**Deloraine Primary School**

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**Important Dates!**

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**Bendigo—Community Enterprise Foundation Grant**

Last Thursday evening I had the privilege of attending a presentation ceremony for recipients of grants from the Bendigo - Community Enterprise Foundation. Grants were received by a number of community organisations from around the Meander Valley area and we were very fortunate to receive a cheque for $13 000 which, along with contributions from Deloraine Lions and Rotary Clubs and DPS, will purchase a solar thermal blanket for the pool. We sincerely thank our School Association Chairperson Elise Chilcott and Ian Howard for writing the application for the grant.

Bendigo Bank is an enthusiastic supporter of our school in other ways including providing funding and assisting, both last year and this, with our Breakfast Club (come and see Darren wearing his apron!). We would like to acknowledge this support by offering students the opportunity to have the option of opening a “school bank account” with Bendigo Bank. More details will follow soon.

**School Cross Country**

We are holding our School cross country next Wednesday. Students from Prep through to Grade 6 will take part. We begin with the Prep classes at 12.30 pm and the last race will involve the Grade 6 children. Parents and friends are invited to come along to support the children.

**Gold Card Recipients**

We have 3 more Gold Card recipients. Daniel 6A and Laiden 4K received a Gold Card for demonstrating the expectation of Caring when working with younger children and Waylon 5W received his for demonstrating the expectation of Learning. Well done boys. (See photo on the next page).

**Hagley Excursion**

As part of their studies of History, our children in 1H, 1/2E, 2C and 2/3G have spent time at Hagley Primary School exploring things from last century. They had opportunities to use household implements including an old mangle, to view the agricultural implements used in the past and to experience an “old” school. This interactive day helped them to appreciate some aspects of life in their grandparents’ and great grandparents’ days.

**Warm Clothing**

With the onset of colder weather, we have noticed that many of our students are coming to school with insufficient clothing to be warm. We encourage children to be outside when conditions are suitable and this will involve the wearing of a school jacket or top. We appreciate your assistance in ensuring that all children have sufficient clothing so that they can participate in outdoor activities as well as lunch and recess play times.

**Attendance**

A reminder to parents to inform the school either in writing or by phoning if their child is away. From the end of this term the office will no longer phone parents in relation to unexplained absences. These will be left as unexplained and the Department will query them.

**Baby News**

Congratulations to Mrs Sherriff and Mrs Youd and their husbands who both welcomed their babies last week. Mrs Sherriff had a girl named Nell Florence and Mrs Youd a boy named Otty Brian. We wish them all the best.

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**Bendigo Primary School**

**Website:** [http://www.deloraineprimary.tased.edu.au](http://www.deloraineprimary.tased.edu.au)
Sing & Grow Workshop is on again, beginning 24 May at 9.15 am.
Sessions are held once a week for 10 weeks in the DPS Hall.
Families with children 4 years of age and under are invited to attend.
The program will be capped at 10 families.
Phone 6362 2012 to book. There is no cost.

Lost Property—We have a lot of lost property at the moment. Would parents please ensure clothing is named so we can return items.


Meander Valley Performing Arts Centre Concert—Saturday, 25th May, 7.30 pm—Little Theatre, Deloraine.
Featuring local talented performers: Irish dancing, Deloraine Big Band, Aikido, Rhee Taekwondo & more.
Tickets at door. $10 adults. $5 children. $20 family.

School Photos
School Photos will be taken on 25 June. Individual student envelopes will be sent home today. Spare envelopes are available from the School Office. If you would like to order a family photo please collect a special envelope from the Office.

Online ordering is now available but family photos cannot be ordered online.

A claim form for families wishing to claim a family discount are also available from the Office (a free pack of equal or lesser value for the 3rd and subsequent children, of the same family, at any school photographed by MSP Photography). The family discount is not available on orders received after photo day or online orders.

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