

Newsletter ~ 15th May to 19th May 2023

Term 2 ~ Week 4

Ballarat Primary School (Dana St)

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Respect & Care



Responsibility



Inclusion, Tolerance & Understanding



Excellence



# Community Morning



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,

I hope this finds you well, and warm! It has been another fantastic and productive week at Dana Street.

Did you know that all of our teaching staff are members of one of our Annual Implementation Plan Teams? We actually have four of them; Literacy, Numeracy, Wellbeing and Inquiry. Our Literacy and Inquiry Teams met across Term 1 to work on many of our improvement endeavours, whilst this term our focus has shifted to Numeracy and Wellbeing.

Our Numeracy Team met this week, led by Airlie Penny and Jess Booth. Out of the many items on the agenda, came a robust discussion about the appropriate time spent and quality of our Numeracy lessons and warm up activities. It was great to hear of all the targeted activities that are happening across the school, to support the very diverse learning needs of our students. Our Numeracy Team will continue to meet regularly across the term to further plan for Numeracy Improvement.

Our Wellbeing Team also met. We know that students cannot learn if their wellbeing needs are not adequately catered for; just as a student cannot be well, if their learning needs are not catered for. Kellie Healy led the charge this week, with a focus on how we can further refine linking our School Values to our positive reward system on Dojo. Our School Values are incredibly important to our school community, which is why we will continue to work in this space.

Over the last four weeks, the person whom everyone has come to know and appreciate as 'Sensei Tyler' has been busily working in 1/2K, as she completes her final practicum placement for University. In her place, we have been most fortunate to have Sensei Tania stepping in to help out. From next week, Sensei Tyler will return to her Japanese Language role, which I am sure that students will be looking forward to. Thank you to Sensei Tania, whom I know we will continue to see as a regular casual relief teacher here at Dana Street.

Please remember that it is school photos on Monday. All students need to be dressed in full school uniform.

Have a fantastic weekend and stay warm.

Ryan



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Enrolments for 2024 are temporarily closed whilst we update our enrolment documentation.

Enrolments will resume for in zone families from the 29<sup>th</sup> of May.

### Dates:

Monday 22nd May

School Photos  
School Council 7pm

Thursday 25th May

3/4 Ecolinc Incursion  
5/6 A&P Earth Ed

Friday 26th May

5/6 J Earth Ed

Tuesday 6th June Curriculum Day

**Monday 12th June King's Birthday Public Holiday**

Wednesday 21st June  
Student Led Interviews

Thursday June 22nd  
Foundation & Foundation/1Ecolinc

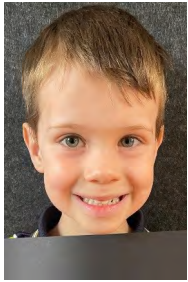
Friday 23rd June Last Day Term 3 2.30 pm departure

**IMPORTANT**





# Students Of The Week Awards



00B  
Sidney  
For your outstanding efforts as a mathematician in class this week. Sidney, your ability to double and halve numbers and explain your thinking to others has been impressive. You're a star!



0/1S  
Frida  
For your positive approach and enthusiasm towards learning. Frida, you are always quick to lock into learning, listen attentively and take pride in your work. Wonderful effort!



1/2B  
Otto  
For improving your responsibility and persistence with which you approach tasks in the classroom. I am so proud to see you achieving our goal of reading 4 nights a week and trying your best in everything you do. You show great determination when completing tasks and willing to take on feedback to improve your work.

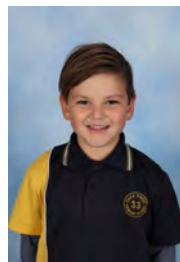
1/2D  
Yura

For the calm and thoughtful way you approach your learning each day. You always show our school value of excellence by giving everything your best go. Your kind and funny nature bring positivity to our classroom and make everyone feel welcome. Thanks for being you, Yura!



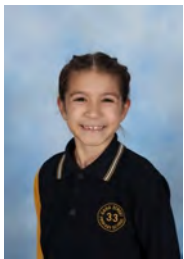
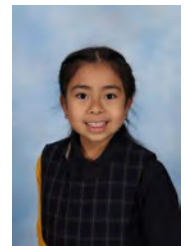
1/2K

Gaspar  
For having a real 'can do attitude' when being placed in the learning pit this week. Gaspar, you have worked hard, encouraged others and had a 'red hot go'. Keep up the great work.



3/4B

Hannah  
For the enthusiasm that you bring to your learning tasks. You thrive on constructive feedback and quickly apply it to take your work to the next level. You are a very kind and polite member of the class and this makes you a great role model. Well done, legend!



3/4C  
Sophia  
For having a red-hot go at everything. You continually have a positive attitude with your work, even when it's challenging. It's been great seeing you willingly enter the learning pit, especially during Maths. This week you have shown real enthusiasm during inquiry, learning about life-cycles and doing a fantastic job in taking notes and starting your information library.



3/4N  
Marta  
For being a quiet achiever and always trying her best to reach her full potential. You are growing in confidence and developing new skills to problem solve. Each day you show compassion to all students and take time out of your day to be kind to others. You have worked really hard on your insect information report this week and have shown skills of being a great researcher. Your personality is appreciated by all your peers. Well done Marta, you are a star!



3/4T  
Harvey  
For showing persistence and determination during every task this week! Especially for your draft for your Information Report. You increased your use of vocabulary and made it very detailed. You are a valued member of 3/4T, keep being you Harvey!

5/6A  
Zake

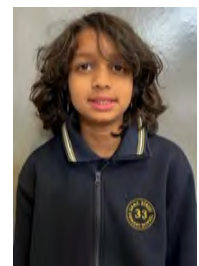
For giving your best effort in numeracy sessions this week. You showed determination when using formulas to find the area and perimeter of shapes. It was great to see you challenging yourself to work out the area and circumference of a circle. Keep up the amazing work, Zake.



5/6J  
Max  
For his determination and persistence shown when writing his narrative piece. Max, I was so impressed to see how enthusiastic you were to apply the skills learned in class to your narrative writing. It was a joy to read!



5/6P  
Dinuli  
For the seamless transition she has made to Dana Street. Dinuli, you have formed many new friendships with your peers, and have embraced all learning tasks with a can do attitude. A great start to your time at Dana Street! Keep it up legend!



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# Foundation/One News

It has been an exciting term in the Foundation/One classrooms as we have explored our inquiry question "Can tiny be mighty?"

The classroom has been a hive of activity. We have spent time exploring creatures and students were excited to each select one animal they would each like to learn more about.

You may have even noticed our Wonder Walls in the classroom. These are our wonderings for our inquiry. Their wonderings will make you smile:

Henry wonders why a penguin waddles?

Grace wonders why a butterfly has spots on its wings?

Poppy wonders how does a frog jump so high?

Matilda wonders why a giraffe has a purple tongue?

Charlie wonders if scorpion tails are poisonous?







THE EASY WAY TO BOOK:  
**SCHOOL  
INTERVIEWS**

Dear Parents,

Student-Led Learning Conferences (parent/teacher/student interviews) for students in grades Foundation – 6 will be held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2023. Meetings will run from 11:00am until 5:45 pm. Students are included in these meetings with their parents. **Therefore, students are not required to attend school on this day except for their meeting.**

Bookings must be finalised the day before your interview day.

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**Nb: Foundation 00B will hold meetings on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

Now you can book meetings for the times that suit your family.

Go to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) and follow these simple instructions.

Simply enter the code and press "Go"

**The code is bcrpm**



Enter your details



Select the teachers you wish to see



Select the appointment times that suit your family best



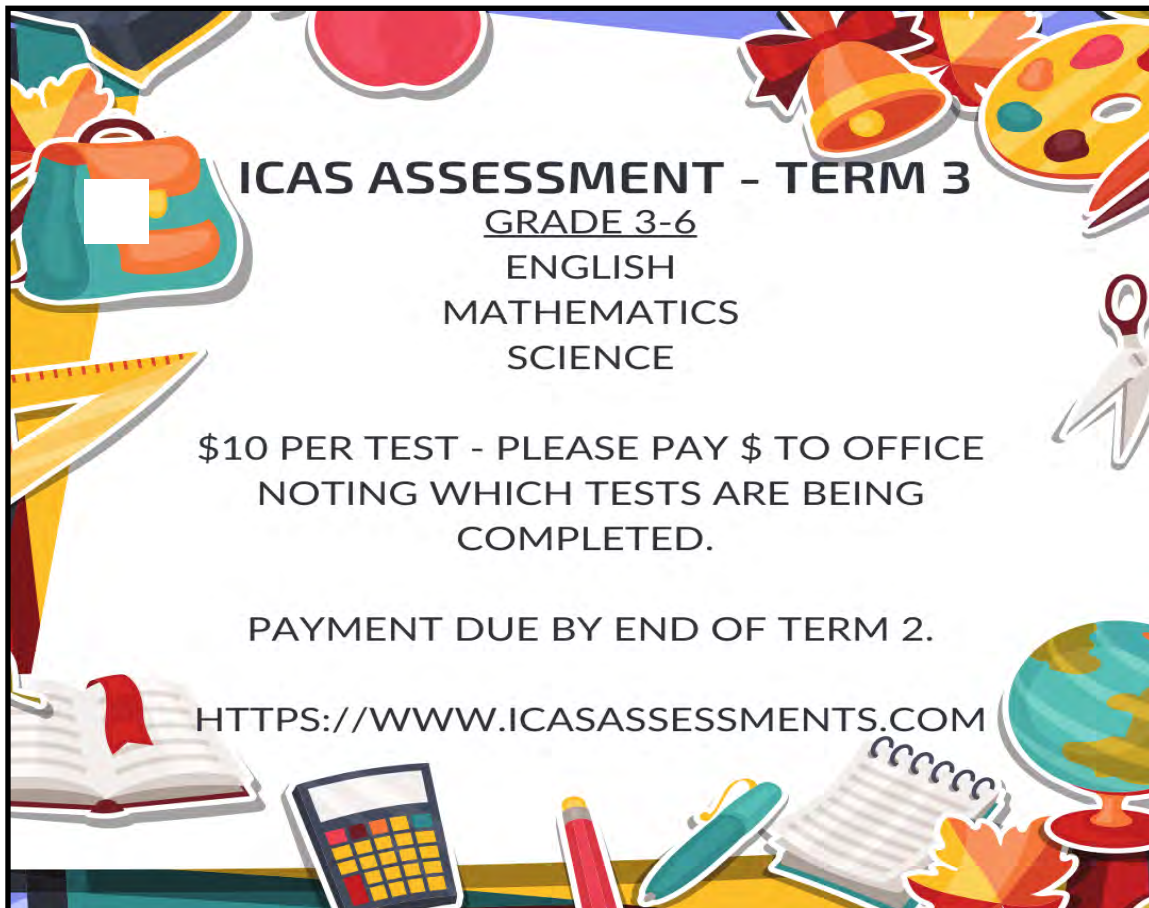
When you click **FINISH**, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically. If you do not receive your email immediately –

**Check your junk mail folder AND ensure you have spelled your email address correctly**

You can return to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) at any time, and change your interviews – until the bookings close at 6pm the day before your interview day.



You may change your bookings any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address you used when you made your original booking.

A colorful poster for ICAS Assessment - Term 3. The background is white with various school supplies and icons scattered around. At the top, there's a banner with a red bell, a paint palette, and a pair of scissors. Below the banner, the text reads: "ICAS ASSESSMENT - TERM 3", "GRADE 3-6", "ENGLISH", "MATHEMATICS", "SCIENCE". Further down, it says: "\$10 PER TEST - PLEASE PAY \$ TO OFFICE NOTING WHICH TESTS ARE BEING COMPLETED." and "PAYMENT DUE BY END OF TERM 2." At the bottom, it provides the website: "HTTPS://WWW.ICASASSESSMENTS.COM". The bottom edge of the poster features a row of school supplies: a calculator, a pencil, a pen, a notebook, and a globe.

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WITH MSP**



## SCHOOL PHOTOS \*\* NEW IN 2023 \*ONLINE ORDERING SYSTEM

Earlier this week MSP Photography emailed parents username and login details along with information on how to use MSPs online ordering system.  
You may need to check your JUNK/SPAM folders.

If you have not received an email from MSP Photography, or would like further information around the photo ordering process please contact MSP Photography directly  
on  
5333 5577.

**Photo Day is this Monday, 22 May 2023.**





## 2024 YEAR 7 SHOWCASE EVENING

### ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS

Our Academic Achievers Program recognises that gifted and high-potential students are found in all communities, socio-economic and cultural backgrounds. The program provides talented students with opportunities for a curriculum platform based on enrichment and acceleration.

Scan the QR Code for more information and to apply:



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### SCHOLARSHIPS

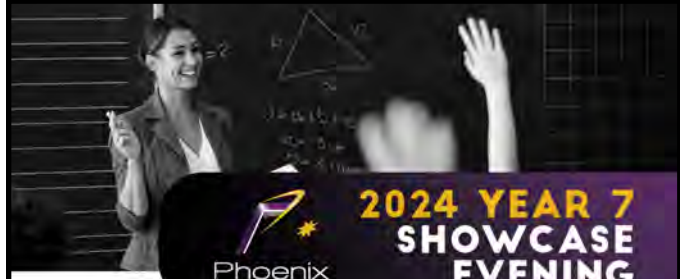
Our Scholarships are available to young people prepared to strive for their personal best at secondary level and who will become a credit to themselves, their families and to the College.

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*Please note: Academic Achievers, Academy of Sport and Scholarships are three different programs with separate application and selection procedures. Receiving a scholarship does not guarantee entry into Academic Achievers or Academy of Sport program.*

APPLICATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 28TH JULY, 2023



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The College is staffed with hand-selected teachers who are experienced at engaging and developing the talents of gifted students. Students will be nurtured as they build their leadership skills, pursue their passions, extend their creative abilities, connect with the broader community, and learn at a faster pace and greater depth, striving for academic excellence.

#### Who Should Apply

Students suited to the Academic Achievers Program are those who:

- Have above average academic ability and excel in most areas of the curriculum.
- Are creative.
- Have high levels of maturity and commitment.
- Have strong and positive self-concept.
- Are capable of independent learning.



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We partner with community organisations and elite sporting teams to maximise student potential in their sporting endeavours. Student skills such as leadership, self-discipline, teamwork and social skills will be enhanced through participation in the Academy of Sport program. As a part of the program, students will have access to the following opportunities:

- Specialised sport coaching and feedback and athletic development.
- Fitness and sport-specific testing and personal capability training.
- Participation in Ballarat Associated Sports competition.

#### Academy Sports Offered:

- Basketball
- Netball
- Soccer
- AFL Football

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Our College prides itself on the exceptional educational opportunities delivered for the students of today as we foster the development of socially respectful and responsible global citizens of tomorrow.

We empower our students to strive for success and excellence in their educational, vocational and personal pathways. We ensure that emotional wellbeing is fostered within every child and that they leave the College as active, positive members of the community.

Scholarships are available to young people prepared to strive for their personal best at secondary level and who will become a credit to themselves, their families and to the College. Scholarships are redeemable against College expenses including fees, uniform, and books.

#### Scholarships on offer:

- Academic Excellence
- Community Leadership
- Music
- Sporting



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# KIDS LOVE YOUR CRICKET

## AND WISH YOU COULD PLAY ALL YEAR ROUND? INDOOR CRICKET IS FOR YOU!

PARENTS IT DOESN'T GET ANY EASIER THAN THIS!

REGISTER YOUR TEAM OF 6 OR SIGN UP AS A SINGLE  
WE CAN ORGANISE A TEAM FOR YOU

### 2023 TERMS 2 & 3

No matches on during School holidays

**PRIMARY  
GRADES 3-6**

**MONDAYS  
4.30pm**

**RUNNERS  
REQUIRED!**  
UNIFORMS  
OPTIONAL

**EVERYONE  
BATS &  
BOWLS**

**6 PLAYERS  
A SIDE**  
GAMES PLAYED  
WITH SOFT SAFE  
INDOOR BALL

**NO  
COACHES  
REQUIRED**

**\$10  
PER WEEK**  
NO REGISTRATION  
FEES



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## HOLIDAY SQUAD

### WHAT TO BRING

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

### COST

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



### 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

### BOOKINGS

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



[www.westernvicfootball.com](http://www.westernvicfootball.com)



## JUNIOR COMPETITION

SATURDAY MORNINGS

LOOKING FOR A SPORT TO PLAY?

ALL OF OUR CLUBS ARE WELCOMING PLAYERS!  
NO SKILL REQUIRED.

SEASON RUNS FROM MID-APRIL THROUGH TO  
SEPTEMBER

CHOOSE A TRAINING  
NIGHT THAT SUITS YOUR  
FAMILY, AND GET IN  
TOUCH WITH A LOCAL  
CLUB TODAY!

UNDER 8  
UNDER 11  
UNDER 14  
UNDER 16

ALL MIXED

FOR MORE INFORMATION: [WWW.HOCKEYBALLARAT.COM.AU](http://WWW.HOCKEYBALLARAT.COM.AU)

### MONDAYS

#### LUCAS HC

JUNIORS: 5-6PM  
SENIORS: 6-7PM

E: [ADMIN@LUCASHOCKEY.COM.AU](mailto:ADMIN@LUCASHOCKEY.COM.AU)  
M: 0408 355 972



### TUESDAYS

#### BLAZE HC

U8 & U11: 5:30-6:15PM  
U14 & U16: 6-7PM  
SENIORS 7-8PM

E: [BALLARATBLAZEHC@GMAIL.COM](mailto:BALLARATBLAZEHC@GMAIL.COM)

#### STUDENTS OF BALLARAT HC

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST TO:  
E: [SOBHCDUCKS@GMAIL.COM](mailto:SOBHCDUCKS@GMAIL.COM)  
M: 0412 922 185



### WEDNESDAYS

#### EUREKA & GOLDEN CITY HC

U8, U11 & U14: 6-7PM  
U16 & WOMEN: 7-8PM  
MEN: 8-9 PM

E: [EGCHOCKEY@MAIL.COM](mailto:EGCHOCKEY@MAIL.COM)  
M: 0437 420 335



### THURSDAYS

#### BOBCATS HC

JUNIORS: 6-7PM  
SENIORS 7-8PM

E: [BOBCATSHOCKEYCLUB@GMAIL.COM](mailto:BOBCATSHOCKEYCLUB@GMAIL.COM)  
M: 0407 520 725

