WORKING BEE: This Sunday, March 15th from 9.00am, we are having our first Working Bee for the year. With all the projects planned around our school, we are seeking the support of our community to lend us a helping hand. Our garden bed area is ready to go with fourteen raised garden beds now ready to be placed in the area and filled with soil. Many thanks to Ms Erskine-Behr and the following families and staff for coming along last Sunday to put together the raised garden beds – Mr McKinlay, Warner, Frigo and Raftopoulos families. Also a big thank you to Martin and Liang Dimitroff and Marina Younger for also helping us put together several of the garden beds. Just a fantastic effort that is very much appreciated! We would now further appreciate having as many people as we can to help with filling the garden beds with soil. So bring along a shovel and a wheelbarrow, if you can, and join us this Sunday in getting our garden beds happening.

We also will be very clever with the use of spare tyres that have been given to our school by Mrs Keep’s family. Thank you so much for bringing them to our school so we can make our students’ play areas more safe, interesting and fun. We have some great ideas for their use and will require some further helpers with this project. Hope you can come along and help us out.

Our mosaic wall is now complete and the garden bed sitting immediately in front of it is ready to be developed. I know there a several parents who have been waiting patiently to get this going. Lots of great ideas for this area have been created and I am looking forward to seeing these ideas coming to fruition. Again, if you would like to help out in this area, I know that your support would be appreciated.

Of course, there is always the general weeding, trimming, sweeping etc. that our school needs to keep our grounds looking so spectacular. We would love your support with this.

Our wonderful Parents Association will finish off the morning’s work with a delicious sausage sizzle for us to enjoy. A lovely fine day is forecast so come along, bring the family and spend some time with our community helping make our school an even more special place to be.
CONFERENCE: Mr McKinlay and myself will be absent from school this Thursday and Friday as we will be attending our network’s annual Principal’s conference. This is an opportunity for us to meet with our colleagues and participate in our ongoing professional learning. Mr Gordon will be in the Acting Principal role during our absence. Mr McKinlay and myself will then look forward to seeing as many of you a possible at our Working Bee this Sunday.

Some dates for your calendar:

Whole School House Tabloid Sports **Friday 20\(^{th}\) March**

Open Day at Donvale PS is **Wednesday May 20\(^{th}\)**

Last day of Term 1 is **Friday 27\(^{th}\) March with 2.30pm dismissal**

Hope you are having a wonderful week.

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**Lena Clark**

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STUDENT BANKING

There will be no banking on the last day of Term 1. Please make sure that money is sent to school in the correct Dollarmite deposit envelope and with the deposit book. Thank you.

LOST

Harrison M has lost his silver thermos. It has a black cap and has sporting images on the thermos. If you have seen it please return it to Harrison in 34M. Thank you.

NATIONAL BOYS CHOIR AUDITIONS

Auditions will be held on Tuesday 17th March during lunchtime in the band room.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Do you have some time to spare? Donvale Primary School has a Marketing Committee and we have a lot of work to do before our Open Day on Wednesday 20th May.

We need some people to help with the following projects:

- Assist with design / proof reading and printing liaison for new school brochure.
- Assist with design and in-house print of Open Day flyer.
- Deliver Open Day flyers to local kindergartens.
- Assist with new billboards to advertise our Open Day.

If you have skills in photography, graphic design or just time to proof-read, co-ordinate, liaise or deliver brochures, please leave your contact details at the office.

AN ARTICLE FEATURED IN THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER ON LENNY HAYES’S VISIT TO US ON WELLBEING DAY

Smiles for not one, but two stars

[Image of Lenny Hayes at Kids Matter Wellbeing Day at Donvale Primary School]

RETIRLED AFL legend Lenny Hayes is not normally upstaged when it comes to visiting schools. But at Donvale Primary School’s Kids Matter Wellbeing Day the former St Kilda player almost lost prime billing to a dog.

While Hayes spoke to students about the importance of looking after their bodies and minds to be healthy and active, Ruby the qualified therapy dog roamed the halls to meet and greet the students.
Junior Chef Club

On the Wellbeing day a few weeks ago, some of the children did gardening with me under the supervision of Mrs E. They managed to harvest a few potatoes from the school veggie garden.

Here are some of the children's ideas of the food creations they could make from those potatoes.

Coco C 34R: Definitely potato cake as last time we made them it was so so yummy.
Holly O 34E: Maybe chicken curry, I really like the taste of the curry.
Harrison M 34E: Maybe some Indian Flat bread with potato filling, it's very nice too.
Oliver P 34R: Anything really, as potato always goes well with any food.
How talented our little chefs are!
Thank you to the Nitsos family for their donation.
We don't cook, we create food.

Liang Dimitroff

Basketball

Basketball times for games on Saturday 14th March.
Dynamites vs OLOP Piranhas at 3.10pm at the DISC 1
Destroyers vs Ser/St.Ch Scorpions at 1.30pm at the DISC 2
Demons vs Donburn Tornadoes at 11.50am at the DISC 2
Daredevils vs Milgate Bullets at 12.40pm at DISC 1
Dreamers vs Beverly Hills Belles at 9.20am at the DISC 1
Daisies vs OLOP Pinecones at 9.20am at the DISC 2
Daffodils vs Milgate Sparks at 11.00am at the DISC 1
Diamonds vs OLOP Rubies at 10.10am at the DISC 2
Dolphins vs Milgate Stars at 10.10am at Leads Street
Dreamers will be training in the GP room on Tuesday the 17th of Mar.
Due to no games being played last week we have nothing to report.

MISSED REPORT FROM 2 WEEKS AGO

Big mention to Harrison S for scoring his first ever goal in a game. Yay!!!!
Congratulations to Joshua McD for scoring both shots from the free throw line. Well done Josh!

A reminder that sport shoes must also be worn by players when training at the DISC and food and drink is to be kept off the court area.
Donvale Primary School’s

Tabloid Sports Day

Please join us for a fun filled sports house competition!

**When:** Friday the 20th of March 11:30am to 1:30pm

**Where:** Donvale Primary School Oval

Please dress in your house colour for the day by wearing a T-shirt or hair ribbon etc.
Dear families,

I hope you had a wonderful long weekend! This week at OshClub we have loved growing our tower of sprouts, modelling clay and building a restaurant made of lego!

We have also been trying out lots of new and healthy recipes. Some of our favourites have been Potato and Cheese Bites, Pasta salad and Rice paper rolls.

Next week we are celebrating St Patricks Day and doing lots of fun autumn crafts. We also will be making our own healthy smoothies for breakfast with our new Smoothie Maker!

Special welcome to our new OshClubbers, especially all our new Prep students. New parents and students: Please feel free to drop in at any stage to orientate yourself with the program and to meet the staff before your first day at OshClub.

Remember to bring your hats everyday as we follow “No hat, no play” policy in Term 1.

Thanks,
Kate

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.

Please remember to update the contact details (Especially the phone numbers and address) on the enrolment form if there is any change. You can do so online.

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OSHC program phone: 0402 362 443/9842 2261

Coordinator: Kate

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.
Parent’s Association

Get lucky at
ICY POLE RECESS
FRIDAY 13 MARCH
Sales from the canteen window at recess
$1.00 for lucky kids!

Don’t Miss this one!
You will totally be the Family Favourite.
Visit the Cadbury Factory
Stock up on chocolates for Easter
Friday 20 March – 12pm at the Cadbury Factory,
323 Canterbury Road, Ringwood.
Must wear covered shoes, no children allowed.
Places still available.
RSVP to Kim Merton – 0407 447 434.

Wrap it up……..
Cadbury Chocolates.
Please return money from chocolates sold by Wednesday 25 March.

Music Trivia Night coming……..
Donvale Primary will be the

We would appreciate any new items that can be used as prizes or made into hampers.
Soaps, creams, candles, kids toys, linen.
Any new items gratefully accepted.
Please drop any items into the office.
Start swatting up on your tunes for Saturday 16 May.
Info coming out Term 2.

PA MEETING
FRIDAY 20 MARCH
1.30PM IN THE LIBRARY

The past, the present & the future walked into a bar,
It was tense!
Unlike our PA meetings which are fun, fun, fun!
All welcome.
Term 2 Activities to be discussed including
Meal Deal Day,
Dim Sim Recess & Trivia Night.
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Manningham YMCA  -  Holiday Clinic  -  Mini Basketball.

LIGHT SPACE YOGA  -  Open Day Sat March 14th, 8am - 2pm.  Whitehorse Rd, Mitcham. Near Mitcham train station.

Jason and Ruby, the dog visited the school on Wellbeing Day

PAWFECT LISTENERS
CANINE ASSISTED THERAPY

JASON LUCAS - Canine Manager & Handler
0434 083 401

‘Canines are such agreeable friends, they ask no questions, they pass no criticisms’ George Eliot