Dear Parents

On Friday 20 February we were pleased to welcome Mr Ryan Smith, Member for Warrandyte, Shadow Minister for Roads and Infrastructure, Shadow Minister for Industry to our school assembly. Prior to our assembly Mr Smith spent time with our newly appointed School Captains (Darcy and Alyssa) and also conversed with our Korean colleague, Seong-Ho about his experience teaching in a Victorian school. We greatly appreciate Mr Smith’s interest in Donburn Primary and his encouragement of all our school leaders.

Thank you to all parents and staff who were able to attend our “Parent/Teacher” information evening which was held on February 24. It is always a productive meeting with both sides gaining insights from each other.

We were pleased with the work of the team from Arthur Reed photography. Thank you for preparing your students for this special day.

We are pleased that Seong-Ho has safely returned to his family in Korea. He and Mr Evan Terry-Whyte quickly formed a great partnership and the students in Year 5 gained tremendously from Seong-Ho’s visit to Donburn. I thank Evan Terry-Whyte for his enthusiastic commitment to the exchange program and I know he will gain valuable learning on his visit to Korea for three weeks of classroom teaching in July 2015.

On Sunday morning around 3am two young female teenagers entered the school buildings and were later apprehended by the police. Fortunately no damage occurred! The girls climbed in through an open window. If you ever notice an open window or unsecured door please contact me or Julie Hoskin as soon as possible.

The teachers are looking forward to meeting with you on Thursday at the parent/teacher interviews. I hope to see you!

Regards ~

Kevin
Students in Years 3 to 6 are eligible to enter the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS), commonly referred to as UNSW tests. It has been conducted by Educational Assessment Australia (EAA) for over 20 years.

The competitions form the largest independent assessment program for schools in Australia. It is also delivered to New Zealand, India, Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei, South Africa, Hong Kong, the Pacific region and the United States of America. EAA is part of the UNSW Global Pty Limited, a not-for-profit provider of education, training, and consulting services and a wholly-owned enterprise of The University of New South Wales (UNSW Global).

In 2015 the competitions and assessments are in Digital Technologies, Science, Spelling, Writing, English and Mathematics.

These competitions will be held at Donburn Primary School on the following dates -

- Digital Technologies: Tuesday 19 May, $8.80
- Science: Wednesday 3 June, $8.80
- Writing: Between 15 & 19 June, $18.70
- Spelling: Tuesday 16 June, $12.10
- English: Tuesday 28 July, $8.80
- Mathematics: Tuesday 11 August, $8.80

The entry is $8.80 fee per student per competition (including gst), with the exceptions of the Writing and Spelling Competitions. The Writing Competition entry fee is $18.70 due to the increased time taken to mark papers individually. As for Writing, each Spelling paper will be hand marked and so the entry fee for spelling is $12.10 (including gst). It is $66.00 for all competitions.

The entry form will be distributed by your class teacher.

Please note that the **closing date** for each competition is **Wednesday, 18 March, 2015**.

Fay Davidson & Chris Clark
Coordinators

A hat must be worn outside during Term 1!
SEONG-HO our Korean visitor has returned to Korea.

SCHOOL CAPTAINS
Darcy B and Alyssa P are congratulated by Kevin Sertori and Ryan Smith
BUFFALO
Captains
Hayley H and Ethan M
Vice Captains
Natasha M and Aryan D

HOTHAM
Captains
Tess B and Aaron A
Vice Captains
Georgia C and Marwan M
SCHOOL LEADERS with the Hon Ryan Smith

KOSCIUSKO
Captains Evelyn R and Luke S
Vice Captains Lorraine L and Ahmad E

OBERON
Captains Grace H and Adam K
Vice Captains Gabriella M and Sam T
District Swimming Carnival

Thirty children were selected from Years 3-6 to represent Donburn in the District Swimming Carnival which was held at Doncaster Aquarena on Friday 20 February in perfect conditions. All competitors performed very well, placing our school third out of the eight in the Doncaster District.

A special congratulations to Arman S, Ella B, Natalie K, Ruby M and Alannah who are competing at the Manningham Division this Thursday. A brilliant effort!

Thank you to also to the following parents Holly Tidd, Nikki Healy, Stephanie Fua and Helen Kotsimbos who assisted at the District carnival.

Premier’s Active April

Come on Donburnians, let’s all get physical!
The Premier’s Active April encourages all Victorians to do 30 minutes of physical activity a day during April. It’s free, it’s fun and it’s part of the Victorian Government’s commitment to get more people active and healthy.

Use the online Activity Tracker to log your daily activity and track your progress throughout the month. Plus, you can create and join teams, compare the progress of team members, discover events near you and win awesome prizes!

Just by registering every participant gets*:
- 10 free YMCA passes
- 15% off at Sportsmart in store and online
- one hour free tennis court hire at Melbourne Park or Albert Reserve
- a 2 for 1 ticket offer to SEA LIFE Melbourne Aquarium
- a chance to win some great prizes including four tickets to the 2015 Toyota AFL Grand Final (GFAFL15/12), a $1,500 bike voucher or a GoPro Camera
- a chance to win Sportsmart vouchers and coaching clinics at your school with high-profile athletes

Register today at activeapril.vic.gov.au

Region and State Diving Championships - Thursday 19 March at MSAC (South Melbourne)

Are you aged between 9-12 years old and interested in diving?

For new/inexperienced divers, you MUST attend a coaching clinic will be held prior to the Region events by Diving Victoria coaches. This clinic is from 9:30—10:30am

School Sport Victoria will be conducting the Region competition in the morning (11am-1pm) and if you qualify, the State Championships in the afternoon.

Please see Ms Papamichael for further details as you must enter online (SSV website) by Tuesday 10 March.
School Sport Team Vic Trials

Every year, School Sport Victoria selects elite athletes for 12 years and under students to compete in School Sport Australia Championships.

This year, there will be no District trials for basketball, netball, AFL and soccer and nominations must be completed online in consultation with relevant PE/Sports teachers. This is to ensure only students capable of performing at a high level are involved. It is not a ‘come and try’ opportunity.

There will be a **$25 non-refundable fee** to register and this registration is an application **to be considered** for a Division trial. Division trials are held in early May.

It is imperative parents speak to me prior to registering their child as both myself and Mr Sertori need to endorse this application and attend a trial. Applications close 25 March, 2015.

Anna Papamichael
PE

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*Hydrate Well!*

Remember to bring your drink bottle to school each day to stay healthy!
Welcome to everyone for an exciting year ahead at Donburn Primary.

The P&F AGM has been held and it my pleasure to introduce the committee position holders for 2015:

President:  Tammy Muller
Vice President:  Michelle Chryssafis
Treasurer:  Jim Simonovski
Secretary:  Erika Kennedy

Many of our familiar faces were in attendance at our first meeting and again we are excited to welcome a handful of new parents joining us. Everyone is invited to attend P & F Meetings and pre-schoolers are always welcome.

As holidays are commencing on Friday 27 March, we will only be holding the following events in Term 1:
Chocolate Fundraiser- on Friday 27 February
Chomp & Chew - Thursday 19 March.

Throughout the year we will run a variety of other events such as:

**Some of the P&F Activities**

- **Chomp and Chew**
  - Held at the end each term. Casual Clothes day with BBQ, Cordial and a treat.

- **Specialty Stalls Mother’s Day/ Father’s Day/ Christmas**
  - Opportunity for children to buy a small presents for their family.

- **School Disco**
  - Children’s disco night with cordial, icy pole and glow stick.

- **Lapathon**
  - Fun run around oval where children gain house points and fundraise

**Another way to be involved**

Attending meetings is not an option for everyone, but we appreciate people still want to be involved if possible. Therefore anyone is welcome to join our Events Register. We will email leading up to events introducing our event leader, event dates, number of assistants required, outline of jobs involved etc - you then have the option to reply and assist in a capacity that best suits your availability.

By emailing Erika Kennedy - kenne@optusnet.com.au or via return slip to Office.

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Name ..............................................  Mob ......................................  Email .................................................................

Child’s Name .................................  Child’s Class .............  Event .................................................................

We are looking forward to another successful year of fun and supportive events for the school.

Feedback and suggestions are always welcomed. Be sure to say Hello if you see me around school.

Regards,
Tammy Muller
P & F President
Mob: 0402 905 207  Email: muller@subs4u.com.au
INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NEWS

PIANO..GUITAR…SINGING

Instrumental music is a very valued and supported at Donburn. We offer tuition in PIANO, GUITAR and SINGING at the school and some vacancies are available within these instruments. Students have begun their music lessons and I would like to wish them all the very best.

For any enquiries please contact Hedy France on 95610607 or 0417 135 558

STUDENT BANKING

Student Banking has commenced and will be available each week on Tuesday’s.

If you wish to open an account, kits are available from the front office or via any Commonwealth Bank.

Melanie Barrett (Jacob Yr 4, Noah FE)

SICK BAY ROSTER

Thank you to all who have offered to help with the sick bay washing roster. Your support of the school in this way is greatly appreciated.

Nikki Healy 6 March
Erika Kennedy 20 March
Rhonda Vasiliades 13 March
Bronwyn Milner 27 March

RECEIVING NEWSLETTER ELECTRONICALLY

Please consider receiving your Newsletter via email instead of a printed copy!

If you are interested in launching into the technological age and saving the environment, please email me at - hanna.margaret.a@edumail.vic.gov.au and your address will be included in the Newsletter distribution list.

- In the “subject” box in your email, please enter “subscribe” so you will automatically be added to our database.
- In the content“ section, please put your name and the name and grade of your eldest child.

The Newsletter will be in “pdf” format and will hide the names of all recipients to protect privacy. If you are not receiving your Newsletter by email and have requested this, please contact me at the office.

Thank you — Margaret Hanna
Students in the Learning Enhancement and Excellence Program cover similar curriculum content as those in mainstream classes but are extended and challenged through a range of higher order thinking processes and tasks. The students remain together for English, Mathematics, History/Geography and Science, but are in mixed ability groups for Technology, Arts, Physical Education, Health, Sport and LOTE.

The testing date is Tuesday, 21 April 2015. To commence the process, parents of 2015 Year 6 applicants are asked to apply online now.
CHIMES INDIAN RESTAURANT co-owned by one of the parents, located at 170 Belmore Road, Balwyn, offers you an opportunity to grasp its sumptuous look and savour their lip smacking delicacies! 10% of your bill will go towards the school and you will receive a 10% discount! ☎ 9857 5858 for a reservation.

MENDING and ALTERATIONS – Zips, hems, lengthening, shortening, taking-in or letting-out. A Grandmother and Grandfather of children in Year 2 & 6, with over 50 years experience as a tailor and a dressmaker. Call Andrea and Chris on 9842 7860, East Doncaster.

HAIRDRESSER — please call Kathy on 0468 457 358 for an appointment.

BEAUTY BY PHOEBE (service in your home) Specialising in Makeup, CND Shellac and Spray Tans
Phone: 0438 462 603 Email: info@beautybyphoebe.com.au
Facebook: www.facebook.com/beautybyphoebe Twitter: @beautybyphoebe

MBC — MAJORS BUILDING AND CARPENTRY— GET THE JOB DONE! All your carpentry needs. Call Mitch on 0425 855 825 Email: admin@majorsbuilding.com.au Website: www.majorsbuilding.com.au

TEST AND TAG Ensure your Electrical Appliances & Equipment are not faulty with a low cost visual and performance test. *Donburn special for households and businesses*. Contact Wes (Yr 1 & 5 Dad) 0418 334 096

CONTINENTAL MITCHAM - Stanley Chen (Parent) Director 582 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham e: conti.mitcham@gmail.com w: www.continental-tyres.com.au

QUALIFIED DRESSMAKER available to do alterations. No job too small or too big. Please call Manizheh after 4 pm (Prep Mum) on 0426 212 555.

BABYSITTING - Experienced 18 year old available for babysitting. Phone Joh 0421 005 611.

BABYSITTER AVAILABLE - former Donburn student Jacinta McKeon is an experienced babysitter who would love to babysit your kids! She is currently in year ten at Tintern Girls Grammar school. Contact Jacinta on 0449692079.

BABY SITTER AVAILABLE Sixteen year old ex-Donburnian, currently in Year Ten at East Doncaster Secondary College. Super reliable, conscientious and caring! Available for babysitting in local area. References supplied if requested. If you are interested, please contact Saraid Taylor on saraidtaylor@outlook.com.au

HAVELI - INDIAN RESTAURANT 31-33 Tunstall Square Doncaster East (9842 9375). Enjoy a meal and please mention you are a family from Donburn, as the school will then receive a 10% donation.

CURRAWONG TENNIS CLUB (Cnr Reynolds & Springvale Roads, East Doncaster)
Extensive Junior Coaching Program Junior Groups (5-18 years), Private Lessons, Friday Social Tennis, Friday Night Junior League, Weekend Competition, Holiday Programs & Round Robins, Free Trial and Assessment and Ladies Tennis Mornings. Contact Club Coach Ultimate Tennis Training Gary Pitts 9848 506 0404 028 104.

FIREWOOD FOR SALE Split Firewood. Delivered to your Door (Doncaster Area only) $100 per trailer. Contact Peter on 0435 766 995

SACRAMENTAL CATECHIST CLASSES
The parish of Ss Peter & Paul’s is currently accepting enrolments for Catechist Classes to prepare children (Yr 4 and over) for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation. Confirmation Classes will commence on Sunday, 1st March at 10am whilst classes for the other Sacraments will also be commencing soon at Ss Peter & Paul’s Parish, 23 Leeds Street, Doncaster East. Please contact the Parish Office on 9842 1480 asap for an enrolment form.

FARNAZ ALEDAVOOD Mature lady, looking for babysitting jobs with babysitting experience. Working for Camp Australia for the last eight years and currently working at Donburn PS in OSCH. Has all qualifications and willing to work weekends. Contact on mobile 0413 545 963.
COMMUNITY NEWS
The School is publishing these community notices because they may interest some students or Community members, but the school is unable to endorse or recommend any of these advertisements.

RHSports is the Donburn Primary School uniform supplier.

The 2015 uniform price list and the uniform order form are available on the Donburn website -

www.donburn.vic.edu.au

under the parent information tab.
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DONVALE MAGPIES AusKICK 2015

Welcome to our Auskick program for 2015 our sessions are held on Saturday mornings from 9am to 10:30am

We offer 3 groups for boys and girls
4 year old Kinder/Prep (children must turn at least 5 years of age this year) Grade 1 and Grade 2

Our sessions are all about
FUN, FRIENDSHIP, BUILDING SKILLS AND SELF ESTEEM

Key highlights of our program include:
- AFL player visits (Collingwood)
- Full range of equipment including Specky Mots, handball targets and bump pads
- Auskicker of the week Awards
- Special Mothers vs Auskickers Match on a Friday night and Dad vs Auskickers Match
- Presentation Day at the end of the season with all the children receiving a trophy and certificate and a fully catered breakfast supplied
- Grade 2/3 Auskickers are offered the chance to play a half time game during an AFL and VFL match
- Grade 1/2/3 will be invited as guests to Donvale Magpies Under 9s home games. This is a great way for children and parents to learn about how junior football runs

FREE TRY OUT ON 1st MARCH 9:30AM TO 11:00AM
Meet the coaches, try out some drills and take a specky, we are located at Donvale Reserve, Noonan Way, Donvale

Auskick starts on Saturday 18th April 2015

Registration is now open go to the Auskick website http://www.aflauskick.com.au/register/ click on register and follow the prompts.

If you would like any further details you can contact me on 0402 864 782 / happygilmour23@optusnet.com.au

Andrew Gilmour - Auskick Coordinator

Turn over for Junior Football details
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BLACKBURN VIKINGS

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS PROGRAM

Blackburn Vikings are pleased to announce the Blackburn Basketball Community Schools Program. The program consists of clinics run at schools in the Blackburn Community and will be FREE for Schools during term 1.

The program will be run by Blackburn Basketball’s Big V Players and Coaches. It is designed to alert schools and children in the Blackburn area to the sport of Basketball as well as the Blackburn Basketball Club and some of the programs we run. These include:

School of Hoops
A Beginner Program run on Friday afternoons on Saturday morning to teach children the essential skills and rules of basketball.

Junior Domestic Basketball
Teams playing in the local (EDUBA) Saturday competition in both summer and winter.

Junior Representative Basketball
We have 26 teams playing in the Victorian Junior Basketball League.

Big V
We have Men’s and Women’s teams playing in the Big V (Senior State League).

To register for the program please fill in the information below.

Name of School: ___________________________________________________________

Contact Person: __________________________________________________________

Phone: ____________________________

Email: ________________________________________________________________

Preferred days/dates: ____________________________________________________

For more information please contact:

Paul Larkindale
Basketball Operations Manager
Blackburn Vikings Basketball Association
PH: 0413 550 803
Email: paul@blackburnvikings.net.au

Salvo Kidzone

...a values based program for primary school aged KIDS to be encouraged, make friends, play games and learn about building strong character...

The Kidzone adventure is held Fridays during term 4.00 - 5.30pm, beginning with an afternoon snack

The Salvation Army,
37 Taunton Street, East Doncaster.
Phone Andrew: 0432 459 433 for details

Cost: $5 per family, weekly, and one initial $10 to purchase your child’s Kidzone T-shirt. Parents are free to drop off children after registration, or hang around for coffee. All leaders are Childsafe trained and have a current Working With Children Card.

K-TRIGS IMPORTANT NOTICE

K-TRIGS DAVID STARR CENTRE

INSTRUCTOR: David Starr

Monday 6:00pm - 7:00pm

K-TRIGS DONCASTER EAST OFFERS:

- Improving concentration and communication
- Encouraging self confidence
- Developing techniques which carry over to all aspects of life

SPORTS TAEKWONDO

Learning and Promotion are essential to skill developing for competition within Australia and International Championships

TRADITIONAL TAEKWONDO CLASSES

Develop skills such as:
Self Defence, Kicking, Blocking, Punching, Fighting, Patterns, Board breaking

INSTRUCTOR: In Dong Kim

ONLINE: tigersnorthwilkes@gmail.com

CONTACT: 0447 557 510

K-TRIGS DONCASTER EAST CENTRES

DONCASTER EAST

INSTRUCTOR: In Dong Kim

3rd Doncaster East Sports Hall

Thursday 6:00pm to 7:00pm

CUTTING EDGE TAEKWONDO CENTRES

STRENGTH BODY MAKES STRONG SPIRIT

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3rd Doncaster East Sports Hall

Wednesday 6:00pm to 7:00pm

CONTACT (Head Office): 0447 557 510

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K-TRIGS DONCASTER EAST CENTRES
Beasley’s Nursery turns blue for

**BEYOND BLUE**

Garden Releaf weekend - Sat 7th Sun 8th March 2015

We are holding a Kids in the Garden workshop for a gold coin donation.

There will also be a Terrarium workshop being held with prices ranging between $30 - $50.

You will also be able to plant up a hanging basket for just $10.

Part proceeds to *Beyond Blue*.

For further details, call Beasley’s Nursery on 9844 3335
Easter Madness
CHOMP’n’CHEW & FREE dress DAY
THURSDAY 19th March

1 x *Beef Sausage, *Chicken Sausage, *Hamburger or a *Vegie Burger,
& a drink of cordial & an easter egg for only

$4.00

An extra hot item (marked with an *) can be ordered for $1.00

All orders MUST be returned by Monday 16th MARCH (late orders may not be filled)

Name

Grade

$ 

□ Beef Sausage □ Chicken Sausage □ Hamburger □ Vegie Burger (please tick)

For $1 extra
I would like to order

Name

Grade

$ 

□ Beef Sausage □ Chicken Sausage □ Hamburger □ Vegie Burger (please tick)

For $1 extra
I would like to order

Name

Grade

$ 

□ Beef Sausage □ Chicken Sausage □ Hamburger □ Vegie Burger (please tick)

For $1 extra
I would like to order

ANY HELP IS GREATLY APPRECIATED (please tick)

□ I can help on the day between 9-12am
□ I can help on the day between 12-3pm

Name

Mobile