Donvale Primary School provides students with a positive educational experience to achieve their potential in a comprehensive learning environment that is caring, secure and stimulating.

WEEKLY DIARY

Friday 24th August
• 6.00-8.00pm: Parents Association Scholastic Book Fair Family Night

Monday 27th August
• 8.30-9.30am: Uniform shop open
• 8.45-9.30am: Book Fair
• 1.45pm: Australian Girls Choir auditions
• 3.00-4.30pm: Book Fair
• 2.30-3.15pm: Level 3 Gymnastics

Tuesday 28th August
• 8.45-9.30am: Book Fair
• 3.00-4.30pm: Book Fair
• 2.30-3.30pm: Open Day
• 10.00am: School tour
• 2.30pm: School tour
• 9.00am-12.30pm: Level 3 Starlab Incursion

Wednesday 29th August
• 8.45-9.30am: Book Fair
• 3.00-4.30pm: Book Fair

Thursday 30th August
• Student Banking Day
• Canteen Footy Lunch Day (students can wear their favourite footy colours)

Friday 31st August
• 7.30-8.45am: Father’s Day Breakfast
• 2.00-3.00pm: Leapfrog program

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

STOP WORK ACTION
WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 5TH.
You most likely are aware that the Australian Education Union is taking industrial action in support of new enterprise agreements for teachers, principals, and support staff. A ‘STOP WORK’ Action has been planned for Wednesday September 5th. At this stage, I am unable to inform Parents whether or not their child’s teacher will be supporting the Stop Work action on this day. I will certainly inform all parents closer to the day once I am fully aware of the intentions of my staff.

CURRICULUM DAY
WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 17TH
Donvale Primary School has a planned Curriculum Day on Wednesday October 17th. This is a student free day.

On Tuesday of this week, Ian McKinlay and I attended a professional learning session on the implementation of the National Curriculum. Whilst there is still much work and negotiations to take place, the new ‘Australian Curriculum’ is mandated to begin implementation in 2013. English, Mathematics, Science and History are the domains / subject areas from this new Curriculum which we are expected to introduce next year. All other remaining domains / subjects will follow progressively as their development and Government approval is attained. As we wait for this to occur, we have been advised to continue using our current curriculum (VELS – Victorian Essential Learning Standards) jointly with the new Australian Curriculum. In an attempt to avoid the confusion of using two curriculums, the VCAA (Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority) has decided that the best way to bring it all together is to create a new and perhaps temporary name for the curriculum which Victorian schools are expected to use. This is AusVELS. This incorporates both the Australian Curriculum and VELS. The teachers at Donvale Primary School will be involved in extensive and
comprehensive professional learning ensuring that we are ready to effectively begin implementing the new curriculum next year. A Curriculum Day has been planned for October 17th to support this process. Please ensure that you diary this date as it is a student free day.

In celebration of Book Week this week, our children all had the opportunity to participate in a day where they could be involved in dressing up as their favourite book character, participating in a parade, creating stories, art displays, reading, story-telling, music, drama … and many more wonderful learning experiences. Many displays have been created from this learning and are proudly on display around the school. Some absolutely fabulous displays are in our Library. I would encourage you to take the time to have a look around and be inspired, as I have been, by the talents of all our students. I would also like to thank all our teachers, particularly Mrs Wright, for their hard work and efforts in ensuring that the day was a success.

Yet another successful day we had was last Sunday at our Working Bee. I would like to extend a great big THANK YOU to all the wonderful parents, students and teachers who took time out from their weekend to support our school. Certainly much was accomplished. Mulch was distributed in the play areas, sand was refilled in the sandpits, pruning, weeding, painting and cleaning were all on the agenda; all of which were carried out. Special thanks to Brad Wolff for his dedication and for organising the Working Bee. Thanks also to the PA mums for the yummy BBQ lunch, David Frigo for the skip service and an extra big thank you to Gary Wolf for the brilliant job in tidying up the tool shed / storeroom, to David Apsey for spending many hours of his own time in redecorating the foyer of our school (it’s looking amazing!) and to Murray Gerraty who provides us with the beautiful pots and plants that help make our school look even more fantastic. We are indeed fortunate to have many parents with many skills, talents and contacts that all work to support our school. I am mindful in not acknowledging everyone so my sincere apologies if I have missed anyone. The following is a list of the parents / families and teachers that attended the Working Bee – all your work is greatly appreciated!

Brad Wolff, Shane Tierney, James Clarke, John Pianta, Ian McKinlay, Mark & Natasha Sinclair, Jaqui and David Frigo, Martin and Liang Dimitrios, Katrina and Paul Larder, Russell Waycott, Stan Drakos, Gary Wolf, Marita Warner, Christine Dawson, Diana and Greg McNaughton, Murray Gerraty, Craig and Virginia Yeoman, David Slattery and Jill Sadler.

Lena Clark

General News

From the office

Level 3 Camp - Instalment 1 is due today. Instalment 2 notice will be coming home next week.

Lost

Missing 2 windcheaters named Miles. Please return to Harrison in 12A.

Milk Bottles

Thank you to the families that have been bringing in milk bottles. We don’t need anymore bottles, just lids please.

From The Sports Coach

Level 4 children participated in their Annual Hooptime (Basketball) tournament yesterday. All children were involved in a mixture of teams. 7 Rookies (never played competition before) and 3 Future Stars (play Saturday competition). All teams played a Round Robin fixture, playing between 5 and 6 games throughout the day. Scores are recorded for all games but only Future Stars can proceed onto the next stage-Regional Finals.

One of Future Stars team (Devils) have qualified for Regional Finals.

A very big thanks to our Level 4 staff and parents Sam and Erika who assisted/supported our children. Special mention to our Level 4 students (Jamie-lee, Jessica G, Billy Mc and Lachlan H who trained and coached 4 of our Rooky Teams. Great job guys. Thanks also to Rachael Krstic who at the end of the day took home to wash many basketball singlets.

Level 3 children participated in Athletic Trials yesterday (shot put, discus, long jump, 100m). Once all results are collated a 9/10 Year Old Athletic Team will be selected.

Level 4 children will have their Athletic Trials next Thursday 30th August, 9.00am - 11.00am.

Any parents who could assist please See Mr Pianta as we have a large number of children participating in this level.

The Coles For Sports voucher program has now finished. Please return any vouchers to school by Monday as all vouchers will be sent away on Monday.

A big thanks to the many, many, many … families who have again supported our school.

Swimming Program

Please note we cannot have our whole school Swimming Program this year due to extensive renovations at the Surrey Park (Aqualink) Pool. Hopefully the program will resume in 2013.

Mr Pianta
Maths fun For Everyone

Try this: Moire Patterns

WARNING: Looking at the patterns in this activity can make you feel unwell. If you stop looking at the patterns, you should feel better.

You will need:
- A printer that can print on clear plastic sheets
- Clear plastic sheets
- Paper

What to do:
2. Print the same image onto a clear plastic sheet
3. Put the clear plastic picture on top of the paper. Do you notice any patterns?
4. Slowly move the plastic sheet over the paper. How do the patterns change?

What’s happening?

Although the original image is made only of straight lines, when you put two images on top of each other, big, dark curves seem to appear. These shapes are called moire patterns, and they are caused by the two pictures combining.

When you lay the plastic on top of the paper, the two pictures don’t line up exactly. The black lines on the plastic pattern cover some of the white lines on the paper pattern. This combination creates the impression of a new pattern of curving lines.

Applications:

Moire patterns look impressive, but they can be useful too. A small change in the two sheets can cause a large change in the patterns you see. Depending on the patterns you are using, you can measure the distances between the dark and light patches to work out how far the images have moved.

Moire patterns can also cause problems for photographers and TV camera operators. Digital photos and videos are made of a grid of dots, or ‘pixels’. If what’s being filmed has a similar pattern to the pixels on the camera, sometimes a moire pattern will appear. This can sometimes be seen in patterned shirts or ties.

Cheers,
Luanda Pianta
Numeracy Co-ordinator
**Canteen Newsflash**

**Footy Day at the Canteen** - Thursday 30th August, 2012

This is a casual dress day, so come dressed in your footy team colours. There will be 3 prizes to WIN. Every "Footy Lunch Order" received will go into a draw to win one of three prizes.

Display of prizes in the canteen.

**Limited lunch menu available on this day.**

I will accept a "normal" lunch order on this day, but will be **STRICTLY LIMITED** to the following food items ONLY—Any Toasties, Mac Cheese, Hotdog or Pizza Margarita.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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**Donvale Jnr Chef**

This weeks trip to Japan was a great and colourful culinary journey. The children proved that vegetables are not just healthy for us but can also be turned into so many delicious creations and beautiful garnish (decorations). They created TEMPURA (vegetables fritter), TORI TERIYAKI (chicken teriyaki), TSUKEMONO (pickled vegetables) and TAKIKOMI GOHAN (mushroom and vegetables flavoured rice).

They learned how to do the "double cooked" method of cooking, how to do food presentation using fresh and colourful vegetables, pickling vegetables and using vegetables to flavour the rice and fritters.

They were absolutely wonderful chefs and well behaved. Well done everyone. We are so proud of you all.

Thank you to the Waycott, Cassidy/Meyzis, Merton, Gold, Frigo and Browne families for their very generous donations.

Also thank you to Donna Moulton, Liz Brown, Kim Merton, little chef Indi, Mrs Wright, Mr Gordon, Mr Reiter, Mrs Thomson, Mrs Cheesman, Martin and Paul (the cleaner) for helping with the club.

Next Tuesday 28 August 2012 is the School Open Day. Please come to the Junior Chef Room, we would be proud to show you how talented our little chefs are, celebrating their achievements and to see our great facility which has become a reality with the support of the school community.

We encourage parents who are not sure what we do and who would like to know and see this program to catch up with us to see exactly what the children do and how they enjoy their sessions.

We don't cook, we create food.

Liang and Jaqui

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**Recess Snacks**

If your child is having a lunch order and would like to collect an item (eg muffin/chips/drink) at recess, I would be grateful if you could write "Recess" next to the item that is to be collected.

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**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

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

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**Big Thumbs Up To:**
1. Samuel M 12C for cooking butter chicken for his family and making sure his Mum understands the right way of cooking it.
2. Abby M 34A for cooking with her Dad every Sunday for her family.
3. Michael W 34C for always helping his Dad in the kitchen.
4. Josh A 12C for baking muffins with his Mum at home.
5. Anastasia T 12B for always helping her Mum preparing dinner for her family.
6. Lachlan H 00B for bravely trying to find DJC room by himself.
Our Snow Trip

Last Wednesday, I went to Mt Hotham with Zachary, Josh my brother and my dad. On the way, we watched DVD’s in the car. When we got there, I jumped out of the car with my snow suit on and started throwing snowballs. It was snowing but great skiing weather. We stayed at Eiger ski lodge. When we went inside, we put our ski clothes into the drying room so our clothes would dry. On Thursday, we meet up with Nick our ski instructor who has taught me to ski since I was 5 years old. We started skiing at Big D and then went on to harder slopes including Canyon which is a black run. Zachary is a level 6 skier, I am level 5 and Josh is level 4. Later we built a snow fort and then had a snow fight. On Friday, we went skiing again with Nick and had a great day doing a lot of hard runs on a lot of fresh snow. While we were at the mountain we had over 50cms of snow, so much that the normal road was closed and we had to come back to Melbourne a different way.

Benjamin A 3/4A
Mt. Hotham by Zachary C

Eight days ago Ben, Joshua and I went to Mt. Hotham and we had loads of fun. Firstly we went to the ski shop at the bottom of the mountain and got our equipment to go skiing. The next day we started skiing on runs called Easy Street and QC, and then we caught a bus down to Flinders Trail and took a chair lift up again and then we skied down Canyon and finally we went back to the lodge and went to sleep Zzzzzzzzzzzzzz.

Wake up everyone and let’s go skiing again! We got our gear on and off we went. This time we went straight to the Canyon and skied around all day. Finally we went inside and dried our clothes off, then we went back outside to make a snow fort. Eventually we got into the car and went home.

Parents Association News!

Come to our Book Fair!

We are having our book fair family night (this Friday, 24th August). 6pm-8pm in the school library. Books also for sale on Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th. 8.45am – 9.30am, and 3pm – 4pm. All book purchases will benefit our school. Come along and buy a book! Everyone welcome. Colouring competition entries and winners for each year level will be displayed.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time to help out. A roster came home this week. Please contact Karin on 0419 583 990 if you volunteered your time and did not receive a roster. Thank you.

Father’s Day Bunnings fundraiser BBQ

We have once again been given the opportunity to run a BBQ at Bunnings Nunawading, on the 31st of August. (The Friday before Father’s day). If you think you may be able to help out for a short while on the day, please contact Jo Wood, (BBQ coordinator) on 0407 547 454.

Thank you, Parents Association.
Dear Parents & Students,

Big thanks to Alfie H, Zoe C and Elyse C for cooking lovely cupcakes for the RSPCA Day and Elise H and Leo Z for icing the yummy cupcakes. Thanks to all those who joined OSH in this kind act and donated gold coin.

Online bookings for Mitcham and Blackburn Holiday Program are open. To avoid last minute rush or disappointment book in the children in advance.

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

OSH program phone: 0402 362 443  
Coordinator: Jagruti  
Assistants: Caroline, Lekky and Jennifer  
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.
More information on the following advertising is available from the office:

**READYSTEADYGOKIDS** - Multi-sport & exercise program for preschoolers aged 2.5-6 years in Donvale area.

**HOST FAMILIES NEEDED FOR NEW EXCHANGE STUDENTS** - Girls and boys aged 15-18.

**PULSE PT** - Group outdoor boxing/fitness session every Sunday at Slater oval, Blackburn.