



Dillbadin

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Growing through learning

From our Principal

Penelope Harris

Welcome Back!

It's been wonderful to welcome everyone back to school and hear all about your exciting holiday adventures!

We've had a calm and settled start to the term, and it's been great to see students returning with such positive energy and enthusiasm.

Well done to all for making a great start — we're looking forward to a fantastic term ahead!

**WELCOME
BACK
to
TERM 3**
**IT'S GOING TO BE
A GREAT TERM**

Farewell to Christine Zabitis

Next week, we will be saying goodbye to Christine Zabitis, who has accepted a position at another school for the next six months.

Christine has brought a wealth of curriculum knowledge, deep dedication, and genuine care to our school. She has built strong and meaningful relationships with students, staff, and families, and all of us will greatly miss her calm and thoughtful presence.

While we're sad to see her go, this new role is a wonderful opportunity for Christine to extend her professional learning and growth. We know she will do a fantastic job in her new setting, just as she has done with us.

Christine's last day with us will be Wednesday, July 30. Please take a moment to stop by and wish her all the very best before she sets off on this exciting new adventure.

We understand that change can bring questions. Like in any profession, teachers sometimes take on new opportunities and challenges. If your child has any queries or concerns, we encourage you to take the time to discuss these with them gently.

The position has been advertised, and we look forward to welcoming a new teacher in due course. In the meantime, Neisha Gange will teach the class on Mondays and Tuesdays, and Kat D'Aquino will continue to teach from Wednesday to Friday.

Using Compass for Event Consent and Payments

We are now using Compass for parents and carers to provide consent for school events, including incursions, excursions, camps, and special lunches.

Please make sure you log into Compass and provide consent by the due date. If consent hasn't been given in time, we are required to follow up with phone calls to check whether your child will be attending – which can be very time-consuming.

Compass is helping us streamline the process, and payments can also be made directly through the platform.

Thank you for your support in making this process smoother for everyone!

Upcoming Events requiring Parent Consent

Musica Viva Incursion – Tuesday 29th July (All students – no cost)

RSPCA Excursion – Wednesday 30th July (All students – no cost)

Senior Camp – Monday 11th August to Wednesday 13th August (Cost involved; SSB and CSEF can be used)

Middle Camp – Wednesday 21st August to Thursday 22nd August (Cost involved; SSB and CSEF can be used)

Special Lunch Day – Thursday 31st August, optional (Cost involved \$8)

Please ensure consent is provided as soon as possible to help us with planning and preparation. If you have any questions or need assistance accessing Compass, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

Visual Art Club – Coming Soon!

We're excited to share that Miss Blake will be starting a Visual Art Club, similar to our popular Performing Arts Club.

Students will have the opportunity to get creative, explore various art techniques, and have fun creating art together!

We'll let you know the start date and how to join very soon – stay tuned!

Curriculum Day

On Friday, 8th August, no students are required at school.

Uniforms

A big thank you to all families for sending students to school in their full uniform – they're looking fantastic!

We have a few missing jumpers, so we kindly ask families to check the name labels on any school jumpers at home to ensure they belong to your child.

Also, please ensure that all jumpers are clearly labelled with your child's name. This makes it much easier for us to return lost items quickly.

Thank you for your ongoing support. Wishing you a wonderful weekend – take care, and we look forward to seeing you next week!

Penelope

Wellbeing Wrap-Up

Neisha Gange – Assistant Principal

Putting a Spotlight on Wellbeing during Student Wellbeing Week 2025

At Dillbadin Primary School, student wellbeing is at the heart of everything we do. We know that when students feel safe, valued, and connected, they are more ready to learn, build friendships, and develop into confident, resilient people. We're excited to announce our first Student Wellbeing Week, starting Monday, 4th August!

Why Wellbeing Matters

Student wellbeing isn't just about feeling happy. It's about building the tools to handle life's ups and downs. When students develop emotional literacy, coping strategies, and strong social skills, they're better equipped to thrive both in the classroom and life.

At Dillbadin, we focus on creating a learning environment where students feel:

- Safe- physically, emotionally, and socially
- Connected- to friends, teachers, and the school community
- Capable- ready to try new things, learn from mistakes, and grow

What's Happening During Wellbeing Week?

Our Wellbeing Week (Monday, 4th August – Thursday, 8th August) will be full of fun and engaging activities that promote kindness, connection, and positive mental health. Here are some exciting highlights:

- **Pyjama Day:** Come dressed in your comfiest pyjamas to school and enjoy a relaxed, cozy day with friends.
- **Chalk Murals:** Let's brighten up our school grounds with colourful chalk art created by our students!
- **Dillbadin Amazing Race:** A team-based scavenger hunt across the school to encourage teamwork, problem-solving, and plenty of laughs.
- **Toadstool Hunt:** Join the magical toadstool treasure hunt around the school playground. Great for curious minds and adventurous hearts!
- **Pancake Breakfast:** Start the day right with a delicious pancake breakfast shared with classmates and teachers, building community and connection.

In addition to these special events, students will participate in mindfulness activities, gratitude journaling, and classroom activities focused on emotional well-being and resilience.

How Families Can Get Involved:

Families play a huge role in supporting wellbeing at home. During Student Wellbeing Week, we'll send home conversation starters, simple activities, and reflection questions to help you continue the learning at home.

We look forward to seeing our students shine as they celebrate their strengths, build connections, and focus on their wellbeing.

Wellbeing Wrap-Up

Neisha Gange – Assistant Principal

Student Wellbeing Week 2025

Monday



Pancake Breakfast



Whole School Kahoot! Challenge

Giant Games at play times



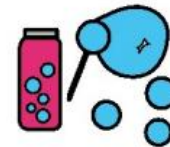
Tuesday



Chalk the Walk



Bubbles at play times



Wednesday



The Amazing Race



Staff vs Student Match at lunchtime



Thursday



Pyjama Day- wear your pyjamas to school



Whole School Movie Afternoon



••Running all week: Toadstool hunt, kindness challenge and our Gratitude Tree••



Star Student Awards

JUNIOR

Ayan for doing a great job at developing characters for his narrative.

MIDDLE

Alexandra for being focused in all her classes this week.

SENIOR

Aazaan for amazing work all week.
You're always on task and trying your hardest.



Star Student Awards





Specialist Star Awards

**MRS
BLAKE**

STEM:

Alexandra for creating a beautifully illustrated and descriptive diagram of the solar system!

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Performing Arts:

Eli for always being a reliable participant in Performing Arts!

**MISS
GANGE**

Learn to Play:

Eli for her creativity in the Learn to Play program and inclusion others in play.

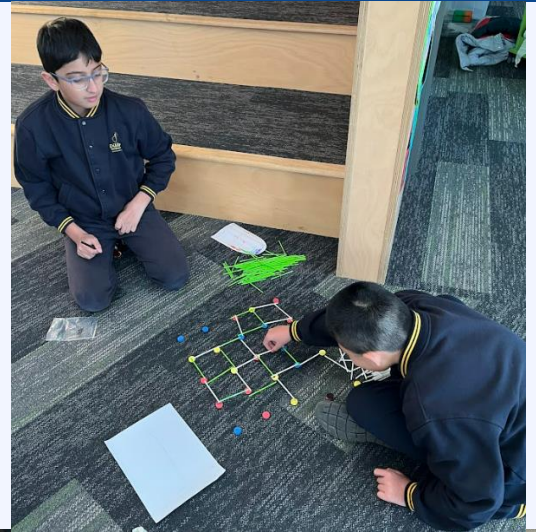
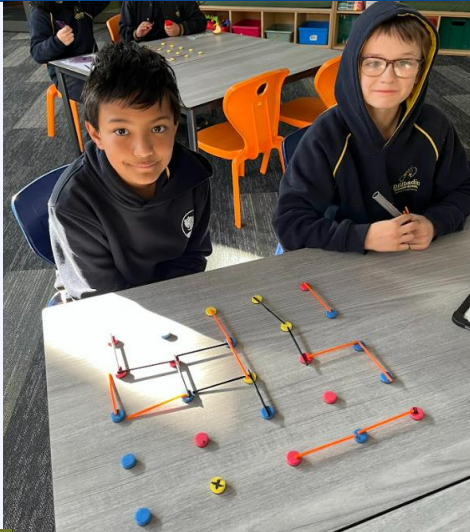


Specialist Star Awards





Senior Class



The senior students have made a fantastic start to Term 3, returning from the break with a positive mindset and an eagerness to learn. It has been wonderful to see how quickly they've settled back into classroom routines, ready to take on new challenges with focus and enthusiasm.

In Mathematics, students have jumped straight into a variety of engaging activities designed to strengthen their lateral

thinking and improve their mathematical fluency. Through hands-on games and problem-solving tasks, students have been developing vital skills such as mental computation, logical reasoning, strategic thinking, and collaboration. These maths games not only reinforce important number concepts but also encourage students to explain their thinking, try different strategies, and learn from one another. The energy and engagement in the room have been a joy to see, and it's clear that students are already building momentum for a successful term ahead.

We're proud of the way the senior class has started the term and look forward to seeing what they'll accomplish in the weeks to come!



Important Dates

Date	Event
Every Friday	3:00pm School Assembly
Monday 28 th July – CHANGE OF DATE	Incursion – Music Viva
Tuesday 29 th July	SSG meetings with Teachers
Wednesday 30 th July	Excursion to RSPCA – Burwood
Wednesday 30 th July	SSG meetings with Teachers
Friday 8 th August	Curriculum Day
Mon 11 th Aug to Wed 13 Aug	Senior Class Camp
Tuesday 12 August	ANAM Incursion – Middle Class only
Wed 20 Aug to Thurs 21 Aug	Middle Class Camp
Wednesday 27 th August	ANAM School Concert
Friday 19 th September	Final day of Term 3 – 2:30pm finish



School Wide Positive Behaviour



Our students have again earned 3
leaf in the past week, which is
300 acknowledgements of
positive behaviour.
Amazing work, everyone!