NAPLAN: Next week, our Year 3 and 5 students will participate in the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). This is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four areas of Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. NAPLAN assesses skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, but rather shows how individual students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australian children.

An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued by the school later this year. Parents can use this information to monitor how their child is progressing and to identify any areas of concern. Parents may also wish to use their child’s results to discuss progress with teachers. More information is available at [http://www.nap.edu.au/information/faqs/naplan--general.html](http://www.nap.edu.au/information/faqs/naplan--general.html)

Please do not hesitate to speak with your child’s teacher or Mr McKinlay (NAPLAN co-ordinator) if you have any queries regarding your child and the administration of the NAPLAN assessment.

HOUSE ATHLETICS SPORTS: Yesterday all students and staff made their way to the Bill Stewart Athletics Track in Nunawading to participate in the school’s House Athletics Sports. It was wonderful to have the whole school attend this event and have the opportunity to participate in a variety of different athletics and novelty events. While our middle to senior students tried out in events such as high jump, long jump, triple jump, shot put, discus and hurdles, our junior students enjoyed participating in novelty events such as tunnel ball, bean bag toss, seated throw, footy handball and baton relay. Thankfully the weather was kind to us and we all had a great day. Many thanks to the wonderful support received from our parents and friends who attended the day. We appreciate the many helping hands received – a great community effort which allowed the day to run smoothly and efficiently. Congratulations to the students who have made it through to the District Athletics Sports – I know you will make us proud regardless of the outcome. Doing your best is what we always aim for. A very big thankyou to Mr Hogg, our PE teacher, for all the planning and organisation that he put into making this day the success that it was. Also a very big thank you to all the staff for their efforts and support on the day – a wonderful team indeed!
LEAPFROG PROGRAM: Each year around this time, our school runs a program we call ‘Leapfrog’. This program invites all kindergarten children from our local community to come and spend some time with us in a classroom setting as a taster for school life at Donvale PS. This year, in particular, we have had a lot of interest in our school and consequently a very strong attendance to our Leapfrog Program. It’s a great opportunity for parents who are yet to decide on their child’s school to come along and see us up close and have a chat to the teachers and myself. It is also a great opportunity for children who are enrolled at Donvale PS to begin their transition into school life. Our second and final Leapfrog session will be held next week on Wednesday 11th May 2.00pm – 3.00pm. If you would like to enrol your preschool child to the program or know of someone who might be interested and is yet to enrol, I encourage you to follow up with this and pass on any information to those interested. Thank you to our wonderful Foundation teachers; Mrs Rassias, Mrs Hodgson, Mrs Nicks and Mrs Chin for all their hard work in preparing and presenting this fabulous Program. If you require any more information, please do not hesitate to contact Wendy or Sam at the office of 9842 3373.

OPEN DAY: A reminder that our school’s Open Day is scheduled for Wednesday May 18th. Please ensure that you place this date into your diary and come along to enjoy the wonderful celebration of our students and school. Two school tours will be taking place – one at 9.30am and the other at 7.00pm for potential new students. Our Parents Association will once again be preparing a delicious BBQ for all to enjoy and our staff has arranged some wonderful displays, presentations and performances to help showcase our school. Thank you to our School Councillors and Parents Association for their continued support with this day- I know that it will be, as always, a terrific success.

BABY NEWS: It is with great pleasure that I announce the safe arrival of Harley Jay on Monday 2nd May – a son to Lashay Cartledge and her partner Jay. I’m sure you will join me in sending out a very big congratulations to them both and wish them well as they embark on this wonderful journey calledparenthood.

Lena Clark
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NEW STUDENT WINTER JACKET IN STOCK NOW!

We are excited to announce that you can now purchase our Winter jacket at RHS.

- Available sizes. C4-6, C6-8, C8-10, C10-12 & C12-14.
- Price. $56.00 including GST.

FROM THE COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY TEAM ...

We are planning a new display in the computer lab, and will need a large number of 4 litre icecream containers with lids. Please send them to the office. I am also looking for a couple of volunteers to help prepare and construct the display. Please let the office know if you are interested.

Rick Gordon
ICT Coordinator.
IN THE ART ROOM

Our students have been having fun experimenting and creating work through painting, printing, drawing, ceramics and collage. Every class is an opportunity for them to express themselves through colour, shapes and line. Much of this work is being stored at school in preparation for the Art Show on the 11th and 12th of November. We are extremely excited about this event and the explosion of creativity it will deliver.

Ms. De Stefanis
LOOKING FOR CLASSROOM HELPERS

As the children continue to prepare for the Art Show, we are putting a call out to parents, grandparents or special friends to assist the students during their allocated art lessons. You would be offering a helping hand as they work on their whole class pieces.

We are also asking for helpers to offer support (even 1 hour) in the preparation of the students work for exhibition by mounting and labelling artworks. This could be at a time of your choice on Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursday mornings.

Please sign up for Art Class Helpers!
We're using Volunteer Spot to organise our helper roster.

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:
1. Click this link (or copy and paste) to go to our invitation page on Volunteer Spot: http://vols.pt/gWSPko

2. Enter your email address: (You will NOT need to register an account on Volunteer Spot)

3. Sign up! Choose your spots – Volunteer Spot will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy!

Note: Volunteer Spot does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

Thank you all for your support and assistance.
Ms. Debora De Stefanis destefanis.debora.d@edumail.vic.gov.au

Donvale Primary School Art Show
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Family Afternoon – Friday 11th Nov ~ Art Evening – Saturday 12th Nov
ART COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 17th May @ 2:30pm

Our children’s Art Show will flourish with the involvement and support of parents and friends. As such we are once again calling for your help and support. If you have a marketing mind, a little creative flair, or some spare time to contribute either in the art room or come set up time, we would greatly appreciate your help.

The next art committee meeting will be held on Tuesday 17th May at 2:30pm in the staff room. Please come along to express your interest.

Thank you all for your support and assistance.

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Family Afternoon – Friday 11th Nov ~ Art Evening – Saturday 12th Nov
Donvale Primary School Open Day: Wednesday 18th May 2016

On Wednesday May 18th our Performing Arts groups will be participating in events throughout the day. We hope your child will be available to perform not only during the day but also in the evening as we showcase our wonderful musical talent. Please note what time your child is required in the evening and arrange for them to be in the designated venue five minutes beforehand, wearing full school uniform.

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BBQ and Coffee Van

Don’t worry about organising dinner for your family! Come along to school and enjoy a feast from the BBQ stand or enjoy a tea /coffee as you arrive ready for the evening. Catch up with or make new friends!

The van will operate from 5.30pm.

You will be able to purchase

- Hamburgers with coleslaw $4.00
- Sausages in bread $2.50

With or without onion

- Soft drink $1.50
- Pop Top $1.50
- Water $1.00
INTRODUCING THE 1/2 TEAM ...

Miss Wilson
Hello! My name is Meagan Wilson! I am very fortunate to be able to teach a wonderful grade of 1/2 students at Donvale Primary School! My greatest passion outside of school is music! I love to sing, play guitar and listen to lots and lots of music! I spend a lot of time with my family! I have two younger brothers, two cats (Oliver and Sam), a dog (Eddie) and my awesome Mum and Dad! Whilst that doesn't leave time for much else I also watch as many Carlton games as I can - Go the mighty Blues!

Mr O'Connor
I have a passion for science, agriculture and sports. I am very excited to join the grade 1/2's with. In my spare time I enjoy some very casual surfing and mountain biking and I am a passionate supporter of the Melbourne Football Club. I also enjoy playing guitar and attempting to cook various cuisines

Mrs Jones
Hi all. I'm Clare Jones and am so very excited to be joining Lia Kennedy as a classroom teacher in 2016. I feel very privileged to be joining the Donvale Primary community, with its student centred approach to learning and strong parent support. I have been teaching for a number of years, and have two boys myself, aged 8 and 5, and a very naughty Labrador called Holly who eats her way through our house each day. I love to travel with my husband and two boys, and our favourite place to visit has been Lego Land in Malaysia.

Miss Valentine
Hi my name is Jayde Valentine. This is my first year teaching and I am really excited about the year to come with the fabulous students in grade 1/2V. I have two sisters, one being my identical twin sister. I have two dogs, Jack and Daisy who I absolutely adore. In my spare time I enjoy exercising, baking, spending time with my friends and family and travel.

Mrs Grimes
Years 1 & 2 Education Support Staff
Hi! My name is Toni Grimes and I have supported children in their learning here at Donvale since 2001. I love being a part of a great team and a wonderful school. I am married and have two great sons. I enjoy taking walks with my beautiful little dog called Sally and spending time in the country visiting my mum.

Mrs Collins
Year Levels 1 & 2 Education Support
Hi! I'm Caroline Collins and I joined Donvale Primary School in 2011. I have been working with children for over 10 years. It gives me great pleasure in assisting the journey of children and watching the gains they make. I enjoy travelling, music, cooking and entertaining family and friends.
Logic

Name: .............................................................. Class: ......................................

Place value logic exercise

1) I have eight in the ones place. I am greater than 70 but less than 89. What number am I?

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2) I have a two in the ones place. I am less than 13 but greater than 11. What number am I?

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3) I have a nine in the ones place. I am less than 50 but greater than 47. What number am I?

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4) I am an even number with two digits. I have two in the ones place and six in the tens place. What number am I?

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5) I have two digits with an odd number in the ones place. When you add the two digits I am made up of, the sum is 5. What number am I?

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Some Bupa residents came to the music room on Tuesday and had a wonderful time playing some of our xylophones.

Year 5/6’s had a go at a traditional dance from the Philippines: Tinikling.
On Wednesday all students from Donvale Primary School made their way out to Bill Sewart Athletics Track in Nunawading, to participate in our school Athletics Carnival. The carnival allowed students in Grades 3-6 to compete against other students in their age bracket in a range of athletics events. This will then act as a resource to picking the athletics squad for District level. The Foundation, Grade 1 and 2 students participated in a range of novelty events in the oval in the middle of the athletics track. Their day finished with a sprint down the athletics track, to the finish line, which was greeted with massive cheers. A massive thank you to all staff and parent helpers who helped assist in whichever way. The day couldn’t have gone ahead without your support. And finally, a massive thank you to all students, who always gave their best, and displayed great sportsmanship throughout the day.

Michael Hogg
PE Teacher
Dear families,

**What’s on next week?:** Next week we are running a creativity competition at OshClub. We will be creating a wonderful wall of paintings, collages and artworks to put on display and celebrate the children’s creativity and imaginations! There will be lots of prizes so please come along and join the fun!

**Staff:** This week Kate returned to the program after her teaching placements. It has been wonderful to catch up with all the children and families and to hear about the fun activities that Harry, Jeremy and Jacob prepared. I would like to thank all the staff in particular, Harry for doing such a fabulous job at running the program at such a high quality whilst I was away. Harry and Jacob will continue to coordinate on Monday afternoons for the remainder of the term.

**Birthdays:** OshClub would like to wish Naysa G a very happy birthday for the 10th May.

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. This can be done online at [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au)

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OSHC program phone: 0402 362 443/9842 2261

Coordinator: Kate

Assistants: Caroline and Emily

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](http://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.
No treats on Friday due to the Pink Finger Bun Extravaganza on Thursday. Back next week on Friday @ Recess. Some things are worth waiting for!

DPS Mothers Day Stall
Friday 6 May
Gifts from $1 to $6.
Kids should bring their own enviro bag to take their goodies home.

Thank you to those who offered to help tomorrow.
Time in Lieu given on Sunday.

Entertainment Books available at the office. Amazing discounts for local restaurants & more!
Follow your passion for less.
Catch up with all your friends & the Open night BBQ Wednesday 18th May.
PA will be providing Sausages and onions, Hamburgers and coleslaw, cold drinks.
No need to cook dinner, come eat & marvel at your brilliant children’s work.

This is no pie in the sky fundraiser….
It’s happening. Pie Order Form coming home soon.

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Do you need a babysitter?

Hi there I’m Abby Merton. I’m thirteen years old and a past student at Donvale Primary (I have two sisters currently at the school). I’m looking for a job as a babysitter to earn some pocket money. I’m happy to babysit after school hours, evenings and weekends as well as school holidays. If I can help you out please contact me on 0407447434.

MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE ...

KUMON - English and Maths Programme. Register your child for the free trial by 9 May!

GLOBALART - Children’s art enrichment programme in Mitcham. Encourages children to develop their artistic skills, broaden their creative thinking.
**Daisies** had a comfortable win this week, but still worked hard with only one on the bench. Training drills of 'pivot and shoot' in the key were displayed in the game - keep the passes going girls!

Open Boys - A fantastic win for the Dinosaurs against their biggest rivals, The Piranhas. From the opening minute the boys dominated and didn’t stop applying the pressure until the final siren, eventually winning 44-27. A real team building victory!

Super win for the Dynamites 26-2. Goals to Harper, Cyrus, Joseph, Oliver (top scorer with 12 points) and Kade who shot his first goal of the season then backed it up with another.

U/9 Girls – **Dolphins** - The girls overcame a slow start to win 6-3 in a game they eventually dominated but one where the ball just didn’t seem to want to go in! It was a good team performance and Rosanna S was Dolphin of the Week for always helping her team mates in only her second game.

**Dreamers** had a loss against a Donburn team with awesome skills, but they never gave up. We saw some fantastic dribbling from Hima and Natalie, and Abi showed great court awareness in positioning herself to get the ball. Well done girls!

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**Birthday Wishes To**


**Who are celebrating birthdays from the 6th to 12th May**