



# DARTMOOR PRIMARY SCHOOL

2022 NEWSLETTER - TERM 4, WEEK 3

DARTMOOR PRIMARY SCHOOL IS A CHILD SAFE SCHOOL



## Welcome Back to Term 4!

Thank you for your continual support through the busy times, term 3 vanished in a blink of an eye and there's lots already happening as we enter term 4.

150th Birthday celebrations is fast approaching (28th - 30th October) and we continue to fundraise to replace our Playground. It's looking very promising and we may be on track for January 2023.

Throughout Term 4 we continue with Art Therapy, Health with the DBNC, Workshops with The Songs Room musician in residence Charles and Bike Ed with Mr Greenham!

Welcome to a couple of new faces, Miss Danni who joins the team as a Casual Relief Teacher (CRT) and Bailey who is our Animal Assisted Intervention Dog (further details on Page 4).

We are honoured to announce that our Department of Health Shade Grant Program was successful, this will allow us to install a new sail over our playground optimising protection all year round.

Swimming Program  
is scheduled for:  
21st November to  
2 December.

### Term 4 Important Dates

Week 3 - Friday 21st October  
Grade 5 & 6 Maths Games Day in Heywood

Week 4 - Weekend 28th to 30th October  
School 150th Birthday

Week 5 - Monday 31st October  
Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 1st November  
NO SCHOOL - Melbourne Cup



**Birthday Celebrations**

**8 September - Effy**

**16 September - Cienna**

"Building Success and Friendship"



# My School Connect

We are excited to announce that we have available a cashless portal that will assist in tracking special school events, uniform shop and other fundraisers.

There is currently a Fundraising shop set up that has 150th Birthday merchandise available and tickets to the Saturday Night Event can also be purchased.

First families will need to create a account:

<https://myschoolconnect.com.au>

"Join Now"

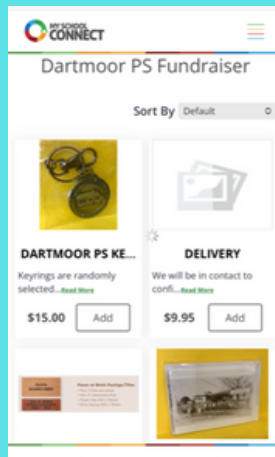
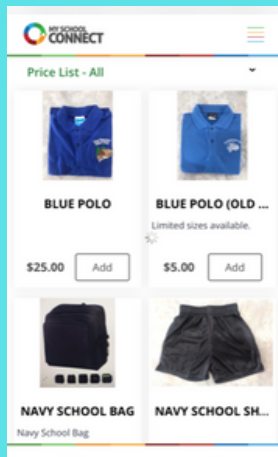
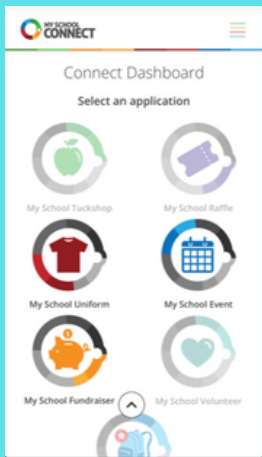
Create an account

Search School

Create Students and link to Classroom



\*\*\* Transaction fees apply that will be visible at checkout for the use of the portal \*\*\*



My School Connect is available to be downloaded via the App Store or Google Play.



Please don't hesitate to contact Alana if you have any set up questions.

After the Book Fair we were lucky enough to have 6 books donated to the school by Sean from the Book warehouse plus a donation of \$70.50 to go towards our Playground. Well Done!



We will be having a Book Fair stall at the 150th Birthday, again all proceeds to the Playground or donation of book purchases also welcome.



On the last day of Term we said farewell to our friend Shikara, we wish her and her family all the best for the future and hope to see you around.



Miss Danni!



**Step up to School forum**

Step up to school, presented by South West Healthcare

Follow the below link to register:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/step-up-to-school-forum-tickets-432245968327>



**South-west schools receive Victorian government grants to launch out-of-hours care services**

South-west schools are getting an out-of-hours care services boost as the state government launches a scheme to free up more people for work and study. The Victorian government has invested \$17 million which will be divided into grants up to \$150,000 across two years for 121 schools to start or expand before and after school care programs. Recipients in the region will include Casterton Primary School, Dartmoor Primary School, Macarthur Primary School, Terang College and Timboon P-12 School.

*Exciting times for 2023!!!!*

The Dartmoor community have been long awaiting an opportunity like this and are very grateful and hope the services can be utilised by many.

**We need you!**



A position has become available on School Council for a 'parent' position. you would like further information, please see Gill or email: [dartmoor.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:dartmoor.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

**Remaining 2023 Meeting Dates:**

Week 10, Wednesday 7th December at 5pm held at the Dartmoor Hotel. Family welcome at 6pm





As part of 2023 transition process, we had Kai come into school to say hello. We look forward to seeing Finn again throughout the term!

A nice little improvement made to the outside area near the staff room. Further details to come!



## Welcome Bailey!

Late Term 3 we were luckily enough to receive Funding for a Animal Therapy through Brophy / School Focused Youth Group.

During the holidays Mrs Bull worked alongside trainer Kim from Pawfect Communities to train her dog Bailey to become an Animal Assisted Intervention Human-Canine Team. In other words Dartmoor Primary School has its very own wellbeing dog!

Bailey will be coming to school with Mrs Bull throughout the remainder of term 4 and beyond.

For this term we will trial how it best works and whether we bring in further programs to be run with Bailey and the students.



**Animal Assisted  
Intervention Dog  
Working in this  
space**

**Please keep other dogs  
off the property.**



**Animal Assisted  
Intervention Dog  
'Bailey'**



**working here**

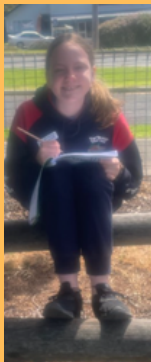
## Rural Aid in the Senior Class

In the final week of term 3, our Senior Class worked with Sue Jensen a Counsellor & Community Representative for Rural Aid on a pilot wellbeing program for rural and regional kids delivered by Rural Aid and Monash University. Sue visited the students everyday for a 1 hour session for a week. Ideas covered in the program included good teamwork, emotions, feelings, helpful and unhelpful thoughts, actions based on our thoughts and feelings, mindfulness and breathing and where I can get support.

Students filled out a workbook at each session and got some time outside to do some journaling in nature.

In week 2 of term 4, Sue returned to do a consolidating lesson with the students and to give them a certificate for participating in the program, she also gave the school a lemon tree as a reminder of all the things the students learnt and how everything, even ourselves need nurturing to grow.

The following are places for students and their parents to contact if they need support; <https://www.ruralaid.org.au>.



[ruralaid.org.au](https://www.ruralaid.org.au)

RURAL AID LTD | ABN 29 605 763 597  
PO BOX 476 | INDOORPOOLY CENTRE | QLD 4068  
contact@ruralaid.org.au | 1300 327 624



Supporting farmers & rural communities

### Resources

#### PHONE NUMBERS

**Kids Helpline** - 1800 551 800

A 24/7 helpline for young people aged 5-25, and their parents, carers and teachers.

**Beyond Blue** - 1300 224 636

Call or chat online with a counsellor at any time. The Support Service is available 24/7.

**Headspace** - 1800 650 890

Online and telephone support service that helps young people who don't feel ready to attend a headspace centre or who prefer to talk about their problems via online chat, email or on the phone.

#### WEB CHATS & FORUMS

**Kids Helpline** - <https://kidshelpline.com.au/>

A 24/7 Web Chat (and email) feature, where young people can connect with online professionals via online messaging.

**My Circle** - <https://kidshelpline.com.au/my-circle>

A supportive peer support chat group "My Circle" run and mediated by Kids Helpline counselors. It is a free, private, safe and confidential social platform for 13-25 year olds across Australia.

**Beyond Blue** - <https://www.beyondblue.org.au/get-support/online-forums>

The **BeyondBlue** forums are a supportive place to connect with people who are going through similar experiences. You can read other people's stories, ask for advice or share your own experience.

**Reach Out** - <https://au.reachout.com/online-community>

Reach Out Forums are a supportive, safe and anonymous space where people care about what's happening for you, because they've been there too.

## Thank You



## Jess & Tim

For constructing a new gate deterring the chooks from visiting the Op Shop!

It looks fantastic, thank you!



From the Students and Staff at  
Dartmoor Primary School

## Song Room

In the final week of term 3 and the second week of term 4, we had a visiting musician come to the school (as part of the Departments positive start initiative), his name is Charles MacInnes.

Charles comes from Melbourne and stayed near Wanwin Falls while he was here. He taught the students about musical instruments and showed them different videos of sound being used in unusual ways.

In the second week he was here he worked with small groups to produce a short video with the kids; 'Musical Playground Dartmoor', which can be watched at the following link;

<https://vimeo.com/charlesmacinnes/playground>



Thank You!



We have been lucky enough to have \$1000 donated to our playground equipment through the sale of a pedigree Kelpie pup.

Special thanks to David and Jane Spencer for buying the dog and Tracy & Noel Bull, Julie & Tony Woodall and Josh & Ella Harvey for producing the pup through their dogs Paige and Pud.



From the Students and Staff at Dartmoor Primary School

# MARC

with Mr Penny

Tuesday 18th October



Students got creative making masks.

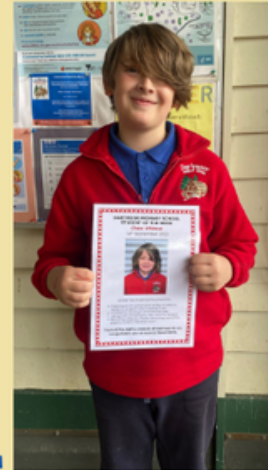




# Congratulations!

Tai, Jamie, Gemma & Chase!

FOR BEING AWARDED SENIOR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!



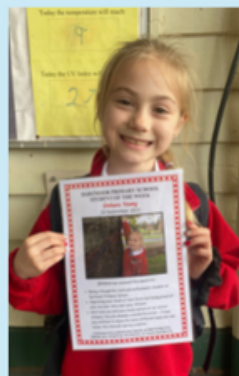
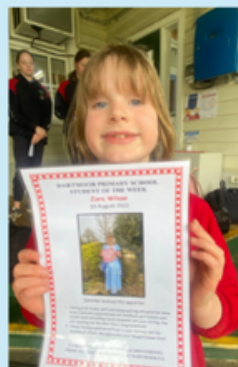
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# Congratulations!

River, Zara, Shikara,  
Nolan & Effy!

FOR BEING AWARDED  
JUNIOR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!



DATE: Term 3 2022

Term 3 Awards



# SAVE THE DATE: ITINERARY FOR THE 150th WEEKEND

## Friday 28th October

**6pm:** Meet and greet at the Dartmoor Hotel Motel.

To book a table call (03) 5528 1240 or alternatively just turn up for a drink in the front bar. There will be a slideshow display of past and current students along with a meat raffle with proceeds going towards replacing our Playground.

## Saturday 29th October

The day will begin at **11am** with a School Fete at 76 Greenham Street. The school will be open with plenty of displays and photos to look at. Food will be available to purchase along with 150th merchandise and local produce.

·A Fire Pit Raffle will be drawn in the evening; tickets will be made available.

·The official opening of the 150th celebrations will be at midday with an opening speech from former Principal, Graham Wood.

·There will be a fancy-dress competition so come in your best Dartmoor Primary School attire!

·Our local historian and former PE teacher Michael Greenham will speak about the history of the school and past scholars' memories.

·Current students will perform our 2022 Musical Festival dance.

·**2pm** There will be a roll call for class photos in 10-year bursts, based on the year you started at Dartmoor Primary School.

·**3pm** Ye Ol' Fete events. Get a team together. There are prizes to be won!

·**4pm** School building will be closed for the day.

·Food options will continue into the night.

·The ticketed event at the Dartmoor Hall will commence at **6pm**.

BYO drinks.

Food van available until **9pm**.

The evening will be hosted by former Principal Graham Wood and current Acting Principal Gillian Bull, with past and current students and staff joining them throughout the evening.

Dean Outtram will be providing us with music for entertainment throughout the evening.

## Tickets \$25 each | \$5 for U18s

(Purchase via an online ticketing system)

# DON'T MISS OUT ON A FUN FILLED WEEKEND!