



Debney Meadows
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Debney Meadows Newsletter

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Principal's Report

Dear Parents,

As you would be aware there are currently a number of confirmed cases of H1N1 Influenza (Human Swine Flu) in Victoria. Appropriate measures are being taken in relation to these cases.

At the present time Debney Meadows Primary School has not had any cases of H1N1 influenza or reports of people who have been in contact with a confirmed case.

We encourage families to continue with standard good hygiene practices and the Department of Human Services recommends the following measures to reduce the risk of the spread of influenza virus:

- Keep your child at home if they are unwell. This is particularly important in relation to coughs, colds and flu which spread through both droplet infection and direct contact. Students should also be kept at home if they have a fever or gastro intestinal symptoms as these can also be signs of influenza.
- Use tissues and dispose of them properly.
- Wash hands often and thoroughly.
- Visit your doctor if unwell or hospital if very ill.
- If unwell avoid public places and close contact with others.

The Department of Human Services (DHS) is also asking parents of children returning from USA, Canada, Japan, Mexico and Panama to voluntarily keep their children home for seven (7) days from arrival back in Australia. If the student becomes unwell during this time it will minimize the spread of the illness to other students.

If we are told of any cases of H1N1 influenza (Human Swine Flu) by DHS the school community will be informed.

If students have come into contact with people proven to be H1N1 positive we would appreciate families informing the school immediately.

If parents have any concerns please refer to:

www.health.vic.gov

www.education.vic.gov.au

Swine Influenza Hotline Phone: 180 2007

Nurse-On –Call Phone: 1300 606 024

We greatly appreciate your support.

Christine Nash
Principal



SCHOOL NEWS

After School Care

Active After School Communities
Coaches.

Tuesday - Games
Wednesday - Arts & Crafts
Thursday - Skateboarding

Come and join in the fun!

School Photos

A reminder to families that school
photos will be on Thursday 4 June.

Students need to bring their forms
and money back to school as soon
as possible

Dates to Remember

Healthy Lunch & Dinner Program

Debney Meadows Primary School
Thursday 4 June 10 - 11.30am

“Adolescent Parenting Program”

Friday 5 June 9.30 - 12 noon

Family Life Program

Year 5 & 6

Mondays 15 and 22 June

School Photos

Thursday 4 June

Sausage Sizzle

Friday 5 June

Queen’s Birthday Holiday

Monday 8th June

Pupil Free Day (state-wide) Report Writing

Friday 12 June

School Council Meeting

Monday 15 June 3.30 - 5pm

BMW Edge Excursion - SongRoom

Tuesday 16 June

Parent Teacher Interviews

Tuesday 23 & Wednesday 24 June 3.30 - 6.30

Last Day of Term

Free Dress Day

Friday 26 June 1.30pm finish

Students' Work

Our student reporter this week is Iman from 4/5/6A sharing information about a kindergarten visit to our school.

Please see Milita if you would like your work to published in the newsletter.



On Wednesday 27th of May St Brendans Kindergarten came to Debney Meadows Primary School to see if any of the children would like to come next year or the year after.

When the kindergarten children came at 1.00pm, Louise read a story to them called Where's My Teddy. Then they made big teddies hugging little teddies and on the back it said "Today I went to school at Debney Meadows."

Next we went to the preps and said hi and they had a little play. Daud and his old kindergarten teacher had a little talk and had a picture taken together .

Later we went outside and played on the little playground then the kindergarten kids went back to their kindergarten.

BY IMAN 4/5/6A



Healthy Lunches & Dinners

Come together to learn, share ideas and make some healthy family foods for packed lunches and delicious dinners. **FREE!**

This Thursday is lunch at
Debney Meadows Primary School

Interpreters and Childcare available.



Thank - you to Mohamed, Madina and Abdi's mum Mishi for helping cut up our fruit on Friday.



KINDERGARTEN TO SCHOOL TRANSITION

Children from our local kindergartens will attend school transition visits on the following dates:

Hopetoun (Sarah)

Thursday 4th June

9:15 – 10:00am

Computer Lab and sandpit

Tuesday 9th June

9:15 – 10:00am