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D.C Wrap

Principal's Report

March 7th 2019

I hope all of our families enjoyed their day together yesterday or if not able to spend it together that the children had fun in their special care arrangements for the day.

The staff had a wonderful day of learning as we spent the morning exploring the new initiative under the care of the Departmental representatives who took us through the **Cultural Understanding and Safety Training**. This will add a greater depth to our curriculum planning and delivery and will also enrich the children's level of understanding in relation to our cultural heritage.

In the afternoon, we turned our attention to Resilience. We were lucky enough to have one of the **Resilience Project** presenters talk us through some interesting (and in some cases devastating) statistics on the mental wellbeing of primary aged student and adolescents across the nation. Working on the children's positivity, their mindfulness, and their help-seeking is something the teachers here at Diamond Creek Primary School are always aware of, and our experience yesterday really reinforced the fact that we are 'right on the money' with this as we provide for our children here at school.

We also focussed on developing in our children their ability to accept responsibility for their own actions. The importance of always telling the truth no matter what, and working on their ability to make good on a challenging situation, to make good on the effects of their mistakes and then for them to move on and learn from the experience - to focus on happier and more fulfilling future decision-making and actions.

This is the work of **the Resilience Project**, the group who will be working with our whole school this year and who will be running a parent information session. Attending this session is a 'must do' for all families. Some parents may not feel that they need strategies at the moment but our children's circumstances change as the children face different challenges and this parent session just may well provide you with the tools you will find useful in such a situation. Please write this one into your calendar, as we would like to see all families represented.

What's on at DCPS

8th Mar
I.S.S Home V's
Hurstbridge

11th Mar
Labour Day P.H

12th Mar
Foundation Excursion

15th Mar
I.S.S Home V's
Apollo C

19th Mar
School Council
Meeting

22nd Mar
I.S.S Away V's
Laurimar

27th Mar
Resilience Project

29th Mar
I.S.S Home V's
Greenhills B

Book Club Due
March 21st

The Resilience Project …(provides) practical, evidence-based, positive mental health strategies to build resilience and happiness, (by working)with the whole school community including teachers, students and parents helping them understand the importance of practising and implementing key strategies to build resilience and drive sustainable change.

Please refer to the invitation sent to every family and make this information evening a priority for you.

Hope Your Day's a Diamond

Helen Micallef

Principal

KINDNESS CRUSADERS

TERM 1 DRIVE

HELPING SHELTER DOGS AND CATS

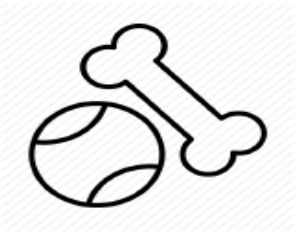
Collecting:

Dog & Cat food — dry kibble, canned food, dry biscuit treats (we cannot accept previously opened or raw foods.)

Rubber pet toys — no soft or pre-loved toys please.

Collections can be dropped off at the office or in foyer of the Inglis building, with thanks.

Last collection day 3rd April.



All donations will be given to The Lost Dogs Home, North Melbourne.

THE LOST DOGS HOME

TERM 1 CAKE RAFFLE

Once again we will be having the Friday cake Raffle.

The list for volunteer bakers is up outside the office.

Raffle Tickets are $1 each and sold weekly.

If you would like to help out by baking a cake, please contact the office.

Reminder:

School Banking gets collected at 9:30am

Thursdays

Positions Vacant P.F.T.

We would love to have some new PFT members for 2019. Being part of the PFT is a great way to get involved in the school and work with other parents in many fun and exciting ways. The school relies on the success of the PFT and would love for new members to join. Below is a general description of what is involved.

Members:

- Share possible ideas for fundraising
- Organise school social events
- Source donations
- Assist when possible (special lunch, Mothers and Father's Day stalls, Cake raffle etc…) this can be one or more events
- Attend meetings when possible

The PFT assists the school in social relationships and in fundraising so is definitely a valuable group to be involved in.

ICY POLES WILL BE SOLD EVERY THURSDAY AT LUNCH FOR $1

ONLINE LUNCHES

This term we are continuing with the online lunch order system for Mondays and Wednesdays. This service is offered by the company, 'Classroom Cuisine'. Please visit their website at www.classroomcuisine.com.au. The lunches are delivered to school, and then we distribute them to the children. Orders are place independently of our school; we cannot order for families.

- Outdoor Games & Sports
- Arts & Crafts
- Playing with Friends
- Great Educators
- Food & Cooking
- Indoor Activities

JUNGLE JAM SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

CAMP AUSTRALIA

There's a rumble in the trees, a whisper in the forest.
Emerging out, through the clearing, is the new theme for our Autumn Holiday Club -
Jungle Jam!

Join us for an exploration through all things nature. We've got a roster full of brand-new activities like ***The Jungle Bake Off*** – where we'll engineer and build a solar-powered oven and bake healthy cookies in it. There's ***Enter the Jungle Lab*** – where we'll create our own soap and bath bombs (with a surprise twist at the end)! Plus, we have lots more activities, excursions and fun planned for the holidays.

Book now. To find out when these activities are on during the school holidays and join in the fun, visit: www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs.

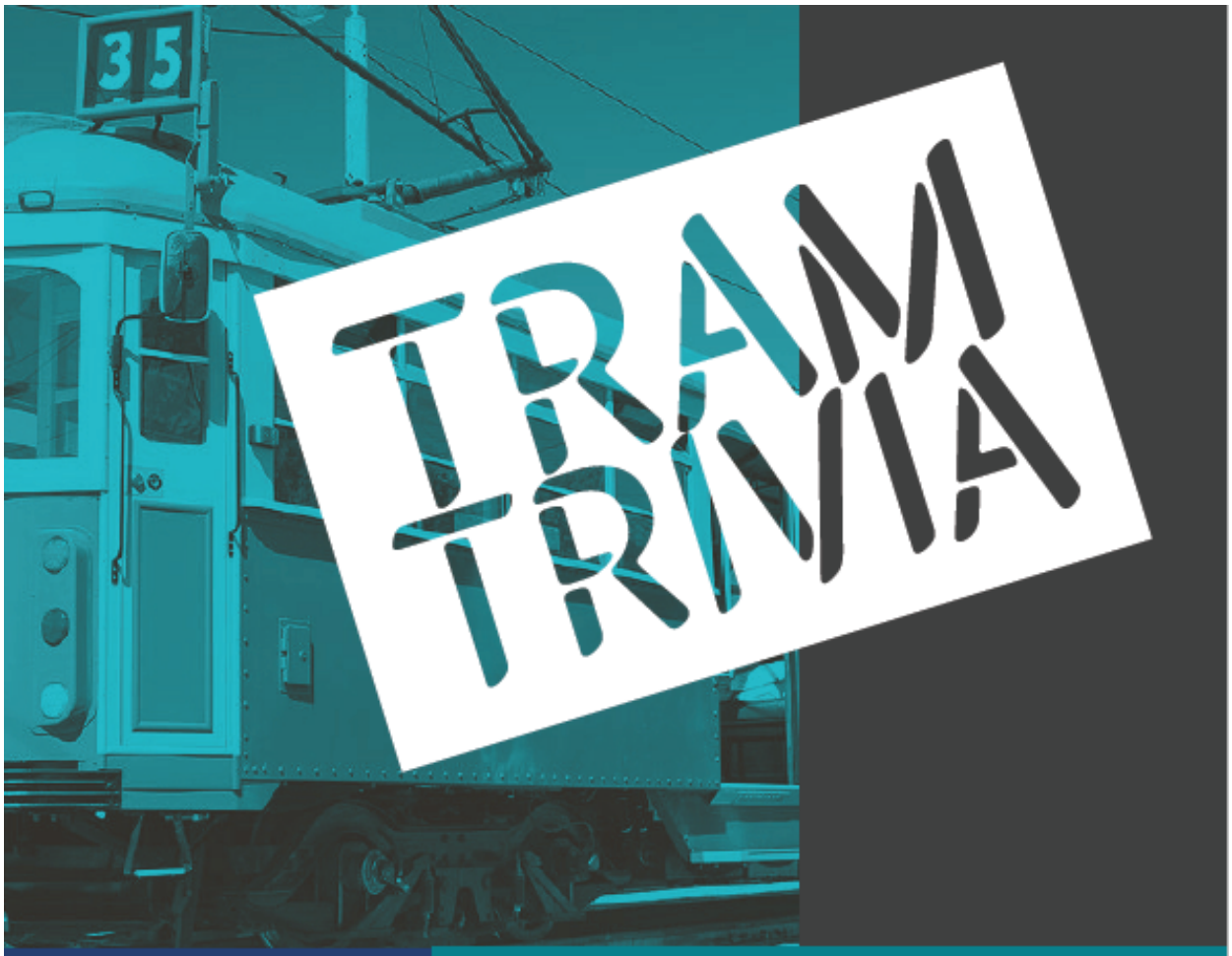
You can also call our friendly Customer Care Team on **1300 105 343** - 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

We look forward to seeing you and your family at Jungle Jam.

The Camp Australia Team

CAMP AUSTRALIA
we make kids smile

To find locations near you and to book, visit
www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs



TRAM TRIVIA

Join us for a Trivia Night to support the

Diamond Creek Tram Project

Sacred Heart Hall | Saturday 6th April | 7pm

BYO food & drink

great prizes

gold coin games

$25 PER PERSON
$200 PER TABLE OF 10

For information and tickets email tramtrivia@gmail.com

BECOME A HOST FAMILY IN JULY 2019!

WEP
WORLD EDUCATION PROGRAM AUSTRALIA

REQUEST A FREE INFO PACK / SMS 'HOST' to 0428 246 633

HOSTING AT A GLANCE:

- Hosting is voluntary
- You choose your student
- Students attend high school full time
- 24/7 support provided
- Host families come from all over the state
- Students come from all over the world and stay for a short term (8-10 weeks), a semester or a year.

HEAR FROM A HOST MUM

"Hosting has been one of the most rewarding and exciting experiences for our family. Romane, our student, was definitely one of the most kind and pleasant people we have met and right from the start was a perfect fit for our family. Being able to share this experience has had a positive effect on all of my young children."
Host mum, Candice.

CAMILLA (16) ITALY

Ciao!
The list of activities I like to do in my free time is long, so I am never bored! Singing is my biggest passion and I hope to become a singer one day. I love reading. I also really enjoy photography. When it comes to sport, swimming and basketball are on top of my list! Thank you if you are going to choose me, I promise I'll be a perfect "daughter"!

MORE PROFILES: WEP.ORG.AU/HOST

WEP.ORG.AU/HOST / 1300 884 733 / INFO@WEP.ORG.AU

CONNECT, GROW, EAT, ENJOY

Join us for a delicious community picnic in the beautiful surrounds of Edendale Farm. A talented chef and local students will prepare an amazing picnic spread for you - using the home grown produce received from local growers.

Date: Sunday 31 March 2019

Time: 4.30pm - 8.00pm

Venue: Edendale Community Environment Farm

Bookings essential for all options

HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

OPTION 1. REGISTER AS A GROWER - Free

Supply some of your home grown produce for the Home Harvest Picnic 2019. Registering as a grower is your ticket to the event and you will receive a prepared basket for you and up to three guests.

OPTION 2. PURCHASE A PICNIC BASKET - $10 p/p

If you're not a grower but still want to be involved, a limited number of prepared picnic baskets are available for purchase online. Your picnic basket is your ticket to the event for you and up to three guests.

OPTION 3. BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC - Free

Register for free online and bring your own basket. Let us know how many tickets you would like then come soak up the atmosphere with your own picnic lunch.

To register for any of the above-mentioned options, please visit the *event page* on the **Edendale Community Environment Farm website.**

DIAMOND CREEK
JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB
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AFL
AusKick
Starts Friday 26th April
for 12 weeks 4:30-5:30pm
at Marngrook Oval
Visit
www.aflauskick.com.au
to register