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Newsletter

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RESPECT – Build and maintain respectful relationships with students, staff and the school community.

HONESTY – Be a responsible and trustworthy school community member.

CARING – Be accepting, helpful and cooperative of others to create a safe and supportive learning environment.

WILLING TO LEARN – Have high expectations for academic learning, have positive involvement in all school activities and willingly take on challenges.

VALUE OF THE WEEK — CARING



Welcome back everyone. We are looking forward to a busy yet engaging term 2. I can say, finally, that our new kitchen has been installed and the 'Pavillion' out the back has been erected. Both areas will be utilised to support our learning programs. This has also meant that Mrs Anders and the year 2 & 3s have been able to set up their classroom in the bluestone building, which is a much better space for learning.

CLASSROOM:

Our INQUIRY focus this term is "EARN & LEARN" Many curriculum areas will be integrated into this unit of work which include Literacy, Numeracy, Humanities & Civics and Citizenship. Over the term the students will work cooperatively in groups to plan stalls for our Market Day planned as our end of term celebration. As part of this unit Jane would like to set up a shop in her classroom. If you have any items at home such as a cash register that you are happy to loan to us for this purpose it would be greatly appreciated. Please see Jane for further information.

ANZAC DAY:

On Friday afternoon at school, the students will be visited by an old digger who is going to share some of his ANZAC stories and explain the history of ANZAC day.

We would like to invite our students and their families to join in the ANZAC march in Wallan on ANZAC Day. The march and service will begin at 9.00 am at the Wallan reserve. For those interested in attending we will meet at the reserve @ 8.45 and ask that the students wear their school uniform. Our school will also lay a wreath in recognition of fallen soldiers.

STUDENT FREE/CURRICULUM DAY:

Tomorrow, Thursday 19th, is a student free curriculum day. The teachers and myself are going to Bolinda PS to engage in Professional Learning in Writing. The presenter Carmel Small is a very experienced educator and comes highly recommended. We look forward to learning new ideas to further strengthen our classroom writing programs.

FAREWELL:

We would like to say farewell to the Gilbo family. Primrose and Jameson have started at a new school this term. We would like to say thankyou to Karli for her contributions to our special days and fundraisers and for always supporting the school. We will miss both Jameson and Prim but wish them all the very best at their new school.

SAVE THE DATE:

The students are planning something special for one of the most special people in their lives on Friday 11th May @ 2.00 pm. So MUMS could you please save this date if possible.

WORKING BEE:

Sunday 22nd April—from 10.00 am onwards. Hoping to see many of you on the day—it's always a lot of fun.

Have a great week everyone.— Carol.

TERM 2 CALENDAR

Student Free Day—Thurs, 19th April
Writing Professional Learning

Working Bee—Sunday 22nd April

Anzac Day—Wednesday, 25th April

Book Club—orders due back by MAY 7th

School Photos—Wednesday, 6th June

Queens Birthday—Monday, 11th June

STEPHANIE ALEXANDER:

At the end of last term Jane, Simon, Meghan and I had a fantastic day at Wendouree PS experiencing their Kitchen/Garden program in action. We engaged in activities and then did a cooking class using the produce that had been grown. We made (and ate) the eight different dishes that we had prepared. It was a great experience and we will begin to implement our learning through our program at DGPS.

This week @ school, the students helped each other make newspaper seed pods and planted some broadbean seeds. When these grow into seedlings, we will be able to plant them in our garden. We also planted some strawberries. YUM

