



Debney Meadows  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

# Debney Meadows Newsletter

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## Principal's Report

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Debney Meadows PS for term 3. As discussed in the last newsletter, there are a number of staffing changes for the beginning of this term. Claire Fletcher has moved from the role of After School Care Coordinator to P1L classroom teacher. This class will now be called P1C. Esther Hassett will continue to support the students in the P1C classroom but will also take on the role of After School Care Coordinator. Esther's role will be to organise and manage activities, staffing, student behaviour, policies and practices in the After School Care program. Jo will manage enrolments, the payment of fees and Child Care Benefits. Anita is on 6 weeks Long Service Leave and will return just in time to attend the year 5 & 6 "Cottage by the Sea" Camp at Queenscliff on 24<sup>th</sup> August. Anita is now being replaced by Aine. Zakiya has needed to take leave for the first 2 weeks of term 3 and her program will be covered by a Jessica for this time. Welcome back to Louise who has returned from Long Service Leave in the last 2 weeks of term 2. I would like to introduce the 3 RMIT students on placement at Debney Meadows until the end of the year. They are Patrick O'Keeffe, Wayne Bentham and Lorraine O'Brien. These students will be able to help with lunch time activities, supervision of KAP room at recess and lunch, the Student Representative Council, Playpals, leadership roles, School Wide Positive Behaviour Support Program and Year 6 transition.

The additional computer purchased through the Student Representative Councils fund raising activities has been ordered, along with the 3 the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development has funded. Hopefully these will arrive in the next few weeks. This will result in an additional 4 new, fast computers available to students for Information Communication Technology work in the computer laboratory.

Thank you again for your support.

Christine Nash

Principal

Congratulations to the students who received the Kiwanis Awards for Term 2. Keep up the good work!



# SCHOOL NEWS



## Dates to Remember

**School Council Meeting**  
Monday 3rd August 3.30 - 5pm

**Market Day**  
Sunday 9th August 10am - 2pm

**Parent Information Session**  
Diabetes and Vitamin D Deficiency  
Friday 23 April  
9.30 - 11am

**Year 5 & 6 Camp**  
Cottage By The Sea Queenscliff  
Monday 24 to Friday 28 August

**School Council Meeting**  
Monday 7 September 3.30 - 5pm

## School Uniform

The Debney Meadows Primary School uniform is compulsory and students are expected to wear it each day. I am delighted to report that almost all students at school today are in full school uniform. Congratulations to P1C, 12J, 34C and 456K. It is important for students at the school to continue to show their commitment and respect for their learning by wearing all parts of the school uniform as described below. Unfortunately some students continue to wear different coloured pants, skirts and hijabs.

The school uniform consists of

- short or long sleeved maroon polo top (Prep to year 5)
- light grey leadership polo shirt (year 6)
- a maroon windcheater or bomber jacket
- plain** black tracksuit pants, leggings, skirt, shorts or black jeans.
- lightweight red and white checked dress (with white or black leggings for those who prefer)
- a white or maroon hijab for our Muslim girls.
- closed black school shoes with either Velcro, laces or buckles
- runners are acceptable but they look much better if they are black.

All enquires about prices and orders should be directed to the general office. We are also asking those students who have outgrown their uniforms or leaving the school to donate their second hand uniforms so we can set up a uniform exchange and lend uniform items when students arrive at school out of uniform.