



Dillbadin

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Growing through learning

From our Principal

Penelope Harris

We've had such a fantastic start to Term 4 — thank you to all our families for ensuring students have their hats each day! It's been wonderful not having to play the “grumpy hat police,” and we really appreciate your support in helping keep everyone SunSmart.

Special Lunches Are Back!

We're excited to share that Special Lunches are back this term! There will be five throughout the term, and you'll find the menu on the next page.

To take part, simply consent and pay via Compass Pay, or you're welcome to visit the office where we can take cash or card payments.

End of Term 3 Performances

At the end of Term 3, each class performed an item they had been rehearsing in Performing Arts. A big thank you to Miss D for creating such a wonderful showcase of our students' singing and dancing talents. It was a joy to see their confidence and creativity on stage!

Twilight Christmas Market

We are thrilled to announce our very first Twilight Christmas Market, which we hope to make an annual event!

There will be market stalls, student Christmas concert performances, an art show, and even a special visit from Santa. It's shaping up to be a huge community celebration!

If you're interested in hosting a stall, please come and chat with us at the office. We'd also love your help spreading the word — tell your friends, family, and neighbours. The more the merrier!

Parent Teacher Meetings

A reminder that Parent Teacher Meetings will be held next Tuesday and Wednesday from 3:30–5:30pm.

Please make sure to book your time via Compass if you haven't already done so. It's a great opportunity to touch base with your child's teacher before the end of the year.

Swimming Program

Our swimming program will run for two weeks this term. More information will be sent home soon. As part of the Victorian Curriculum, participation in swimming is compulsory for all students, and it's an important part of learning water safety and confidence.

It's going to be a busy and exciting Term 4, full of learning, creativity, and community connection. Thank you for your continued support — we look forward to sharing a wonderful term with you all. Have a great week!

Penelope



Performing Arts Concert



SPECIAL LUNCHES MENU

1

16TH OCTOBER

Pizza, sweet treat and juice box

\$8

2

30TH OCTOBER

Mac and Cheese, sweet treat and juice box

\$8

3

13TH NOVEMBER

Pasta Bake, sweet treat and juice box

\$8

4

27TH NOVEMBER

Sausages in Bread, sweet treat and juice box

\$8

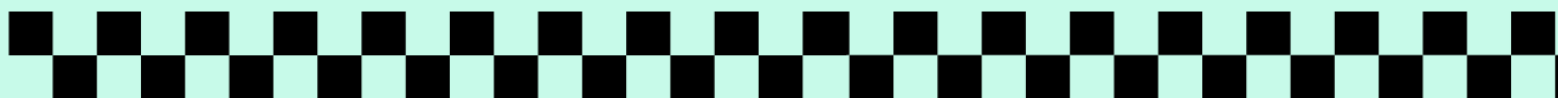
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11TH DECEMBER

Chicken Nuggets and Hash Browns, sweet treat and juice box

\$8

PAY FOR THE WHOLE TERM AT A DISCOUNTED RATE OF \$35





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TWILIGHT CHRISTMAS MARKET

FRIDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2025

START AT 4:30PM

**FOOD, MARKET STALLS, CHRISTMAS
CONCERT, SCHOOL TOURS & LIVE MUSIC.
DOOR PRIZE ENTRY FIRST 100 VISITORS!!**

AND A SPECIAL VISIT FROM SANTA!!!

**CALL 9762 2510 TO ENQUIRE
ABOUT HAVING A STALL**



Ben Symmon's Challenge

We're So Proud of Ben Symmons!

We are incredibly proud of our amazing staff member, Ben Symmons, who is taking on an inspiring challenge this month – riding 1,000 km in the Great Cycle Challenge to help fight kids' cancer.

Every year, too many Australian children lose their lives to cancer – more than to any other disease. That's why Ben is riding: to make a difference, to raise awareness, and to help ensure that kids can live their best lives – not fight for them.

If you've ever wanted to make a difference, today's the day!

👉 Donate here: greatcyclechallenge.com.au/Riders/bensymmons

Every dollar raised will help fund vital research and support brave children and families across Australia who are facing cancer right now.

To show his commitment, Ben even shaved his head today to raise awareness and stand in solidarity with kids fighting this disease. A big thanks to Simone for shaving off Ben's hair.

Let's all get behind Ben, cheer him on, and help him smash that 1,000 km goal!

We couldn't be prouder to have such a compassionate and dedicated role model in our school community.



Wellbeing Wrap-Up

Neisha Gange – Assistant Principal

Connecting with Others at Dillbadin Primary School: The Importance of Relationships for Wellbeing

At Dillbadin Primary School, we know that feeling connected to others is one of the most important parts of being happy and healthy. Friendships, family bonds, and positive relationships with teachers all help our students feel safe, valued, and supported, and this has a big impact on their mental wellbeing.

When children feel a sense of belonging, they're more confident to try new things, share their ideas, and take on challenges. That's why we're encouraging every student to build and strengthen their connections both inside and outside the classroom.

Here are some of the ways we're supporting connection at school (and how families can help at home too!):

Teamwork and Collaboration:

Group projects and team activities help students learn how to listen, share, and work together respectfully.

Kindness and Empathy:

We talk about what it means to be a good friend- showing care, including others, and understanding different points of view.

Belonging and Inclusion:

We celebrate the diversity of our school community and make sure every student feels seen and valued for who they are.

Connection Beyond the Classroom:

From playground games to whole school events and buddy programs, we provide plenty of opportunities for students from across all year levels to connect, play, and build friendships.

At Home:

Family time matters too! Simple things like sharing a meal, playing a game, or talking about the day help children feel connected and supported.

When we connect with others, we feel stronger, calmer, and more positive, and that's something worth celebrating. Together, we can continue to build a caring and connected community here at Dillbadin Primary School.



Star Student Awards

JUNIOR

Ollie for researching some interesting facts about Mem Fox.

MIDDLE

Hannah for being a maths whiz during our Blitzmaster sessions!

SENIOR

Rohaam for his brilliant first week back.
Mr Simpson can tell by your attitude that you have an eye on a leadership position next year.



Star Student Awards





Specialist Star Awards

**MRS
BLAKE**

STEM:

Alexandra for all your hard work creating a fantastic cloud spotter and cloud chart in STEM.

MISS D

Performing Arts:

Harvey for showing great sense of rhythm whilst playing various instruments!

**MISS
GANGE**

Auslan:

Azaan for using every new animal sign he learnt in his story.



Specialist Star Awards





Important Dates

Date	Event
Every Friday	3:00pm School Assembly
Tuesday 14 th and Wednesday 15 th October	Parent Teacher Interviews
Tuesday 4 th November	Cup Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 11 th November	Curriculum Day – NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL
Monday 17 th – Friday 28 th November	Whole School Swimming Program
Friday 5 th December	Twilight Christmas Market 4:30pm
Tuesday 9 th December	Statewide Transition Day
Friday 19 th December	Last Day of the Year 1:30pm finish
Friday 19 th December	Semester 2 Reports released on Compass

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TRANSITION DATES

FRIDAY 24TH
OCTOBER

9.30AM – 10.30AM

FRIDAY 7TH
NOVEMBER

9.30AM – 10.30AM

FRIDAY 21ST
NOVEMBER

9.30AM – 10.30AM

FRIDAY 5TH
DECEMBER

9.30AM – 10.30AM

TUESDAY 9TH
DECEMBER

9.30AM – 1.30PM



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!