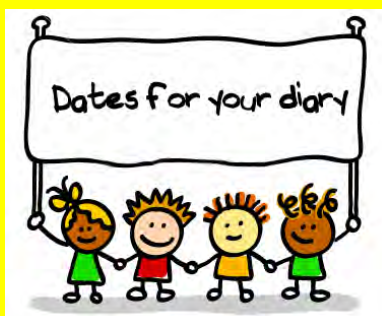
*Whole school sports day*

**Thursday 30th/Friday 31st March**

*Grade 3/4 Ecolinc*

**Thursday 6th April**

*Last Day Term 1 2.30pm Finish*



**Monday 20th February**

**Staff Professional Development day -**

**No Students**



Whilst we are luckily heading into the latter part of the recent pandemic, we are not quite out of the woods yet. Current advice is that if a child or person tests positive to Covid 19, they remain at home for 5 days. This is no longer mandatory; however, please be reminded that we are a school, and many people who frequent our grounds are either related to someone, or they themselves have compromised immunity. I am appealing to our community's sense of collective empathy and responsibility when sending your child to school. Thank you for your understanding.

### Parent/Carer Helper Program



Are you interested in helping out in the classroom or on excursions?

A parent helper is someone who can help in the classroom or around the school. Our parent helpers assist with specialist programs, and day to day learning at school. You will need to hold a current working with children's check and sign our Volunteer's Code of Conduct.

All new volunteers need to attend an induction session to become a registered helper. I will be running the induction session on **Thursday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of February, 9:00-10:30 in the library.**

Reading, writing and the requirements for being a helper will be covered in the session.

Please fill out the [2023 Volunteer Program Questionnaire](#) if you would like to attend.

If you have previously participated in the induction session you don't need to attend another one! If you are still available to be on our register, you will need to make sure your working with children's check is current and let me know what days you are available this year through DOJO messages or the

[Questionnaire](#).

With thanks,  
Louise Brown  
Volunteer Program coordinator



### **AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM VICKI:**

**Have you got a new phone number?**

**Can you please share that with us!**



If any of your family information changes, can you please let the office know immediately. **This includes email addresses.** If you require any further information please contact me.

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**Ballarat High School**

Dear Prospective Families,

We are writing to inform you of our upcoming Year 7 2024 Information Morning.

**What:** BHS Information Morning  
**When:** Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023  
9:30am – 11:00am  
**Where:** Robinson Centre (located at rear of school, easily accessed by the car park)  
Ballarat High School, Sturt St West

**Purpose:**

- to receive information about the school and its programs for 2024
- to observe students engaged in a variety of academic, physical, social and emotional learning experiences
- to become familiar with a Secondary School environment
- to experience the culture of Ballarat High School, while being welcomed as a member of the School Community
- to have opportunities to interact with school and student leaders
- to gain an understanding of the curriculum and how learning experiences sit within this

The morning will begin with a tour of the school, led by Student Leaders, followed by an information session.

Feel free to browse through our school website ([www.ballaraths.vic.edu.au](http://www.ballaraths.vic.edu.au)) for further information about how our school can personalise the learning for your child, including the wide range of learning opportunities available at Ballarat High School.

If you have any queries, please contact the school on (03) 5338 9000. Alternatively, you can send an email to [ballarat\\_hs@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:ballarat_hs@edumail.vic.gov.au).

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Ballarat High School.

Kind regards,

Melissa Pompe  
Year 7/8 Principal

Dani Bjelanovic  
Leading Teacher - Year 7/8 Sub School

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.**

[www.woodmanshill.net.au](http://www.woodmanshill.net.au)

Woodmans Hill - Fussell Street Ballarat, Ph: 5336 7264



**LUNCH ORDER ~ PRICE LIST ~ 2023**  
**GRANT STREET TAKE-AWAY**  
 40 Grant Street, Ballarat Central 3350



**Thursday & Friday Only**

**Lunch orders need to be placed in the box at the office by 9:00am**

Pies	\$3.60
Veggie Pasties	\$3.60
Party Pies	\$1.20
Sausage Rolls	\$1.20
Steamed Dim Sims	\$1.20
Chicken Nuggets x 3	\$2.20
Sauce	.20
Soy Sauce	.20

**OFF THE GRILL**

Chicken Schnitzel Burger with Lettuce, Cheese & Mayo	\$4.90
Chicken Parma Roll	\$5.00
Vegetarian Burger with Salad	\$5.00

**SANDWICHES**

Ham & Salad	\$3.50
Chicken & Salad	\$3.50
Salad	\$3.00
Cheese	\$2.50
Bacon, Lettuce & Tomato	\$4.00

**WRAPS**

Ham & Salad	\$4.00
Chicken & Salad	\$4.00
Salad	\$4.00
Chicken Caesar	\$4.00
Bacon, Lettuce & Tomato	\$4.00

**ROLLS**

Ham & Salad	\$4.00
Chicken & Salad	\$4.00
Salad	\$4.00
Cheese	\$4.00
Bacon, Lettuce & Tomato	\$4.00

**EXTRAS**

Fruit Salad	\$3.00
Yogurt & Muesli	\$3.00

**DRINKS**

Flavoured Milk~ Small	\$2.70
Choc or Strawberry	

Prima:	\$2.20
Orange/Apple/Orange & Mango/Apple and Blackcurrant	

- Be sure the writing is neat and clear.
- Correct money is appreciated, as change can be lost.
- If insufficient payment is enclosed we will send a lunch to the enclosed value.

**Please set out paper bags as below:**

<b>John Student</b>	
<b>3/4\$</b>	
3 Party Pies	\$3.60
Sauce	.20
Prima Orange Juice	\$2.20
Total	\$6.00
Enclosed	\$6.00
Change Required	.20