Student End of Year Reports: The end of year reports will be going home next Monday 12th December. This 2016 end of year report is presented to you in our new format which was developed in 2015. As schools have now been given the opportunity to develop and present their own report format, we have worked to develop a more comprehensive document that accurately and concisely presents to you a thorough report of your child’s progress. Changes developed from our previous report format have reflected on feedback from parents and teachers and include a more streamlined approached in presenting your child’s academic learning, personal learning and interpersonal development.

Key features of your child’s report are:

- children have been assessed against the new Victorian curriculum expectations but have not been graded as previously.
- parents are clearly able to see whether their child is achieving levels that are either below, at or above expectations at each level for this stage of the year.
- teacher comments outline your child’s achievement and areas in which your child needs to be given further help or extension.
- an open and solid dot indicating current achievement and progress since December of last year.
- a chart showing your child’s level of effort and class behaviour reflective of our school values.
- specialist teachers have discussed their course content and also provided a brief report of your child’s achievements for the year.
- details of your child’s attendance to school.

We trust that our 2016 end of year report format fully informs you of your child’s progress and achievements this year. If you, however, wish to discuss this report with the class teacher, I encourage you to please make an appointment directly with them at a mutually convenient time.

As we are always on a journey of improvement, any constructive feedback on our reports would be greatly appreciated.

2017 School Captains: Congratulations to our newly appointed 2017 School Captains Kate and Ben. Congratulations also to our School Vice Captains for next year; Anise and Jackson. These students were elected by their peers after giving very confident and articulate speeches outlining their vision
for the school if elected as Captain. The competition for these positions was very strong so it certainly is an outstanding effort by these students in being elected. Mr McKinlay and myself are very much looking forward to working with these students next year in continuing to build and develop their leadership capabilities. They are all terrific students and I know they will very capably carry out the roles of School Captains and Vice Captains.

Transition: The final whole school transition will take place on Monday 19th December. This is when the students will be placed in their classes, go to their classrooms and have the opportunity to meet with their teacher for next year. This is a very exciting time for all our students and teachers and we look forward to the new year and the development of new and positive relationships. Thank you to all the staff for their support in class structures. As I’m sure you appreciate, this is a very difficult and time consuming process with many considerations taken into account. Many hours of work has gone into developing the classes and appreciate the respect from the community that the decisions are final as one simple move, more often than not, has the ability of creating a snowball effect of change.

Pro-Activity Sports Clinic: A reminder that ‘Pro-Activity’ will once again be attending our school next Wednesday 14th December to conduct a Sports Clinic with a difference. Our students may have the opportunity to participate in activities such as Cheerleading, Self-defence, Dance, Yoga, Circus, Gymnastics, Team Building Games etc. It will be a fun couple of hours for all our students. Your child should come to school in the Sports uniform on this day so that they can be comfortable when participating in these activities.

Parent Helpers Thank You Morning Tea: A morning tea for Friday 16th December has once again been arranged as a thank you gesture to all the wonderful parent helpers who support us in every which way throughout the year. It is our small way of acknowledging all our parent helpers and all the wonderful support that has been provided throughout the year. Commencing from 11.00am in the Senior Building, we hope to see as many of our parent helpers attending as possible.

Carols on the Lawn: We are looking forward to celebrating the end of our 2016 school year with our annual ‘Carols on the Lawn’ event. This is always a strongly supported community event where we have the opportunity to all get together in a relaxed setting and enjoy the wonderful caroling of our students. Thank you to Mrs Keep, in particular, for the preparations with the children and to Rick Gordon for all the technical support and most likely his support as Master of Ceremonies. Commencing at 6.00pm on the Senior side of the school, we warmly invite all our parent community to this event. Feel free to bring along a rug, something to eat and drink and lots of festive cheer. Santal should also be making an appearance.

Some important events for your diary:

- End of Year reports published – Monday 12th December
- Pro-Activity Sports Clinic – Wednesday 14th December
- Year 6 School Graduation Thursday 15th December
- Parent Helpers Thank You morning tea – Friday 16th December
- Meet the Teacher Day – Monday 19th December
- Carols on the Lawn – Monday 19th December
- Last day of Term 4 – Tuesday 20th December

Hope you’re having a wonderful week.

Kind Regards

Lena Clark

Final day of school 2016 – Tuesday 20th December
Final Assembly for school year – 12.45pm Senior Building
# December

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**To all our Parent Helpers**

You are invited to a morning tea on **Friday 16th December** from 11.00 - 11.45 in the Senior Building.

We look forward to this opportunity of saying a personal thank you for all your assistance during the year in supporting our many wonderful programs and activities.

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**CAROLS NIGHT**

**Monday 19 December**

6.00 – 8.00pm at Donvale

BYO picnic

Santa will be arriving at 7.30pm!
GENERAL

Student Banking
Reminder: Monday 12th December is the final banking day for 2016.
Thank you.

Leanne Maguire

End of Year Reports
The student reports for the end of the year will be available on Compass from 4.00pm on Monday 12th December. Please log on to Compass to view your child's academic report. It can be downloaded as a pdf and printed at home or emailed to proud relatives. If you have any trouble with this process, please contact Wendy or Samantha at the school office.

Rick Gordon
We have had a great year with Chaplaincy at Donvale Primary School, as this service has been a positive support and resource for many students and their families. Many parents continue to seek support through the chaplaincy program for one on one sessions with their child, parenting support and guidance, plus resources connecting them with local community services that can benefit their children.

As we are a KidsMatter school promoting positive mental health and wellbeing, we are able to teach students skills for social and emotional development, plus recognising and getting help for children with mental health problems and creating a positive school environment. On top of one on one sessions available for students, my role is to assess and limit student risk factors and enhance protective factors, promoting school as a safe place. KidsMatter is a useful conceptual framework to help schools promote and focus on student learning and wellbeing, prevention and early intervention for students in need. This has been an extremely valuable resource for wellbeing in our school and highlights the high value Donvale Primary School places on student wellbeing.

Chaplaincy has been a resource to our school, not only as a welfare program, but to encourage leadership, confidence and resilience in students.

A large number of students were involved in the Anti bullying media program this year, where they developed a video clip highlighting our school values and positive school community. Check out the link and see our wonderful students expressing the importance of kindness and respect towards others. https://www.facebook.com/donvaleps/videos/1616691291964405/

Each Friday lunchtime this term, the grade 6 girls had the opportunity in joining a Graduate Girls Club, focusing on inclusion, building relationships, discussing high school life, hanging out and playing games. The girls sat and ate lunch together, which was intentional so they could spend time bonding and focusing on communication. This trial program was extremely popular and there will be a possibility for both grade 6 boys and girls to have this program offered in term 4 -2017.

Relevant issues for families today.

One of the biggest issues families deal with today is social media. There are 5 major roles you can play in reducing the risks for your child when they’re online.

1. Make sure your child only uses the devices in a public area and is fully supervised at all times. (eg. lounge room).
2. Make sure your child does not use any devices in the bedroom.
3. Make a time/rule when all social media is turned off for the night (eg. 7pm).
4. Check the history and see what your child is doing/saying online.
5. Be cyber educated. Learn about what apps are available for children and educate yourself about what your child is doing or could have access to. Check out the safety settings, plus age restrictions and talk to your kids about networking online.

Many primary age students are using Instagram, Kik, Facebook, Messages, Facebook Messenger, Snapchat, Musical.ly, and one of the newest apps is ooVoo. Some of these apps may sound harmless- but every single one of them has risks.
One question I often get asked is… what about when my child does homework on their ipad? My suggestion is, allow your child to do their homework at the kitchen table if using the internet, as they are less likely to go online in a supervised area.

Check out these useful links… Parents keeping children safe online. [https://esafety.gov.au/](https://esafety.gov.au/)

Another common concern for parents, is dealing with children’s challenging behaviours and acting out. As students get older, they will test the boundaries and see how far they can push you as parents. Check out the link below about older children/early teens acting out through a 6 min video clip. This may give you a starting point on how to deal with these tricky situations in the future. [http://joshshipp.com/acting-out/](http://joshshipp.com/acting-out/).

Chantelle Olafsen
chantelle@cccvat.com.au

Grade 6 girls graduating club
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Students from each year level performed enthusiastically: dancing, singing, or playing instruments.

Foundation students, Year 1 and 2 group, Marimba Band, Music Makers choir playing their kazoos, Senior Medley group, Whole School singing “Let it play”.

The gold coin donation at the door raised $268.25 and will go towards purchasing more musical equipment for our school. Thanks so much.
Program Update

Dear families,

This week has been a fun week at OSHClub. We have been playing a lot of classic games such as pokemon cards and magic tricks. The magic tricks are becoming popular with cardistry being the main focus. We have been enjoying the cool card tricks and this has been mixed with some frustration when the magician doesn’t reveal the secret. A play is also underway and we look forward to seeing it completed.

A reminder to children coming to OSHClub about bringing their hats. We have a few children asking to return to their classrooms for their hats, this unfortunately isn’t something we can allow to happen. We are happy to store a spare hat in our room with the child’s name on it if the parent is willing to provide us with one. On another note, we would appreciate it if the OSHclub mobile number provided below is used first before our landline school number; the mobile we use is checked regularly during trading hours and offers us a greater variety of ways to contact parents.

In the coming weeks we are confident the children will continue with their card tricks and making a play as well as other construction activities, hopefully Christmas related construction as our tree is a bit empty at the moment. For those who are ending the term early, have a great Christmas and we look forward to seeing you in the new year.

Thank you for coming to OSHClub,

Jacob =)

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

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OSHC program phone: 0402 362 443 / 9842 2261
Coordinator: Jacob (acting coordinator)
Assistant: Clare
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.
Icypoles galore – Friday Recess. Only $1.00.

Please join us at Bucatini Restaurant on Friday 9 December at 12.30pm.
for the end of year PA celebration & thank you lunch for Kim Merton.
Send your form & payment back to the office asap.
Everyone welcome.

Everyone loved the Meal Deal.
Thanks so much to all the mums who helped out on Tuesday.
Over 150 kids enjoyed the Hot Dog & a Ginger Bread Man Meal Deal.

Can’t wait!
Monday 19 December
6 – 8pm DPS
BYO picnic & best carols voice.
Dribblers went down 4-12 last sat with points to Ethan, Gabriel and Aidan. We’re gearing up for a big game against Milgate this week...go boys!

U11 Girls - What a match! The Diamonds defeated OLOP in a nail biting finish. The girls have earned their place in the semi-finals. They played hard right to the end, with Aysha M sealing the deal for the Diamonds. Well done ladies!!

U9 Dynamites v Daredevils Semi-final - This was simply the best game of the year. Fast, competitive, tense and very, very close. It's wonderful to see how much everyone has improved over the year. Congratulations to everyone who played (or coached). In the end it was the Dynamites who took the win by 1 point to move into the next round of the finals. Good luck this week!

The Donvale Dreamers came up against Our Lady of the Pines Pelicans on Saturday in the most exciting match of the season. In double overtime the Dreamers came out on top 14-9 with Ashleigh scoring 12 points and Ebony 2. In achieving the win it was particularly pleasing to see the girls pass the ball better than they ever have. Cheyenne with her long passes into space and Abi finding free players to have scoring opportunities were an absolute highlight. The whole team showed tremendous determination and this was led by the defensive efforts of Ella and Alana T, Natalie S and Hima who were able to steal the ball over and over again. Well done Dreamers and we look forward to our next game of the final series.

What a great game by the Daredevils with an amazing comeback in the second half! Well done to the Dynamites on the 1 point win and good luck for Saturday! Great season Daredevils!!!

The Donvale Primary Basketcases – News & Views!

Remember: Basketball End of Year Celebration/Presentation:
Tuesday 13th December from 5:00pm.
Pizza will be served at 5:30pm and the presentation will commence at 6:15pm
Please wear Donvale basketball singlets and/or warm up tops.

2017: Thank you to everyone who returned their forms and registration money for 2017 teams. We have indicated to D.D.P.S.B.C the number of teams we will be entering next year and will finalise these teams once we find out gradings in the new year.

Training nights will be as follows:
Tuesdays: U9 Boys & U11 Girls – 1st training Tuesday 7th February 2017 (3:45 to 4:45pm)
Thursdays: U9 Girls, U11 Boys, Open Girls & Open Boys – 1st training Thursday 9th February 2017 (3:45 to 4:45pm)
The season starts on Saturday 11th February. Players will find out teams and game times at their first training for 2017.

Any questions, please ask!!

Good luck to everyone playing Preliminary Finals this week – all games are at DISC:
U11 Girls – Daisies vs Diamonds – 10:30am
U9 Girls – Dreamers – 11:00am
U11 Boys – Destroyers – 12:30pm
U9 Boys – Dynamites – 1:30
U9 Boys – Dribblers – 2:30pm

Birthday Wishes To

Eleanor C, Sophie L, Christopher N, Anthi P, Giacomo F, Billy L

Who are celebrating birthdays from the 9th to 15th Dec
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