Dear Parents, Grandparents and Friends,

This morning our 2016 House Captains were announced at our assembly and they were presented with their badges. All students in Grades 3 to 6 were given the opportunity to nominate for captain of their respective house. Well done to all of our students who gave speeches yesterday to the other students in their houses! Congratulations to the following students who were successful in being voted captains for 2016!

- Martin (Green) – Billy Twaits and Kaitlyn Handreck
- Spielvogel (Gold) – Sarah Fellows and Alexander Feldman
- Baker (Blue) – Daphne Collins and Riely Collins
- Dunne (Red) – Marlin Phillips and Remi Lowe

Towards the end of 2015 all staff took part in an intensive anaphylaxis management training session. Next week our staff will undertake an asthma management training session. Travis Faulkhead has been appointed School First Aid Co-ordinator this year.

Next Friday our students in Grades 2,3 and 4 will take part in a hockey clinic. This will be conducted at school by staff from Hockey Victoria.

Details of teaching and learning programs included in the 2016 Curriculum Support Levy for each unit are listed in the newsletter this week. Each year our School Council (in conjunction with our teaching staff) endeavors to ensure that the teaching and learning programs sourced from this levy are of a high quality and relevant to the Victorian state curriculum of the day and that costs to families are kept reasonable. Full payment of the levy is due by September 1st. However, the levy may be paid in instalments. Please contact Vicki in the office to arrange a payment method/schedule that is most convenient for you!

Have a great weekend!

Paul Nolan
Principal

Curriculum Support Levy - covers the cost of all excursions, incursions, camps and materials used collectively by students in classrooms.

- Prep - $240.00
- Grade 1 - $240.00
- Grade 2 - $240.00
- Grade 3 - $395.00 (includes camp)
- Grade 4 - $395.00 (includes camp)
- Grade 5 - $330.00 (inc. 2 days Sovereign Hill)
- Grade 6 - $290.00

**ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR CSEF? DO YOU HAVE A HEALTHCARE CARD? NEW 2016 FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE. FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE SEE VICKI. THANK YOU**

2016 BALLARAT RELAY FOR LIFE - Dana Street Primary School community is invited to join in on Saturday 27th February starting at 3:45pm and finishing at 10:30am on Sunday 28th February. There will be shifts of three hours to share amongst our team as we relay through the night. We would love you to join our team in the Relay and join thousands of other Australians who help raise funds to fight cancer.

The team name is **This is for Tina**. Please see the link:
http://ccau.convio.net/site/TR?px=1431298&pg=personal&fr_id=2770

You can join online up until the 19th February before the relay or on the day. The registration fee is $20 for those who join online or $25 if you pay on the day, t-shirts are included in the registration price. It is a great community event! For more information contact Jodie Downey on 0418308497.

There will be a team schedule in the office from Monday to put your name on if you are interested in joining this wonderful cause.

**ASTHMA PLANS** - it is a legal requirement that the school has a current School Asthma Action Plan from your child’s doctor and forward it onto our school for our records. In order to give your child the best care and treatment when required it is imperative that we have relevant information from these plans. We would appreciate you forwarding your child’s School Asthma Action Plan to Vicki at the office as soon as possible.

Travis Faulkhead
School First Aid Co-ordinator

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Upcoming Dates

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Student Of The Week

P/1A - LILAC
For such a fantastic start to Grade One. You beautifully demonstrate our Dana St values and have been a willing and responsible helper. Well done!

P/1B - HEIDI
For making new friends in class and creating beautiful pieces of work. Fantastic effort, Heidi!

P/1C - LUCY
For being an outstanding helper for the new prep students. Lucy has gone above and beyond to help others and has done so with a smile. Lucy has also been an enthusiastic learner, who has blown me away. Well done!!

2A - SOPHIA
For an amazing start to the year. Your exemplary manners and work ethic are a wonderful addition to our classroom. Well done Sophia!

2B - LIAM
For settling into our new Grade Two class with excellent listening skills. Liam you have worked hard all week and I am very proud of your wonderful work habits. Well done Liam!

3/4A - LAYLAH
For her positive attitude to her class tasks. Laylah has already shown she is a dedicated student and keen to achieve her best. She has also set a great example for her classmates to follow. Congratulations and well done Laylah!

3/4B - EMMA
For making an exceptionally smooth transition into Grade 3. You have clearly demonstrated our school values of respect, care and responsibility, excellence, inclusion and understanding. Thank you for your hard work Emma. Well done!!

3/4C - MANON
For a wonderful start to Grade 3! She has already completed some amazing work and has a lovely, positive attitude.

5/6A - KOBIE
For being helpful, caring and an enthusiastic member of the classroom. You have shown a great work ethic this week and really stepped up as a school leader in the upper unit.

5/6B - JAMES
For the easy transition he has made into the 5/6 area. Well done James! Keep up the great work and positive attitude.

5/6C - JORDAN
For settling into Dana Street so well. You have made positive attitude to learning, have made some lovely new friends and I look forward to seeing your leadership qualities develop. Great work!

Midlands District Swimming Events -
The Midlands District Amateur Swimming Association will be hosting the following swimming events for interested Ballarat primary schools students.

The 50 metre Swimming Event (above nine years old)
The 50m Primary School Swimming Sports will be held at the Eureka Aquatic Centre in Stawell Street, Ballarat, on the Sunday 21st of February, commencing at 10:15am with a warm up at 9:45am. The cost for this event is $4 per swimmer, per event and relays are $8 per relay.

The Nine and Under 25 metre event
The Nine and Under 25 metre event will be held at the Ballarat Aquatic Centre 25m pool on Wednesday 24th of February starting at 7pm. Cost is $4 per swimmer, per event.

If your child is interested in the swimming events please have them see me on Monday for further information and sign ups.

Lisa Richards
Swimming Co-ordinator

Magazines needed - the grade 2 unit is looking for appropriate magazines to be used in the classroom for upcoming activities, if you would like to recycle your magazines, please leave them with Kelly Healy in 2B. Thank you

Positive Behaviour Award Winners

Ava - for making a great start.
Dominic - for making a great start.
Branden - for a great effort in the artroom.
Kaitlyn - for helping in the library.

“Act of Kindness Award”
Awarded to ~ Sophia

It was lovely to see Sophia showing kindness and guidance to some junior students who needed a helping hand. She carefully explained what to do when one of the students needed to go to the sick bay and she was also very comforting.

Jackson’s School of Music currently has vacancies for students in group or individual classes to begin in 2016 for Violin, Voice, Guitar, Drums and Ukulele. Prices range from $13 per class through to $26 per class. Classes will run for half an hour during school time. Be quick to book your class to avoid missing a place. For more details contact Susan from Jackson’s School of Music on 0401043256 or on susan@jacksonsschoolofmusic.com.au
Teaching and Learning Programs Included in
2016 Dana Street Curriculum Support Levy

Grade P/1
- Melbourne Zoo excursion
- Sovereign Hill Christmas in the Colonies program
- Ballarat fire station excursion
- live theatre performance at Her Majesty’s Theatre Ballarat (TBA)
- Ecolinc science excursion and incursion (“Watching the Weather”)
- Vocalise music program

Grade 2
- Melbourne Museum excursion
- Sovereign Hill Colonial Dress-up program
- Ballarat historical sites bus tour
- Ecolinc science excursion and incursion (“A Plant’s Life”)
- Vocalise music program

Grade 3/4
- 3 day adventure activities camp (Lady Northcote, Bacchus Marsh)
- Werribee Zoo excursion
- Quantum Victoria (“Divide and Conquer”, “Makey Makey”, “Minibeast”)
- Earth Ed (“Robocup”)
- Ecolinc science excursion and incursion (“Climate Watch”)
- Inter-school sports program
- Vocalise music program

Grade 5/6
- ScienceWorks (“Space and Astronomy”)
- Earth Ed (“Earthly Explorers”)
- BioLab (“What Makes Me Tick”, “Come Clean”)
- Sovereign Hill Ragged School program (*Grade 5 only*)
- Inter-school sports program
- Vocalise music program