Curriculum - Term 3

This term students will be engaged in Integrated Inquiry Units of work which comprise Inquiry Questions, Throughlines, Understandings and Focus Questions. Looking at level 3 as an example, their main Inquiry Question for their Olympic Games unit of work this term is:

How does the Olympic Games promote an understanding of diversity of cultures and help unify the world?

A Throughline (common theme across the school) for this particular unit would be:
There is a range of different cultures, languages, customs and beliefs represented in communities.

Some Understandings for this unit would be:
Identify the symbols and emblems of the Olympic Games.
The important thing is not to win but to take part. For children to relate the goal of doing your best to their own lives.

Some Focus Questions for this unit would be:
What is the history of the Olympics? Where in the world is London? What events are included in the Olympic Games? What sort of training do athletes need?

A range of activities would then be outlined in the Integrated Inquiry Plan to develop the students’ knowledge and understandings and to answer these focus questions. A key component of our Inquiry Units is to allow students the opportunity to further their own individual inquiry into a particular area of the topic that interests them. To develop continuity of learning across the school all Levels follow this Integrated Inquiry Plan process.

State Schools Spectacular:
What a great day 25 of our Senior Choir members had at the Dallas Brooks Hall yesterday rehearsing for the State Schools Spectacular. Our students were part of a 1300 member choir that practised from 10.00 a.m. until 3.00 p.m. in the afternoon. This was an excellent effort which required an enormous amount of concentration. Well done to all the choir members and special thanks to Mrs Bec Clark for preparing our students and to Mrs Karen Murphy and Mrs Suzie Wallbridge for assisting on the day. We are very proud of our choirs at Donvale and we look forward to the State Schools Spectacular shows which will be held at Hisense Arena on Saturday 8th September at 11.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. Tickets may be purchased through Ticketek.
Active After School Communities Program:
The Australian Sports Commission has made grants available to primary schools to run a variety of sports programs for students after school. Donvale P.S. has been lucky enough to receive one of these grants. This term’s program started last night with Mrs Julie Alabaster coordinating Basketball activities. Tonight Miss Elise Maher will be running a Fitness/Circuit program. Both Julie and Elise are accredited coaches in their respective fields. We still have some vacancies for the Fitness program which takes place on a Thursday afternoon from 3.45 to 4.45 p.m. Please contact the office for more information.

Ian McKinlay

Coles Sports for Schools
As the official supermarket of the Australian Olympic team for the 2012 Olympic Games, Coles is celebrating by giving you double vouchers until the 14th August. Which means you get 2 vouchers for every $10 you spend at any Coles, Bi-Lo or Pick ‘n’ Pay stores or at Coles Online. So double the amount of sporting equipment you can earn in the next 3 weeks!

Koncert for Kwaya
In the September holidays this year, Mrs Rebecca Clarke and Mrs Kerry Gerraty are heading to Uganda. This is a self-funded trip with a group of singers and other volunteers in a group called Kwaya (African for choir). As a part of our commitment to this trip we are raising funds that will contribute to helping the African Children’s Choir come to Melbourne next year as well as funds to support some primary schools and orphanages in Kampala. On Monday the 30th July we are holding a fundraising concert at Donvale Primary School in the Senior Building. The concert begins at 7:30pm and will finish by 9:00pm. It will feature the DPS Senior Choir and some jazz ensembles from Blackburn High School as well as other invited artists. Entrance is by donation and we are also running a raffle on the night to help us raise funds. We would love as much support as possible and hope to have a great crowd for what promises to be a fantastic night of entertainment.

Klothes for Kwaya
Mrs Clarke is also collecting second hand children’s jeans and black school shoes to take over to Uganda. If you have any of these items in good used condition and would like to donate them, you can put them in the bins in the old Italian room opposite the library. Once again, thanks for your support!

Level 4 Round Robin Sports for Winter was completed last Thursday. Congratulations to all the children involved for your enthusiasm, support and sportsmanship. Special mention to our Mixed Netball team that went through undefeated and are District Champions for 2012. The team and coach (Mrs Clarke) will play against Saint Clement of Rome tomorrow to decide which team goes onto the next level. Well done.

Level 3 Gymnastics begin on Monday 6th August.

Ian McKinlay
**District Athletics** is on September 18th. Level 3 and 4 children will begin athletic activities in the near future in preparation for our Athletic Trials and the selection of a School Athletic Team.

**Level 4 Hootoptime** is August 23rd.

Don’t forget to keep collecting and returning to school your Coles vouchers. Thanks to all those who are supporting the program.

Raffle tickets are for sale at the office to support Lachlan H (our State Basketball member). A casual dress day will be on Friday 3rd August (gold coin donation) as the school would like to support Lachlan also.

**Mr Pianta**

**Christian Religious Education**

This week the prep children had fun telling the creation story with fuzzy felt. We talked about how we can look after our beautiful world that God created for us to live in. You can find the creation story in the book of Genesis which is the very first book in the Old Testament.

The grades 1/2 heard a story of a very sick woman who Jesus made feel very special because he took time to talk to her and He healed her after years of illness. We talked about how special we are all to God, and that it is nice to help others feel special, by being a good friend, sharing, playing with those that are lonely and being a good helper.

The story was based on Mark 5:25-34.

Our verse for the day is from the book of Psalms.

Psalms 139: 1-3.

Lord, you know all about me. You notice everything I do and everywhere I go.

Enjoy your week! God Bless!

Cheryl Shanks.

**Donvale Jnr Chef**

This term's timetable was handed out today. If your child didn't get one, please contact us or check on the information wall in the junior chef room.

Next Tuesday 31 July 2012 is Group 1’s turn creating food with us.

The menu is "Butter chicken served with saffron basmati rice and salad"

Please remind your child to come to our room as soon as they are finished their lunch. We don't have much time and we want them to learn as much as possible.

Term 3 we are going to explore Asian cuisine that is normally only available at the restaurant or take away shop.

Our journey will start from India, then go to China, Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and end up in Japan.

The ingredients we need for next week are: lettuce, tomatoes, spring onion, carrot and celery. We don't need much, any amount would be helpful, thank you.

We don't cook, we create food.

Liang Dimitroff

Following are some new food items available at the canteen.

**NEW**

**Garlic Bread.** 50c (per 2 slices), when ordering Spaghetti Bolognaise or Macaroni Cheese.

**Angie's Mini Pizzas.** 50c (per serve), Margarita topping only. These will be available at recess counter sales on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday ONLY.

Following are 4 NEW Meal Deal offers for Term 3. As usual when ordering any of these offers you just need to simply write on your lunch order bag what offer you would like. (Eg Toastie Pack 1).

**Toastie Pack 1 $5.00**

Ham & Cheese Toastie

Rock Deli Chips

Just Juice

(Apple/Orange/Tropical)

**Hotdog Pack 2 $5.00**

Hotdog (plain/sauce/cheese)

Mini Muffin Choc Chip

Quench (App/Rasp)

**Mac Cheese Pack 3 $5.00**

Macaroni Cheese

Garlic Bread (2 slices)

Moosie (Choc/Bluemoon)

**Nuggets Pack 4 $5.00**

Nuggets x 6

Mini Muffin Choc Chip

Ice Cream Cup Vanilla

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Keep Healthy, Keep Warm, Keep Hydrated
Angie (SUPER cookie)

Canteen Management Services
Adventures in Africa

Having just returned from almost four weeks on the African continent I come home feeling very blessed and privileged. Along with my husband Peter and two of our friends we spent a week in South Africa, nine days in Rwanda and eight days in Tanzania.

We were able to visit such a variety of needy situations - a family who tries to place orphans, whilst looking after many themselves; an Options support program for young mums and HIV sufferers; training programs for young leaders; sewing skills being taught as a means of income; a restoration housing program, turning slums into respectable living areas; plus several schools, where many of the students are sponsored (which includes a hot meal each lunch time).

As this was my second trip to the Kigali Christian School the staff had asked if we could take some music resources. The school had not run a music program but were keen to begin. Donations from people in Australia allowed us to purchase a whole school curriculum (books and CDs) plus percussion instruments, including traditional drums and maracas, a couple of guitars and storage containers. I was able to model some lessons and styles of teaching and it was wonderful to witness the excitement on the children’s faces as they played real instruments for the first time! Most of their learning is in the rote style with little opportunity for group and creative work.

The staff were very appreciative and I feel sure that they will implement the new resources. African children generally have a wonderful sense of rhythm and harmony and it was such a great experience to watch them sing and dance at assembly, play traditional drums in church and show enjoyment in learning something new.

Another school we visited was run by a young woman who wanted to help her neighbourhood. She built a small room on her parent’s property and was trying to teach 68 prep children there with no resources other than an old blackboard, a book and a pencil each, no desks or chairs, just shoulder to shoulder room.

Our friends had collected bras and baby clothes to take on the trip. We were able to distribute these in three locations and all were gratefully received. A little goes such a long way. Many young mums can’t afford nappies for their children and just used cut up old clothes. Our friends bought out the local shop of nappy, soap, toothbrush and other basic supplies to donate to one of these centres we visited. Our emotions were touched with each experience but we return the richer for it.

Anthea Keep
Dear Parents & Students,

What a beautiful weather we had this week with sunny days for children to play outside. Elise H, Cameron D and Sandiv W made Vanilla Lip Gloss for winter. We had good session AASC (Basketball) on Wednesday with 20+ children participating. We will be having AASC (Fitness) on every Thursday.

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 Shah

Next Week’s Activities

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Parent Information

OSHC program phone: 0402 362 443  
Coordinator: Jagruti  
Assistants: Caroline, Lekky  
OSHC Club 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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

27th July - 2nd August  
Liam D, Michael W, Jayden B
As part of Level 2 topic of Traditional Tales, Grade 1/2C has been enjoying Jack and the Beanstalk. We tried to put ourselves in Jack’s shoes and write apology letters to The Giant.

Tyler
Dear Giant,
I’m sorry that you did not eat me.
From Jack
P.S I’m sorry that you’re dead.
P.P.S I’m sorry that I stole your hen.
P.P.P.S I’m sorry that I stole your bag of gold.
P.P.P.P.S I’m sorry that it is the end of you.

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Josh G
Dear Giant,
I am sorry you are in hospital. I hope you get better soon.
From Jack
P.S I am sorry I took your gold.
P.P.S Your toast is burning!

Jackson
Dear Giant,
I’m sorry that I chopped the beanstalk. I’m sorry that I got the bag of gold.
From Jack

Harry
To Giant,
I’m sorry I stole your chicken. I’m very happy that it was the end of you.
From Jack

Christopher
Dear Giant,
I’m sorry I stole your gold. I’m sorry I scared you.
From Jack

Rose
Dear Giant,
I am very sorry I stole your things. I hope I didn’t make you angry. I shouldn’t have even come to your land. I was just very hungry and I am poor.
Sincerely Jack.

Kate
Dear Giant,
I’m sorry I stole your gold pooping chicken. I shouldn’t have stolen it.
From Jack

Nathalie
Dear Giant,
I’m sorry I stole your gold. I had to take it because I’m poor.

Dear Giant,
I’m sorry I stole your gold. I had to take it because I’m poor.
From Jack

Holly
Dear Giant,
I’m sorry I took the gold. I had to take it because I’m poor.
From Jack

Alyse
Dear Giant,
I’m sorry for taking your bag of gold.
From Jack

Nathan
Dear Giant,
I’m sorry I stole your gold. I’m sorry but you don’t have any gold.
From Jack

Josh A
Dear Giant,
Sorry I stole your gold. Sorry I stole your harp.
From Jack

Pavit
Dear Giant,
I’m sorry I stole your stuff. I stole them because we were poor. Sorry you had to go to hospital.
From Jack

Izaiah
Dear Giant,
I’m sorry I took your gold. I was very poor. I need it and sorry you’re dead.
From Jack

Sophie
Dear Giant,
I’m very sorry I stole your gold. Maybe we could share it! Can we be friends?
From Jack
P.S I’m sorry we cut your bean stalk, I could try to grow it again and come up to talk. Bye!

Samuel
To big fat Giant,
I’m so happy with the chicken that lays golden eggs. Have a great evening for now. Goodnight.
From Jack
P.S I didn’t like you anyway.
P.P.S I’m so sorry I took your chicken. NOT!

Cameron
Dear fat Giant,
I had to take your gold because I am poor. You have a wart on your face. You have no brains.
From Jack
**State School Spectacular**  
Yesterday the Donvale State Schools Spectacular Choir went to their first out of school rehearsal at Dallas Brooks Hall. It was a long tiring day but we learnt heaps whilst having heaps of fun! Over 1000 kids attended from a huge variety of schools throughout Victoria. We are all looking forward to our next rehearsal and can’t wait until the performance.  
By Chloë V  
State School Spectacular Captain

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### Advertising Material

**More information on the following advertising is available from the office:**

- **ZUMBA CLASSES** - Tuesday evenings from 7-8pm in the G.P. Room.
- **PLAYGROUP VICTORIA** - Presents Steve Biddulph talking about ‘Raising Girls (Wed 5 Sept) and ‘Road to Manhood’ (Thur 6 Sept).
- **ACTION INDOOR SOCCER** - Junior soccer coaching program is back. 10-weeks Tues 4-5pm at Ringwood Action Sports.
- **ELTHAM COMMUNITY** - Australian plants expo 2012. Plants, books, art and more. 8-9 September, 10am to 4pm.
- **ALL FOR KIDS MARKET** - Saturday 18 August 9am to 1pm at NewHope Baptist Church, Blackburn Nth.
- **SIMPLY NATURAL THERAPIES** - Classes and workshops. Shop 41 at Tunstall Square.
- **HERITAGE WEEK 2012** - Whitehorse City Council, local libraries, historical groups are going back to the 70s. Various exhibitions, tours, cooking demos, etc.
- **DONCARE** - Six week course for parents and carers of children aged 10-14. “Children is strong parent-child relationships are more likely to test their responsibility in safe ways, rather than through risky behaviour”. Tues 14th—18 Sept 7-9.30pm.
- **READY STEADY GO KIDS IS AT DISC** - Australia's largest multi-sport exercise program for preschoolers aged 2.5 to 6 years. Offering 5 sports per term (soccer Basketball Hockey AFL Cricket Tennis Athletics Rugby Golf T-ball). Classes available Tue & Thur at DISC.

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Please call Sharnae  
h)9842 5828 or  
0452 515 694

### E.D.S.C 2nd Hand V neck Jumper + School bag

East Doncaster Secondary School. These 2 items are in excellent condition.

School bag with computer (laptop) protection provided.. 3 sections in school. Price **$25.00**

The V neck jumper is in very good condition and is used for full assemblies and casual wear over the top of your normal school uniform not your sports uniform. Price: **$20.00**

Call Janene 0408537058
TRIVIA NIGHT HAMPERS!

We will be having a ‘hamper wrapping day’, where we will be wrapping up items for our silent auction and other prizes for the Trivia Night. If you are interested in coming along and helping out, we would love to see you there.
When: Friday, 3rd August, 9.00 onwards.
Where: The GP room.
All welcome!

Parent Association Meeting

Our next PA Meeting will be held on Monday, 30th July, 9.30am, in the library.
All welcome.
Hope to see you there!

REMINDER

Just a reminder that our school will be running a fundraising BBQ in front of Coles, Donvale on Saturday July 28th. If you are interested in helping out for a short while, contact Jo on 0407 547 454. Or come along to buy a sausage and support our school!
Thank you.