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Donvale Masterchef Term 4
The Junior Masterchef program has grown from strength to strength over term 2 & 3 this year. It is a wonderful opportunity for our children to develop skills and talents in cooking as well as socialising and enjoying new friendships. This program is optional, and therefore as a school we are asking any student who is selected this year and wishes to take part, to pay a levy of $2.00 per session, on the cooking day to cover the price of the ingredients.

The four adults, who take the sessions, our Masterchef Liang Dimitroff, is ably supported by Martin Dimitroff, Stacey Browne and Jacqui Frigo. These parents have very generously given their time up to provide this “super” program for our students.

NAPLAN Results
Our NAPLAN results will be available from late next week. We expect them to be posted out on Thursday. They will be posted to parents of students in grade 3 and 5.

Thanks this week to:
• Jan Nitsos & Libby Wallbridge-Hall for helping in our library for a number of weeks.
• All the Mums & Dads who have assisted in many ways already in preparing for our School Production.
September School Council Meeting Report

1. School calendar discussion... Have decided due to time pressure not to create a paper calendar this year. We will enhance the calendar function on the School website, and review this decision term 2 next year.

2. Mr Gordon gave an update of the progress of our Production arrangements. All very busy but looking fantastic.

3. Brief overview of NAPLAN results. Full analysis next meeting once student data has been distributed and analysed.

4. Reminders of Budget timelines and requirements

5. Invitation for all DPS community to have their say on our Excursion and Camping policy review. Education Committee will be meeting on 7th Nov at 7:00pm. If you have a point of view take the opportunity to come along and express it.

6. Sub Committee meetings are always open to all families. The times and dates of the next sub-committee meetings are:
   Resources - 11th Oct @ 7:00pm
   Education - 7th Nov @ 6:00pm
   PA - 19th Sept @ 9:15am
   Uniform - 19th September @ 8:30am
   Marketing - 11th October at 8:00am
   Canteen - 19th Oct.

Next School Council meeting is on Wednesday 19th October @ 7:30pm

All meetings are held at school.

Have a great last week of Term 3 and I hope your footy team wins this week.

GARRY BRIGGS

The Assistant Principal

NAPLAN:
On Tuesday of this week we were able to access the NAPLAN website to preview our students' 2011 results. Whilst there will be a much deeper review of the results next term we can say that overall we were extremely pleased with the performance of our year 3 and year 5 students in both literacy and numeracy. It was most pleasing to see a marked improvement in particular areas that have been targeted with the implementation of programs such as DiPL (Doorway into Practical Literacy).

Next week we will be sending out each individual student’s results with the accompanying information and analysis.

Ian McKinlay

General News

FRUIT NEXT WEEK: 4P

FREE DRESS DAY
Junior School Council are having a FREE DRESS DAY on Friday 23rd September (last day Term 3).

MONDAY - Whole school technical rehearsal
Parents please note:
- Because of the rehearsals, there won't be any assembly.
- Or school canteen will not be open.

DVD AND PHOTOS OF PRODUCTION
We are planning to produce a DVD and have photos taken at the production. If you do not want your child/ren to be in the DVD or photo/s, please let us know.
Please note: If you do not want your child to be included, they will be put behind other students at the back of the stage.
**Lights, Camera, Action**

We are looking for a small group of helpers that are free on Tuesday week (20th Sept) to go to the theatre and lay some black sheeting on the stage and paint it with a large roller. No carpentry skills required – it’s just the simplest rectangular jigsaw joined with gaffa tape!

4G and 4A are still looking for a light park bench to borrow for Grease.

**Tickets**

- Tickets are still available for both nights, please call in at the office or send in your ticket order form.
- Tickets will also be sold on the night. For convenience we encourage you to order them now.

**Donvale Junior Chef**

Next term is level 1 & 2 children plus the vegetarian children’s turn for creating food with us. DJC kitchen rules, timetables and groupings are already handed out.

Group 4 team leader is Andrew F 1P and Group 5 is Milly S 1P.

Donvale Junior Chef is running on a full volunteer basis. The school is asking every child who wants to participate in this program to do a voluntary contribution of $2 to help with the ingredients. Some of the ingredients are from us, family donations, the school vegie garden, contributions and the school pays the difference. All the appliances, children’s cooking tools such as aprons, plates, cutlery, piping bags etc are provided by us. The school has no budget for this as their budget is already very tight. That’s why unfortunately we can’t take too many children because of these limitations.

Please talk to Mr Briggs if you want to know more about this program. Thank you for your support.

Our theme for term 4 is “SWEETS”

Session 1, Group 4, 11 October 2011: Chocolate cake finger with creamy icing.
Session 2, Group 5, 18 October 2011: Vanilla cake finger with creamy icing.
Session 4, Group 5, 8 November 2011: Apricot jam drop served with fresh fruit salsa.

Some of the ingredients we need for next term are:
Plain Flour, Self Raising Flour, Icing sugar, Sugar, Eggs, Milk (long-life), any jam (raspberry, apricot, etc), cocoa powder, vanilla essence, lime or lemon, any fruits (apple, strawberry, watermelon, grapes, etc)

Looking forward to creating food with our little Chefs.

We don’t cook, we create food.

Liang, Stacey and Jaqui.

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**From The Sports Coach**

Our District Athletics is Thursday 22nd (next Thursday). Could all children involved please return to their class teacher permission forms and payment by next Tuesday. We are aiming to leave school between 8.45/9.00am sharp, ready for a 9.30am start at the athletics track. Children need to bring their own snacks/drinks and lunches. Parents are most welcome to attend. Today we had our own mini athletic events with children involved in 100m, 200m hurdles and relay events.

Could parents please return the *Whole School Swimming* expression of interest form to their child’s teacher ASAP. Please collect from the office if it has gone missing.

Please continue supporting the “Coles for Sport” program and drop vouchers at the office.

Yesterday some Level 3 and 4 children participated in a soccer clinic “kicking with Victory” which was organised by the Melbourne Victory Soccer Club. A similar clinic will occur next Wednesday (weather permitting), between 9.00am and 3.30pm.

Thank you.

Mr Pianta
DONVALE STYLE INDONESIAN MEE GORENG

Serve 2 as individual meal or 8 as part of an Asian style banquet

Ingredients:
1 big clove of garlic (thinly slice)
½ medium size red onion (thinly slice)
500gr fresh egg noodles (if dried, soften by soaking in boiled water)
100gr cabbage (or Chinese cabbage, cut in chunk size)
50gr carrot (thinly slice)
50gr celery (thinly slice)
50gr green veggies (such as broccoli etc. cut in chunk size)
125gr Frankfurt (thinly slice)
6 tablespoon of olive oil
½ tablespoon of chicken stock powder
1 tablespoon of raw sugar
1 tablespoon of soy sauce
3 tablespoon of sweet soy sauce (kecap manis)
salt and pepper to taste
1 egg

Method:
• Using a big frypan , put in half the oil, when hot cook the egg, set a side.
• Put the rest of the oil, garlic, onion, carrot and celery, stir until fragrant and the garlic golden brown.
• Add the rest of the ingredients and the egg to the pan.
• Keep stirring until all are mixed well (about 5 minutes).
• Served topped with spring onion or coriander or crispy shallot.

ENJOY
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Canteen Newsflash

Canteen CLOSED on Monday 19th September, 2011
Due to the Production rehearsals out at Yarra Valley, the canteen will be CLOSED.

Winter MEAL DEALS – ALL $5.00
Valid until end of Term 3, 2011

Monday’s Party Pie Deal
Party Pies x 3
Mini Muffin
Quench Drink

Tuesday’s Toastie Deal
Ham & Cheese Toastie
Large Muffin
Just Juice
(Apple or Tropical or Orange)

Wednesday’s Fried Rice Deal
Fried Rice
Dim Sim x 1
Ice Cream Cup (Vanilla)

Keep Healthy, Keep Warm
Angie (cookie)

Canteen Management Services
STORIES FROM THE STUDENTS

THE LONG AWAITED ARRIVAL

Bang! Quivering with excitement I slam the car door shut. My heart was pounding as fast as a jet. Taking a deep sigh of relief, the smell of chimney smoke filled the air and surrounded me. Stiff from the long car trip, I take a big stretch and start to sprint to the front door, closely followed by my dog, who was happily bounding along behind me. The familiar door that I once again remember suddenly opens and two beaming people walk out. I feel my face light up with joy. Still shaking, I leap forward uncontrollably and give them both a huge hug.

All the smells that I know once again fill my nose. The sights, the sounds, I'm so glad to be here! As I step inside, the warmth and homeliness makes a chill run down my spine and at once I feel at home. I do a lap around, it's all the same, just as I'd imagined. The sun's rays were shining brightly on the massive backyard and then reflecting wildly into the house. The happiness then comes to a sudden halt, when I remember I left my Mum to bring in all the luggage and pillows. Finally, reality catches up to my hyper mind and I realise that I'm here. I'm back in Bairnsdale at my Grandparents house.

PRODUCTION THOUGHTS

I'm shaking so hard and I can't stop myself. I feel a huge lump forming in my throat. I am so scared. I am standing in the George Woods Theatre. Standing in the wings, on the last of any Donvale production I am ever going to be in.

I try and block out the applause from the crowd for the Mary Poppins act and just focus on remembering my lines.

I hear Stuart and Phoebe finishing up their lines. Soon it will be my turn to go on.

I am so nervous! I am afraid that everybody can hear my heart beating in my chest. Adam has just finished his lines. Hear I go!!

Gaby 4R

Writing Stories Using Mathematical Language

In our ‘Hive’ maths group in Level 2, it was great to see students choosing to write maths stories when finished their set tasks!

Maggie had one piece of a cup and Kirralee had ten pieces of a cup. Then they added it up and it equalled eleven. \(1+10=11\) (Kirralee G)

Mrs Gray had five cups and then she sold five of them to Miss J. Miss J took them and it is called zero. “Oh No!” (Kirralee G)

Kirralee had six pigs. Maggie had ten pigs. When they added it up, they had sixteen pigs. \(6+10=16\) (Maggie B)

The smell of my puppy, After the rain, Reminds me of My grandparents’ dogs. They run along the beach, Paws in the sand, Tails in the air.

Boy, it must be fun, No worries in the world. Just a run along the beach, What a way to start the day.

By Bridget 4P
Fairy Floss
Warm and fuzzy in my belly,
Smells so yummy like melted chocolate,
Feels so soft like toy stuffing,
Looks pinkie like a girly girl colour,
Reminds me of carnivals and festivals,
Gives me have good magic memories,
Nice and sticky.
I like to eat it with a corn dog in my other hand,
You can take it anywhere at home and school,
It gives me joy and hope it makes me smile,
Fairy floss is always made in front of your face ,
So you will always know that it is fresh!
I love fairy floss!!!
Production Raffle 2011!!!
Please return any unsold tickets and correct money to school by next Monday 19th September.

Tickets are only $2.00 each

Great prizes to be won!
Mystery Flight
Photography package
Teenage bike
IPod Nano

Parents are encouraged to sell tickets to family and friends then return the ticket butts with correct money to school by Monday 19th September. Contact Kathryn Soterales for additional books. Tickets are also on sale at the office and will be on sale at the production. (Both nights)

CAN YOU HELP?
I need a few helpers to assist with the production raffle table on both nights of the production selling raffle tickets and Donvale Primary School environmental bags. Assistance is needed from 7.00pm until the start of the production on each night. Please let Kathryn know if you are able to help out via email at Soterales@optusnet.com.au or via phone 0417 117 651.

Your assistance will be greatly appreciated.

Woolworths “Earn and learn” fundraising event
Woolies have extended the time to collect more points!! We now have until the 18th October.
Almost 2000 points have been raised so far!!

For every $10.00 spent our school receives one learning point. At the end of the collection period the school can redeem points for over 7,000 items from “Modern Teaching Aids” the biggest source of educational resources in Australia.

For further details regarding this fundraising event, families can log onto the website: Woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn
Happy Shopping!!

Parent Association Meeting
Monday 19th September
9.30am in the Library.

Optometrist Information Session

Did you know that a number of children’s early learning difficulties can stem from visual problems which may be assisted from a trip to the Optometrist?
Come along and learn how a simple trip to the Optometrist may help your child to reach their full potential.

Don’t cope alone!
Parentline provides a 7 day a week phone counseling, information and referral service for parents with children from birth to 18 years.
Parentline is a confidential and anonymous service available to all families in Victoria.
www.parentline.vic.gov.au
More information on the following advertising is available from the office:

SEPTEMBER HOLIDAY PROGRAMS:

MARK HARTNETT’S PRO TENNIS ACADEMY - Junior tennis clinic - a fun filled week of tennis.

BUBBLE DOME - Offering a variety of workshops (eg. 3D animation, ultra games, movie making …. And much more.

LOONEY TUNES LIVE - Classroom capers, the hilarious new musical production. Showing at various locations. Go to www.looneytuneslive.com.au or collect brochure at office.

CANOEING AT WESTERFOLDS PARK - Tues 4th October (9am - 12.30pm or 1pm - 4.30pm)

NUNAWADING GOSPEL HALL - For prep and above. Starting Monday 26th - 29th September.

PETER CARUANA TENNIS - Tennis tournaments. Also, enrol for Term 4.

DEEP CREEK ANGLICAN CHURCH - October 7. Family Fun Day.

DONCASTER SAINTS LITTLE ATHLETICS CLUB - Registration Day Saturday 17 Sept 9am - 12 noon at Doncaster Athletics Club Rieschiecks Reserve.


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