

◆ 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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| Friday | 18 July | School Disco |
| Monday | 21 July | School Council 7.30 pm |
| Wednesday | 23 July | P & F Meeting 9 am Staffroom |
| Saturday | 26 July | Trivia Night |
| Wednesday | 30 July | Italian Poetry Competition |
| Wednesday | 13 August | Donburn Athletics |
| Wednesday | 27 August | School Production - The Wizard of Oz |
| Friday | 19 September | End of Term 2 pm Assembly 2.30 pm Dismissal |

Dear Parents

It's great to be back at Donburn following my period of leave in Term 2!

Thank you to Julie and all the staff for the fantastic efforts during our very productive Term 2. Term 3 promises to be very busy with the Olympics and our whole school production of "The Wizard of Oz". This will be held at Yarra Valley Grammar School on Wednesday evening 27 August 2008. This gala night of entertainment promises to be "Wicked"! More details to follow.

Thank you to the P & F for organising the Disco and the Trivia Night in the next few weeks, I hope you are able to participate in both of these great social occasions.

A very big THANK YOU to Michael Pepper (Michelle Gr 6, Kyle Gr 4) for organising the donation of nine lap top computers. This is a great boost to our IT resources! This equipment (plus a \$100 voucher) was made available through **Officeworks**. We greatly value their commitment to supporting the work of primary schools.

You may have noticed the new electronic whiteboards currently in use in the senior grades. These fantastic teaching tools have been installed thanks to funding from the Federal Government "Investing in Schools".

Recently students from our school achieved outstanding results when they participated in the University of New South Wales International Competitions and Assessments for Schools. These students whose achievement was outstanding were rewarded with Certificates of Credit and Distinction. Congratulations to all students who participated!

The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) are developed by Educational Assessment Australia (EAA) of the University of New South Wales, and are conducted annually across Australia and in 12 other countries. There are over 1.5 million entries worldwide.

The competitions are for students from Years 3 to 12 and assess their academic ability in aspects of Mathematics, Science, English, Writing, Computer Skills and Spelling.

In the area of **SCIENCE** the following students were awarded **Credit** or **Distinction** Certificates. Congratulations to all students who participated.

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| Year 3 | Credit | Jessica A | | |
| Year 4 | Credit | David C, Saraid T, Zoe T | Distinction | Norman W |
| Year 5 | Credit | Danny T | Distinction | Grant L |
| Year 6 | Credit | Robert P | | |

Regards, Kevin Sertori - Principal