



# Deer Park North Newsletter

## Learning For Life

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Term 2

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### School Mission Statement

Deer Park North Primary School promotes a community of life long learners. The school strives to develop responsible and resilient individuals who work towards achieving their personal best.

### School Values

Respect  
Care  
Honesty  
Responsibility  
Trust

### Student Supervision Times

The school offers yard supervision from 8.50am & after school until 3.40pm. Children should not be sent to school before 8.50am; and picked up no later than 3.40pm.

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### From the Principal

*Thank you* to students and staff members who joined our Walk to School from Sassella Park on June 13. Even though the morning was cool and it looked like rain, it was a very pleasant walk and a great way to start the day! Aussie Farmers Fruit Boxes are available for order on the order forms distributed. Please call into the school office for further information. Please return completed forms ASAP.

*School reports* will be sent home with students on Monday next week with parent/teacher interviews being held on Tuesday afternoon from 2:15pm to 6:30pm. **Please ensure that arrangements are made to collect your child/children from school at 2pm on Tuesday 25 June.**

*I would like congratulate our students on their wonderful efforts and achievements in their learning this semester supported by DPNPS's hard working and dedicated staff. At this point in the year it is timely and important to reflect on and celebrate the achievements of all students and look forward to new learning in the second half of the year with renewed energy, interest and enthusiasm!*



This week our teaching teams and school coaches have been involved in planning days in preparation for the coming term. These days provide valuable opportunities for professional discussion around provision of the learning needs and direction for each and every student across the curriculum.

A reminder that the *Brimbank Active Kids Holiday Program* will be held over the coming school holidays at DPNPS.

Dates: Tuesday 2 July, Wednesday 3 July, Tuesday 9 July, Wednesday 10 July, Thursday 12 July 2013 (Excursion to the National Gallery of Victoria).

With the end of term only a week away, we will be bidding farewell to Sandy Treloar who will be retiring in earnest! On behalf of the school community I sincerely thank her for her valued contribution over the past 16 years to

### Dates for your diaries...

#### June

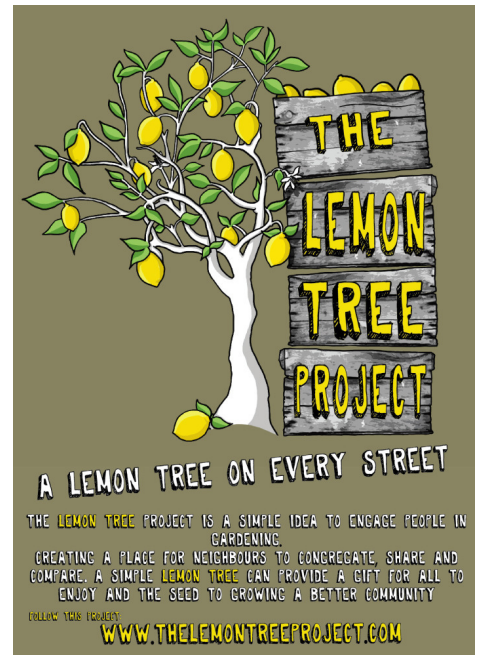
- 24 Semester 1 Student Reports sent home
- 25 **Parent Teacher Interviews—Students dismissed at 2 pm**
- 28 End of Term 2– Students dismissed at 2:30 pm.

#### July

- 15 Start Term 3
- 23 Kinda Kinder resumes



### The Lemon Tree Project



Our school has been fortunate to receive two lemon trees to plant in the school yard. It is hoped that the trees will be a welcome addition to our natural environment and provide lovely fresh fruit to enjoy.

Students have been thinking and talking about where we might plant our lemon trees. So far it seems that our vegetable garden area is a popular choice.



### Walk to School Day



Thank you to all the parents, students and staff who braved the wintery weather on Walk to School Day and helped make it a success. Students walking to school from Sassella Reserve received fresh fruit provided by Aussie Farmers Direct.

**Yafet (PQT)** ‘I had fun walking to school with Mrs Thai.’

**Aiden (JMS)** ‘I walked with a Prep teacher and my friends to school. I enjoyed walking to school and I would love to do it again.’

**Amanda (SLC)** ‘We met at the park so we could all walk to school together. When we arrived at school, we got to eat fruit. We all had fun!’

**Zena (MJG)** ‘When we were waiting at the park, we partnered up with someone and when we got to school Ms Treloar brought out Aussie Farmers fruit for everyone. It was fun.’



### **JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM AT BRIMBANK LIBRARIES**

There is something for everyone:

- \* Lindi Jane the Ventriloquist at all Brimbank libraries
- \* Create a comic at Deer Park Library
- \* NAIDOC Week Craft Activities at all Brimbank libraries (decorate a calico bag, making a bag tag and a bookmark using the Australian Aboriginal Dot Art Style)
- \* Video Game Tournaments at Deer Park, Sunshine and Sydenham libraries
- \* Kids Writing Workshop with Michael Wagner at Deer Park Library

Bookings are essential as places are limited. You can book at any Brimbank library. For session times visit [www.brimbanklibraries.vic.gov.au](http://www.brimbanklibraries.vic.gov.au)

### Children With Type 1 Diabetes

Are You Challenged by Your Child’s Diabetes?  
**Research into parenting children with type 1 diabetes.**

The University of Queensland is conducting research into parenting children with type 1 diabetes. Parenting a child with diabetes presents many challenges (everything from the regular blood glucose monitoring and insulin intake, to more general parenting tasks). The aim of this study is to understand the factors that make the management of childhood diabetes particularly difficult, and to use this information to develop strategies that might assist parents in managing their child’s diabetes.

If you are a parent of a 2 to 10-year-old child with type 1 diabetes, we would love to hear from you!

By sharing your experiences (confidentially), you will be making a valuable contribution to the development of much-needed childhood diabetes management strategies for parents.

To complete the online survey, please log on to: <https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/type1diabetes>

For further information about the project or to request a survey to be posted to you, please email Aditi Lohan ([aditi.lohan@uqconnect.edu.au](mailto:aditi.lohan@uqconnect.edu.au)) or phone Amy Mitchell (07 3365 7305) at the Parenting and Family Support Centre in the School of Psychology at the University of Queensland, St Lucia QLD 4072 (Fax: 07 3365 6724).

Thank you for your time and participation.

Aditi Lohan, Alina Morawska, and Amy Mitchell  
UQ Parenting and Family Support Centre

### Kinda Kinder at DPNPS



Kinda Kinder is a free play based program for pre-school age children and their families. Pre-Service Teachers from Victoria University run the program with the support of their Mentor.

The children are involved in a variety of experiences that assist with the development of a range of skills that prepare them for school. We have plenty of room available in our program so please feel welcome to join us when the program recommences on **TUESDAY 23rd JULY at 9:00am** (1hr).

Please note: Our room was cosy and warm last session.



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