Dear Parents/Carers,
We look forward to seeing parents/carers and families at the twilight HEALTHY COMMUNITY LAUNCH next Wednesday, March 18 from 3:30pm. There will be a lot to see and do for everyone! More information in this newsletter.

School Uniform: We have an increasing number of students making an extra effort to be in full school uniform every day. Currently students are in summer uniform which includes maroon polo top and/or windcheater and black pants, shorts or skirt with short black or white socks & black shoes. Girls can also wear the DPN summer dress with short white socks & black shoes. Broad-brimmed hats are worn in Terms 1 & 4. The uniform changes will be phased in over this year and next year. The uniform policy can be accessed on the school website.

Congratulations to Almira and Anastacia (SAS), Ina (MSH), Shashank (JAF), Isabella (JSW), Christina (JMP) and Charles (SML) who were looking smart in full school uniform on Tuesday this week.

Curriculum Day: Monday March 23, 2015 is a pupil-free day.
The staff will be working on a program facilitated by Julie Chandler, who last year worked with us as our school review consultant. The focus of the day is “Building a Fabulous Future” and will support the development of our next School Strategic Plan. We will be identifying and discussing important issues for DPN and developing our vision for an inspiring future. No students are required at school on this day.

School Council Elections: There are 2 parent representative vacancies this year. Voting forms were sent home to all families last week with the ballot closing on Wednesday, March 11, 2015. The successful candidates will be announced in the coming week.

Best Regards,
Liz Balharrie
Building Healthy Communities in Melbourne’s West

Wednesday 18th March  
3:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Families are invited…….. children must be accompanied by an adult

Staff and Students of Deer Park North Primary School are busy finalising the preparations for the Launch of our upcoming project.

The celebrations will include:

◊ A free BBQ
◊ An art exhibition
◊ Free Health Checks
◊ Skipping Demonstration / Challenge
◊ Teddy Bear Hospital
◊ Jumping Castle
◊ Many booths and giveaways

This is a family event which is being supported by

- Medicare Local
- Brimbank Council
- Derrimut YMCA
- Brimbank Leisure Centres
- City West Water
- & many local businesses

At the Deer Park North Primary School Community Hub

“Learning together”

On Tuesday mornings from 10am in the Beehive we have Free EAL class (English addition Language) with childcare. Improve your English language skills whilst your children are learning through play with childcare workers. Practice these skills in the play-group setting.

Parents and children English Language Classes for parents and Grandparents

Vietnamese:
Chú Óng, thèm hộc tông Anh dánh riêng cho các Ông Bà cùng nhau phát huy các em

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Turkish
(Deer Park Deer Park İlkokulu)

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Physical Education
This week in Sport students have shown many great skills and excellent teamwork. The grade 5/6s continued interschool sport playing Resurrection Primary. All teams played very well, showing great sportsmanship. This week is our final round for the summer fixture playing against St Peter Chanel. The Grade 3-6 students have finished their focus of Basketball, participating in various games during P.E lessons. The grade 1-2 students have been focusing on their catching skills through various rotational groups. The swimming carnival was a great success on Thursday the 12th of March. Thank you to our wonderful helpers on the day.
Miss McIntyre, P.E teacher

Mathematics: The NAPLAN testing for Year 3 and 5 students will be taking place in May this year.
Here are some sample questions to try at home.

Year 3
A bus took some students to camp. It left the school at 10:00 am. The bus trip took one and a quarter hours. What time did the bus get to the camp?

- 10:30 am
- 10:45 am
- 11:15 am
- 11:30 am

Year 5

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What date is the third Sunday on this calendar?
- 27 October
- 20 October
- 13 October
- 6 October

Year 3
Year 5

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<td>Feed the seals</td>
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<td>Lunch at the park</td>
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<td>See movie 'Under the Sea'</td>
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<td>3:30</td>
<td>Arrive back at school</td>
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At 1:00 the students will be
- with the seals.
- seeing the movie.
- having morning tea.
- at the park.

This is a train timetable.

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What time does the last morning train depart from Central?

Science
The science topic for Term One has been “Earth and Beyond”. The children have been learning about the structure of the Earth, what causes night and day and the seasons, how volcanoes erupt and the composition of the solar system.
Ross Dixon, Science/Sustainability Teacher

In the Art Room
Students are working hard preparing artwork for our Building Healthy Communities Launch- make sure you come along to check it out!

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My goat
By Christopher Grech and Kyle SSZ
I had a goat that went into a boat with a coat.
He sailed away to another boat that was shaped as a coat
My goat likes to cope with another goat with a coat and
his favourite drink was coke.

The guy who did slay
By Leon Liao SSZ
On a magical sunny day,
Somewhere down near the bay,
A guy was trying to slay,
A beautiful magical stingray.
“Don’t kill me or I will decay,”
Said the beautiful magical stingray
“You can’t stop me, I shall slay
Whoever I want any which day.”
“So be it” said the magical stingray,
For I shall turn you into a cold little rock.”
“HA HA HA HA” the evil guy did mock,
“I shall shoot you with my awesome clock.”
So the magical stingray, stung the guy
And the guy was destined to die.
The guy was fried,
In the baking sun he died.
He turned into a rock
And was shot with a glock,
By the stingray and his son, Brock.

Sometimes a Rock can save a Croc
By Donald Tran SSZ
One day at the dock,
A fancy magical rock,
Was accidently eaten by a croc,
The croc liked to mock a guy named Brock,
One day Brock cocked his Glock
And shot the croc,
His mother cried in such a shock
So she got a rock,
Wrapped it in a sock
And swung it at Brock,
Brock obviously died,
He got fried
And his leftovers got washed out by the tide
So then again the rock saved the croc.

When my Aunty received a Letter
By Pearl Sharma SSZ
My Aunty received a letter and in that letter someone said “who is better”?
My Aunt didn’t like the letter with the idea of the better!
She threw the letter on the table with a huge big label
The label was on the stool saying the word fool
A few blocks away we saw a green rock, the rock said “don’t hit me with the hammer instead fix your grammar
This gave Aunt the anger and she made the fool into big pamper
Sorry but this story ends here but do look for your fool in a bottle of drool.

Donna Smith
Literacy Coordinator

Year 3/4 Celebration Chinese/Vietnamese New Year!
Deer Park North Primary School students and teachers celebrated Luna New Year by taking part in cooking lessons. The rice paper rolls were enjoyed by all. The children really liked it!
A special thanks to the Year 3/4 teachers, Mrs Skingsley and Mrs Bay Nguyen for their assistance in supervising our cooking sessions.

AUSLAN  We are very excited in the Prep grades to be learning Auslan with Vanessa. Auslan means Australian Sign Language.
Vanessa is from Vicdeaf and comes every Thursday morning to work with our grades. We are learning to sign the alphabet, the vowels and our name. We are learning to sign the members in our family and we are working towards a mini performance at whole school assembly signing “We can sign a rainbow”. We will keep you informed of this performance date.

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Building Healthy Communities Launch

Important Notice for parents/carers.
As you would be aware this special event starts at 3:30pm on Wednesday March 18. Parents/carers are asked to collect their child/ren and exit the school and then re-enter through the gates in Mawson Avenue next to the gym.

Please note on entering all families will receive a ticket which will put them in the draw for FREE prizes drawn throughout the afternoon.

Dismissal of students on Wednesday March 18 2015 will be from classrooms only. Children will not be dismissed into the school yard as we must be sure that all students have left the school premises before returning to the event with an adult.
Students are to be collected by parents/carers from classrooms at 3:15pm or walking home with parental permission.
Please complete the permission form below and return to the school by Tuesday March 17.

Student dismissal on March 18 2015:

My child ______________________ in grade _____ room _______
will:
☐ be collected from their classroom by an adult
☐ be walking home with my permission

Signed ________________________________ (parent/carer).