

Newsletter ~ 20th March to 24th March 2023

Term 1 ~ Week 8

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Respect & Care

Responsibility

Inclusion, Tolerance & Understanding

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Never
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Learning



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,

This week saw the completion of NAPLAN testing for our Grade 3 and Grade 5 students. I am always immensely proud at how our student take to the task of learning, as they often leave me inspired with their Growth Mindset and determination. I did feel; however, that some of our students were putting a little too much pressure on themselves to perform during NAPLAN. Whilst NAPLAN certainly has its merit in whole school improvement and planning, this pressure saddens me a little as a school leader, as it is but one mere assessment every two years. It measures some growth and achievement in the areas of Literacy and Numeracy. What it cannot determine; however, is how fast, creative, exuberant, positive, influential, diplomatic, humble, respectful, responsible, funny, compassionate, or any other quality our children hold. If you child has been letting you know that they are stressed, please remind them of just how amazing they are, regardless of NAPLAN results. Either way, I am very proud of our students.

Our Student Leaders took a lead role and conducted a School Tour for prospective parents in 2024. Whilst this may seem a little early, the Department of Education has changed the enrolment procedure this year, in preparation for 2024, to make it more streamlined across schools. At this stage, enrolments for 2024 will open in Term 2.

This week we held our School Council AGM and I presented the Annual Report to the Council. It was great to reflect on how the last 12 months have impacted our community and how we have many aspects of our school operations to celebrate. It was an opportunity to bid a farewell to Hayley Coates and Katie Donnelly, who both have supported our school during their extensive tenure on Council. We also welcomed Lee Taylor and Chloe Ye onto Council as new members. Our School Council Executive members are:

School Council President: Steven Rothberg

School Council Vice President: Leith Thomas

School Council Treasurer: Chloe Ye

I thank our Council members for their continued support and guidance in the Governance space.

On Tuesday of next week, we are sending a whopping 41 students to the District Sports. This will be a fantastic opportunity for students to compete against schools in our district. Thanks again to Michelle for crunching the numbers from our Sports Day. At assembly this week, we were able to celebrate Martin House who took home the House Championships from the Sports Day.

Thank you to all parents who sent in money orders for hot cross buns. These will be delivered to school on Wednesday of next week and will be sent home that afternoon.

Have a fantastic weekend, everyone.

Ryan



Dates:

IMPORTANT

Wednesday 29th March

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

Thursday 30th/Friday 31st March

Grade 3/4 Ecolinc

Thursday 6th April

Last Day Term 1 ~ 2.30pm Finish

Monday 24th April

First Day Term 2



Students Of The Week Awards

00B

Matilda

For taking risks in your writing! Matilda we love your willingness to give things your best effort, especially in writing this writing this week. Keep up the amazing work!



0/1S

Ceejay

For your amazing participation and effort in our phonics session this week! Ceejay, it was fantastic seeing you locked into your learning and giving all tasks a red hot go! You are a superstar! Well don, Ceejay.



1/2B

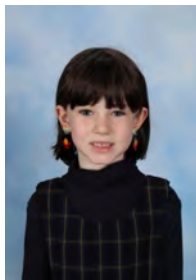
Lanie

For always coming to school with a positive attitude and a smile on your face! You have been a wonderful addition to our classroom this term and you are such a kind friend to many people in our class. It has been a pleasure watching you grow in confidence both socially and academically and I wait to see what the rest of the year brings. Well done Lanie!

1/2D

Elke

For stepping up to being a wonderful role model in our class. You are such a kind and warm friend. We appreciate the way you look out for others, model our school values daily, and approach each day with a positive attitude. Thank you for making our live easier



1/2K

Isaac

For using his mathematical knowledge to assist him during maths this week. Isaac, you have worked hard and extended yourself. Well done on an excellent effort. Keep it up.



3/4B

Edith

For the way that you consistently model the school values each day. Edie, you show excellence by putting your best effort into your tasks and by seeking new learning challenges. You can always be relied on and your caring nature is much appreciated. Thanks legend!



3/4C

Roro

For having a great do this week. You have plugged away at activities, even when they haven't been your favourite, demonstrating resilience and a positive attitude. It's great seeing your enthusiasm for numeracy and your expertise in handling Australian money. You've done an awesome job putting your hand up this week and made fantastic contributions to whole class discussions. Well done, Roro



3/4N

Kiko

For always having a "red hot go" in everything that you do. You have worked hard during fluency pairs to improve your reading. Your inquiry work is very creative and I can't wait to see the final product. Thank you for being a kind and very caring student to others. Well done Kiko, you are a super star!



3/4T

Caleb

For being kind and compassionate towards all of his peers. You have this natural ability to see when others need assistance and ensure you let them know that you are there for them. This is a wonderful quality to have. You are a valued member of 3/4T, deep being you Caleb!

5/6A

Cambell

For striving for excellence when completing NAPLAN preparation tasks. Cambell, it was great to see you challenging yourself to prepare for NAPLAN and ask clarifying questions to ensure you understood how to answer questions when working with new concepts. Keep up the amazing effort, superstar!



5/6J

Archer

For displaying excellence in his learning this week. Archer, you have really knuckled down and shown how creative you are as a writer and displayed terrific problem-solving skills in maths. Keep up the great work!



5/6P

Kyla

For showing determination and resilience during her NAPLAN preparation and assessments. Kyla, you should be extremely proud of your mindset and willingness to embrace each day with a can-do attitude! Keep it up superstar!



Julie's Students of the Week: William, Blake & Ramon



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Hot Cross Buns will be delivered



Wednesday 29th of March

Attendance- Every day counts!

Unless children are unwell, they should be at school. Important learning takes place at school every single day. Lessons are often designed in a sequence, and while we understand that sick children need to be at home, they can miss important learning with an excessive absence rate.

Have you thought, "It's only a day here and there?"

It's only			
They are only missing just....	That equals	Which is	And over 13 years of schooling, that's
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

Let's give this another try!

COME 'N' TRY DAY
28 MAR WHITE FLAT
TUESDAY 5:30-6:30PM

GIRLS FROM 5 YEARS & ABOVE ARE MOST WELCOME
 Free BBQ for players to follow!

DATE CHANGE!

MOVIE NIGHT
TUESDAY 28TH MAR 7:30PM @ WHITE FLAT

PUSS IN BOOTS: THE LAST WISH



Parent/Career Helper Program

Wednesday 29th March 9am to 10am

Makeup

Please sign in at the office and meet Louise in the library.



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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!



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



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BASKETBALL TRAINING



DEVELOP SKILLS AND BUILD THE CONFIDENCE TO PLAY TEAM SPORT

Exies Acmy 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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 (Girls Coordinator)
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marissaf72@gmail.com

Ben Halsall
 President
 0400 223 887
president@exiesacmy.com

LET'S GO EXIES!



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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				