Curriculum day
On Monday we had a very successful curriculum day at school. The staff attended a workshop based on effective teaching strategies in relation to students who have Autism Spectrum Disorder. This workshop was very informative and allowed us all to reflect on our practice and provided us with knowledge about this condition. For the remainder of the day the teaching staff discussed the characteristics of high performing schools and reflected on our current practices at Donvale Primary School. The teachers brainstormed their views of ‘High Expectations’ and what these look like through the eyes of a teacher, parent and student. Each team made a checklist of associated positive behaviours that we hope all students will demonstrate to allow them to achieve their own personal high expectations.

Cross Country
Last Thursday Donvale Primary School students performed very well at the District Cross Country. Congratulations to all students who reached this level of competition. All students represented the school extremely well. Thanks to the parents who were there to support our students. Mrs Hodgson, our Physical Education teacher has written about the results in her section of snippets. Good luck to Adam, Christian, William and Jamie-Lee who have now advanced to the zone level of competition. Daniel and Ingrid are both emergencies for these races too.

Thanks to Mrs Hodgson who did a great job preparing the students and organising the event.

Senior choir
Last Friday our wonderful senior choir entertained the shoppers at Blackburn North Shopping Centre. It was another great performance from this very talented group led by Rebecca Clarke and Kerry Gerraty. Thanks to all the parents who were able to assist with driving students to this event.
School reports
Teachers are currently working very hard writing reports for our students. Teachers put in many hours of work to ensure the assessments used to measure each child’s progress are an accurate reflection of the child’s ability. As well as looking at the academic results teachers take care in describing the students’ attitude towards their learning. When reading your child’s report highlight the positive comments made in relation to your child’s attitude towards learning and their ability to work well with others. Thanks to all the staff who do a wonderful job in providing families with these very detailed, informative school reports.

Monday assembly
Next Monday, 4th June we will be holding our whole school assembly in the level four building. The assembly will be held there to allow our Senior Choir to perform a number of their songs they sang at the Boroondara Eisteddfod two weeks ago. At this event our choir received an Honourable Mention. The Senior Choir would like to share their skills with the whole school community. We look forward to seeing you there.

Stop work action Thursday, 7th June
Yesterday the school received notification from the Australian Education Union that a stop work action has been scheduled for 24 hours on Thursday, 7th June 2012. On Tuesday I will send home a notice to all families informing the community the actual numbers of staff who will be involved in this action and what classes will be operating on the day.

Matt Coney

General News

2013 Enrolments
If you have a child starting school next year, or if you know of a family who is considering Donvale Primary School we are requesting enrolment forms be handed into school as soon as possible. This will help us plan our class structures for 2013 and beyond.

Enrolment forms are available on the school website and at the front office.

REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE

Medication at school
• If your child has to take medication during school hours, a medication authority form has to be filled out. Forms are at the office as well as on the website.
• Any medication that comes to school has to be kept at the office and not with the student.
• Medication must be sent to school in its original container, please do not send it in another container.

Sick Bay
With the cold weather upon us and children are becoming sick, we would like to remind all families of their responsibilities in regards to their sick children. If your child is ill or has been ill, please be responsible and do not send them to school until they are fully recovered. Too often students present themselves at the sick bay, quite unwell and on investigation, indicate that they have been away sick or were ill in the morning but the parent/carer decided to send them along, hoping they would improve or be alright. We are also trying to stop the spread of flu and gastro throughout the school.

Pick Up/Go Home Arrangements
Please keep in mind your child/ren’s safety after school, quite often we have children coming up to the office at the end of the day wanting to phone parents as they are unsure of their pick up arrangements. Could you please make sure that your child/ren are aware of these arrangements in the morning. We do understand that emergencies/delays can occur during the day.
Thank you.

Emergency Contact Details
Parents could you please let the office know if you have changed any of your contact details (work, home and mobile) or address. It is in your child’s own interest that we have our records up-to-date at all times in case of an emergency, etc.
Corks for the Melbourne Zoo Elephants

Don’t throw away your wine/champagne corks, plastic and aluminium wine stoppers. We have a box outside the office for collection. Thank you to those who have been dropping them in.

Lost

One Bomber jacket (size 8 or 10), name Leah B on tag. Lost near gazebo. Can you please check your child’s tag. Thank you.

From The Sports Coach

What a big week of sport!

Congratulations to all the children who competed at the district cross country last Thursday. You should all be very proud of yourselves for trying hard, having a go and for being good sports. A special congratulations goes to the following children who finished in the top 10 for their age group. These children will now compete at the regional cross country on Tuesday 5th June.

Boys 12/13 - 3rd Adam B; 8th Christian L; 10th Will C
Girls 12/13 - 4th Jamie Lee A
Boys 11 - Emergency - Daniel R
Girls 11 - Emergency - Ingrid B

Tennis Australia ran their ‘Hot Shots' tennis program at school yesterday. The level 3’s and grade 56B were lucky enough to participate in this fantastic tennis program. A big thank you to Rebecca from Tennis Australia who gave the school a whole range of tennis equipment to use.

The level 4’s were involved in the Rebel Rush Rugby program today. This program is a safe, non-tackling introduction into the exciting sport of Rugby Union.

Don't forget......

Kilometer Club runs every Friday morning from 8.20am. Please meet at the senior basketball court. If it is wet, kilometer club will be cancelled.

Sports dates for this term include:

Rebel Rush Rugby Program for Level 4: Thursday 31st May, 11.30am-1.30pm
Regional Cross Country: Tuesday 5th June, Yarra Glen Race Track.
Level 4 Winter Round Robin Sports days: Thursday 14th June & Thursday 21st June. Back up day is Thursday 19th July. Sports include football, soccer, netball & tee ball
Thank you

Sarah Hodgson

Basketball

BASKETBALL for Saturday, 2nd June

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Registration for next season is due by 1st June, the form must be accompanied by the $30 registration fee.

This can be left at the office or handed to Marita Warner.

Good luck and enjoy.

Brenda Tierney

Christian Religious Education

The children in grades ¾ have been learning about what it means to be part of a group, and especially that everyone is important to God and called to lived God’s way. We have been talking about how Jesus called his disciples and how he continues to call people today to follow him.

Our reading from the Bible was Matthew 7:12, “Do for others what you want them to do for you”. This is often called the Golden Rule. Living in this way benefits both ourselves and the groups to which we belong, and helps us to get along well.

Have a good day.

God bless,

Judith Grayden
Multicultural Day Lunch for Grade 3 and 4’s Only 12th June, 2012.

Level 3’s have been focusing on Multicultural/Celebrations as their term 2 Topic. To coincide with this learning, a special lunch is being offered. A red lunch order form went home on Tuesday; if your child did not receive an order form please request one from the office. This form is due back before 4th June, 2012.

Lunches on this day for the rest of the school levels will be as per normal canteen menu.

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Four N Twenty Sausage Rolls
The packaging name has changed, but the sausage roll itself is the same. It was “FNT Aussie S/Roll” and it now reads FNT Snack S/Roll. The serving size is also the same at 125g. It just looks different; kids pick this up real quick.

Meal Deals for Term 2 - Available any day of the week
SCT Wrap Pack 1 $5.00
Famous SCT Wrap
Mini Choc Chip Muffin
Vanilla Ice Cream Cup
Macaroni Cheese Pack 2 $5.00
Macaroni Cheese
Mini Choc Muffin
Moosie (choc/bluemoon)
Pizza Pack 3 $5.00
Pizza Magarita
Mini Choc Chip Muffin
Just Juice (apple/tropical/orange)
Sausage Roll Pack 4 $5.00
Sausage Roll
Mini Muffin
Quench (apple/raspberry)

Keep Healthy, Keep Warm, Keep Hydrated
Angie (SUPER cookie)
Canteen Management Services

The children did a fantastic job making their pizza dough, rolling out the base and using our own home made pizza sauce and toppings. They helped each other, took their turn patiently and shared.

We just can’t believe that some of our little chefs are only 5 years old. They are so confident that they can make pizza at home following the recipes in our cookbook. Well done everyone, we are so proud of you. Also thanks to Sarita N (34A) who baked fruit cake at home and shared it with us, well done.

Thank you to the Younger, Ehlert, Merton, Bosdorf, Hamilton and Sneddon/Goold families for their donations.

We were all in purple on Tuesday, including parents helpers also coincidentally our room’s wall are also purple. DJC supports Buddy Day, SAY NO TO BULLYING.

Next Tuesday 5 June is will be the turn of Group 3, creating Pizza with us. Ingredients we need are: Peas (frozen), red capsicum and spring onion. Please donate some to us if you have any spare at home, any amount is helpful. Thank you in advance.

Thank you to Martin, Mrs Cheesman, Donna Moulton, Jaqui Frigo, Ella Sneddon (aka Oma, The Goold’s grandma), Darcy (our special guest little chef) and Liz Brown for helping in the club.

We don’t cook, we create food.
Liang Dimitroff
Stories From The Students

56A Star Poems

Starry, Starry night poem
When the sun goes down and the shimmering moon comes out and the stars are around like they are on guard. As the planets are still orbiting around the sun. All is dark and the night has settled. One peaceful silent night waiting ahead of us. 

BY ABBY WALLBRIDGE

Night sky poem
Night sky, night sky, twinkling stars near by white moon, white moon, you light up the night in full bloom
The night in display watching the night play Ready in action the sky a distraction.

Daniel

Starry, Starry Night Poem
I walked outside to look at the sky, And what did I see a star fly by, It was really pretty, shiny and bright, Looking at the sky is such a mighty sight, The big grey looking moon, Will be a full moon soon, The thing I like best is Mercury to the right, That is the one that is really bright, That’s my poem about the night sky, That’s all and goodbye.

By Jamie A

Stars twinkling Moon shining 
Aeroplanes flying The black sky darkening
The beautiful night sky

By Kelli Di5/6A

I lay in bed at night
Dreaming about what’s outside
The night skies seems so far away
I lay in bed and think a lot and start to imagine what’s on the moon.
Is it cheese or beef?
I start to get hungry, and I can’t get to sleep, Mum says to count sheep.
I can picture the night sky and the shiny moon from inside my room.
And slowly fall asleep

By Rachael B 56A

Prep Investigations
This week in Investigations, Prep 00B had their first budding reporter record what her friends were involved in throughout the 'Bunnings role play' session. Daily student observations are then used as a speaking and listening stimulus at share time.

Well done Kirra!
Mrs Thomson

Kirra’s report
Zoe is toasting sausages.
Maisie is making paint.
Ava is writing down people who want sausages.
Vienna is looking after her pets.

NIGHT SKY POEM

Every night the moon shines bright and You can see the stars up above, The moon is glowing and the stars are twinkle in the dark night sky

John Z

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

1st - 7th June
Elizmare S, Eboni M, William E, Jake G, Lucy Mc
Dear Parents & Students,

Big thanks to James D, Zoe C, Elise H and Elizmare S for cooking yummy coconut macaroons.

If you have yet to fill out an authorisation form please come in and see me and fill one out.

Please make sure all enrolment forms are up to date and all medical action plans have also been checked and changed or updated if needed.

Remember bookings can be made right up til 12:00 the midnight before, or you can book on the Day but there will be extra charge of $2.00. If you’re ever stuck and would like your child to attend OSH After School Care you can call me or leave a message on 0402 362 443 and I will get back to you.

Jagruti

Next Week’s Activities

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Parent Information

OSH program phone: 0402 362 443
Coordinator: Jagruti
Assistants: Caroline, Lekky, Jade
OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.
Parents Association News!

Next Parent Association Meeting

There will be combined **PA** and **Trivia Night** meeting **this Monday 4\(^{th}\) June** at 9.30am in the Library.

Everyone is welcome to attend, even if you have never been to one before. Come along and find out what is coming up for this term!

Please note the next Class Representative meeting has been pushed back to Monday 18\(^{th}\) June at 9.30am. Venue TBC.

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**CHOCOLATES**

There are still some Cadbury Fundraiser boxes of chocolate left to sell. If there are any families that could possibly sell another box, it would be greatly appreciated. Also we are now selling bags of 5 chocolate bars for $3.

Please contact Kim Merton: ph 0407 447 434

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**Trivia Night update**

*Are you a Tradesman or own your own business?*

We are looking for Tradesmen or business owners willing to donate a small amount of their time or Service as a donation for our Trivia Night. If so, please contact Kathryn 0417 117 651 or via email Soterales@iinet.net.au.

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**Trivia Night Donations**

We are still looking for parents to help deliver letters asking for donations for our upcoming Trivia Night Fundraiser.

The shops we are trying to cover include:

- Blackburn Road Shopping Strip - East Doncaster
- Eastland - Ringwood
- The pines - East Doncaster

If you can help deliver our letters to one of the above mentioned shopping complexes, or have another shop or business in mind, please let know as soon as possible. Thank you. Please contact Karin Moule: 0419 583 990. Thanks!

Thank you to the following families who have already offered to assist us with our collection of donations.

- Tunstall Square - Donvale - Marina Younger
- Devon Plaza - East Doncaster - Kim Merton
- Doncaster Shopping Town - Westfield Doncaster - Jan Nitsos
- Ringwood Shopping Centre - Ringwood - Liz Brown
- Forest Hill Chase - Forest Hill - Tania Smith
- Jackson Court - East Doncaster - Karin Moule
The common cold, caused by an upper respiratory tract infection, is one of the most common illnesses for children and adults in Australia. Colds are more common in winter months as people spend more time indoors, in close contact, and can be more likely to pass on viruses that cause the common cold.

Colds can be a trigger for asthma, and asthma management can become more difficult for children and teenagers attending school if they have a cough or a cold. Ensure your child reduces the risk of passing on coughs and colds by avoiding coughing or sneezing on, or near other people and that they wash their hands appropriately after blowing their nose or handling used tissues. Coughing or sneezing onto the inside of their elbow instead of their hands can also prevent the transmission of infections. If your child is unwell, it is recommended that they stay home and rest to reduce the chance of spreading infections and to give them a better chance to recover quickly.

While there is no known cure for the common cold, symptoms such as headache, cough and runny nose can be managed, and children with asthma are advised to see their doctor before using any medication, or herbal and natural remedies, as these may react with their asthma medications. Many cold and flu medications available over the counter are not suitable for children and teenagers, and some medications may also trigger asthma symptoms, it is best to avoid these unless recommended by your doctor.

People with asthma should avoid the following medications if possible:

- Aspirin
- Ibuprofen/Naproxen (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medications)
- Beta blockers tablets and eye drops (used for high blood pressure and glaucoma)
- ACE inhibitors (used to control blood pressure)

Saline drops and nasal sprays may help relieve blocked sinuses, and gargling with salty water may help relieve a sore throat.

If cold symptoms become more severe, parents and carers are encouraged to consult their doctor as soon as possible for advice. Nasal sprays should not be shared between people as this may transmit infections and viruses.

It is also highly recommended that in the lead-up to winter, people with asthma ask make use of influenza (flu shot) vaccinations.

For more information on the common cold, medications and references used in this article please see the Better Health Channel (State Government of Victoria) - www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au and the NPS website - www.nps.org.au.