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OUR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

We are very lucky in Dingley Village to have a group of hardworking dedicated volunteers who make up the Dingley Village Community Association (DVCA).

The Dingley Village Community Association is a community organisation dedicated to enhancing the village life, housing, parks, infrastructure and services in Dingley Village, working closely with the Kingston City Council and local groups.

They do this by advocating on behalf of the community, they consult, make submissions, provide feedback, collaborate, network and support other community groups

The DVCA has developed a proactive effective working relationship with City of Kingston Council and is often the first point of contact by council when seeking feedback or engagement with the community. DVCA also works with other levels of government, Statutory bodies (e.g. Vic Roads), many other community groups and sporting clubs within Dingley and outside.

To do this requires hours of planning, submission writing, report reading and multiple on site or in office meetings with our local politicians, North ward councillors, council officers and engineers, contractors and other community groups e.g. Defenders of the South Eastern Green Wedge; Save Kingswood Group, the DVNC etc. In addition many letters and phone calls are part of each issue.

Members of the DVCA committee also give their time as members



of many other community groups e.g. Members of the DVCA committee also give their time as members of many other community groups e.g. Community Aviation Consultation Group, Make a Difference, DSEGW, RAMPF, DVMS, local churches. This allows a flow of information to support common interests.

CURRENT PROJECTS IN WHICH THE DVCA IS INVOLVED INCLUDE...

- a) The preservation of Kingswood Golf course as public open space.
- b) The improvements to parking at the netball courts.
- c) The development of the Hawthorn Football club centre.
- d) The proposed Mornington Peninsula Freeway extension.
- e) The purchase of land for Spring Park and the future development of the Park.
- f) The formation of a "Friends of Spring Park" group to work with council.
- g) The provision of a pedestrian crossing across Centre Dandenong Rd. to more safely access all our health providers' offices.

- h) Looking at a daytime permanent 40kph speed limit on Centre Dandenong Rd
- i) Monitoring dogs off leash in the on leash area of Spring Park and advising council. This is a problem, which is preventing some residents (frightened of dogs) from enjoying the park.

ONGOING ISSUES...

- a) Monitoring on-going rubbish dumping in Dingley Village, on nature strips, in the shopping centre etc., reporting to council for clean-up.
- b) Reporting graffiti, damage to facilities, traffic signs etc.
- c) Monitoring Moorabbin airport flight paths, noise, buildings & safety.

How can you help?

Consider joining the Dingley Village Community Association

Follow DVCA on Facebook for up to date information

Become involved in our wonderful community.

If you see dumped rubbish, graffiti or anybody doing the wrong thing by Dingley Village, don't be afraid to report it to Kingston Council.
Phone 1300 653 356.

DVCA Contact Details

Please contact the Chairman on 9551 5442, 2 Mungari St Dingley Village, or email: david@llidam.net

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COMMUNITY



ACCESSING THE DINGLEY VILLAGE NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE & MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH SERVICE

The front carpark at the Neighbourhood Centre is now closed for 6 months, whilst drainage and car park works take place during the library works. Car parking is available behind the construction area on the old basketball courts. You can access the carpark via the roadway to the rear ovals.

Entry is via a pathway and ramp to the rear doors of the building, just continue along hallways to the foyer.



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CAN YOU HELP?

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St Kilda Mums will be moving to a new warehouse in Clayton in May. Check the website and social media for new opening times and location.



ARE YOU FREE?

Make a Difference is your local charity that assists families in crisis.

We operate a "Food Bank" on Wednesdays from 9.30am to 11.30am and need volunteers to help.

If you are available at that time, please ring Charmaine on 9551 1799.

Thank you.



ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS STILL AVAILABLE

The Lions Club still have a few Entertainment Books left for sale, you can purchase a 2019/2020 book for \$70 from the Neighbourhood Centre office 31B Marcus Road, Dingley Village.



DINGLEY VILLAGE CWA SAYS THANKYOU

Thank you to all who industriously knitted or crocheted ‘Poppies’, for CWA. They were used to create a wreath for an airplane and for ANZAC Day displays at the Australian National Aviation Museum, Moorabbin Airport. Keep making those poppies as the museum would like CWA to create more airplane wreaths for ANZAC Day 2020.

LIBRARY SERVICES

Don’t forget, you can drop off and collect library books from the Neighbourhood Centre Office, Mon – Friday 9am – 3pm.



Library staff are at the Centre Mondays 2.30 – 3.30pm to assist and answer any questions.

Library books ordered online are available for collection after 2.30pm the following Monday.



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City of Kingston lobbied Federal candidates to support local projects in Kingston during election campaign

Kingston Council called on federal parties to invest in key local projects including sporting infrastructure, public transport and support for industry in the lead-up to the Federal election on 18 May.

Kingston Council is seeking Federal funding for eight key projects of regional significance:

- Creation of a new regional sporting facility at the Delta site in Kingston's Green Wedge to help meet skyrocketing demand as a result of increasing female participation and a growing population in Melbourne's south-east.
- Investment in a pipeline to pump recycled water to Kingston's Green Wedge to serve market gardens, golf courses, sporting fields and parklands.
- Improved safety at Moorabbin Airport with tighter controls on how close warehouses can be built near the runways and residential boundaries.
- Creation of a freight rail hub in Dandenong South to serve the south-east industrial precinct. This will reduce the number of trucks on local roads and make it easier, quicker and more

cost-effective for industry to transport goods.

- Increased action on climate change, in-line with Kingston's Climate Change Strategy which is working to reduce Council and the community's emissions levels.
- Improve bandwidth speeds provided via the NBN to key industrial precincts to help businesses stay competitive in a global market and provide local jobs.
- Melbourne's biggest jobs hub outside the CBD is the Monash Jobs Hub, which includes areas of Kingston, but the area needs significant transport investment to ensure it remains strong over the next 30 years.
- Funding support to upgrade the Kingston Heath regional sporting complex, a key site for soccer, hockey and baseball in Melbourne's south-east.

Kingston Mayor Georgina Oxley said the key regional projects would make a significant difference by investing in vital transport, infrastructure and sporting facilities. "In the lead-up to 18 May election we called on all parties to commit to supporting these key projects and invest in the local community," Cr Oxley said. "We're keen to work in partnership with the Australian Government to deliver high-quality services to Kingston and the entire region."



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DINGLEY VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

ARE THREE STOREY HOUSES COMING TO DINGLEY VILLAGE?

HAVE YOUR SAY - CITY OF KINGSTON DRAFT HOUSING AND NEIGHBOURHOOD CHARACTER STUDY

In the recently released draft Housing and Neighbourhood Character Study, most of Dingley Village residential areas have been designated Limited Change Area zoning, with a 2 storey height limit on future housing.

However for a significant part of Dingley Village, a different zoning has been proposed - Incremental Change Area zoning - which allows future housing of up to three storeys high.

Consequently, medium density 3-storey blocks of flats could be built all along Centre Dandenong Rd, on the Kingswood Golf Course Driving Range and around Dingley Village shopping centre, including the streets adjacent to Corrigan Oval, which will overstrain our infrastructure and destroy our unique Neighbourhood Character.

To stop large-scale medium density housing development in our Village, **DVCA urges you to object against**

the Incremental Change Area zoning proposed for:

- any areas more than 400 metres away from the Dingley Village shopping centre, and
- the Kingswood Golf Course driving range

What You Need To Do

Your involvement is vital - so please go online now to view the draft Study and give your feedback about this - **Feedback closes on Sunday 16th June 2019.**

1. **View the Study** - see the proposed zoning for Dingley Village and check your own property's proposed zoning by going to: <https://housing.kingston.vic.gov.au/>
2. **Obtain further information** about the impact on Dingley Village, including an objection form and other steps to object, by going to: www.aa1.biz/d/1.html, Provided by the Save Kingswood Group Inc.
3. **Have Your Say** - provide your views and feedback to Council by going to:

<https://www.yourkingstonyoursay.com.au/HSNCS> and click on the "Take Survey" button at the bottom of the page

Background

Council recently released the draft Housing and Neighbourhood Character Study for community consultation - enabling us to have our say about these important issues for our Village and Municipality.

The Study has been developed over the past 2 years and sets out the types of development preferred in different parts of Kingston to manage housing growth over the next 20 years, designating where areas of minimal, incremental and substantial change may be appropriate.

NEIGHBOURHOOD CHARACTER - DINGLEY VILLAGE

A detailed assessment of Neighbourhood Character has been made and Dingley Village is designated as Garden Court 1, being characterised by:

"Spacious residential areas in a garden setting comprising street patterns of winding streets and cul-de-sacs with a range of dwelling types in landscaped surrounds."

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DINGLEY VILLAGE PROPOSED NEW RESIDENTIAL ZONES

1. Incremental Change Area Zone

Along Centre Dandenong Rd, the Kingswood Golf Course Driving Range and around the Dingley Village shopping centre, including the streets adjacent to Corrigan Oval, a zoning of Incremental Change Area is proposed for these areas, with the following objectives:

- encourage moderate housing growth while maintaining a high proportion of detached dwellings and diversification of townhouses, units and dual occupancies
- ensure new development contributes to the preferred neighbourhood character
- future housing up three stories (11 metres).

2. Limited Change Area Zone

Other Dingley Village residential areas have a proposed zoning of Limited Change Area, with the following objectives:

- encourage low density housing types
- ensure retention of existing housing
- ensure new development contributes to the preferred neighbourhood character
- retain opportunities for household types and sizes that may require larger dwellings and gardens
- future housing limited to one or two stories (4 to 9 metres).

Dingley Village is a wonderful place to live - we have a lot to protect - so please take the time to view the Study and give your feedback prior to Sunday 16th June 2019.

ROWANS RD NETBALL PARKING UPDATE

Provision of additional off street parking in the Spring Rd Reserve is gradually progressing with the new gravelled parking area now delineated by rocks.

DVCA is of the opinion the number of new car park spaces to be provided will still be inadequate for busy netball competition days - we await the result with interest.

Facebook

The DVCA is now on Facebook and you can find us at;
<https://www.facebook.com>

Type in: Dingley Village Community Association in the top search area to see our page

DVCA

Open to all residents who genuinely care about our Village. Meetings are held in the Community Centre, Marcus Rd Dingley Village 2nd Tuesday each month (except Dec. & Jan.) at 7.30pm. and new members are most welcome to attend.

PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING the DVCA and make a constructive difference in our community.

DVCA Contact Details

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Cash Out facility is available at the Neighbourhood Centre office during the market, if you require extra cash for shopping.

Don't forget that parking is free on-site at the market. Dingley Village Men's Shed members will assist you with parking and you will not have far to carry your purchases back to your car.

YES WE ARE STILL RUNNING

Next Market: Is on Saturday 15th June on the basketball court/carpark between the construction area and the ovals, in the reserve, Marcus Road. 8.30 am – 1 pm

All our regular stallholders will be in attendance during this time, including fresh bread, pastries, cheeses, free range eggs, honey, potatoes and in season vegetables. Specialty stalls include Gorgeous George Probiotics, Tummy Lovin, 'a lot of good stuff', Anja's scones, Italian Chef, La Villa Salumi and Outback spirit. You'll also find hot food and drinks and the fantastic boomerang bags, these are free and



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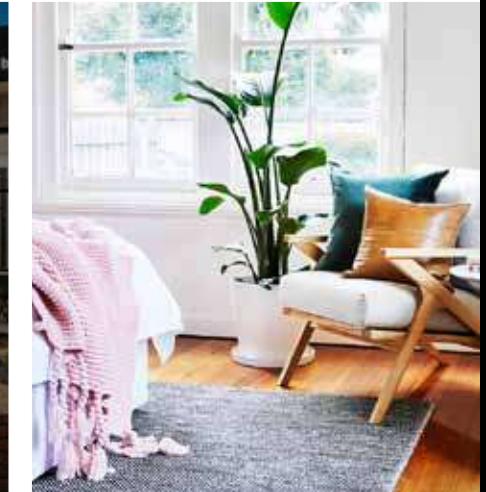
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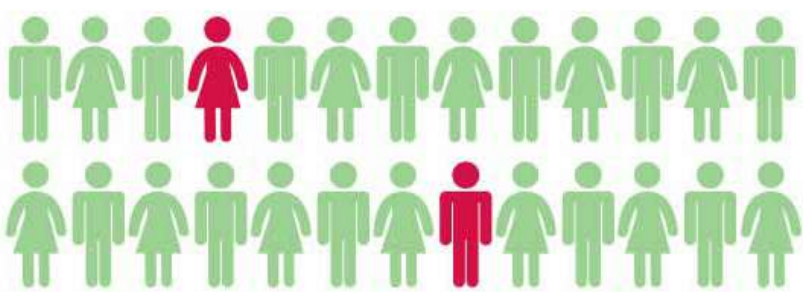
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Bowel cancer (also known as colorectal cancer) is the third most common type of newly diagnosed cancer in Australia. 1 in 13 Australians will be diagnosed with bowel cancer in their lifetime.

15,604 Australians are told they have bowel cancer each year, including

1,413 people under the age of 50. While the risk of bowel cancer increases significantly with age, the disease doesn't discriminate, affecting men and women, young and old.

Bowel cancer is Australia's second deadliest cancer and claims the lives of 5,375 Australians every year, including 292 people under the age of 50.

Know your family medical history, for around 30% of bowel cancer cases, there is a family history or hereditary contribution.

Bowel cancer is one of the most treatable types of cancer if found early. 98% of bowel cancers cases can be treated successfully if found early but fewer than 50% are detected early.

You can reduce your risks through modifying your diet and lifestyle and through regular bowel screening appropriate to your risk level. Bowel screening involves testing for bowel cancer in people who do not have any obvious symptoms of the disease.

The National Bowel Cancer Screening Program is free to eligible Australians aged 50 – 74 years. You will automatically receive your free kit in the mail if you are eligible. Bowel cancer screening test kits can also be purchased for low cost from Bowel Cancer Australia.

See your doctor if you are experiencing any of these symptoms for two weeks or more: blood in bowel movement, unexplained weight loss, persistent change in bowel habit, severe abdominal pain.

**BOWEL SYMPTOMS?
SEE YOUR GP**

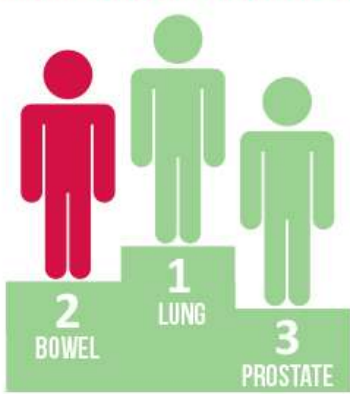
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- PERSISTENT CHANGE IN BOWEL HABIT**
- SEVERE ABDOMINAL PAIN**



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VILLAGE REFLECTIONS



**Dingley Village
Historical Society**

- Settled 1855 -

DINGLEY VILLAGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Members meet regularly, and would be delighted to welcome you to their happy band. Ring Marion on 9551 1799 for details and we will forward our newsletter to you.

This is some information regarding secondary schools and our residents' interest.

SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Dingley Village has never had its own secondary school. Dandenong High School opened in 1919 and was one of the first accessible state secondary schools for Dingley Village children to attend.

In 1975, when the combined enrolment of primary schools in Dingley Village reached almost one thousand students, families were keen to instigate the construction of a local secondary school.

When considering the proposal to build a secondary school in Dingley Village, Springvale Council took into account the rapid population growth, however, predictions of the future population of Dingley Village also factored into their decision.

In 1976, Springvale Council purchased land in Centre Dandenong Road and conducted further investigation into the need for a secondary school. The proposal was eventually rejected and the land in Centre Dandenong Road was sold.

DID YOU GO TO KINDER?

The Dingley Village Historical Society plans an exhibition of kindergarten images taken in the early days of kindergarten life in Dingley Village. Do you have photographs you are willing to loan us, perhaps of the 60's—70's—80's—90's?

You can drop by on a Monday or Thursday morning at the Society's office



31 Marcus Road, Dingley Village with your images and we will take copies.

Alternatively you could ring Marion on 9551 1799 or 0428 857 509.

We plan the exhibition prior to Christmas this year.

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FIRST HOME BUYERS' SEMINAR

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Buying your first home may be all about the location but it's also important to set a realistic budget, understanding the real costs, know what you're entitled to and finding a home loan that suits your needs.

We would like to guide you through buying your first home or even your first investment property. We understand that buying your first home is a big step. It is stepping into a new chapter in your life with no more rent to pay and the freedom to renovate, paint a feature wall bright red, hang that Matisse print on the wall or pull up the shag pile carpet.

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TO GIFT OR NOT TO GIFT? WHAT ABOUT YOUR PENSION?

With Australia's age pension being subject to an assets and income test, a simple way for part-pensioners to increase their pension payments is to give away some assets.

Not surprisingly the government is on to such an obvious strategy. It's called gifting, and while it is perfectly legal for you to give away whatever you want whenever you want, if you exceed the relevant limits, Centrelink will continue to assess, what it calls "deprived assets", for five years.

The limits

Gifting is defined as giving away assets or transferring them for less than their market value. Limits are the same for both singles and couples.

If you give away less than \$10,000 within a single financial year and no more than \$30,000 over five consecutive financial years, Centrelink will disregard these gifts.

Any gifts in excess of the allowable amount will be assessed as an asset (and, where applicable, subject to the income test) for a period of five years from when the gift was made.

Planning ahead

These rules don't just apply to existing pensioners. They also concern anyone who is applying for the age pension, as recent retiree Frank discovered.

Frank has reached age pension age and based on his current assets and income he should be eligible for a part pension. However:

- Four years ago he gave his daughter one of his cars, valued at \$25,000.
- At the same time he gave his son \$25,000 in cash, to match the value of the car.
- Two years ago Frank sold a beach house on the open market for \$210,000. This was \$40,000 less than the initial valuation from the estate agent.
- In the past year he spent \$35,000 on home renovations and \$15,000 on an overseas trip.

What does this mean for his pension assessment?

The money spent on renovations and holidays count as normal living expenses, not a gift. Likewise, with \$210,000 being the best offer Frank received for his holiday home after it had been on the market for a couple of months, the property would not be considered to have been disposed of for less than its market value.

Whilst he understands that the money he gave to his son is clearly a gift, Frank's biggest surprise is the treatment of the car. Four years after he gave it to his daughter it's about to be treated by Centrelink as an asset Frank still owns.

That means Frank gave away \$50,000 in one year. The annual 'Gifting Free Area' is \$10,000, so the difference, \$40,000, will be counted as an asset for the next year.

This will reduce his pension by more than \$100 per fortnight.

If Frank had thought about his pension five years before he was eligible to apply for it, he could have achieved a better outcome.

Seek advice

To gift or not to gift? It's an intricate question. The right answer depends very much on personal circumstances, so give Ashfords Wealth Advisors a call on (03) 9551 2822. We can help you work through all the issues, including the complex calculations of the impact of multiple gifts over several years.

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Reducing the life of your loan isn't difficult; there are many simple things you can do to cut years off your mortgage. Here are some tips that will help you be mortgage-free sooner, from a client interview.

Small extra repayments

One of the most obvious ways to pay off your home loan quicker is to make extra repayments. Depositing lump sums, such as a tax return or work bonus, will always be beneficial, however it doesn't always take large amounts or windfalls to make a substantial difference – planning for regular, small cash injections can have a great impact over the life of a loan.

“Let's say you pay an extra \$50 a fortnight on a \$500,000 loan, that saves you \$32,000 of interest over the life of the loan which in turn will save you just over two years,” explains the finance broker. “That's only \$25 a week.”

Switch your payment intervals

If you find that you don't have the discipline to make extra repayments, then simply switching your payment structure can also help save years off your mortgage, as well as simplifying your finances if you

are paid fortnightly.

“Because there are 12 months in a year but 13 four-week cycles, by switching your payment intervals from monthly to fortnightly, you are essentially paying off an extra month per year,” says the finance broker. “All you have to do is pay half your monthly minimum payment each fortnight to save \$56,000 interest and pay off your mortgage more than 5 years faster”

Make sure you have the right type of loan

Ensuring your loan allows extra repayments without penalty will let you to make the most of bonuses. Interest expense is calculated by banks on a daily basis, so funnelling extra payments into a loan saves interest immediately, as does an offset account, which will use your savings

or living expenses to reduce your principle, while still allowing you to access these funds from a transaction account.

“A popular loan option available now (April 2019) is fixed for 3 years at rate 3.65%, with no ongoing fees and a 100% offset account attached. Because interest is calculated daily but charged monthly, any money sitting in the offset account will help reduce the loan interest expense and term remaining. This option allows certainty of minimum bank repayments and the ability to pay your loan off faster”

Note at many banks you may have to pay extra fees for an offset account or for using redraw, these costs need to be compared to interest saved. Talking to a finance broker is the easiest way to work out what options are financially sound for you.

Paying off your home loan faster isn't difficult, however it does require financial discipline and expertise in ensuring the right loan features are in place. Ask your broker to match you to your perfect loan.

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REDUCING SCREEN TIME AND MORE OUTDOOR PLAY ESSENTIAL FOR DEVELOPMENT

In 2017, the Australian Department of Health released “The 24-Hour Movement Guidelines”. These guidelines were developed by Australian and Canadian childhood health experts, to outline what an ideal day for any infant, toddler or pre-school aged child should resemble. This was particularly focused on the amount of time each age group spent in front of screens, actively playing, sitting and lying down, and sleeping.

From the 2017 guidelines, screen time in particular was recommended against, for all infants from birth to one year and only 1 hour in a 24 hour period for children aged 1-5 years of age. There was an overall emphasis on physical activity, starting with 30 minutes of tummy time and interactive floor play for infants, and at least 180 minutes of physical activity of varied intensities for children from 1-5 years of age.

Overall, the recommendations at the time were clear – more physical activity and less sedentary screen time was highly beneficial for a child’s overall health and wellbeing.

Just recently, the World Health Organisation (WHO) has developed their

own set of guidelines and recommendations specific to young children’s health, which essentially reinforce those findings from the 24-Hour Movement Guidelines from 2017.

Not only do these guidelines safeguard the development of young children at a crucial time of their physical and mental growth, the emphasis on as little screen time as possible will be beneficial in the protection of children against the development of myopia (short-sightedness).

Myopia already affects 30% of the global population, and is predicted to rise to affect 50% of the world by 2050. This rise is due to less time spent outdoors doing physical activity and more sedentary behaviour, which typically involves a screen based task, as is the nature of our current society.

Too much screen time is detrimental to visual development but Professor Tony Okely, the lead researcher on the 2017, has also found that it has the potential to delay language, reduce attention and lead to poorer decision making.

Myopia development will affect a person’s life, as it increasingly becomes

more difficult to see things clearly further away i.e. the board at school or driving.

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COMMENCING A BUSINESS

Have you already thought of a brilliant business idea? Have you even mapped out the operations of the business? Although these two items are essential prerequisites of getting a business up and running, they are only a start as, apart from accounting matters, it is essential to turn your mind to certain legal considerations involved in starting a business.

Business Structures

A sole trader business structure is the most simplest and affordable business structure to set up and operate. The requirement is that the business will be operated by one individual and only requires an Australian Business Number ('ABN') and a trading name. Obviously, this business structure is not suitable if there is more than one business partner or you require a greater level of asset and legal protection.

A partnership business structure involves two or more people operating a business and therefore sharing the profits. This also means that both business partners will be individually and jointly liable for the business liabilities and debts. The requirement is that a partnership agreement will need to be drawn up

and in turn makes this business structure a little more complex than the sole trader business structure.

A company business structure is a separate legal entity which essentially reduces your personal liability in the sense that it separates the company's liabilities and debts from you. A company can be operated individually or with multiple people, with the involvement of directors and shareholders. Although this is the more favourable structure to use if investors are required to invest in the business, it is also the most complex and expensive structure to set up and maintain.

In addition to the above, there are also other complex structures such as unit trusts, trusts, limited partnership etc. Where appropriate, detailed legal and accounting advice should be sought prior to using these complex structures.

ABN Registration

An ABN is a number that allows the government to identify the business and to ensure the business is legitimate. Each business structure requires an ABN. To hold a valid ABN, the business must provide products or services to customers or be a registered Australian company. ABN details must be updated regularly.

Taxation

Each business structure has different tax considerations and requirements involved. A sole trader is required to use their own personal tax file number and lodge tax returns each year. A partnership or company must apply for a separate tax file number and again, file their own tax returns each year. The business must also be registered for GST if it earns more than a certain amount. Advice from an accountant or tax lawyer should be obtained on a business structure being selected as there will be critical tax and other legal issues to consider.

Insurance

The equipment and contents of the business required to operate must be adequately protected by way of business insurance. An insurance broker can give advice on the best insurance options which will take into consideration the coverage and costs involved.

Although it is not a legal requirement for all businesses, public liability insurance may also be required if interacting closely with customers. There are also specific insurance schemes under each State that a business needs to be aware of if engaging team members that may be injured at work.

Business name registration

The availability of a business name must be checked on the Australian Securities and Investment Commission's ('ASIC') website and the Australian Trade Marks Register. If the business name is not in use, it can be registered through ASIC.



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Trade Marks

If you have a business name, style and logo that represents the business, it is recommended to apply for trade mark registration which allows the business to own the intellectual property and how it is used by the employees, customers, suppliers and distributors. This will also allow you to enforce your rights against others who misuse the name.

Employees and Contractors

The best practice to put in place is employee agreements in order to set out the terms of the relationship. Such an agreement can include probationary periods, remuneration, working hours and disciplinary processes. A modern award outlines the minimum conditions the employees are entitled to including breaks, overtime and wages. There are several modern awards and you will need to understand which modern award is applicable to your case. A business owner also needs to be familiar with Pay As You Go Instalments ('PAYG') and superannuation payments when employing full-time, part-time and casual employees.

On the flip side, the business may not require employees but only requires independent contractors. There are many regulations surrounding independent contractors and it would be best to consult professionals or consider on line resources of Fair Work and the ATO to

determine whether an individual is an employee or a contractor as crucial and costly tax and legal consequences flow from this. A contractor agreement should be put in place to set out key terms such as payments, their obligations, and outlining that relationship is an independent contractor relationship and not an employee relationship.

Regulations

Sometimes a licence to operate a business may be required depending on the products and services the business is providing. Building commissions, fair trading and industry bodies usually inform the business of which licence is required, and some examples includes trades, food services and health providers. It is also best practice to check with

the local council to ensure you do not require any permits or prior approvals to operate the business.

The key take away here is to ensure the business structure decided upon is suitable, protecting your interests by registering the business name and ABN, sorting out the tax requirements and protecting your employees and contractors.

Lyttletons Lawyers, as lawyers, can attend to a full range of issues surrounding business structures, registering business names and ABN's and protecting employees and contractors. Should you need assistance or for more information about starting a business, please contact our office on (03) 8555 3895.

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Monday Nights - Men's Comp, A and B grades.

Wednesday Nights - Mixed Comp

Thursday Nights - Open A Grade.

This night is open to all player and is our strongest competition. This night is designed for the serious player looking for strong matches each week with the format being a Singles Super Set and a 3 Set Doubles (3rd set a match tiebreak).

Our coaching is run by Daniel Wandler from S.E.T Academy and provides for all skill levels. We also have a great



program called "Hot Shots" to introduce the young ones into the great sport of Tennis. Please call 0402 000 874 for any further information.

Did you know that our tennis club is located on Rowans Road Dingley, next to the netball courts? We have 16 courts all with lights, the club is open early in the morning until late at night. We have a magnificent club house, outdoor BBQ facilities, licenced bar and full kitchen facilities. Come and have a look, we would love to see you

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DINGLEY CHELTENHAM VIEW CLUB



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The Dingley Cheltenham VIEW Club year is well underway as we look forward to celebrating our second anniversary. We have monthly meetings where we have an opportunity to learn and monthly outings which are always interesting and fun.

View Clubs around Australia partner with The Smith family and their Learning for Life Programme which supports disadvantaged Australian children and helps them receive an education. There are over one million children in Australia living below the poverty line and this is the group we work to support. Dingley Cheltenham VIEW Club is a small club but we currently support four students with their education and are hoping to support more.

Women of all ages are invited to join us as we learn, share friendships and have fun together whilst making a difference to children who are desperately in need.

We meet monthly on the second Tuesday of the month. 10am till approx. 1130am.

Where; Keysborough Golf Club, Hutton Rd Keysborough.

For more information please contact Fran Thomas email franniet@gmail.com or mobile 0419309931

BOOMERANG BAGS FOR DINGLEY VILLAGE



Boomerang Bags Dingley Village is a community group who use donated and recycled fabrics to create reusable shopping bags for use within our community.

Our group meets each Thursday morning at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre, 9:30-12pm and on the 4th Sunday of the month 1:30-5pm. If you can sew then we would love to have you. If you can't sew, we would love to teach you! All materials and machines are provided, and we always need extra hands for non-sewing jobs as well.

We have a stall at the monthly Dingley Village Farmers Market where you can purchase a 'Bought to Support' bag or collect a free 'Borrow and Reuse' bag. Everyone is welcome, no skills required we badly need more volunteers to assist in the community project of creating reusable bags.

If you would like to participate in any way, please contact either of the names below and we will be willing to chat and answer any questions. Debbie 9551 6521 or Helen 9551 1658.

DINGLEY 60 PLUS SOCIAL GROUP

May has seen our members enjoying dinner, live music and dancing at our local Night Clubs. Our Saturday night dinner dates were at Highett – Italian, Glenhuntly – Middle Eastern and Dingley Asian.

The group also participated in a Sunday High Tea at Cheltenham and dinner plus a stage play at Parkdale. Some members are still working on their line dancing skills on a Wednesday afternoon at Keysborough.

If you are in the 60 Plus age group and are at a bit of a loose end any Thursday night come along and join the group for a casual chat and your preferred beverage. We now meet from 7.30 pm at the Dingley International Hotel (DIH) in the Sports Bar. A list of proposed activities over the next month or so is available at these gatherings.

Regular activities undertaken by the group include dinners, theatre nights, movies, BBQs, picnics, breakfasts, concerts, holidays, trips, walks and dinner dances.

We are always happy to welcome new members to the Group. Any enquiries about the group may be directed to Graeme on 9551 3462 or Shirley on 9551 1398.

There will never be an earlier time to join our scene in 2019.



ROTARY CLUB DINGLEY VILLAGE

Did you hear it; were you there; were you not inspired and did you not stand in awe at the depth of understanding of the subject matter? No, I do not refer to the recent Shorten/ Morrison debate on the state of our Nation. I refer of course to the moving and well researched presentation of our own Jocelyn Na at our recent Anzac Day commemoration. Jocelyn was the winner of your Rotary Club's public speaking competition, open to all schools in our district, to recognise and promote talent in our area. And what a worthy winner she proved to be. The proverbial dropped pin would have made an audible clang such was the silence during her oration. Tears could be seen in many eyes as Jocelyn so professionally and movingly, sang and spoke, of the true justification of an Anzac Day commemoration. We were all truly privileged to share such an experience. Our various Anzac Day remembrances were all greatly successful, obviously attested by the large crowds that were in attendance, particularly at the dawn service, at which one could be forgiven if they assumed that the magpies loudly warbling in the trees on cue, must have been a recording. I can assure all present that they were all live, feathered Australians contributing to the day.

Such events, of course, do not spontaneously occur of their own volition. A great deal of work and attention by the members of your Rotary Club produce such success and our district owes a vote of appreciation for a job well done. I make no apology in paraphrasing the late Winston Churchill in stating that "So much is owed by so many to so few" As mentioned in my missive in the past, our numbers are critically depleted. We badly need new members to carry on the work we do in our community. I refuse to believe that amongst the crowd in the

vicinity of two thousand people, there are not at least twenty or so men or women, or both, who do not have the desire or generosity to join our ranks to ensure Dingley Village does not allow its Rotary Club to pass into extinction.

The famed English poet John Milton, in his sonnet "On his blindness" finishes the poem with the line, "They also serve who only stand and wait."

This line may have relevance to his poem, but it is totally useless in reference to the needs of your Rotary Club. Surely there are those present amongst you who are generous enough to donate a minimum of their time to join us and assist in the good and necessary work we do.

The reward for those who only "stand and wait," is to be covered in cobwebs, to not be numbered amongst those who make a difference and not to feel the immense satisfaction of doing necessary work well done.

I leave this challenge to you all: be numbered amongst those who make a difference.

Your Rotary Scribe, Dudley Podbury.

The Rotary Club Dingley Village, meets Thursday 6.30pm for 6.45pm star: Dinner meeting (First three Thursdays of the month) Mentone RSL, 9 Palermo St, Mentone. General enquiries 0477 682 576

PROBUS CLUB DINGLEY CENTRAL



Our day tour last month, was to the Botanical Gardens at Cranbourne. On a beautiful Autumn Day, our guide took us on a tour through the gardens, on The Garden Explorer.

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As we have very keen shoppers in our group, a visit to the gift shop, with their attractive display of botanic gifts was not to be missed. Finally lunch at the Lang Lang Golf Club was enjoyed by all.

At our May meeting, the guest speaker was Marion Harriden, president of the Dingley Historical Society. The group was formed in 1996, to collect photographs and artefacts of the early history of Dingley. The society opens 2days a week, and visitors are most welcome.

Activities for June are: General Meeting on the 3rd, Morning Coffee on the 10th, Film Day the 12th, Camera Club the 13th, Friendship Day the 17th, Day Tour the 19th, Legs and FAC the 21st, craft group the 24th, Games Day the 27th, Morning Melodies and MTC on the 28th.

Our meetings are held on the 1st Monday of the month, at the Salvation Army Kingston Gardens Community Church, 12-16 Garden Boulevard, Dingley Village.

New members are most welcome, for further information, please contact Ruth on 9587 0432.

**DINGLEY VILLAGE
SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB
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Winter does indeed feel as though it cannot be far away. We would like to wish those of our Members who have not been well a speedy recovery. Our long time Member, Bill, celebrated a special (90th) birthday last month. May he have many more happy birthdays! The group of Members who went to Maysville by council bus had a "... really great day..." out.

Planned activities for June are as follows:

3rd – Committee Meeting followed by Cards and Games – as well as afternoon tea;

5th – (Wednesday), lunch (bookings essential) at the Sandown Cabaret;

10th – Bingo, eyes down at 1:00 p.m.; followed by afternoon tea;

17th – Cards and games followed by afternoon tea; and

24th – Bingo, eyes down at 1:00 p.m.; followed by afternoon tea.

If you have a query, or for any further information, please contact our President, Lyn, on

9585 5039 or our Vice President, Maureen, on 9551 8425.

While renovation works for the Library and Hall, are in progress, we are meeting at the Neighbourhood Centre from 12:30 p.m. of a Monday.

**PROBUS CLUB OF
DINGLEY VILLAGE
INC.**



At our May meeting we heard from David Spitteler, from the Dandenong Asylum Seekers Centre. He has overseen this organisation for 22 years, looking after the welfare of accredited asylum seekers in the Dandenong area and beyond, in an entirely voluntary capacity.

The Guest Speaker at the June general meeting will be Juliet Hayday from the Mordialloc Theatre Group. Her talk will cover all the work that is involved in putting together a production, from the initial workshopping, through to the final curtain call.

Plans are well in place for a day trip to the Outpost Retreat at Noojee on June 20th, and a seven-day holiday to the Wentworth, Mildura and Broken Hill areas in October. Other activities in June include a Coffee morning at The Nest on the 11th, a Movie lunch at the Waverley Cinema on the 13th, and Morning Melodies on the 28th at the Waltzing Matilda. This month "John Brown sings your favourite hits".

We meet on the first Thursday of the month at the Dingley Sports and Social Club at Souter Oval, from 10.00am. Visitors and prospective members are always welcome at our meetings, and for further information, or to join one of our activities, please contact either President Vi on 9551 1076 or Secretary Davina on 9551 1217.

DINGLEY VILLAGE MEN'S SHED

Congratulations to our newest LIFE MEMBER and very well deserved for our extremely hard working and dedicated secretary - John Prestt



DVMS members once again presented a floral tribute at the community ANZAC Day service held on Wednesday 24th at the Marcus Road garden area, plus many members also attended the dawn service. The new rostrum constructed for the Rotary Club was a noticeable improvement on the presentation of speeches.

DVMS annual golf competition - round 2 will be held on Thursday 6th June, round 3 on August 22nd and the final round on November 14th

Members Morning Muster: Friday, 9am till 2pm.

The Dingley Village Men's Shed is in Cypress Drive, Braeside Park (near Visitors Centre), Lower Dandenong Road. Ph. 9551 5892, E-mail: dvms3172@gmail.com www.dvms.org.au

New members welcome, drop in to the Shed on Friday mornings to find out more about us.

COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION DINGLEY VILLAGE



The Mothers Day Cake and Craft Stall held at the Dingley Woolworth Supermarket was a success. The monies received will be passed on to the Charities we help each year.

The warm coffee after our CWA walk around Dingley for "Women Walk the World Day" was most welcome to warm up noses and fingers and catch up with the latest CWA news.

As mentioned previously we have enjoyed Show and Tell at our last few meetings, and the old name of young Ginger Meggs bought back a few memories. Our senior member and past

President Kath received the Ginger Meggs comic quite a few years ago as a prize when she was 8 years old at the Dingley Primary School.

The members also enjoyed a visit to Black Rock House, Ebdon Street, Black

Rock. The Cottage was built in the late 1800s early 1900s and it brought back memories of stories from our grandparents about everyday items around the home that Grandma used to use.

CWA Dingley craft day is Wednesday 12th June and the monthly meeting at the DVNC in Marcus Rd is Wednesday 26th June at 10 am. After the meeting the members enjoy a chat, share a pleasant lunch and a cuppa.

For information about CWA Dingley Village our President Carmel on 9551 1874, or Secretary Diana on 9580 6150, will be glad to do so.

LIONS CLUB OF DINGLEY VILLAGE



We are in need of new members to help to continue our projects, if you are interested please would you call Lynne 9551 3770.

Our meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Monday at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre, 31B Marcus Road, Dingley Village (Public Holidays excluded). These meetings are informal and friendly.

If anybody has any of the following items they can be left at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre.

Pre loved spectacles, sunglasses and hearing aids and used stamps are still needed. Thank you to all who have donated, please keep them coming in.

Please help us make a difference to our community - our members are our greatest asset.

Contact - President Lynne 9551 3770
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CHELTHENHAM LIFE ACTIVITIES CLUB

Enjoy walks in Kingston

Cheltenham Life Activities Club runs a walk every Monday at 930am. Usually there are about 20 people there, and some hardy souls will still turn up regardless of the weather. The walks last an hour, but can be shortened if an hour is too much for you. The walk is always followed by coffee at a nearby cafe, giving you a chance to have a chat and to get to know people.

Walks within a short drive from Dingley are held at Mordialloc Creek, Keysborough (Hidden Grove and Tatterson Park), Waterways, Edithvale Wetlands,

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Kingdom Kids and Xplore (Children's Ministry during the 10.30am service)

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COMING EVENTS at CCD

New: Come and Connect over a Cuppa & Craft

4th Tuesday of each month, 1:30-3:30pm at Christ Church Dingley.

Bring your own project to work on (knitting, sewing, quilting, painting, etc.)

25 June - Card making workshop. 1.30-3.30pm

Join in this month's free workshop. No experience necessary. All welcome

Pleasant Tuesday Communion Service

- 11 June, 2pm in the Church. Service includes Holy Communion and favourite hymns, followed by a sumptuous afternoon tea. Transport available on request: 9551 7871.

Celebrate Pentecost - when Jesus sent the Holy Spirit into the hearts of his followers Guest Preacher: Greg Salter - Sunday 9 June 8.30am & 10.30am

Healing and Miracle Services with Pastor Mark Hemans from Jesus Encounter Ministries

Fri 12 July 7.30pm and Sat 13 July 7pm @ Christ Church Dingley

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Church Office:

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Ministers:

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Note new Phone number: 8712 8254

Email: admin@villagechurch.org.au

www.villagechurch.org.au

Our Church program for JUNE is as follows:

SUNDAYS

10.00 a.m. **Worship Service** at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre, 31 Marcus Road, Dingley Village.

Kids Church in the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre - 10.30am to 12 noon, children from birth to Grade 6. All welcome.

MONTHLY LADIES AND MENS GROUPS:

Homemakers – 1st Monday of each month, 3rd June, 7.45pm, Dingley.

Men’s Group – 6-9pm. BBQ, fellowship and sharing. Tuesday 11th June, 7 Fiveways Boulevard.

LIFE GROUPS:

Wednesday nights – Fortnightly 7-8.30pm, Dingley. 5th and 19th June.

Sunday nights – 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month 7-8.30pm. Keysborough. 2nd and 16th June.

PRAYER TIME:

Weekly - Wednesdays 10-11am at church office. Tea/coffee afterwards.

Monthly – Saturday 15th June; 7-8am and 9-10am at church office.

BIBLE STUDY:

Women’s –Precept Ministries study on Philippians. Fortnightly at the church office 10-11.30am. Thursday 6th and 20th June.

Open – Thursday 6th and 20th June on the Gospel of Luke. Fortnightly at church office 2pm.

*Not held during school holidays.

MARRIAGE & FAMILY SUPPORT:

For nearly 80 years, Village Church has served the people of Dingley Village and its surrounding suburbs. We greatly value the involvement that we have always had in our community and desire to make a difference for the greater good of all. As a caring church, our heart is to serve the community, by having an impact in and amongst its families. In today’s climate, families and marriages are under attack; many relationships are strained and are at breaking point. Many don’t know where to turn, who to trust and as a result become despondent and disillusioned with life.

We believe that now more than ever, Village Church can play a pivotal role in strengthening and encouraging families, as we commit to giving our all to help you out. We have many gifted, equipped and willing members who would love to listen, encourage and give sound advice to you. Village Church desires to help and would love to present practical solutions, to any and every area that brings tension, pain and confusion. Please give us a call on 0481 352 404, we’d love to be able to encourage, support and strengthen you.

Our Church Office is at 7-9 Fiveways Boulevard, Keysborough, and is open from Monday to Friday, 9.00am - 12pm - Phone Number 8712 8254. Please feel free to call Lesley with any enquiries you may have.

Our Senior Pastor is Rodney Hole who may be contacted through the Church Office.

ST. MARK’S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Baptisms will be held at St Joseph’s Springvale and St Mark’s Dingley on alternate months- contact the church offices

Weddings: By appointment only

Confession: 5:30pm prior to Saturday Vigil Holy Mass, or by appointment

Holy Mass Times:

Monday to Friday: 7:00am in the Friary Chapel

Saturday: 6:00pm Vigil in the Church

Sundays: 9:30 AM Sunday Mass (NB. only one Mass on Sunday)

Some important dates for the month of June

2nd	Ascension of the Lord
9th	Pentecost Sunday
10th	Mary Mother of the Church
13th	St Anthony of Padua
16th	The Most Holy Trinity
22nd	Sts John Fisher & Thomas Moore
23rd	Corpus Christi
24th	Nativity of John the Baptist
28th	Sacred Heart of Jesus
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Sunday Services: 10am Service has Children’s Ministry.

Last Christmas, as part of our Children’s Ministry program, we decided to take Christmas to some seniors in the local retirement villages. We chose two retirement villages that were close to our church and explained our intention to the management. They were excited.

The children spent a few weeks practicing and preparing for this event. The children were coached in preparation for the event about presenting to the elderly who could be older than their grandparents and some of them could be sick and may be unable to talk or walk about. Our intention was to share God’s love to them, as they were unable to be with their families and required a lot of help. We explained that they were unable to walk about and see all the beautiful decorations and listen to Christmas carols. Thus, we were going to make Christmas special for them by taking it to them.

The day came for the children to present at the retirement villages. The children enjoyed going on the bus. We had a few teachers and parents to accompany us with the kids. The children presented the nativity scene; sang Christmas carols and read the Bible. We also had a real life baby with us to represent baby Jesus.

The children were well loved by the retirees and the baby really stole the show. The children looked great in their

costumes and brought a lot of joy to the hearts of everyone. They were treated to refreshments at the villages and then to McDonalds for lunch. They were touched by the retirees and their declining health, and were glad that they were able to bring some joy into their lives.

Salome Rajaratnam
Kingdom Kids Ministry Leader

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SCANNING THE SCHOOLS



The Killester College Stage Band



KILLESTER COLLEGE

On the 3rd of May, Killester held its annual whole school House Athletics Carnival. The weather had been unpredictable throughout the week, but on Friday the sun was shining. There were a number of new records in the field events and in the 100 and 800 metres competitions. The final scores for the day are below:
4th position - Chisholm - 735 points
3rd position - Romero - 1084 points
2nd position - Mackillop - 1095 points
1st position - Brigid - 1167 points

Generations in Jazz 2019: Mt. Gambier, South Australia.

The Killester College Stage Band followed up their first placing in 2018 at this prestigious competition with another fine performance and third place in 2019.

Over 5000 students from all around Australia and New Zealand came together in Mt. Gambier for a great weekend of jazz. Killester students were able to listen to and meet international jazz artists, such as Kurt Elling and Liz Wright, as well as our very own James Morrison. The Killester Stage Band has continued to produce a very entertaining brand of big band playing and all the girls involved should be congratulated for their hard work, discipline and musicality.



DINGLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

It's been all go at Dingley Primary School in the month of May. The Anzac ceremony, school fundraising Fun Run, Scaffolding Literacy training for staff, Mother's Day High Tea, whole school Cross Country event and 2020 Prep Information Evenings have kept staff, students and the parent community very busy.

School Tours

If you are interested in looking at the facilities and program we offer at Dingley Primary School we encourage you to book for a school tour. Conducted by one of our Principal Class Officers, private school tours afford the opportunity to see classrooms and facilities while they are in use. You will be able to see the PYP inquiry-based education program as it is experienced by the students, and all the advantages this form of learning offers the student. If you have a child who will be starting Prep in 2020 or are interested in transferring from other schools a tour can be booked by contacting our friendly and helpful office staff on 9551 3555.

Community Involvement

One of the primary elements of the Primary Years Programme (PYP) of

the International Baccalaureate (IB) is engagement with the world outside the classroom. Students are encouraged to take part in local, national and international community events. One such example was the ANZAC Day Ceremony held at the Dingley Village Memorial. Our School Captains, Hayden Finkelde and Gabrielle Taylor proudly represented Dingley Primary School at the ceremony. They read the ANZAC requiem and laid a wreath to commemorate the immense contribution made to our way of life by the members of the Armed Forces.

Our Prep student's explored life in the 1800s as part of their Unit of Inquiry 'Where We Are In Place and Time', making connections between the way children lived in the 19th century and the way they live now.

The students spent a day at Como House where they learned to dance, spent time in the schoolroom, experienced the living arrangements, washed clothes (a first for most!), and played the games that were prevalent in the mid-1800s. These experiences of life as it was lived enable students, regardless of their background, to understand that modes of living are ever evolving and they are connected to a past that may not be part of their family history, another important element of the PYP.

On Wednesday 22 May the first of our Prep Information Evenings for 2020 students attracted numerous interested parents and carers. The attendees heard from School Principal Andrew Holmes, each of the 4 Prep teachers, learning specialists and our PYP coordinator. Information packs were handed out and all of the attendees given the opportunity to speak with the presenters. The level of interest and engagement shown by the participants reflected the effort the school staff had gone to in preparing the evening and bodes well for community involvement in 2020.

KINGSWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL



It has been a very busy start to Term 2 for all students.

Our School Leaders and Year 6 students attended the Schools ANZAC Service at Dingley Village Memorial on Wednesday, 24th April hosted by The Rotary Club of Dingley Village. One of our School Captains Lucy, read beautifully during the service. A wreath was laid in remembrance of ANZAC Day by our School Captains and Vice Captains. We were bowled over by a wonderful speech which included singing and poetry from a talented Haileybury Year 12 student. It was absolutely amazing and thought provoking.

Last week, we held our Years 3-6 school Cross Country Carnival. The weather was fantastic during the day and students participated in races over 1km, 2kms or 3kms. The students all put in a great effort and were very tired by the end of their individual races. Students exhibited pride in their abilities to com-

plete the race distance. Twenty students from each age group have progressed to the District event on Monday, 20th May.

On Friday 10th May, our community came together to celebrate Mother's Day with a buffet breakfast held in the Cosentino Hall. Families were also treated to performances by our Senior Choir and the Year 2 students.

We have many exciting events coming up. Our Year 5 and 6 students will head to camp. We have two groups of students going to Japan to tour the country and experience Japanese culture and learn what school is like for a student in Japan. On Wednesday 22nd May, we will participate in National Simultaneous Story Time. This year we will be reading *Alpacas with Maracas* written by Matt Cosgrove, at precisely 11.15am. Parents and caregivers, please feel free to join your children during the reading of this book. We invite all new families to attend our Prep 2020 Information Night at 6.30pm on Wednesday 22nd May. Kingswood will host and Open Day at 9.30 – 10.30am and 6.30 – 7.30pm on Monday 27th May. We look forward to seeing you there.



ST MARK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

NAPLAN

St Mark's received correspondence from Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) informing us that we were a school that they identified as having substantially above average gain in our NAPLAN scores in 2018. This is recognised by:

- an overall gain that exceeds the national average by more than one standard deviation;
- an overall gain higher than schools with similar ICSEA levels, by more than one standard deviation
- an overall gain higher than that shown by students with the same NAPLAN starting score, also by more than one standard deviation.

Thank you to all the staff who work collaboratively and strategically to improving learning outcomes for all students.

Year 6 Camp to Coonawarra Farm Resort

From Monday 6th May to Friday 10th May all the Year 6 students travelled to Coonawarra Farm Resort for camp. The camp was a bonding experience for the children as well as the opportunity to experience a range of activities, some of which can be challenging and require them to support and encourage each other. They participated in a range of activities such as the flying fox, giant swing, bush cooking, climbing wall, orienteering, horse riding, archery, high and low ropes course and team participation in constructing a hut and making it waterproof. At night they have had a disco, film night, bush walk, trivia night and a reflection around the camp fire. All the children had a wonderful time and thoroughly enjoyed



the opportunity to participate in a variety of outdoor activities.



Mother's Day Breakfast

On Friday 10th May our school celebrated Mother's Day by inviting all the mother's and grandmother's to a special breakfast in the hall. It was great to see so many mothers enjoying breakfast with their family. Thank you to all the parents that helped to organise and set up on the day.

Michael Mangan Concert

On Friday 10th May we had Michael Mangan, a well respect musician and songwriter, perform at our school. All the students enjoyed listening to his songs and singing along. Many of Michael



Mangan songs have been played at our school masses and liturgies and so the children were quite familiar with some of his music.

St Mark's Church 20th and 50th Anniversary

The St Mark's church anniversary celebrations were on Saturday 27th April and Sunday 28th April and were well attended by the parish and wider community commemorating the journey of the parish over the past 50 years. It was the 50th anniversary of the first Catholic Mass held in the Harold Box Hall in May 1969 as well as the 20th anniversary of the consecration and first Mass at St Mark's church on 25th April 1999. Archbishop Peter Andrew Comensoli DD celebrated the mass and he acknowledged the importance of the church community and stressed the need to appreciate the diversity of cultures and what each person brings to the community. He blessed the commemorative plaque presented by Maria Egan the wife of Michael Egan who was instrumental in fundraising for the building of the new church.



ANZAC Day School Commemoration Service

On Wednesday 24th April the Year 5/6 students participated in the ANZAC Day School Commemoration service. It was a lovely service and was attended by the 3 primary schools in Dingley and other members of the community.



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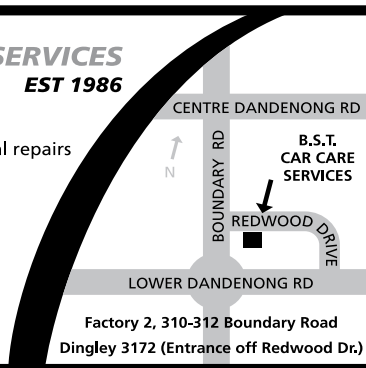
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