Snippets

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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.

Calendar

**Friday 23rd August**
- 3.00-3.45pm: Uniform shop open
- Assembly: Lypsinc winners will be performing
- Book Fair in the Library

**Monday 26th August**
- Book Fair in the Library
- Lunchtime: Australian Girls Choir auditions

**Thursday 29th August**
- 11.30-1.30: Athletics Trials for grade 3 & 4
- 5.30-7.00pm: Father’s Day Activities Evening

**Friday 30th August**
- 9.00-11.00: Athletics Trials for grades 5 & 6

**Sunday 25th August**
- 9.00-1.00: Working Bee

Principal’s Column

What an impressive display of book characters we were presented with on Tuesday of this week. Our students and staff certainly got into the spirit of Book Week when we celebrated Literacy across our school with a book character dress up day. Students embraced the day and showed us just how imaginative they truly are. Willy Wonka, Harry Potter, Dorothy from Wizard of Oz, Specky Magee, Tin Man, Herman and many more all graced us with their presence making our Book Parade a true spectacle. Congratulations to everyone for an outstanding effort. More highlights for the students were encountered in their Circles groups as they all engaged in a variety of Literacy activities designed to celebrate this year’s Book Week shortlisted and awarded books. A big thank you to Mrs Wright for her planning and organisation of the day and of course, always a very big thank you to all the staff who never fail to join in with the frivolity. It was a wonderful day that was very much enjoyed by all.

Today we welcomed the Principal and some teachers from Diamond Creek East PS. This was a reciprocal visit where last month we visited their school to observe their version of DTV Live. They are keen to implement a 1:1 iPad program into their senior school and were very interested in learning from us and observing our program in action. Visiting other schools is always a wonderful professional learning exercise for us all and it is something that I will continue to actively promote and develop for the staff of Donvale PS.

This week, I am pleased to announce that Donvale PS will be presenting its very first ART SHOW. This event is scheduled to take place on Saturday November 16th at the school in the Senior building – parents only on this night. The students’ art work will be on display and we will be auctioning some particular art works that have been planned and prepared specifically for the auction. The Art Show will be an opportunity for our students to celebrate their fabulous creative achievements from our Visual Arts Program.
We will also have an open afternoon on Friday 15th November where families will be invited by their children to come along to the school to view the magnificent art work on display. Our Arts Committee has an amazing event planned so I ask you to add these dates to your diary so that you can be a part of what we believe will be a wonderful event for all. More information will flow as we get closer to the event.

You may have noticed that, once again, Donvale PS has been featured in the local Leader newspaper. Our ‘Car Boot sale’ fundraiser planned for September 7th Election Day has made the front page. Many thanks to Stacey Browne and her team for actioning this and working hard to make this idea become a reality. It’s a terrific way to not only raise some funds for our school, but also to showcase our school to the wider community. All classes are getting involved by holding their own stall and car boot sale spaces for the community to hire are available. Please do not hesitate to contact Stacey Browne at the school if you require any further information.

I would also like to thank Liang and Martin Dimitroff for the outstanding success with the Junior Chef program again this term. The students all had the opportunity to create their own hamburgers. If you have been reading the comments from the students in the weekly newsletter, you will know that all are in complete agreement that these are absolutely delicious!! I am in the fortunate position of being the weekly ‘taste tester’ – a position that I am loathe to relinquish. Thankyou also to Jaqui Frigo who is a big part of the Junior Chef team and to all the other parent helpers that have contributed their support to the program.

A reminder that the rescheduled Working Bee is to take place this Sunday 25th August 9.00 -1.00pm. The weather forecast is looking promising so it will be all systems go. We hope to see a terrific turn out of support from our Donvale PS families. Come along and enjoy being part of the great community that we are.

Finally, I would like to thank Jaqui Frigo for taking on the management of the Yoyo sales following the recent NED show. Your help is so very much appreciated.

Regards

Lena Clark
You’re invited to...

Donvale Primary School’s

Revolting Rhymes & Fractured Fairytales

Tuesday the **10th of September** &
Wednesday the **11th of September**

**7:30pm** at George Wood Performing Arts Centre, Yarra Valley Grammar
(Kalinda, Road Croydon Hills).

Tickets can purchased from the School Office.

**Contact on 9842 3373**
**General**

**Lost**
- Please check your name tags on bomber jackets. Anastasia T in 34E lost her size 10 Bomber jacket, it is clearly named on a pink tag.
- Grade 6 Windcheater, please return to Chris W in 56C

**Lipsync Winners**
The winners of Lipsync will perform at this week's assembly.

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**Revolting Rhymes & Fractured Fairy Tales – Whole School Production 2013**

Tickets are selling fast, costumes being prepared, dances choreographed and lines rehearsed in preparation for our amazing production. Please put all the following dates and times in your calendar, diary or Outlook!

**Friday 6th September** - Full Dress and Makeup rehearsal at school (GP Room).

Posed photographs taken in small groups in Senior Building.

**Monday 9th September**
All day tech rehearsal at the theatre, students travel from school in buses.

**Tuesday 10th September and Wednesday 11th September**
7.30 pm performances, performers arrive from 7.00 pm at the George Wood Performing Arts Centre, Yarra Valley Grammar School, Kalinda Rd Croydon Hills. Enter via Gate A.

Students will bring home an invitation for relatives, friends and neighbours who might be interested to be in the audience. Seats aren’t allocated, so that groups can sit together even if they haven’t purchased tickets at the same time. Every seat in the magnificent theatre is a good seat!

*Rick Gordon*
For the Production Committee

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**Working Bee**
A reminder that our Term 3 Working Bee is Sunday 25th August (9.00am - 1.00pm). We encourage as many families as possible to attend and assist in the tasks to enhance our large grounds and surrounds.

Some tasks to attend to include:
- Remove and install 2 new basketball back boards.
- Clean up of gardens/beds.
- Re-distribute existing soft fall under existing playground equipment.
- Place prunings at bottom of driveway into green waste bin which will be provided.
- Place unwanted furniture items in various storage rooms into “hard rubbish” bin which will be provided.
- Fencing of our vegie garden.
- Repaint outdoor seats.

All parents and children are most welcome to enjoy our barbeque/drinks and social chat at the conclusion of the working bee supplied by our wonderful Parent’s Association.

*Thank you.*  **Buildings and Grounds Committee**
Basketball

Three wins and two losses were our games results for last Saturday. I forgot to add some very exciting news relating to week before last on Sat 10th The Daisy’s had their first win for the season and Maggie B scored her personal best shooting 11 points!! Well done Daisy’s and congrats to Maggie. The Dinosaurs had a tough game on Saturday with fierce opponents but were able to secure a win.

**Times for this week are as follows:**

Dinosaurs: v Ser/St.Ch Cyclones @ 2.20pm Disc 2
Daisy’s: v Donburn Dynamites@ 11am Leeds St
Delights: v Ser/St.Ch Spirits @ 8.30am Disc 2
Dreamers: v Ser/St.Ch Cyclones Sparkles @ 10.10 Disc2
Daffodils: v Donburn Divas @ 9.20am Leeds St

**Player Profile – Alfie H – Dinosaurs**

Q How long have you been playing?
A. 2 years

Q. What is your favourite subject at school?
A. Sport

Q. What is your favourite food/drink?
A. Hamburgers and Coke zero

Q. Where is your favourite place to holiday?
A. Spain

Q. What do you love doing as a family activity?
A. Playing sports

**Information & updates**

For more information or general enquiries please contact Diana on 0434 027 144 or email dianamcn@tpg.com.au. Also contact Diana if you have basketball news for the snippets.

**Quote of the week**

“Just play. Have fun. Enjoy the game.” – Michael Jordan

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**CRE**

In CRE in years 3 and 4 we have been thinking about the special abilities God gives to people. He gave a woman called Tabitha special gifts to be able to sew, and she helped many poor people. God wants us to use the gifts He has given us to be a blessing and encouragement to people around us. This is one way we can show God’s love in our community.

Have a good week.

God bless,

Judith Grayden
We had a very good discussion about home made food this week with the children. All of us agreed that the benefits of cooking our own food are not just for health reasons but also enjoying precious time with the family. The creations were magnificent, I still can't believe that some of my little chefs are Foundation students. Well done boys and girls.

Thank you to the Frigo and Miles families for their donations. Also thank you to Jaqui Frigo, Kylie Gray, Mrs Clark, Mrs E, Mr P and Martin for helping in the program. Many requests for this term’s recipes, they are all in the 2013 DJC cookbook and on the wall of the Junior Chef room.

We don’t cook, we create food.

**BIG THUMBS UP :**

- Emily Y 56G, Darcy B FHW, Christian L 56C and Indi M FRG who did a great job as the group leaders.
- Jake G 56C and Vicky M 56G for answering so many of my questions during the session.
- All the book characters who came to visit us at Junior Chef room this week.

**FROM THE KITCHEN:**

- Christian L 56C: It was magnificent, a lot of texture and flavour.
- Indi M FRG: I loved the hamburgers.
- Kiara S 56G: Best hamburgers ever.
- Marvin C 56C: Delicious.
- Gemma G 56C: Scrumptious.
- Sarita N 56C: We couldn’t tell the different ingredients apart.
- Summer A 12F: I liked Junior Chef today because I got extra hamburgers.
- Charlotte F FRG: I liked the tomato inside.
- Amy L FRG: It was delicious.
- Maggie B 34E: Awesome and I love it.
- Angelica F 34E: Awesome! Yum.
- Kirralee G 34E: Yum! The best hamburger I’ve made.
- Vivienne J 34E: Yummy hamburger, so much vegetables.
- Anastasia T 34E: The burgers were yummy.
- Laura V 34E: Yummy.
- Harrison M 34P: I want more!!!
- Leah B 34P: Woo Hoo... I created a masterpiece.
- Jake G 56C: It was very good, yummy!
- Vicky M 56G: I liked making the hamburgers
What a fun day!
Everyone dressed up, we had a parade and we did lots of book activities.
A few weeks ago I arrived home from the most wonderful month in Cambodia and Laos. During my time there, I had the pleasure of meeting so many happy people, despite life’s adversities, and had some experiences that I will treasure forever.

My favourite experience by far however, was the week I spent deep in the Cambodian jungle volunteering at an Elephant Sanctuary. I have to confess, I have never walked so many kilometres or worked so hard in my life!

My blisters and sore back was well worth it though. Just to give you one example, as there are so many to choose from, the feeling of watching some newly rescued and under nourished elephants eat banana trees (which is like a Gatorade for elephants) that I chopped down by myself, was awesome!

Lots of the students have been asking me about my trip, the people I met and the elephants I made friends with, and of course I have been happy to tell them. Whilst there were some very sad stories not for the ears of children, there are some uplifting stories that made the students smile. For example, Milot, who is blind in one eye, pictured here with me after I had just given her a bath, was working as a tractor for the last 40 years (she looks older than most of the other elephants due to working so hard), can now live out the rest of her days as an elephant should: eating, ambling through the forest at her leisure, knocking down trees to scratch an itch and living life free of human fear.

The sanctuary staff are in the process of raising $68,000 to buy 3 more elephants to free them from a life of unimaginable hard work, so if you’re keen to offer your support to the Cambodian sanctuary, or a group they are linked with in Thailand, who just rescued 1 of 3 orphans (sadly, the other 2 babies died), you can visit the websites below, or speak to me for details. It costs a lot to save an elephant and anything helps.

http://www.elephantvalleyproject.org/
http://www.savebona.com/causes/savingagam/

Thanks for reading!
Lashay Cartledge
Dear Parents & Students,

Welcome to week 7 of Term 3. Children enjoyed pancakes and cupcakes made for the RSPCA fundraising day. Thanks to all who supported RSPCA day.

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 until 12pm the night before, or you can book on the day by calling or leaving the text message but there will be an extra charge of $3.00 for bookings within 24 hours. 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. For some reason if you need to cancel the child from attending the after school care session you can cancel online if it is before 24 hours or leave a text message on the program phone(0402362443) if it is on the day.

Jagruti Shah

Next Week’s Activities

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OSHC program phone: 0402 362 443
Coordinator: Jagruti
Assistants: Caroline 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.
Parents Association

Scholastic Book Fair and Book Week activities

Our colouring competition has been judged and the winners of a $15 voucher to be spent at the book fair are.........

FHW – Rosamund. H
12W – Eddy
34P – Mason. P
56G – Emily.Y

WELL DONE TO ALL STUDENTS WHO ENTERED THE COLOURING COMPETITION

Book Fair Dates and Times

Thursday 22\textsuperscript{nd} 8.45am to 9.30am and 3pm to 4pm
Friday 23\textsuperscript{rd} 8.45am to 9.30am and 3pm to 6pm

Fathers Day Activities Evening

Bring along your Dad or special person (Grandfather, Uncle or friend).

Thursday 29\textsuperscript{th} August, 5.30PM TO 7PM

Commencing at 5:30pm in the Senior Building will be some fun activities including a plane flying competition, handball competition and more.....

The evening will conclude with a dinner of pizza and ice creams to be served in the G.P. Room.

Order forms came home this week.

Federal Election Sep 7th

Donations are coming in steadily.

Thank you to all those children who have cleaned out their bedrooms and decided to donate all those toys they do not play with anymore – you are fantastic!

We need more..... soaps and candles (56C)
Gourmet (34MP) Craft and handmade cards (56R)
Car Care (FRG)

NEXT MEETING tomorrow 23\textsuperscript{rd} AUG, 1.30pm in the library

All Welcome. Everyone’s input is valued. For those of you able to help with preparations on Friday 6/9 or on the day Saturday 7/9, Request for Assistance will be coming home shortly.

Any enquiries to Stacey Browne
brownestacey1968@gmail.com
**Class Themes**

FRG - Car Care
12J - Plants and Gardening
12W - Stationary
34MP - Gourmet
FHW - toys (5-8 years) new or 2nd hand
12B - outdoor ornaments/furnishings
34E - Toys (9-12 years) new or 2nd hand
34P - Assorted Filled Jars, (hair stuff, lollies, pens, pencils, stickers, tiny toys anything that looks interesting in a sealed see through jar)

56R - Craft Item’s and Homemade Cards.
56C - Soaps and Candles
56G - Books and Music, new or 2nd hand.

We will also be providing space for a Car Boot Sale. $25 for stall holders.

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**Donvale P.S Raffle**

Every Family will receive some raffle tickets to sell or purchase. These will be coming home tomorrow.

**1st prize**

Ipad, donated by the Parents Association

**2nd prize**

A bike donated by hoskins

**3rd prize**

$120 in Coles Vouchers

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**Coming in Term 3 & 4**

- Father’s Day Evening activities, Thu 29th Aug
- DPS Raffle, Aug-Sep
- Federal Election Day, Sat Sep 7th
- Meal Deal Day – Hotdog, Wed 18th Sep
- Kids Disco Friday October 25th
- Art Show and Auction Sat Nov 16th
- Christmas Stall
- Christmas Carols at School

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**2013 Parents Association Contacts**

President – Kim Merton (Abby 56R, Ella 12J & Indi FRG)
Vice President – Jo Wood (Katrina 56C & Dan 34MP)
Secretary – Karin Moule (Holly 34P)
Promotions/Snippets – Stacey Browne (Ruby 56R & Maggie 34E)

Next scheduled P.A Meeting is Monday 2nd Sep at 9am in the library. **At this meeting we will be planning our fundraising program for 2014**

We value your opinion and ideas, please come along.

Everyone welcome even if you have never attended a meeting before.

Stacey Browne - P.A
2013 PRODUCTION TICKET BOOKING FORM

Family Name: _____________________________________________________

Eldest Child: ________________________ Grade: ________________________

PLEASE NOTE:

- There is NO limit of tickets per family, and seats will not be allocated.
- Donvale P.S. students do not require a ticket (ticket price was included in Term 3 Bulk Billing).
- Due to theatre Health & Safety regulations, all other children require a ticket. Toddlers cannot sit on parent’s knees, and prams or pushers are not allowed into the auditorium.
- Payment can be made by cash, cheque, eftpos (at the office) and credit card. NOT Bpay.

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Credit Card Payment Slip - Donvale Primary School

Please find enclosed payment of $________________ being payment for:

Production Tickets

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CREDIT CARD NO: __________________________

SIGNATURE: __________________________ DATE: _____/____/____