



Dillbadin

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Growing through learning

From our Principal

Penelope Harris

It's been another fantastic week, with students well and truly back in the full swing of learning. Our phonics program, *Little Learners Love Literacy*, continues to deliver remarkable results, helping students strengthen their reading and writing skills. It's wonderful to see their confidence and enthusiasm grow each day!

Planning for 2026

We will be announcing our 2026 teaching teams in the coming weeks. To assist us with planning for next year, it's essential that we have the most accurate enrolment numbers possible.

If you know of any families intending to enrol their child at Dillbadin Primary School in 2026 but who haven't yet done so, please encourage them to submit their enrolment as soon as possible. If they're unsure about the process, they're very welcome to contact the school office for assistance.

It's equally important for our planning to know if any current families (Prep to Year 5) are not returning in 2026. Please inform the office staff as soon as possible if your child will be leaving Dillbadin PS at the end of this year so we can plan accordingly.

SunSmart

As a proud member of the Cancer Council Victoria's SunSmart Program, our school's hat policy is now in effect. All students are required to wear a hat when outside. Students without a hat will need to remain on the stage area, which is undercover. This can be pretty boring for them, as they miss out on joining in the fun activities their friends are playing.

We aim to protect both students and staff from excessive UV exposure and to help reduce the risk of future skin cancer. Please ensure your child has their named school hat each day.

As the weather warms up, students may also wish to wear sunscreen while outside. Please either apply sunscreen at home before school or provide some in your child's bag so they can reapply it themselves during the day.

Special Lunch Thanks!

A big thank you to all our families for supporting this week's special lunch — we had our highest number of lunch orders yet! It was wonderful to see so many students enjoying their meals. Our next special lunch will be on Wednesday, 30th October, featuring mac and cheese. Don't forget to get your orders in!

Have a great weekend, and we look forward to seeing you next week.

Penelope



Gecko Sport



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

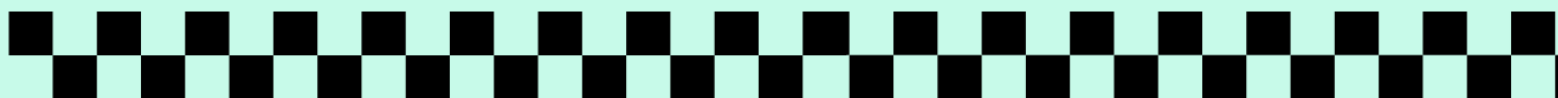
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11TH DECEMBER

Chicken Nuggets and Hash Browns, sweet treat and juice box

\$8

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Door prizes for the first 100 visitors!



Friday 5th December
4:30pm - 7:30pm

DILLBADIN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Twilight Christmas Market

Handmade gifts
Food stalls
Christmas carols
Arts and crafts
Face painting
...plus a visit from Santa!



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Nights of Reading Awards

25 Nights

Hannah		

50 Nights

75 Nights

Kai	Faiq	
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100 Nights

125 Nights

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Nights of Reading Awards



Wellbeing Wrap-Up

Neisha Gange – Assistant Principal

Day for Daniel: Promoting Safety and Awareness at Dillbadin Primary School

During the week of 27th October, Dillbadin Primary School will be recognising Day for Daniel, Australia's largest child safety education and awareness day. This important initiative, run by the Daniel Morcombe Foundation, encourages schools and families to talk about ways to help keep children safe.

At Dillbadin, we are dedicating the week to learning about personal safety, online safety, and help-seeking strategies through age-appropriate classroom discussions and activities. Our focus will be on empowering students with the confidence and knowledge to recognise unsafe situations, react appropriately, and report concerns to trusted adults.

On Friday 31st October, we invite students and staff to wear red in honour of Daniel Morcombe and to show our shared commitment to keeping kids safe.

Throughout the week, classes will:

Explore the Recognise, React, and Report safety messages.

Participate in role plays, storytelling, and digital safety lessons.

Reflect on how we can look after ourselves and each other—at school, online, and in the community.

We encourage families to continue these important conversations at home. The Daniel Morcombe Foundation website has excellent free resources for parents and carers to support safety discussions with children <https://danielmorcombe.com.au/day-for-daniel/>.

Together, we can help ensure every child at Dillbadin Primary feels safe, supported, and empowered.





Star Student Awards

JUNIOR

Kai for always trying your hardest when faced with a challenge.

MIDDLE

Alexandra for writing some hilarious rhyming couplets.

SENIOR

Faiq for an outstanding week. You have gone above and beyond with your author student notes this week!!



Star Student Awards





Specialist Star Awards

**MRS
BLAKE**

STEM:

Eli for doing some excellent research about the koala in STEM.

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Performing Arts:

Charlie for demonstrating great rhythm and persistence during Performing Art.

**MISS
GANGE**

No Award this week.



Specialist Star Awards





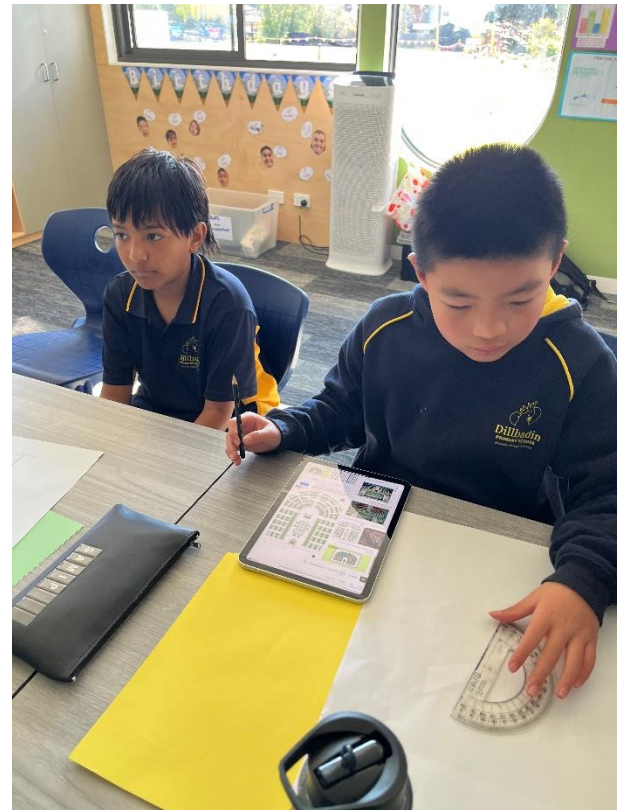
Senior Class

The Senior students have begun their Inquiry unit on Asia and Australia's relationship with Asia, exploring the rich diversity of cultures, traditions, and histories that shape our region.

Through this unit, students will explore Australia's connections with Asian countries through trade, migration, tourism, and cultural exchange.

This learning is important because it helps students develop respect and understanding for our neighbours, appreciate Australia's place in the Asia-Pacific region, and recognise the benefits of working together in a global community.

By building cultural awareness, students strengthen their empathy, curiosity, and global citizenship; skills that are essential for the future.





Important Dates

Date	Event
Every Friday	3:00pm School Assembly
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

Future Dates for 2026

2026	Start Date	Finish Date
Term 1	28 th January	2 nd April
Term 2	20 th April	26 th June
Term 3	13 th July	18 th September
Term 4	5 th October	18 th December



Important Dates



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PREP TRANSITION SCHEDULE

1

FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER, 9.30 - 10.30AM

2

FRIDAY 7TH NOVEMBER, 9.30 - 10.30AM

3

FRIDAY 21ST NOVEMBER, 9.30 - 10.30AM

4

FRIDAY 5TH DECEMBER, 9.30 - 10.30AM

5

TUESDAY 9TH DECEMBER, 9.30 - 1.30PM

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School Wide Positive Behaviour



Our students have again earned 5
leaf in the past week, which is
500 acknowledgements of
positive behaviour.
Amazing work, everyone!



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