











Respect & Care

Responsibility

Inclusion, Tolerance & Understanding

Excellence

Dear parents, grandparents and friends,

Assembly

At assembly today, we heard from students about the school value of Responsibility.

Niamh, Jack and Marta shared their thoughts on some great ways of being responsible. We heard some wise words:

"Responsibility means owning your actions"; "It means doing the right thing, not because someone is watching, just because it's the right thing."

All of our grade 6 students are leaders. They were presented and acknowledged at assembly, so that our younger students can identify them as leaders. We work with *all* of our students to show leadership in many different ways.







Welcome Picnic and Games Night

We were all so disappointed on Tuesday afternoon when we cancelled the Welcome Picnic due to the very heavy rain. Our wonderful staff and School Council fundraising committee were prepared for lots of fun, but will have to wait for another community event in the future.

Foundation (Prep) enrolments



Do you have a child currently attending four-year-old kinder who will be coming to school next year? We have already had many enquiries for prep 2023 and are currently taking enrolments. If you know of anyone who is interested in enrolling their child for prep next year, please encourage

them to attend our information session on Wednesday 16th March.

Natalie Toohey ~ Principal



00B ~ **FREDDIE**

For giving everything a red hot go! Freddie, we love your willingness to give things your best effort, especially in writing this week. Keep up the amazing work!



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For your enthusiastic approach to absolutely everything! Rory, you have settled into Foundation with ease. Your happy nature and "don't give up" attitude have made you a respected role model in the classroom. Keep up the fantastic effort, Rory!

1/2B ~ SYLVIA

For the positive attitude that you bring to our classroom each day. You show respect to others and put your best effort into your learning. Well done!



1/2H ~ JACK

OOR ~ RORY

For being an excellent role model in our class and the playground. You show the values of respect and care in the kindness and help you offer others. Well done, Jack!!



1/2K ~ ARCHIE

For always showing the school value of responsibility. Archie, I have been very impressed with your maturity and the way you are constantly setting a good example within our classroom. What an excellent role model! Way to go superstar!



1/2S ~ KENNA

For giving all learning tasks a 'Red Hot Go'. You set a wonderful example for your peers, engaging in classroom discussions and always aiming high in your learning tasks. Keep it up, superstar!



3/4M ~ SCARLETT

For the enthusiasm you are showing in maths. It has been amazing to see you challenging yourself and persisting to learn different strategies. You have gone the extra mile to become an expert at renaming larger addition equations. Keep it up superstar!



3/4P ~ ISLA

For showing excellence in your learning. You displayed a growth mindset when completing vertical addition equations and applied given feedback when equations needed renaming. Fantastic effort, Isla!



$3/4R \sim MAX$

For demonstrating an increased ability to lock into his learning, showcasing excellence. It has been amazing to see him achieving his writing goal of \(\frac{1}{2} \) increasing his writing stamina this term. We have also thoroughly appreciated his participation in our whole class sessions. Keep up the incredible positive attitude.



5/6P ~ MARLEY

For displaying a superb work ethic and growth mindset this week in our maths investigation. Marley, you have applied your thorough understanding of the four operations to solve complex \(\structure \) real-world scenario demonstrating your ability to be a problem-solving mathematician. Keep up the great work legend!



$5/6W \sim MADDY$

For giving all her learning a red hot go this week. Maddy, I'm impressed with your persistence and focus especially in maths, and for not giving up, even when it was hard. Well done!





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All Girls Cricket Blast - Newsletter Article

The Ballarat Cricket Association in conjunction with Cricket Victoria and the Melbourne Renegades are running an All Girls Cricket Blast program.

Woolworths Cricket Blast is a super fun, social and safe program for girls of all abilities. The program will be run over four weeks for girls aged 7 to 10. The cost is \$30 and includes a participant pack.

Date: Commencing Wednesday 9th March Venue: Eastern Oval – Peel Street, Ballarat

Time: 4:30pm to 6:00pm

To register click here: https://bit.ly/AllGirlsCricketBallarat

For more information on the program, contact Jenna Fowlie from the Ballarat Cricket Association on 0407 244 467 or operations.ballaratcricket@gmail.com.







Sons of the West is back for 2022!

FREE & FUN MEN'S HEALTH PROGRAM STATION IN MID-MACH

Sons of the West is back for 2022!

First held in Ballarat in 2016, the Western Bulldogs Community Foundation has again partnered with the City of Ballarat and Sports Central to deliver the Sons of the West program this year.

SONS OF THE WEST REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!

Sons of the West is a FREE ten-week health program which aims to empower men to improve their health and wellbeing by providing them with the tools, knowledge

and support to take control of their health journey.

The program is open to men aged 18 and over, and offers a safe and supportive environment for participants to build upon their health knowledge.

Each weekly session involves:

an educational component featuring a guest speaker presenting on a dedicated health topic

a physical activity session run by local health experts, designed to suit all fitness levels and abilities

Date: Commencing Wednesday 16th March

Venue: Phoenix P-12 Community College – Sebastopol Campus – Hertford Street, Sebastopol

Time: 7:00pm to 9:15pm

To register click here: $\underline{\text{https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/sons-of-the-west-sebastopol-}}{\text{7pm-tickets-249898171157}}$

For more information on the program, contact Xavier Smith from Sports Central on 5331 6966 (ext. 107) or xaviers@sportscentral.org.au.

Dates:

Wednesday 16th March
Foundation 2023 Information Session 10am

Monday 21st March School Council Annual reporting meeting 6:30pm

Tuesday 22nd March Senior (3-6) Athletics Sports at Llanberris

Monday 14th March Labour Day Public Holiday



Wednesday 23rd to Friday 25th March Grade 6 Camp

Talking with your child about school.

Many parents tell us that their child doesn't say much about school, or when asked what happened at school today, says "nothing."

So many things happen during the school day, that it can be difficult for a child to think of exactly what to talk about. Here are ten great questions to get them talking!

- 1. What made you smile today?
- 2. What went well for you today?
- 3. Can you tell me an example of kindness that you saw/ showed today?
- 4. Tell me some feedback you got today.
- 5. Can you teach me a word in Japanese?
- 6. Can you remember one of the learning intentions from today?
- 7. What made your teacher smile today?
- 8. What are you learning in P.E./ Art?
- 9. What are you writing about at the moment?
- 10. What kind of person were you today?



Staff Car Park - safety warning





Our staff car park can be a busy place before and after school. For safety purposes, we ask that parents and children **do not use or walk** through the car park.



Our school has been selected to participate in the Rebel Sport Community Kickbacks

Program. Under this program, the school can earn 5% of your purchases at Rebel

Sport as in store credit to spend on sports equipment to support sport initiatives at school. All you need to do is join Rebel Active (in store or online), select Dana St PS from the list of participating groups and swipe your loyalty card every time you make a purchase at Rebel Sport.



All Students Welcome!

Every Friday 8.30am in the staffroom.

Should we praise our children?





We are working hard to help our students understand that effort and persistence are very important factors in success. We have learned that it is very important to encourage and praise effort, rather than praising qualities.

Growing research shows that praising our children for their qualities can actually be counter-productive. Constantly praising children teaches them to look for the praise rather than focusing on the process. Similarly, praise like "You're fantastic!" and "Good boy!" is non-specific and doesn't tell the child exactly what they did that was worthy or admirable. Researchers, such as Dr Carol Dweck, are showing that praising the *effort* rather than the result helps children to see that the effort is more important and can lead to future successes. **Here's some praise that works:**

"Great work! You must have tried really hard there!"

"I love the way you kept trying, even when it was difficult!"

"Wow! You kept pedalling. You are getting much closer to riding on your own."

Dana Street Choir



Come and join the *NEW* Dana St Choir

Prep to Grade 3

Every Thursday morning in the Spielvogel Centre

8.00 - 8.50am

Come along and bring your friends

Start your day with a smile and a song

BEGINNING THUR 10th MARCH



with

Kelly, Sam, Kellie and Ally

We have been working hard in the 1/2 unit and have had a successful start to the new school year. We are all especially excited about our Inquiry unit where our topic is 'How we learn and play together'. The 1/2 students have set their wonderings and have started to explore and find out all about them. In each of the classrooms you will see our 'wondering wall' where our questions are displayed. We look forward to exploring more and sharing our discoveries with our families and the school community.

