



Dinjerra Messenger

Term 1 No. 2 Thursday 14th February 2019



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Coming Events

Tuesday 19th Feb

School Banking Day

Thursday 21st Feb

Parent Workshop P/1L & P/1 S 2:45pm – 3:30pm

Wednesday 27th Feb

Parent/Teacher Meeting 2:00pm – 6:00pm

Monday 11th March

Labour Day – Holiday no school

Wednesday 3rd April

Open Welcome Afternoon/BBQ 2:30pm – 5:00pm.

CSEF

The State Government has financial assistance to help with paying for sports activities, camps and excursions. If you hold a Health Card or Pension Card or concession card you may be eligible for the \$125 government payment which helps towards the cost of your child's excursions and camps.

To apply for this assistance, please bring your current Health Care Card or Pension Card to the office and sign an application form (CSEF) as soon as possible

Thank you

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Principal Report

There has been slow progress since the builders returned to work early in January. Apparently, they had to prepare the soil under where the concrete slabs will be poured to ensure that there will be no movement leading to cracks in slabs in the future. Currently, there are pipes popping up out of the ground and we are hoping to see the concrete poured soon.

Katie Hall, MP visited the school towards the end of Term 4 last year to see how things were going with the re-build. This was a follow-up after our School Council President, Vesna, wrote to her informing her that there were a number of issues, especially those associated with the Department pulling \$1M out of the design and build budget. Ms Hall is young and new and wants to help even if her help will probably not mean more money short term. She called me over the holidays to let me know that she had spoken with the Education Minister's Office about our concerns.

This week information about the 2019 School Council Elections was given out to each child. There are two vacancies for parent representatives. If you are interested in possibly running for Council please find the documents in your child's bag or drop in to the school office to collect a nomination form.

Thank you for ensuring that all children are wearing school hats and full school uniform. Due to our lack of shade, it is important that your children are protected from sun damage to their skin.

Finally, I must ask again for parents to not use the staff car park unless they are dropping off or picking up children from Kelly Club or if their child has a temporary or permanent disability. The car park has limited space and we need spaces kept available for Departmental Officers who visit the school and for deliveries.

Graeme Smith
Principal

Term 1 2019 Prep-1 Area

It's been a wonderful start to the year in the Prep-1 area. The preps have been learning the routines of school, while our grade ones have been wonderful role models.

Spelling and Word Work:

The preps have been investigating the letter names and sounds, we have studied Mm and Ss. The grade ones are looking at where they can hear and see the sounds in the words such as 'm' can be at the beginning of a word or at the end of the word and learning to use a dictionary.

Reading:

We are having fun reading big books and nursery rhymes and learning about how a book works such as front cover, back cover, blurb, title and author. The children are learning about reading independently.

Maths:

The children are learning about numbers, through playing number games using dice and the grade ones have been learning about friends of ten.

Writing:

In writing the children have been listening to stories and writing about the main character.

School Values:

The children are learning about our school values, *We are thoughtful, We are Safe and We are Learners*. Through listening to stories and role plays they children have been able to show how they can be the best learners at school.



Physical Education News.....

Your children have Physical Education and Interschool Sport on the following days.....

Grades Prep/1L, Prep/1S, 4/5/6C and 4/5/6W all have PE on Thursdays.

Grades 2/3C and 2/3V have PE on Fridays.

Grades 4/5/6C and 4/5/6W have Interschool Sport practise on Fridays in term 1.

It's very important for your children to wear **good, supportive runners** on their Physical Education and Interschool Sport days. It's also so much safer for them to participate in Physical Education and Interschool Sport.

Art room news....

Please save your margarine and ice cream containers with lids for use in the art room. They come in very handy.

Your children have Visual Art lessons on the following days.

Monday - Grades 4/5/6 C and 4/5/6 W

Tuesday - Grades Prep/1 S, Prep/1 L, 2/3 V and 2/3 C

Debbie Domas Visual Arts and PE & Sports teacher.

Sports House Captains and Sports House Vice Captains for 2019....

The children at Dinjerra Primary will either be in Green or Gold House for 2019. If they are new to the school they will find out soon which house they are in. Everyone will be attending House meetings to elect new Sports Leaders from grades 4/5/6 soon. Grade 4/5/6 children should be starting to think about being a leader and writing their speeches. These new leaders will attend lunchtime meetings and represent the children in their house for all sporting matters at Dinjerra. We have a Sports Carnival for the whole school planned for later term 4. We love to have parents and carers come along to support their children on the day and join in.

Stay tuned for a date!

Important Information For Parents Regarding Insurance

Parents are reminded that the Department does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents and guardians of students, who do not have student accident insurance/ambulance cover, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport costs.

In some circumstances, medical or other expenses will be paid by the Department where it is assessed that it is likely, that the Department is liable for negligent (careless) acts or omissions of its staff/volunteers. For more information about the claims process please go to

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/governance/Pages/claimsprocess.aspx>

Student accident insurance/ambulance cover policies are available from some commercial insurers, and can be obtained by parents/guardians for individual students.

Private property brought to school by students, staff or visitors is not insured and the Department does not accept any responsibility for any loss or damage.

If you are interested, we have an information sheet from EBM Insurance at the Office which tells you how and where to apply, how much it will cost and what you will be covered for.



Kelly Club Dinjerra

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KELLY CLUB DINJERRA

Hi all parents and children.

Get along to Kelly Club Dinjerra OSHC program for loads of fun, sport, games, cooking, craft, arts, structured free time and healthy, yummy breakfast and afternoon tea!

We're open **Monday – Friday** for

Before School Care 7am – 8.45am

After School Care 3.15pm – 6pm,

providing breakfast and afternoon tea.

Prices start from \$3.00 per session with your CCB/CCR rebate connected with Centrelink. Our programmes are approved, with government rebates and subsidies available.

Ask at the office or contact Nanda for more information and to book:

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