Last Friday, I had the absolute pleasure of sharing my office and role with two wonderful Year 1 students when Abigail and William became Principals for the day. They worked very hard throughout the day making some very important decisions and having some high level discussions with the staff and students of the school. I felt it only fitting that they contribute to this week’s Principal’s report for our newsletter.

Dear Parents,

My name is Mr Coops and I am Principal for the day. Today I have been to a SRC meeting and in the morning we played a game of scarecrow tiggy. We visited every classroom to say good morning to the students and the teachers. I have also worked out the grades and teachers for next year. We made recess go for ten minutes longer. I let the teachers have a free ice-cream at recess. I ran assembly. I enjoyed being Principal for the day.

Mr Coops

Dear Parents,

My name is Miss Coops. I am Principal for the day. I have visited classrooms to see the work the children are doing. Some children were writing. I have been to a SRC meeting. In the morning the whole school played a game of scarecrow tiggy. It was fun.

I solved a problem by helping some children at playtime. We all wore our footy team colours.

I went to the staffroom. I started assembly. I am happy about being the Principal.

Miss Coops
Committee Members Wanted! Each year our Parents Association do an absolutely marvellous job with fundraising for our school. With the success of our recent Trivioke Night, the total amount of money that has been raised so far this year is just in excess of $17,000. The year is not over so we anticipate this amount to rise as the remaining scheduled fundraisers for the year take place. The amount raised so far is simply an outstanding effort that can only have been achieved through the hard work of our PA members and with the support of our entire community. It has been suggested that the money raised is to go towards the upgrade of our junior school playground. This is a significant project and one which should be undertaken with complete consultation with our community. As such, I would like to form a committee whose role would be to survey and consult our community in determining the best way we can move forward with this. It will also involve seeking advice from experts in school play areas and addressing issues such as compliance and OH&S. It may also be determined that this money may not quite be enough for what the community feel would be suitable for the area. What then? Discussions such as this, plus many others, I’m sure, will need to take place so that we can achieve the best outcome for our students. If you are interested in joining this committee, please contact me by Friday 12th June at the latest. I’m looking forward to forming a committee that will represent our community’s viewpoints and contribute positively to enabling this very exciting project to move forward as soon as possible.

Curriculum Day tomorrow: A reminder that tomorrow is a Curriculum Day at Donvale PS. All government schools are entitled to four Curriculum Days per year for the purposes of supporting staff with ongoing professional learning and reporting and assessment. Tomorrow will be our third Curriculum Day for the year with the fourth scheduled for November 2nd. The focus for our professional learning tomorrow will be on teaching mathematics. Our teaching staff will be sharing the day with the teaching staff of Templestowe Valley Primary School at Templestowe Valley PS. The day will be facilitated by Numeracy expert, Mr Michael Ymer. This is a great opportunity for us to not only collaborate and network with our colleagues from other schools but also to share in high level professional learning delivered by an expert in the field.

As this is a long weekend, I hope that you will have the opportunity to relax with your family and friends. I look forward to seeing our all our wonderful students back bright and bubbly on Tuesday of next week.

Stay warm!

Lena Clark
## June

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## ALL WELCOME

### KIDPROOF AUSTRALIA

You are invited to attend a free parent seminar

**‘PROTECTING YOUR KIDS ONLINE’**

From Street Savvy to Internet Savvy

**WHEN:** Wednesday June 10th

**TIME:** 7.00pm - 8.30pm

**LOCATION:** Senior Building Donvale Primary School.

Child safety expert Samantha Wilson’s highly acclaimed signature presentation ‘Protecting Your Kids Online’ is coming to Donvale PS.

This popular presentation puts the spotlight on how parents can keep their kids safe while enjoying the benefits of technology.

Whatever the concern: predators, cyber bullies or inappropriate material, this compelling presentation helps parents understand that they don’t need to be a techie to keep their kids safe in cyberspace.
General

Lost Property

Our lost property box is overflowing with school windcheaters, etc. Please check to see if your son/daughter’s items of clothing are among them. The lost property box is situated opposite the library. We also have a collection of bits and pieces at the office (toys, water bottles, etc). If these aren’t claimed, they will be tossed out at the end of the term.

Headlice

Head lice will be a problem from time to time in Donvale Primary School and it is important to work together as a school community to minimise the frustration caused by the problem. Please continue to monitor your child’s hair closely. If your child has headlice, please let the office know so that we can alert other parents to check their child’s hair. We appreciate the support from all families in regards this matter. Students with long hair are very strongly advised to tie it back while at school.

Winter Health – Beating the Bugs

In Australia, our influenza 'flu' season typically runs from May to October, usually peaking in August.

It is just not possible to stop all bugs from spreading at school, however, a lot of illnesses can be prevented and controlled simply by practicing good hygiene.

Handy hygiene tips for you and your family

- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing
- Throw used tissues in plastic-lined rubbish bins
- Wash your hands with soap and water, preferably warm water if available
- Reduce the spread of germs by avoiding touching your eyes, nose and mouth

Further information on influenza is available at the Better Health Channel, see: Better Health Channel Flu Influenza

What can you do to prevent the spread of infectious diseases?

The three main ways of preventing the spread of infection are:
1. Remind your child of effective hygiene methods.
2. Keep your child home when they are unwell. Your doctor will let you know if your child has an 'excludable' condition. You will need to advise the school as soon as possible and keep your child home for the length of time that your doctor advises.
3. Ensure your child's immunisations are up to date.

Do you know when you should keep your child home from school?

The Department of Health and Human Services outline the minimum period of exclusion from school for various infectious diseases. To find out more about the minimum period of exclusion for infectious diseases, see: School Exclusion Table.
June 2015
Dear Parents,

The Department of Education and Training has released an App which is designed to help you better understand the curriculum we use to teach your children every day.

The App, called SchoolMate, is available for free download now in the App Store for iPhones and iPads and in Google Play for Android phones and tablets.

SchoolMate gives you a general overview of the Victorian curriculum in each subject at each year level and:

- Provides you with an overview of what your children are learning in each subject at each year level according to the Victorian curriculum (AusVELS)
- Provides you with tips regarding activities and things you can do at home to help your kids in each subject and year level
- Suggests apps, books, events and activities related to each subject area and year level.

Our school, like all other government schools in Victoria, uses AusVELS as the basis for the learning programs we run at school every day.

Our teachers adapt the curriculum to meet the needs of our students and community, for example, designing learning programs around what your children are interested in, or around days or celebrations that are important to our community.

SchoolMate is designed to give you an overview of what children are expected to learn in Victorian government schools across every subject from Prep to Year 10.

I encourage you to download SchoolMate and to please talk with your teacher or myself if you are interested to find out more about how our school teaches the curriculum.

Regards

Lena Clark
Questions?

SchoolMate – the easy way to know more about what your child is learning at school.

Now there’s a fast and easy way to find out more about what your child is learning at school from Prep to Year 10. Download the free SchoolMate app for loads of information about their studies as well as tips on what you can do at home.

Every parent should have a SchoolMate – download it now.

Authorised by the Victorian Government, 2 Treasury Place, Melbourne.
Art Room Highlights

Hello Hello Donvale families

Another week has flown by!

Here is a little snapshot of what we have been up to:

Seniors have been completing their Monochromatic landscapes. We have all been so pleased with the results and students have really improved their painting techniques throughout this project.

Middle school students have also had an introduction to the world of Tint, Tone and Shade this week. Using a halved orange we drew a quick still life focusing on the inner segments. We used these inner segments as a platform to tint our chosen base colour and created some striking monochromatic citrus colour wheels.

Juniors have been challenged with creating bird collage from scrap paper. It’s often hard to look at a pile of scrap paper and think of some beautiful and creative but together the juniors and I have given it a very successful go. Students really got in the groove of using their paper skills of tearing, fringing, curling and folding to bring to life some incredible bird collage.

It’s been awfully cold and wet lately so I thought I would bring a little sunshine into the classroom for the Foundation students this week. They have been exploring colour and proportion while creating some very happy sunny rainbows.

Please take a look around the hallways as our new artworks are near complete and will be up shortly for your viewing pleasure.

Watch this space for more artistic wonders the students create.

Ruth Donaldson ☺

Basketball

No Basketball games are scheduled for this weekend due to the long weekend.

Dreamers will be training in the GP room on Tuesday the 9th of June.

Diamonds had a great game with their best score this season. Big thanks to Amelia for filling in.

The Destroyers destroyed their opposition on Saturday. The boys congratulated each other after shooting goals and passed the ball around in a fantastic display of teamwork.

Donvale Dolphins had an exciting game on Saturday coming from behind to beat Beverley Hills Bubbles 23-10, fantastic game girls, great to see our grade 1’s getting in there and giving it their best.

Under 9 boys are required for Semester 2 competition. Games are Saturdays and training is Thursdays both at the DISC. This is for boys born in 2007 to 2009.

Under 11 boys are also needed. This is for boys born in 2005 to 2006. If interested call Marita (0478 419 006) or Cassandra (0404 252 937)
This week little chefs were a very clever bunch of children. They knew exactly what to do and produced magnificent creations. Well done boys and girls.

Next week is the turn of the group 6 to join us in the kitchen. Ingredients we need are tomatoes, cucumber, lettuce and celery.

Thank you to Marina Younger, Kristina Irvine, Jan Nitsos, Loula Tarenidis, Jacinta Erwin, Aya Chan, Jass Kalsi, Ms E, Mrs Clark and Martin for helping with the program.

Also thank you to Khian N, Dylan S, Mano P, Laura V and Nadia S for helping me carry lots of stuff from my car to the junior chef room.

A couple of families have already notified me about their absence next term. Please let me know if that is also the case within your family. This is so we can give the spots to the children on the waiting list. And it also allows me to organise an extra session for these children before they go so they won't miss any of this year's menu.

We don't cook, we create food.

Liang Dimitroff

FROM THE KEBAB HOUSE:

- Coco C 34E: It was a really tempting winter dish I could eat every night.
- Harrison M 34M: Give me more, it's delicious.
- Charlotte E FGH: It's yummy, the onion made it the best.
- Naysa G FGH: The meat and the bread was delicious, I really like the meat.
- Cooper C FGH: The bread was really delicious.
- Issac Lo FGH: It is yummy.
- Brody I FGH: I loved the cucumber and carrot.
- Amelia S 12W: It was yummy, I really loved the bread.
- Bani K 12W: It's really nice, I give it a 10/10.
- Scott M 12W: Delicious and wonderful, onto my second one.
- Mira C 34M: It was yummy, all the vegetables made it nice.
- Ava H 34M: I really loved it.
- Sophie S 34M: It's easy to cook, the meat felt weird to touch.

- Joshua M 12C: It's really nice.
- Ryan A 34R: The bread was so good, thank you.
- Sebastian K 56C: Yes, it was great.
- Zac N 56C: Good! Very tasty.
- Anastasia T 56C: It was so delicious and I'm going to make it at home.
- Sophie L 56C: It was really good, I'd love to make it at home.
- Chantelle F 56C: Easy to make and tastes delicious.
Dear Parents,

On Monday June 15th, your child will be engaged in free one hour dance and social and emotional learning program. This program will be presented to each year level at various times throughout the day by the ‘Footsteps’ company. As a ‘KidsMatter’ school, we continue to provide learning experiences for our students that support their self-esteem, develop their resilience, and build their social and emotional wellbeing. We are looking forward to a fun day of learning together.

Lena Clark on behalf of the KidsMatter Action Team.
Social Emotional Learning Program

Educating through movement

For twenty years, Footsteps has witnessed the amazing benefits dance can provide students. We have seen students not only improve their social and physical skills, but also improve their academic abilities as well through our integrated curriculum. We have now joined forces with a powerful activity-based Social Emotional Learning (SEL) program to come up with the ultimate movement/activity-based wellbeing program.

Children are faced with different social and emotional challenges at school, at home, among friends and on their own. More than ever, young people are struggling to deal with these challenges and the emotions of everyday life. Together with the Kimochis™ product, our SEL programs are designed to build emotional intelligence, self-esteem and resilience, as well as promote positive relationships with others and celebrate diversity. Activities of the program are based on real, day-to-day situations that students encounter in the school environment.

With fun activities to practice tone of voice, body language, and appropriate words to use during emotional moments, students will learn techniques for managing life's challenging moments with character and confidence. When students can communicate their feelings effectively, they build confidence, self-esteem, and strong relationships.

Birthday Wishes To

Angelica F, Robbi and Eddy S, Rayan R

Who are celebrating birthdays from 5th to 11th June
Dear families,

OSHClub will be running a program on the scheduled Pupil Free Day, Friday the 5th of June (tomorrow). There will be lots of fun Winter themed activities including crafts, cooking and outdoor activities!

**Please note:** There will be a **$10.00 casual booking fee** added on for all children who turn up on the day of the Pupil Free Day *without a booking*. If you would like to make a booking, please do so through the After School Care tab online. Just a reminder to ensure your children bring along morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

Next week we will be making winter penguins, snowman mobiles and snowflakes to celebrate the start of Winter. The children will also have plenty of opportunities to test out our new sport equipment including netballs and dodgeballs.

Wishing everyone a very safe and relaxed long weekend!

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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OSH 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.
Forgot to say how terrific Mt Hotham is - it's amazing fun! You should definitely go during the school holidays. They are very generous as they donated lift tickets for Trivioke. Plus snow is awesome!

Hot Chocolate - $2 plus other delicious morsels.
Top tip – try the Peppermint Patties – de-lic-ious!!!!
Sales straight after assembly until stock runs out.
Can't wait!!!!

Fill a box for $40.00
WE ARE TAKING 50–90% OFF EVERYTHING
Thousands of fantastic children's books will be on sale, including paperback novels, picture and chapter books, activity items and much more!

Thurs 11 June–8am to 5pm
Fri 12 June–8am to 5pm
9–11 Northern Road West Heidelberg

Calling Minion fans -
Get your Ticket Order Forms in for Minions – the Movie
Sunday 21 June 2015 - Croydon Cinema
$11 tickets, a range of snack options.
Extra Forms at the Office.

Have a lovely long weekend.