Snippets

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.

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Principal’s Column

Camping Program  Donvale Primary School’s whole school camping program continued in full swing this week. Yesterday, our Foundation students began their school day at 7.00am. Dressed in their pyjamas, dressing gowns and slippers they were treated to a hearty breakfast of fresh fruit, cereal, toast and juice. They then showed how independent they are by getting themselves ready for school. They all brushed their teeth and got themselves dressed into their school uniforms. With their bags packed and after a few minor games, they were ready to begin their classes for the day. The weather was on our side as the children enjoyed the beginnings of their school camping experiences. Many thanks to the teachers involved – Mrs Gray, Mrs Rassias, Mrs Hodgens and Mrs Wright. Also a big thank you to our student teachers, Ms Thomas and Mr Scrutton who also arrived bright and early to help out during the morning.

Tonight and tomorrow will see our Year 1 and 2 students participating in the next phase of our school’s camping program. Our Year 2 students will be at school actively engaged in evening camping activities which will then carry over into Friday when our Year 1 students will join in on the fun. Orienteering, bush cooking and bush craft are just some of the activities planned. The Year 2 students will stay on at school tonight for a sleepover. I know they are all very excited about the whole experience. Thank you to all the teachers involved; Miss Wilson, Mr Bivolcheff, Mr Pianta and Mrs Kakouris. Rest up!

Next year, our Year 3/4 students will be attending a 3 day / 2 night Beach camp in November at Phillip Island. In March of next year, our Year 5 / 6 students are off to experience a 4 day / 3 night bush camp at Rawson Village in Rawson near Gippsland.
‘Expressions 242’ Art Show  Not long now to our Art Show and the final stages of the planning and preparations are now in place. Our school foyer has proudly been displaying samples of some of the student Art work to be auctioned at the Art show. Please take the time to come along and have a look at our current display. I know you will be amazed at the talent of our students.

Below is a letter from a parent who recently attended her child’s school Art Show. This letter was brought to my attention from one of our parents who felt it encompassed the philosophy of our Art Show. I thought it would be nice to share with you all.

‘Every day when I walk into my youngest child’s room, a gallery of art pieces greet me. Like every parent with a Kinder kid, I am bombarded by his masterpieces most weeks. Usually he gives me this bundle of his creations, with a flurry of explanations, so I can see the difference between the car and the dog and daddy kicking the football. In all honesty most of the time, there is not a huge difference between any them.

So each week, we both stand in his room and decisions are made what piece gets exchanged for another. Not an easy task, when the artist is close at hand and last week’s creations are still much adored.

I miss that with my grade 6er, whose bedroom walls are almost bare, apart from that poster of who knows whose rock band, currently in favour. He loves art, I know that, as there are enough doodles on all types of mundane items on his desk. The ruler, the eraser and the laptop cover, almost proudly displayed, although he knows better.

Where is this kinder kid gone?

This is why I love his school art show each year, there among his fellow class mates, his designs and pieces can be found. Through the years, I watch him grow and change into who he is today. I have witnessed his struggles and his successes and I have been amazed.

Two years ago, his school started to create fundraiser pieces through the arts program. This was something to be seen. Every student took part within their class to create some extraordinary works of art.

I am biased, quiet right, I have one hanging in my office and the other in the living room. This is my gallery, so far, even if it is quite small. Here these pieces not only have a part of my son’s talent hidden within them, but captured that generations’ flair.

For this is surely what a parent wants to know about, each year I look forward to be amazed, to shake my head in wonder, what these young people can do. I am amazed at the art teacher and those parents who have time to create with these classes. So I wait, almost impatiently this year, for the art show to come along, not because a bare wall in our house needs covering. No! Because my 12 year old has hinted that his class piece to be auctioned, is his favourite of all, totally made up of doodles. Well, you never know. He might start his collection this year!

Working mum of two’

Tickets for our ‘Expressions 242’ Art Show are now on sale. For catering purposes, we would appreciate it if you could please finalise your purchases by Monday 12th November. Please see either Wendy or Ricarda at the office.

Regards

Lena Clark
General

Term 4 Working Bee
An early reminder that we will be having our Term 4 Working Bee on Thursday 14th November from 4.00 - 7.00pm. This will be a twilight working bee with the main purpose to tidy/clean up gardens and grounds prior to our Art Show.

We welcome all families to attend and finish with a BBQ and drink.

Building and Grounds Committee

LOST WINDCHEATER
Hamish W has lost his NEW blue windcheater. Please check your child's windcheater to make sure it hasn’t got Hamish’s name on it. It is a size 10. If you have it by mistake, please return to Hamish in 12W. Thank you.

THANK YOU
Special thanks to Ray Sherwin, Georgia and Alessandro Loccisano for the collection, carting and stacking of pavers (300) which will be used around the school next year.

From The Sports Desk

REGIONAL FINAL. Good luck to our grade 3 / 4 “Future Stars” (Donvale Devils) basketball team who are competing tomorrow in the Regional Final. The team, plus others who will assist them have been training regularly at lunch times to develop drills, skills and over this time the team has bonded extremely well together. Special thanks to those parents who are assisting on the day in a variety of ways. Good luck Devils.

WHOLE SCHOOL SWIMMING begins on Friday 15th November. All permission forms need to be returned to your child’s teacher by Wednesday 13th November. Please note Grade 1J children will be swimming between 1.30 - 2.30.

TEENIS ACTIVITY SESSION. Next Tuesday 12th November the Grade 3 / 4 children will be involved in a variety of tennis skills, drills and activities between 11.30 - 1.30. The session/activities are being co-ordinated by Tennis Victoria and the local Donvale Tennis Club.

BIKE EDUCATION begins for our 3 / 4 children after swimming finishes.

Remember November is WALK TO SCHOOL MONTH for all children. Please make an effort to encourage your child/children to walk some days to/from school. Each class is keeping a daily tally.

Mr Pianta
Junior Chef Club

This week’s group was another fantastic one with well mannered children and their perfect creations.

The foundation children worked very well together with the senior children and ended the session by enjoying their plated dessert in a little restaurant setting. Well done boys and girls.

A big thank you to the Younger and Frigo families for their very generous donations towards the DJC Christmas party. All the junior chefs are looking forward to this celebration and keep giving us food menu requests.

Also thank you to Jaqui Frigo, Marina Younger, Allison Pappas, Mr P and Martin for helping with the program.

Ingredients we need for next week are: fruits (any, such as strawberry, cantaloupe, grapes, oranges and so on).

We don’t cook, we create food.

Liang Dimitroff

From the kitchen:

- Emily Y 56G: the best cake ever and the extra fried rice was awesome.
- Darcy B FHW: everything is yummy and I’ll bring home my cake for my Mum.
- Yanzhen C FHW: tasty and looks pretty.
- Rosamund H FHW: it is so yummy and yummy and yum yum.
- James T FHW: very yummy and fantastic.
- Cooper R FHW: thank you for teaching me to make the lovely food.
- Vicky M 56G: delicious vanilla cakes and the extra fried rice great.
- Georgia M 56G: scrumdidiliumpecious, and the extra fried was wonderdidilyumpful.
- Thomas J 56R: I thought the cake was exquisite and the extra fried rice was scrumptious.
- Mira C 12B: it was fun making it and taste nice.
- Ella M 12B: it was the best cake ever.
- Karli M 12B: the best thing ever.
- Angus P 12B: good cooking.
- Chloe G 34P: delicious and I am very happy finally I can get in the DJC after on the waiting list for a long time.
- Nikita S 12B: looks pretty and yummy.
- Summer A 12B: yummy and the second yummiest food I had in the junior chef.
Basketball News – MELBOURNE TIGERS

Don’t forget Melbourne Tigers are coming next Wednesday 13th Nov 2.30-3.30. Many of you have returned your slips already so keep them coming! Full Details coming shortly. Two players will be coming to Donvale Primary to help us recruit new players for next year. They will show us some drills and I am sure they will show us some amazing tricks. Plenty for us to practice at home!

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

- **Dinosaurs:** v OLOP Piranhas @ 2.20pm Disc 2
- **Daisy’s:** v OLOP Pinecones @ 11am Leeds st
- **Delights:** v Bev Hills Belles @ 8.30am Disc 2
- **Dreamers:** v Milgate Sparks @ 9.20am Disc 2
- **Daffodils:** v Donburn Dolls @ 9.20am Leeds

**Player Profile – Aleisha H - Delights**

- Q. How long have you been playing?
  - A. 4 years
- Q. What is your favourite subject at school?
  - A. P.E
- Q. What is your favourite food/drink?
  - A. Fish and chips/Coke
- Q. Where is your favourite place to holiday?
  - A. Yarrawonga
- Q. What do you love doing as a family activity?
  - A. Going on family holidays
  - B.

**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**

“I keep both eyes on my man. The basket hasn’t moved on me yet.” By Julius Erving

**Birthday Wishes To**

**Celebrating from the 8th - 14th November**

Maths Fun for Everyone
Blow Bubbles

You will need:
Quality dishwashing detergent
Glycerine
Water
Large jar
Measuring jug
Bendable wire, such as large paperclips
Pliers

Make bubble mix
Measure the volume of your jar. You can do this by filling the jar with water and then using a measuring jug to measure the water in mL.
To use the recipe, first work out how much bubble mix you want. Pick a volume slightly less than the volume of your jar.
This recipe is written as percentages. For each ingredient, multiply the percentage by the volume you picked. The recipe is:
30% dishwashing detergent
10% glycerine
60% water
To check you’ve got the right quantities, add up the volumes in mL that you calculated for all three ingredients. They should add up to the volume of bubble mix you picked.
Pour all the ingredients into a jar and stir the mix carefully. Your bubble mix is now ready!

Blow bubbles!
Bend your wire into a straight line.
Bend the end part of the wire into a square. Make sure the square will fit into your jar and that you have some wire coming off the square as a handle to hold with the pliers.
Use the pliers to dip the square into your bubble mix and pull it out again. There should be a thin film of bubble mix inside the square.
Softly blow through the film and you should make bubbles. Are they square like your frame?

What’s happening?
This bubble mix is a combination of many different chemicals, including water, surfactants and sugars. The molecules in bubble mix are attracted to each other. This attraction is why films of bubble mix stay together, instead of breaking up into drops.
Since bubble mix is attracted to itself, it’s always trying to make the smallest shape it can. Normally that would be a single drop, but a bubble has air trapped inside. The bubble mix tries to shrink around the air and ends up in a sphere shape. This is a ‘minimal surface’ – the shape with the smallest surface area.

If you blow a lot of bubbles, you might get two bubbles stuck together. Each bubble will look like a sphere with one flat side. This isn’t a minimal surface for the individual bubbles, but the flat side is shared so there’s actually less bubble film than there would be with two separate bubbles!

More information
The Science of Bubbles:
http://www.exploratorium.edu/ronh/bubbles/bubbles.html
Hope this is enjoyable- Luanda Pianta
Mathematics Coordinator
By giving the Hebrews the Ten Commandments, God showed them how to live together in a community as God’s people, in a way that valued God above all else, and valued others as a result.

The students will learn that Christians choose to follow the same commandments given to the Hebrews, to enable them to value God and to live in their communities in a fair, peaceful, happy way. We are called to trust that God provides all that we need and to be happy with what we have.

Following the Ten Commandments is a challenge for us today, as it must have been for the Hebrews long ago. The students will consider reasons why these guidelines are so useful – both for themselves and for their wider communities – and will look at the implications for a community when people do not live this way.

We are also practising our songs for the Christmas celebration later in the year.

God bless, Judith Grayden

OSHClub News
Before School / After School Care Program

Program Update

Dear Parents & Student,

I hope you all had relaxing short break. Children enjoyed the Indian naan bread made by Sandiv W and Lachlan H and also the pancakes made by Nadia S, Madison H. We are in need of some old spare dolls for our new doll house. Any donation in this matter will be highly appreciated.

Remember we are in Term 4, so need to follow ‘No Hat, no play’ Policy. Please bring your hat with you every time you are at OSH. Drink lot of water and stay hydrated.

We would like to encourage more children to attend the OSHC program by offering a free session to families who have never been to the program before. All the families must have received the flyer for the same. Feel free to contact us for any of your queries.

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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<td>Mexican Maracas &amp; Parachute games</td>
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<td>Mexican word Activities &amp; Basketball (AASC)</td>
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Parents Association

BEAUTIFUL SCARVES FOR SALE

Beautiful colours at great prices
One of our school mum’s has her own business

Come along and support Jass and her own business venture.
Friday 8th November in the library after assembly

Coming in Term 3 & 4
- Art Show Preview Fri Nov 15th
- Art Show and Auction Sat Nov 16th
- Meal Deal Day, Wed 27th Nov
- Christmas Stall, Friday 13th Dec
- Christmas Carols at School, Tue 17th Dec

Coming in 2014
The DPS Community Fair Saturday 29th March

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 P.A meeting, Monday 11th November 9am in the library.

P.A Christmas lunch Monday 9th December, venue TBA

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MANNINGHAM BLUE LIGHT DISCO: 15th November at Ted Ajani reserve from 6 - 8.30pm. Grades 4-6 only. Cost $6.

TUNSTALL SQUARE TURNING ON OF THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS: Thursday 28th November from 4-9PM.

BLACKBURN VIKINGS: Looking for basketball players. November 8, 15, 22, 29 at Slater Reserve