As I continue to conduct many school tours, a wander into our Foundation classrooms clearly shows that a lot of learning has taken place after only just one term. I particularly love looking at the writing books and observing the growth that has been made. What started off as tentative attempts at writing and simple drawings have developed into examples where letters are clearly formed, upper and lower case letters evident and simple stories are told. Some even have punctuation with full stops being used with enthusiasm. Drawings have more detail and the sense of pride from the students is justly shared with the reader. The progress is delightful and exciting! Imagine how far our students will go in the remaining three terms!

Similar progress is made in other years but is not always so obvious. Think about the growth your child has made in taking responsibility for themselves or how they organise their time as this is just as important as the academic progress. Knowledge and skills have been gained and your children are developing into well-rounded people ready to manage the future. Please praise their efforts as they have worked hard and they deserve to have recognition of the growth they have made.

Kind Regards

Lena Clark

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From The Assistant Principal

Lest We Forget:

Last Thursday I had the pleasure of taking 3 of our school leaders to the local schools’ ANZAC DAY service at the Templestowe RSL. This service was extremely well attended by the Manningham network schools and provided many students with a quiet time of reflection before the traditional ANZAC Day holiday. Our students listened to the main address by a female naval officer who spoke of the Royal Navy’s involvement in WW1 and the Gallipoli landing by the ANZAC’s in particular. It is so encouraging each year to see our young people paying their respects to the brave men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice to ensure our country’s freedom. A proud moment for our school was the laying of the Donvale P.S. wreath by Oscar Y, Tahlia S and Zachary C. I couldn’t help thinking that our school values of Respect, Responsibility, Resilience and Compassion are just as strong today as they were for the ANZAC’s all those years ago.

Ian McKinlay
GET YOUR SNIPPETS BY EMAIL

Just a reminder that this will be the last year that our newsletter will be sent home as a hard copy.

As from next year Snippets will be emailed to all families and/or available on our website. This will minimise the cost to our school and environment.

If you would like your snippets emailed now, let Wendy know in the office and she will add you to the mailing list.

Thank you for your co-operation in supporting Donvale Primary School in working towards becoming a sustainable school

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SPORTS TOP UNIFORM UPDATE

RHS have informed us that the Sports Tops are a couple of weeks away from being available for either purchase or replacement. Many thanks to everyone for their patience with this.

Also, a reminder that students are expected to be in full school uniform whether it be the old or new uniform as per DPS Dress Code. Students in non DPS logo uniform are considered to be NOT in uniform. The school has spent much time and effort in determining our new uniform and would appreciate it if parents supported the school and purchased only DPS school uniform items. If parents have any concerns with this, please contact our Principal, Lena Clark.

Thank you

Uniform Sub-Committee

YEAR 6-7 TRANSITION 2015

- **Blackburn High School** are holding their Open Night on Wednesday the 7th of May, 2014. Individual invitations have been distributed to the Year 5’s. Extra copies are available from the Senior building, on the Transition display board.

- **Mullauna College** Open Night is on 5 May. In years 7, 8 and 9 we run a high achievers program called Excel. The testing for grade 6 students who are interested in applying for a position in Excel for 2015 will be conducted at Mullauna on Tuesday 20 May from 9:00 – 12:00.

Lashay Cartledge

WORKING BEE - TERM 2

We invite all parents to attend our Term 2 Working Bee on Sunday 18th May (9.00 - 12.30) leading up to our “Open Week” at Donvale Primary School.

Some of the tasks will include the general tidying up of our garden beds, cutting of long grass, cutting back of bushes/shrubs, preparing our vegie garden and the planting of small shrubs. We will finish with a sausage sizzle and drinks provided by our Parents Association.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

The Buildings and Grounds Committee are always looking for new members to join this exclusive committee. The committee meets once a term to discuss and plan working bees to enhance the appearance of our school. Anyone interested can see Mr Pianta for more details.

TERM 2 BULK BILLING

Term 2 Bulk Billing notices have gone home today. Payment is required for your child/ren to attend the excursions/incursions.

When sending money into school please **put all money** into an envelope that has your child’s name, class and the activity you are paying on it. Seal this envelope securely – this helps the loss of those gold coins out of the side. The envelope needs to be **handed into the classroom teacher**, who will gather up all the payments and send them securely to the office.
Asian Cultural Day

Welcome back to school! I hope you and your families had a fun school holiday enjoying the beautiful weather in Melbourne!!!

They are going to perform for our coming Asian Cultural Day (the last Wednesday of this term). They are very excited about it.

During Term Two, the Mandarin Language program continues to focus on drama and role play activities. The students are using the gestures based language learning approach to practice their Mandarin for the play that

There will be students’ performances during the last hour of the day (2:30pm to 3:30pm). Parents and families are all welcome to watch the performances.

Mandarin Club

We have started our “Mandarin Club” last week!

Language and Cultures and like to have fun during lunch time.

Parents are also welcome to join us for the fun activities.

The Mandarin Club is a free Mandarin lesson for all students that are interested in learning more about Chinese

This term the activities involve making props for the coming Asian Cultural Day play.

Date: Wednesdays.
Time: 1:30pm to 2:30pm.
Place: Mandarin Classroom.

The Three Little Pigs 三只小猪

The students from Levels 3/4 and 5/6 are practicing hard on “The Three Little Pigs” play. They are memorizing their lines in Mandarin.

The best students group will be chosen during the term and they will be performing for our coming Asian Cultural Day on the 25th of June 2014. We are looking forward to this.
From The Arts Committee

Terrific things are happening in the Art Room with our Artist in Residence, Stephan Hitchins. Our students from Foundation to Grade 6 are busy creating mosaic pieces for a fantastic mural on the G.P. Room. Stephan has designed a mosaic display that will take many ceramic pieces and he needs our assistance. This is an opportunity to clean out cupboards and to get rid of odds and ends.

- Platters, plates of all sizes, left over tiles of all sorts.

All these items need to be either ceramic or porcelain. The more colourful, the better! Please do not hand in cups, bowls or casserole/pie dishes.

We are all looking forward to seeing this mural evolve over the term.

Thank you.
Elisabeth Waycott (Member of the Arts Committee)

Junior Chef Club

GENERAL NEWS

We need some succulent plant cuttings (any type) for our school garden. Just drop them off at the school office, thank you.

Donvale Junior Chef

The DJC Room is ready now, please have a look if you have time. Tuesday next week is the turn of group 1 to create dimsums with us. Ingredients we need for next week are half lettuce, 3 tomatoes, 1 cucumber, 5 spring onions and lemons, we don’t need much any amount is a help.

Thank you to Mrs Cheesman, Jaqui Frigo, Marina Younger and Martin for helping with the preparation. All the team helpers are looking forward to creating food with the little chefs.

We don't cook, we create food.

Liang Dimitroff

BIG THUMBS UP:

- Elyse S 34P for helping carry lots of stuff for the junior chef room.
- Peter T FHW for picking up lots of rubbish in the school ground with tongs and rubbish bucket.

Well done children.

CRE

The first session for the 5/6’s this term is titled: Random Acts of Kindness. In this session, the students will hear Jesus’ teaching about helping others in an anonymous way, rather than seeking the approval of people for the good they do. The students will look at what motivates them and be challenged to do good to others for their good, rather than for some reward. Showing kindness and generosity to all are some of the qualities God values in those who are His followers. God wants His followers to be concerned with those around them. He is pleased with such behaviour.

Make your light shine, so that others will see the good that you do and will praise your Father in heaven.
Matthew 5:16

Have a great week! Shirley Mantfeld  CRE Teacher
Dear Parents & Student,

Welcome to week 2 of term 2. This week we were busy working on the children’s portfolios and cleaning up a bit as we are hosting Manningham OSHC Network Meeting on 6th of May Tuesday.

Children enjoyed the yummy sushi cooked by them. We will be happy to have some more kids cooking ideas and recipes from the parents.

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 (0402362443/98422261) if it is on the day.

Jagruti Shah

Next Week’s Activities

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OSHC program phone: 0402 362 443/9842 2261
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.

Birthday Wishes To

Lachlan S, Zara W, Ella M, Chloe A, Stephanie V, Maisam S, Aryan P

Who are celebrating birthdays from 2nd to 8th May
Parent’s Association

Extra Cadbury Chocolate boxes available.
See the office if you would like another box sent home.
Remember, “Seven days without chocolate, makes one weak”.
(Author unknown, but so right).

Entertainment Books available now.

Paint the town red, go local, while saving on the bill!

Did you know that the following local restaurants are just a few that feature in the book;

- Bucatini Restaurant in Mitcham
- Templestowe Living Room
- Thyme on the Terrace in Warrandyte
- the Doncaster Hotel and heaps more!

Only $65 a book provides hundreds of $$ of savings & discounts.

COMING SOON weekly SUSHI LUNCH ORDERS

Mothers Day Stall
Raid the piggy bank, ask dad and grandpa.
BYO Bag.

Fabulous gifts for your fabulous mum n gran.
Friday 9 May.

Look out for the Parent Involvement Calendar Form sent out this week & help out when you can!
No one can do everything, but everyone can do something!
Coughs, Colds and Asthma

Coughs, colds and the flu are one of the most common triggers of asthma. The common cold is caused by an upper respiratory tract infection and is a common illness for children and adults in Australia. As we approach the colder months, here are some tips to keep in mind to prevent and reduce the spread of coughs, colds and the flu:

- Avoid coughing and sneezing on or near others and wash your hands thoroughly to prevent the spread of disease.
- If your child is not feeling well, it is recommended that they stay home and rest, to reduce the spread of infections and to speed up their recovery process.
- Everyone should have the annual flu vaccination to ensure they are protected from this disease. You or your child may be eligible for the free flu vaccination. Details about who is eligible can be found [here](http://asthma.org.au) and can also be determined by your doctor.
- Prior to purchasing any medications or herbal and natural remedies, you should seek the advice of your doctor or pharmacist as some medications can react with asthma medications. Such as Aspirin, Ibuprofen/Naproxen (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medications), Beta Blockers tablet and eye drops (used for high blood pressure and glaucoma), and ACE inhibitors (used to control blood pressure).

Stay warm this winter!

For more information, please contact The Asthma Foundation of Victoria on 1800 278 462 or [www.asthma.org.au](http://www.asthma.org.au)
NEW SHOWROOM OUTLET

Look for our NEW Outlet Opening March 31st!

TRADING HOURS
8.30am - 5pm
Monday - Friday

Just a short walk from Target Square, Ringwood.

Unit 14 / 100 New St
Ringwood

GENERAL ENQUIRIES
Ph: 9870 1377
Email: info@rhsports.com.au

NEW Online Ordering Option
Go to the school website and download the RHS Order Form. Return form via email or fax. Details on form.
TERM 2 Meal Deal Day – Wednesday 7 May

Option 1 - $5.00
Sausage in bread
Choc top
Apple juice or Orange Juice
Gluten Free Options
(Bread & Gluten free Ice-cream)
Vegetarian sausage option

Option 2 - $6.50
2 X Sausages in bread
Choc top
Apple juice or Orange Juice
Gluten Free Options
(Bread & Gluten free Ice-cream)
Vegetarian sausage option

ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY 5 MAY BEFORE 10AM
(CUT & SEND BOTTOM FORM TO SCHOOL)

TERM 2 MEAL DEAL DAY – WEDNESDAY 7 MAY

Name............................................................Grade..............

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Money Enclosed: (correct money please) $.................