Principal’s Report

State School Spectacular

Congratulations to the sixteen students who joined in the first State School Spectacular rehearsal last Friday in Colac. By all reports our students had a marvellous time and did the school proud through their efforts. Thank you to Jon Dally and Sandra Torney for taking our students to this wonderful opportunity.

Thank you

Thank you to our school community for participating in the Lismore Driver Reviver Coffee Stop over the long weekend. Thanks to everyone’s efforts we received a generous donation of $300 from the Lismore Lions Club and would like to thank them for the opportunity.

International Visitors

Earlier on this week we had the surprise visit of a past teacher Andrew Stevenson who was teaching maths back in 1972 at our school. He was showing the area to his four Canadian friends and I invited them in for a tour of the school. It is always a source of pride to show what is happening at our school and I would like to thank our international visitors and past staff member for their enthusiasm and curiosity regarding our school.

Valerie Lobry
Acting Principal
Excitement plus! Our 16 selected students who wanted to be a part of the Victorian State School Spectacular (VSSS) headed off to Colac Primary School last Friday to begin their journey of dance rehearsals for the Mass Dance category in the VSSS. Students are lucky enough to be able to take part in a massive performance in Melbourne in September. They will be working hard rehearsing in Performing Arts classes and during the district rehearsals that we will be attending (in Colac).

Students were eager to learn the dance routines and were very dedicated participants. They listened attentively to their dance instructor and worked hard to learn the routines quickly. Our students represented the school extremely well and showed amazing talent and enthusiasm.

The 16 students that are participating in this year's VSSS are Emily T, Aidan, Cody, Emily V, Taylor, Maddison, Neave, Nessa, Dillon, Brody, Hunter, Tarryn, Clayton, Jake, Harley and Marshall.

All Derrinallum P-12 students from Foundation to Year 8 will be learning the dance routines in Performing Arts classes as we focus on Dance.

What the students said about the rehearsal day:

Nessa—It was great. I learnt so may things. I can’t wait until the next rehearsal.

Jake— I thought that it was really fun doing all the dances that I thought I couldn't do.

Emily V—I think it was inspiring and fun. I like the dance for the song 4 Minutes.

Taylor—I loved our day today. My favourite was 4 Minutes (thanks for the day, it was so much fun).

Tarryn—it was awesome! It was great!

Aidan—I thought it was great. I loved the break between dancing because we worked hard??????

Maddison—I thought it was very tiring and exciting, but over all it was the beeessssttttttt!

Marshall—It was fun because of the dancing and the breaks.

Brody—It was awesome and I had a lot of fun. Some things were hard.

Dillon—I liked the breaks between dancing because the dancing was tiring.

Cody—I liked it a lot as we learned 5 new dances.

Emily T—I liked that some of the dances were easy.

Harley—It was tiring, fun and excellent.

Clayton—it was fun apart from it was really exhausting. I enjoyed the breaks.

Hunter—It was really fun but my legs got tired.

Neave—I enjoyed the dancing. My favourite song/dance was Believer and 4 Minutes. I liked joining in with other schools. I like when we did the routines with music.
On Tuesday the 12\textsuperscript{th} of March, our students participated in the triathlon held at Lake Bolac. This year we managed to send four teams; a senior girls team, a junior boys team and two senior boys teams. It was an impressive performance by all of our students with overall finishing times very competitive when compared to those set by the Lake Bolac and Hawkesdale teams. One of our senior boys teams consisting of Ben White, Hunter Thompson and Riley Gordon came in third place for their age group in a time of 31 minutes and 56 seconds less than 30 seconds behind the second place time set by Mortlake at 31 minutes and 17 seconds. Our students gave myself and Mrs Fiona Noone many reasons to be proud of their efforts on the day. Go Derri!
Simon Mansbridge
Art - Paper Sculpture - Year 5/6
On Friday 8th March our school attended the Mid West Complex Swimming Sports at Mortlake. Even though we were few in number it was pleasing to see the number of events that so many individuals competed in. Over the course of the day we earned valuable points that resulted in many students achieving a podium finish on the individual champions board. Despite only having 12 competitors on the day, we achieved the following results: Ben White and Liam Maslin both finished in second place for their age groups whereas Ezrah Walsh, Wilson Ringe, Audrey Ringe and Kasey Baird all finished third place in their age groups. All students represented our school admirably on the day and thank you to Miss Kristy Riley and Daisy Green for their assistance.

Simon Mansbridge
Congratulations to Clayton Monahan-Yr 4 who gave me the first correct answer to last week’s problem.

Last week’s question was: If the shortest person in Mr Dally’s class was given 1 marble and the next tallest was given 2 marbles and the next tallest was given 3 marbles all the way up to the tallest person who got 10 marbles, how many marbles did Mr Dally give out?

ANS: 55 marbles

This week’s question is: Three consecutive numbers (that is, three numbers in a row - 1, 2, 3 or 5, 6, 7 or 9, 10, 11) add up to 81. What is the middle number?

Student of the week

Kirra Srdoc for using words when speaking with others.

Lexie Henderson for making numbers three ways.

Year 5/6 - Summarizing & Visualising Skills Through Comics
Derrinallum P-12 College would like to invite the community to a barbecue being held on Wednesday 27th of March at the school. This barbecue is to welcome new parents and students into the school community. The barbecue will begin at 5pm. We will be serving sausages and hamburgers, tea and coffee will be provided. The barbecue will be free of charge, and all are welcome. RSVP for catering purposes would be appreciated by Friday 22nd March through the RSVP slip provided or by ringing the school office on 55976625.

We hope to see you there!
The Year 10 PDS Team

RSVP

Please tick appropriate box to indicate if you wish to attend the Community Barbecue at Derrinallum P-12 College.

Please write your name in the provided space, and return to the school by Friday 22nd March. Please also indicate the number of people attending from your family in the provided box.

YES ☐ NO ☐

NAME:

No. of Attendants □
On 14th March the VCE Legal Studies class visited the Warrnambool Magistrates Court to see the criminal law processes that we have been learning about in practice. It was a busy morning in the court, allowing the students to see a variety of processes including the role of Victorian Legal Aid, Plea Negotiations and Sentencing. This trip will increase the depth of knowledge of students and assist them with assessment preparations.

Kristy Riley VCE Legal Studies Teacher
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