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# From the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Last week, we were visited by Daria (Dasha) Gavrilova, an Australian tennis player ranked 38 in the world. Dasha has represented Australia at the Federation Cup and played really well at the recent Australian Open reaching the semi-finals. The school was presented with a number of tennis racquets and Dasha was able to have a hit with some of the students as well as signing autographs. The links below were posted by Tennis Australia and show our children with Dasha.

https://www.facebook.com/TennisAustralia/videos/10154539837746754/

http://www.tennis.com.au/news/2016/04/19/medibank-and-tennis-cares-deliver-a-winning-second-serve

Interschool sport also started last week and it was the first time in many years that Dinjerra has been able to be involved. We were the home team against Footscray North Primary School. The sports were Girl's Netball, Mixed Netball, AFL and Soccer. All games were played in the best spirit and a great time was had by all. We drew two, won one and lost one. Considering the size difference between the schools, that was a fantastic out-come. Well done to Deb Domas, Catherine Leahy and John Carr as well as the students for a brilliant afternoon

Once again I need to remind parents to not send children to school before yard duty starts at 8.45AM. There are no first aid trained staff on duty and there is no one monitoring who might be in the yard before that time. If you need to go to work earlier or have an appointment that requires you to have your children looked after, please contact Kelly Club as they provide 'before school care' at a very reasonable cost. Contact details are in this newsletter and there are flyers on the board near the front office.

Regards, Graeme Smith Principal

Annual General Meeting of the Dinjerra School Council Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> May at 6.40pm in the Conference Room. To be followed by the School Council meeting for May.

All are welcome

#### **Calendar of Events**

Date	Event	Time
Fri, 29/04	Interschool Sports: Home Vs St John's	11.20am to 1.20pm
Fri, 29/04	Mothers' Day Stall	
Fri, 06/05	Interschool Sports: Away Vs Footscray	11.20am to 1.20pm
Tues, 10/05	Annual General Meeting of School Council	6.40pm
Tues, 10/05	School Council meeting in Conference Room	7.00pm
Fri, 13/05	Interschool Sports Bye Week – practise at school	11.20am to 1.20pm
Mon, 16/05	CURRICULUM DAY – no students at school	All day
Tues, 17/05	School Resumes	9.00am
Fri, 20/05	Interschool Sports: Away Vs Footscray West	11.20am to 1.20pm
Fri, 27/05	Interschool Sports: Home Vs St Bernadette's	11.20am to 1.20pm
Fri, 03/06	Interschool Sports: Away Vs Corpus Christi	11.20am to 1.20pm
Mon, 13/06	Queen's Birthday public holiday – no school	All Day
Tues, 14/06	School Resumes	9.00am

# **Science Term 2**

We are looking forward to an exciting Science program this term.

#### P/1 Food and Change



We are looking at how food can change its appearance and taste and what we do to make the changes occur. Can these changes be undone or is the change permanent? We will look at the tools and techniques used to bring about the changes.

This topic can be easily extended at home as your child becomes involved in food preparation and cooking and predicts and observes the many changes that occur during the processes of cooking and freezing food.

#### 3 / 4 Water; Where it comes from, How it is used and Threats to Water Quality and Supply

Water is a precious resource. We will be looking at the water cycle, and the many threats and possible solutions to our water sources. The threats have many implications to our health, safety and the environment.



#### 5 / 6 Amazing Space

We will be investigating the properties and current discoveries that involve the moon and planets. How far away are the planets? Why do we engage in space exploration? Should we? We will be making models and engaging in research and current findings. Students will be working with partner to ensure that tasks are complete and learning goals met.

Thank you,

Patricia Mellusco (Science teacher)

Dinjerra outside of school care program is running an exciting term two program at Dinjerra Primary School.

Before School Care (7am – 8.45am) and After School Care (3pm – 6pm) programs run Monday - Friday.

We offer exciting sessions focused around sports, games, cooking, art and craft activities, structured 'free-time' and we provide healthy breakfast and afternoon tea.

Prices for each session starting from just \$3.00 with your rebate!

For more info and to book, phone Lara: 0466665941 or email dinjerra@kellycluboshc.com.au

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On the Noticeboard

- 1. Koorie Emergency Relief Program
- 2. Maribyrnong Grants Program
- Preschool Story Time at Central West Shopping Centre – English, Hindi, Bengali, Vietnamese and Cantonese
- 4. Playgroup Timetable at various locations
- 5. Talking About Drugs and Alcohol With Your Kids
- 6. Health West Partnership
- 7. CoHealth new appointment times
- 8. Football at Braybrook Auskick Centre
- 9. Bike Parking Design Competition
- 10. 10<sup>th</sup> Footscray Scout Group

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# **Uniform Shop**

The Uniform Shop is <u>closed on</u> <u>Wednesdays</u>, but is open every other day of the week for your convenience.

Students, please do not use the Office area as a short cut to your classrooms. This is a quiet area and we are trying to work!

# **Physical Education News**

#### **Interschool Sport Report**

On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, Dinjerra Primary played football, netball and soccer against Footscray Nth Primary. Football lost but Mr John said they played well and learnt lots. Mixed netball won and girls netball lost while the soccer team came a draw. Everyone tried their very best with fair play by both schools. Even if we lost, won or came a draw we were all very happy. Thank you to Mr. John, Ms. Leahy and Ms. Domas for coaching us well. All our coaches, Mr Bobby, Mr Graeme and the parents that came and watched were very proud of us.

From the Sports Captains.

# **Research Study Participants Wanted**

# <u>Do you work: Shift work? Long hours?</u> Casual work? Irregular hours?

If these questions apply to you, you may be interested in participating in a RMIT University and University of Queensland study examining Australian parents' experiences of accessing childcare.

#### What will participation involve?

You will be asked to take part in two interviews about your experiences, desire, and expectations regarding childcare over 15 months. You may also be asked to keep a childcare diary for a short period of time.

Participants will be reimbursed with a \$20 Coles Myer Voucher for their time.

If you are interested in participating or have any questions about the research please contact Dr Kay Cook at <a href="mailto:childcareproject@rmit.edu.au">childcareproject@rmit.edu.au</a> or 1800 489 103 (free call)

# **School Banking Reminder**

Students should bring their weekly deposit in the yellow wallet and hand it to their teacher or at the Office on **TUESDAY mornings**.

Your child will receive a silver token for each deposit and when they have 10 tokens they will receive a cool prize!

# EAL/D at Dinjerra Term 2 2016

We are now into week 3 of our new English as an Additional Language/Dialect and according to feedback from various students:

"It's great fun and it's helping me with my speaking."

"It helps with understanding because we can ask lots of questions."

"When we finish our work we get to play music or look at books from other countries."

"We look at newspapers, magazines, books...everything to do with English."

"Our teacher is helping us with our pronunciation and we are interviewing each other and learning to communicate better."

"In June we are celebrating **World Refugee Day** so we are starting to ask our families stories about their journeys to Australia and about their countries they had to leave."

If you would like more information about our EAL/D programme, please contact Ms Carmel, EAL/D Coordinator. You are welcome to visit on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Fridays.

# Medibank And Tennis Cares Deliver A Winning Second Serve

Daria Gavrilova kicked off the nationwide distribution of second-hand racquets to children in need when she visited Dinjerra Primary School in Braybrook, Victoria.



The next generation of Aussie tennis stars has received a boost, with **Medibank** and **Tennis Cares** this week delivering hundreds of pre-loved tennis racquets to junior fans around the country. Launched in the lead-up to the Australian summer of tennis, the **Medibank Second Serve** campaign encouraged Australians to donate unused and unwanted tennis racquets to help children in need become more physically active.

More than 300 racquets were donated to the cause, with world No.38 **Daria Gavrilova** today kicking off the nationwide distribution at Dinjerra Primary School in Braybrook, Victoria.

**Fiona Le Brocq**, Medibank general manager brand and marketing, said Second Serve is about helping others to play, and Medibank is thrilled with the community support for this initiative.

"We are committed to helping Aussies take steps towards better health, and through Medibank's Second Serve more than 300 kids who might not otherwise have the chance, can now get to go out and have a hit – that's just terrific."

Gavrilova said the Medibank Second Serve campaign was a great way to encourage more Australian children to get involved in tennis.

"It's really great to see so many kids receive a racquet and hopefully it inspires them to get out on the tennis court and improve their tennis," she said.

"Tennis is a great sport for kids because it teaches them so many physical and social skills and they can continue playing their whole lives. I hope all the kids enjoy their new racquets and have a great tennis experience."

