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17th July 2026

Children are supervised only between the hours of 8.45am and 3.45pm unless attending the Darrang Outside School Hours Care Program. Registration forms for this program are available from the office. Please ensure you update your records at the school office and also with OSHC staff. OSHC Mobile 0419 889 253



EVERY STUDENT SHOULD:

✓ **HAVE A REFILLABLE WATER BOTTLE. EVERY DAY**



✓ **BE SIGNING IN ALL DEVICES AT THE OFFICE VERY DAY**



Every **Wednesday** and **Friday!!!** in the **Junior Learning Centre**. Doors open for service **8.30am**. Come on in for some Breakie with your friends -



Monday 20th July

School Council Meeting 6.30pm

Friday 24th July

DPS Athletics Carnival

Years 3-6 followed by Years Prep – 2 after recess

Tuesday 28th July

100 days of Foundation

Wednesday 29th July

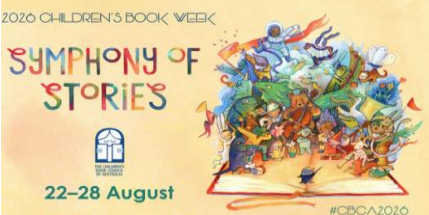
Whole school excursion

Diary Dates:

Please ensure you are up to date with consent/payment for upcoming events. Additional diary dates have been added for Term 3.

Term 3:

Wednesday 29 th July	Tentative date for whole school excursion
Friday 31 st July	DPS Athletics Carnival Back-up
Monday 10 th August	Pet Incursion F-2 9:30-10:10am 3/4 10:20-11:10 5/6 11:30-12:20

Monday 17 th August – Friday 21 st August	Science Week 
Monday 17 th August	Science activities: 11.30am-1.30pm
Monday 24 th August– Friday 28 th August	2026 CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK  22–28 August
Wednesday 26 th August	District Athletics Y3-6
Thursday 27 th August	Book Parade
Friday 28 th August	Rugby Gala Day
Monday 31 st August	Moonlit Sanctuary F-6
Friday 4 th September	Father's Day Morning (Brekky/class)
Monday 7 th September	Melbourne Museum Excursion
Tuesday 8 th September	Wellbeing Day
Friday 11 th September	4-6 Inter-school sports
Wednesday 16 th September	STREAM incursion
Thursday 17 th September	Footy Day and Special Lunch



STAR STUDENTS

*presented at assembly
Wednesday 22nd July 2026*

FC	Zack <i>For developing his independence</i>
12D	Ethan <i>For his exceptional effort during MSL and showing school values in the classroom.</i>
34M	Riley <i>For working extremely hard to improve his writing.</i>
56M	Savino <i>For demonstrating the school values especially in the school yard and TRIBES.</i>
STREAM	Mackenzie (56M) <i>For demonstrating amazing inquisitive skills when building a maze to work with his Edison.</i>

Savino (56M)

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maze to work with his Edison.*



Words from our Principal on the job – Brett Speed

Welcome back to what is going to be a very busy Term 3. It has been great to have everyone return to school ready for learning.

We have experienced some inclement weather during the first week back and encourage families to provide appropriate clothing for the conditions.

Please continue to use our communication tool Compass to record absences, approve upcoming excursions/incursions and stay informed of school-wide events.

BUILDING WORKS:

The Covered Outdoor Learning Area (COLA) is beginning to take shape with the framework completed ready for the roof. Machines continue to operate daily creating a lot of excitement for our current and prospective families to see the building stages progressing.

Families are welcome to see the plans and artists impressions of the build in the main office. This is an exciting time for our school and we look forward to seeing the progression over the coming months.

MUSIC IN SCHOOLS:



We continue to partner with Music in Schools (Songroom) for 2026. The 'Bridge' is a pilot program that provides a musician in residence (Kye and Agnes), a performing arts educator (Michael) to provide professional learning,



song writing and skill building for both staff and students.

The objective is for students to build a love of learning music and to perform in front of peers and community members.



SOMERS CAMP:

Several of our Year 5/6 students are currently attending Somers Camp. They are accompanied by Mr M who has been a frequent support for our students. Activities include archery, high ropes, The activities are mainly physical and outdoor and include High and Low Ropes Courses, Boating, Rock Climbing, Abseiling, Challenge Swing and Initiative Activities which require a reasonable level of physical fitness. All children are also required to take part in the following activities: Archery, Art, Drama, Environmental Studies, Bush Cooking, Orienteering, Bike Education, Flying Fox, Bush Dancing, Disco Night, Singing and Diary Writing. Mr M has provided several updates for the campers who are experiencing a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity at camp. We look forward to hearing about the experiences when they return to Darrang late next week.



TOP UP PANTRY:

The 'Top Up Pantry' continues to operate for all our families to access in the office. Please feel free to take what you need from the trolley. The trolley is in the entry way to the office. If there are items that you think would be worth having on the trolley, please speak to Brett.



The pantry is supported by Foodbank with all items on the trolley sourced from our partnership.

The pantry will be restocked throughout the week. We encourage all families to access this space as needed.



TOURS / ENROLMENTS:

If you have a child due to start at Darrang in 2027, or know someone that does, please refer them to the school office or to our website Enrolment (www.darrangps.vic.edu.au). digital enrolment system will be in place for all

Foundation students entering 2027. We are expecting an increase in our tours and enrolments with the building works and highly encourage those families with children starting in 2027 to get in touch with the office. Please see me if you require support.

The digital enrolment for 2027 Foundation students closes on Friday 31st July.

School tours can be arranged upon request by contacting the office on 9763 9600. We are more than happy to showcase our programs and grounds to prospective families.

Have a fantastic weekend.



Gratitude Mindfulness and Empathy

An interactive program for parents wanting to explore positive relationships with their children

- Why are gratitude, empathy and mindfulness so important?
- How do they help us increase connection with our families?
- How do they help us raise emotionally intelligent children?
- how do we make them fit into our busy and stressful lives?

Dates: 27th July - 31st August 2026

Time: Mondays 12.30pm - 2.30pm
(Six afternoon sessions)

Location: Online

For: Parents in the Eastern Region

Bookings: [Click here to register](#)



Questions: Julia on 0400 866 495 or julia.russell@anglicarevic.org.au

PARENTZONE



HOOK In 2 HOCKEY

KNOX HOCKEY CLUB

FIRST SESSION IS FREE!
ALL EQUIPMENT PROVIDED!

Commencing Tuesday, 14th July (7 Weeks) 5:15pm - 6:15pm

Wantirna Reserve - 61 Mountain Hwy, Wantirna 3152



Janita Hackett - 0438844489
hookin2hockey@knoxhockeyclub.com.au

Register Now!

