

◆ THE DONBURNIAN ◆

DONBURN PRIMARY SCHOOL

DONBURN'S GOAL

To provide a vibrant, attractive and safe teaching and learning environment, growing and evolving in harmony with the community.

"LEARNING FOR LIVING"

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"Be Sunsmart!"

D	Friday	23 March	Curriculum Day Chomp n Chew Gr 3/4 Camp Information Evening 7.00-7.45 pm
	Tuesday	27 March	
I	Wednesday	28 March	End of Term - 2.00 pm Assembly - 2.30 pm Dismissal
	Friday	30 March	
A	Monday	16 April	Term 2 commences Gr 3/4 Camp 2nd Hand Uniform Sale
	Wednesday - Friday	18 April -20 April	
	Tuesday	24 April	
R	Wednesday	25 April	Anzac Day Holiday Open Day - Education Week Australia's BIGGEST Morning Tea - Staffroom
	Monday	7 May	
Y	Monday	24 May	

Dear Parents

Thank you to the parents who were able to attend the recent Parent-Teacher interviews! The classroom teachers greatly value this opportunity and they appreciate the input from parents as both parties work together for the benefit of individual students. At our recent staff meeting we reflected on the conversations that were shared and the concerns that were raised. It is vitally important that parents celebrate with their children the fantastic work provided by the classroom teacher, as well as our wonderful specialist teachers.

The topic of "Homework" was discussed (see Education Age 19 March 2007) and most parents believe that regular homework is a great opportunity for them to be involved in their child's education. Let's ensure that all homework is productive and enjoyed in a very positive learning environment.

I strongly believe that "quality" time far outweighs "quantity" time and all homework should enrich the student's learning and ensure that it consolidates sound lifelong student habits. If ever there is a problem with homework I would encourage you to talk to the class teacher or come and see me for a chat!

All students thrive when they are learning in a happy, confident and secure environment. I believe that this is one of the strengths of our fantastic school and one in which we work in harmony with our wonderful parents. The Parents and Friends Association have a long and happy history of enriching the learning environment at our school. This group has a clear focus on positively contributing to the well being of all students and it provides an opportunity for all parents to meet regularly and discuss issues of interest.

During 2006 the P & F Committee, under the leadership of Beth McInnes (Rachel Gr 3/4, Chris Gr 1) alternated their meeting times (school time/evening) to attract and welcome as many parents as possible. Their next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 28 March at 8 pm (following the Grade 3/4 Camp Information evening). At a recent meeting the position of President became vacant and we urgently need someone to step in to ensure that this excellent association is not left without a leader! I enthusiastically offer my whole hearted support to the incoming President and I know that the community would positively support the work of the P & F so that our outstanding learning environment continues to be enriched in every way! Fingers crossed!



Chris Taylor has visited most of the local kinders in readiness for our busy week of marketing during Education Week. Please continue your excellent work in marketing our school to prospective families. Shortly I will send home a copy of our "Education Week" poster. We would love to attract more of the wonderful families that make up the Donburn School Community.

Regards, Kevin Sertori - Principal