Swimming Scheme

Our intensive swimming program commences in week 7: Monday 17th November until Friday 28th November. This two week program is a really valuable opportunity for all of our children to practise their swimming skills and participate in water safety activities. We are very lucky at Dunoon that we are able to include all children in this program as it is normally reserved for Year 2-6 children who cannot swim 20 metres.

The P & C will be covering $700 towards the bus cost and the school will cover the rest. We are very grateful for this support from the P & C. There is no cost for your children for their actual swimming lesson.

The only payment required is the pool entry cost of $3.00 per child per day. Families will be asked to complete permission notes and payment shortly. Parents who also need financial assistance to cover the pool entry cost will need to contact the school for a Student Assistance form. Thank you.

Children will be asked to come prepared for swimming each day from Monday 17th November and the following week. We will aim to participate every day and will only cancel if the weather is very cold or stormy (i.e. if it’s raining, we will still swim). During these two weeks children may wear sandals or crocs to school to help make things easier. School hats are still essential.

Children will be asked to bring:
Swimmers & towel. Rash/swim shirt.
Bag for wet clothing. Goggles are optional.
Dry underwear if wearing swimmers to school.
Please make sure that all items of clothing are labelled. Provide sunscreen for your child if you wish. The school will also provide sunscreen.

Update on the iMovie (Lucinda Project) for Years 3-6

If you wish to be in the 'arty' scene (poets and painters) please bring bright, colourful clothes to wear. Five students in year 5/6 will be participating in the Excalibur Scene. These students have a permission note attached which will need to be returned by Friday to attend the filming location. Thank you, Miss McEwen.

Compost Custodians

The 5/6 class have begun work overhauling our compost system. To be able to get a cooking heap the keepers of the compost are seeking donations of cow, horse or chicken manure. A bag a week would be fabulous if you have some to spare.
Jump Rope For Heart

Jump Rope for Heart was once again a great success at the school. The children all participated most enthusiastically in the jump off at the end of last term. The children at the school raised the amount of $542.80. A big thank you to the following children whose fundraising efforts were responsible for this amount.

Ben $85, George $100, Lleyton $15, Paddy, Darcy and Rue $30, Jemma and Ruby $50, Katarina $50, Chloe and Darius $62.80, Xavier $70, Iris $30 and Freya $50.

The prizes that the children will receive for their fundraising efforts have arrived at the school and will be presented at this Friday’s assembly. Thank you to all those who participated in the fundraising.

News from Mr Henderson’s Class

The K/1 students have been learning all about fractions over the last week. We have explored the concept of whole and part relationships and have used halves and quarters to divide amounts. The students enjoyed designing colourful flags on the IWB using fractions.

In Science, the students have loved exploring materials. They have classified objects according to their materials and considered the properties of wood, fabric, glass and metal.

Last week the students created beautiful mindfulness drawings for Bobbi and Shakti, who were very impressed!

News from Mr Johnson’s Class

At present the children are studying time and money in Mathematics. They are learning to read both analog and digital clocks on the hour and half hour and quarter to and quarter past the hour on analog clocks. Some children have already mastered the art of reading the analog clock to the nearest minute. The children are recognising the different types of Australian coins and notes and their values. They are beginning to make various amounts of money using different coins.

The class is busy continuing their study of butterflies and are really enjoying learning many interesting facts about these creatures. The children are producing some interesting coloured butterflies using their own designs.

On Monday afternoons the class is really enjoying participating in learning different volleyball skills such as the different types of ways to hit, pass and serve in the game of volleyball.

The children were keen participants in another Mindfulness session. It is really pleasing to see how much the children remember from Bobbi and Shakti’s previous visits. Bobbi and Shakti were really pleased with the children’s attempts at drawing how they felt when they were practising the Mindfulness activities.

News from Mrs Patch’s class

Firstly, a final reminder about sending the note back in for our excursion in week 10. Thanks to those that have handed them in already. We really need numbers, so please hand the note in to the office THIS WEEK.

The Year 3/4s have really been enjoying sharing their ‘before I was born’ stories, we’ve certainly learnt some interesting things about each other! If your child has not done this yet, can you please help them to have it done by Thursday this week? Thanks.

We’re also having a great time digging into the world of insects. If you find any dead ones, please send them in (our collection is growing slowly). We’d love some photos too, so feel free to send them in on a USB and I’ll print them at school.

News from Mrs Slocombe’s class

The Year 5/6 class has had a fantastic time during this last week! They have been having a focus on individual spelling strategies for a range of words that were unfamiliar to them. They’ve had some deep discussions about refugees and have written some very emotive and descriptive texts. The mindfulness sessions have been beneficial and every student today showed a remarkable maturity during an unannounced evacuation practice. Well done!

A reminder about our Year 5/6 excursion to Lake Ainsworth on Monday 8th to Friday 12th December. The cost for this excursion is $290. This cost covers all food, accommodation and activities for the week. It’s a fantastic week of fun-filled adventures for everyone! If your family requires student assistance, please ask at the office for a form. Thank you.
CONGRATULATIONS
Term 4  Week  3 Awards

Students of the Week
   K/1   Nuala
   1/2   Hope
   3/4   Marlon
   5/6   Holly

Merit Awards
   K/1    Katariina, Indigo, Sam
   1/2    Darcy, Billy, Darius
   3/4    Noah, Leif, Georgina
   For Japanese-Kyle, Cassandra
   5/6    Faith, Jason, Holly

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
   to Jemma and Tess!
   Have a great day.

Year 5/6 News

Digital Story-telling: Lucinda project

*Year 5/6 students busy at work creating their iMovie.*