



Week Ending July 23, 2021

Discovering Doreen

Diary Dates:

TERM 3

Bookfair POSTPONED	TBA
School Council 7.30pm VIA ZOOM	29 July
Hooptime Grades 3 & 4 POSTPONED	TBA
Grades 3-6 Parent Teacher Student Interviews Further details to come	3 Aug
Transition Day 1 Preps 2022 Groups & times in letter sent home	4 Aug
Grade P-2 Parent Teacher Interviews Further details to come	5 Aug
Werribee Zoo Excursion P-6 Further details to come	17 Aug
Hooptime Grades 5 & 6 Further details to come	27 Aug
Transition Day 2 Preps 2022 Groups & times in letter sent home	30 Aug
Grandparent's Day Further details to come	14 Sept
Last Day of Term 3	17 Sept

Dates are subject to change

TERM DATES 2021:

Term 3

12 July—17 Sept

Term 4

4 Oct—17 Dec

TERM DATES 2022:

Term 1

Teachers start (28 Jan)

Students start

31 Jan—8 April

Term 2

26 April—24 June

Crystal Balls are not even usable to predict what is happening at present in Victoria, but it would seem this outbreak is starting to be brought under control as nearly all positive cases are already isolating or adhering to Lock Down rules. I am very much hoping we are back on Wednesday 28th July, but our week 2 booklets run to the end of the week anyway. Can you make sure they come back to school when children return please and that week one's booklet has either been returned when picking up the week two's booklet. The booklets try and mirror classroom concepts and skills that would have been covered at school and are used when evaluating progress. Even if they have not completed as much as you would have hoped, send them back as we will be using them at school, especially in regards week two.

A special mention this week for the lovely lunch sent along for a staff member. It ended up with me. A German Beef Stroganoff with Russian Noodles and Red cabbage. It was brilliant.

Our Prep grade's 100 days of school will be postponed and Janette will let you all know when it happens. It will be a big deal again this year and we want to make it so you can be part of it, so we might have to wait a little while. Stay tuned.

If we are back on Wednesday and face to face interviews are allowed, our Parent/Teacher interviews will take place as planned. Grades 3,4,5,6 will be on Tuesday 3rd August and P,1&2's will be on Thursday 5th August. You will be able to book times on our uEducateUs App. When we are sure of the dates we will send the instructions on how to book times. It is very easy. We really don't want these to be ZOOM meetings, so we will set dates that allow face to face interviews if it remains practical to do so. We don't want to postpone the interviews much longer.

I have heard news regards the Hooptime Tournament for grades 3&4. It will be postponed until a date when we are allowed to resume Interschool Sport, as it mixes school communities.

School Council will go ahead next Thursday 29th July and I am guessing it will be mostly by Zoom. I will send out the agenda Monday. Part of the meeting will be deciding on what we might focus our attention on in regards a recent Minor Works Grant made available by the Government. It will follow our directions from the Masterplan but we will aim to ensure we do as much as we can with it. Last year we missed out, but went ahead with the project anyway, the Sandpit. It was modified but I am sure you will agree it has enhanced our Facilities greatly.

I have just been notified I will be meeting the Architect that will be in charge of our \$200K Inclusion Development (Amphitheatre, Resurface the paved area and provide an Outdoor Classroom in the Infant play area) on Monday 9th August. It has been a while since we gained the approval so I am happy we are moving along. The Victorian School Building Authority has taken the project over, which means that consultant fees are taken out. It turns our \$200K into \$175K and as we already had a Facilities Master Plan, a Landscape Architect and a Landscaper to complete the project, more than a little annoying. Unfortunately I couldn't change their minds.

I hope you are all travelling OK during our fifth lock down. It is OK to have bad days during these times, we all do. Make sure you talk about things if you are not travelling well and don't be afraid to ask for help. It can be more than frustrating when our community does nothing wrong but has to suffer through a lockdown. Getting back to some semblance of normal when children are back at school will be a step in the right direction. It is very pleasing to see Vaccination rates up and of course the increasing availability of more options. It would seem, as the Premier has stated, that when Vaccination rates are high, lock downs will not need to occur. Most of our staff are about to have their second Jabs shortly.

Take Care

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Dear Parents,

On Monday 26th July our fantastic Prep students will finally complete

100 days of school!

As part of our celebrations over the next 2 weeks we will be trying to collect 100 items of non-perishable food to donate to

Diamond Valley Food Share

We would really appreciate your support with this challenge, so if you can spare a can or packet of non-perishable food please send it along with your child to be passed onto the Prep class.

Thank you for your support.

SJ MIND BODY WELLNESS

Women's Small Group Personal Training now open in The Ivy Estate, Doreen!

I am a fellow mum here at DPS and am incredibly passionate about empowering women to feel good in their bodies on a physical and emotional level. I am a personal trainer and mind body eating coach and have been in the wellness industry for over 20 years!

Wide variety of training sessions including Circuits, Boxing and Full Body Toning. I focus on Mind, Body and overall Wellness for permanent lasting results while making sessions fun to keep you inspired!

Includes access to a private online membership site with ongoing support, recipes, home workout videos, mindset strategies, information on a variety of health topics and much more

Sessions available 5 days a week Monday to Friday at 9:30am after school drop off.

More than 45, five star reviews from training hundreds of women.

Bookings are essential, contact Sarah on 0438 662 651 for more information.

