THE DONBURNIAN



Our goal is to provide a vibrant, attractive and safe teaching and learning environment, growing and evolving in harmony with the community.

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Issue 4

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to Term 2. The students have returned rested and refreshed! Well prepared for a busy term with lots planned. Grant is busy getting started with the production. The excitement will mount as the term progresses!

Congratulations to Leona (Year 6, 2022) who won the Age 12-13 50 breaststroke for Victorian Secondary School Swimming with a state record of 36.54 recently. We are all very proud of Leona's achievements. A future Olympian!

This term we are focusing on students showing respect to their classmates and all the adults they meet. It is important that they treat people as they would like to be treated.

The following are some ways teachers and parents can work together to teach and encourage respect:

- Model Respect. Children often watch their parents and teachers looking for clues defining the expectations. If they see parents and teachers treating one another with respect, they will do the same.
- Discuss Respect. As children grow, talk about the way we treat others. Focus on the words we use ("Yes, Mrs Smith"; "Yes, Mr Jones"; please and thank you), and the attitudes we portray. Explain the expectation of respect for others demonstrated in both attitude and behaviour.

- Teach Turn-Taking. Turn-taking is a skill needed in all aspects of life. Helping children to patiently wait for a turn to speak encourages respectful listening.
 Encouraging children to wait for their turn in line or their turn for a toy develops an attitude of patience and respect.
- Teach Polite Responses. From an early age children need to be reminded to use words like "Please" and "Thank you," "Excuse me," "No, thank you," and "Yes, please" using the other person's name. This continues to encourage an attitude of respect.
- Praise Respectful Behaviour: When children demonstrate good manners and respect to others, give specific praise for the positive choices they are making.

Time and consistency together with our explicit teaching efforts will teach children this valuable character trait.

Over the holidays we had the hall refurbished. We used it for the first time as a whole school on Friday for our ANZAC Day ceremony which was very special. All the students were riveted by the story Grant told about humanity in the midst of war. Grant wrote and organised the ceremony and our School Leaders led the proceedings. The ANZAC group sang beautifully. It was a great opportunity for the children to understand the importance of ANZAC Day.

All our Year 6 students represented Donburn at the 32nd Schools ANZAC Service organised by Templestowe Rotary on Thursday. The school captains, Harlan and Elly lay a wreath on behalf of the Donburn School community. They were all excellent ambassadors for Donburn!

Welcome back leading teacher, Jess Bullen, returning from Family Leave this term. Jess is enjoying her Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The staff had a send-off for Nurse Chiara last Friday. Chiara will be missed by all the students and staff. She has such warm manner. Always professional!

It was great to see all the parents, grandparents and friends of students at the Maths Games afternoon last week. The students loved challenging their families and friends. There is so much learning happening with the different games. The students love the chance to show their Mums and Dads fun ways to learn Maths!

The Foundation students invited their Mums and significant people to a Mother's Day afternoon today. They sang and presented their Mums and Grandmothers with flowers and beautiful work. It was a very happy occasion! Thank you to Debbie Bilston & Grant Puglia (Music teachers), Philippa Sinfield (Art Teacher), Matt Dickins, Naden DeLuca, Kathleen Woolfe (Foundation teachers) Shandell, Cathy and Emily the Foundation support staff.

The Parents and Friends have organised a Mother's Day stall for Thursday 11 May and Friday 12 May for the students so that they can buy a small gift for their Mums and significant people. Please send along wrapping paper so that the gift can be wrapped after they purchase. Thank you to all the P & F team for organising this event.

Please don't forget:

Monday 22 May is a pupil free day. Team Kids will be running a program on this day.

I wish all the mothers and special people a lovely day on Sunday. I hope you all get the spoiling you deserve!

Kind regards,

Julie

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May

Thursday 11 - Year 6 - Old Melbourne Gaol Excursion

Friday 12 - House Cross Country Years 3-6

Monday 22 - Pupil Free Day

Friday 26 - District Cross Country

Wednesday 31 - Year 3-4 Camp (until Friday 2 June)

June

Thursday 1 - Year 5-6 Winter Sport Day 1

Monday 12 - King's Birthday Public Holiday

Thursday 15 - Year 5-6 Winter Sport Day 2

Friday 23 - Last Day of Term 2



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If you have a concern at any time regarding any issue to do with the school please feel free to mention it to Julie Hoskin (Principal) or Jarod Ryan (Assistant Principal).

TERM DATES

Term 2 starts	Monday, 24 April
Public Holiday - ANZAC Day	Tuesday, 25 April
Public Holiday - King's Birthday	Monday, 12 June
Term 2 ends	Friday, 23 June



ANZAC DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE

On Thursday the 27th of April the Year 6 students went to the Templestowe Memorial Reserve to attend the Templestowe Rotary Club's ANZAC Day Memorial Service. Many other schools were there paying respect to the ANZACs that fought for us. The band from Doncaster Secondary College played some songs and everyone was respectful when they played. People from each school took turns laying an ANZAC wreath and stood there for a moment to pay their respects. Everybody was so respectful during the one minute of silence remaining quiet until the end. It was a great honour for the Year 6s to attend the ANZAC Day Memorial Service.

By Harlan and Ellie







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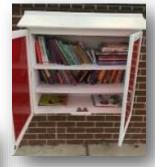
I have placed some book donations into the Donburn Street Library! The Donburn Street Library is located outside the staff room. Please feel free to take a book and to leave a book and I will keep restocking the Street Library with more book donations!

Happy Reading!

Many thanks,

Andrea Sertori - Library Teacher





SUMMER SPORTS - THANK YOU

Our interschool sport competition wrapped up last Thursday, where Year 5/6's competed against schools from the Doncaster District in teeball, basketball, softball, tennis and rounders. All students displayed great athleticism, teamwork, and sportsmanship. A special thank you to the parents who were able to come and assist us on the day, as these sports days are unable to go ahead without their help: Paul Chessum (CJ, Year 6), Leanne Renehan (Isaac, Year 6), Andrew Wong (Louie, Year 5), Indike Rathnayake (Dihain, Year 5), Matthew Howe (Jack, Year 5), June Pan (Nicole, Year 6).

Jacob Wright - PE Teacher

SUMMER SPORTS

Tennis recount

The Year 5 and 6 students had a great time playing tennis for Summer Sport. On the first day. On the first day, April 5th we arrived at the tennis courts, set up our nets and Mr Wright told us and some other schools the hot shots tennis rules. Me and my team [Donburn White] went to court 7 to start our matches. We first versed DGPS Jade and we won most of the games. After versing several other teams, including a match with Donburn Green boys, we won most of the games that we played and we got a pretty good score for the day.

On day 2, May the 4th we tied on the first match but lost by 2 points on the second. We still had three awesome matches on the second day and we all played fairly and had a good day. Thank you to all the teachers and parents who helped on both days.

By Ryder 5A







Rounders recount

On April the 5th and May the 4th everyone in the Donburn Rounders teams went to a soccer field to play against other local schools. When we got there we got set up and started playing our matches we lost our first game but our next three were games were insane because we drew them all! We also became good friends with students from St Kevin's Primary School and Templestowe Valley Primary School. It was fun to play rounders and meet new people from other schools.

By Jake 5A

Cricket Recount

On the 5th of April and 4th of May, the Year 5 & 6 students went on a sport day to their preferred sport. At Cricket, the students travelled to Doncaster reserve. Donburn and other schools in the district played against each other. Everyone had a great time and a lot of fun. The Donburn Red team got into the grand final but sadly lost by 40 runs. We all had a fantastic time. Thanks to parents and teachers for helping.

By Ollie 5A

SUMMER SPORT

Rounders

On the 5th of April and the 4th of May the Donburn Girls Rounders Team played multiple schools across the Doncaster District. We had many great games and made plenty of friends from other competing schools. The girls team was made up of many Year 5s and 6s of all different abilities and experience. Some of our stronger players included Sarah (5A), Alexis (6A), Dora (6B) and Maddy (5C). Everybody worked very hard to improve during the matches. We all had great sportsmanship and won the majority of our matches. Overall, it was a great experience and we ended up placing 3rd for the girls out of seven schools.

By Maya and Nicole 6A

On the 4th of May, the Donburn rounders team went to play at Timber Ridge reserve for round two of Summer Sport. We versed many schools to qualify for Division rounders. The boys team had amazing teamwork and with that we got into the semi finals against Donvale Primary. They were one of the hardest teams we faced, but with hard work and dedication we won 8 - 2. We then qualified for the grand final and defeated Doncaster Primary who were the toughest team we faced during the time we played. With good sportsmanship the Donburn boys team won the final 9 - 8 in three innings. Overall, our team experienced a lot of fun and made lots of friends with other schools.

By Dexter 6B, Avy 6A and Brandon 6B

Cricket

On the 4th of May, Year 5 and 6 went to Summer Sport! I did the cricket and I participated in the mixed team. Matthew and I (Sara) this time were the captains and I think we did a fabulous job sorting out the sets and order! Even though we didn't make it into the grand final, all the cricketers did impressive work and gave a great effort! The highlight of the day is definitely the teamwork that our team put in. My team and I really enjoyed the matches we played against the other school and we displayed lots of great sportsmanship.

Sara 6A

SUMMER SPORT

Tennis

On the 5th of April and the 4th of May the Donburn Green girls tennis team competed against other schools for a spot in the semi finals. Despite not getting into the semi finals, friends were made, and it was an amazing experience. Some splendid things were that Jolisa (6C) won all of her matches in the second round and incredible perseverance also came from Phoebe (6B). Throughout all the rounds improvement was made, games were close and I'm sure we all had a great time.

Natasha 6A

On Wednesday 5th of April and Thursday 4th of May The Donburn Green boys Tennis team played against many challenging schools in our district. Unfortunately we couldn't make it into the finals but we still came 4th overall. Everyone put in all their effort and hardwork and showed great sportsmanship to make a fun and fair game.

Marcus T 6B





Softball

The Donburn Red softball team enjoyed two days of sport. One was on the 5th of April, and the other was on the 4th of May. We played seven games in total and we all had a great time. Every team member displayed dedication and sportsmanship. Even though we came last in Pool A, we won our last game. Overall, we had a lot of fun playing softball. Well done to all the students that participated!

By Charlotte & Elyza 6A

On the 4th May, Year 5 and 6 competed at Summer Sport. We were captains for Donburn Green for Softball. Unfortunately we lost all our matches but we were very close to winning our first three matches. Everyone was showing great sportsmanship/ teamwork and care for each other. It was a really great experience playing with other schools and having lots of fun! Our highlight of the day was socialising with other students from other schools.

Aiden T 6B and Bryant 5A

DANCING IN SINGAPORE

Hi! I am Jennifer and am in 5C. I'd like to tell you about my dance competition in Singapore. My teacher chose five lucky people to go to Singapore, including me! It started on the 9th of March and went to the 13th of March. The first three days it was just practice and training with the world's THIRD BEST Latin dance CHAMPIONS! Their names were Massumo (mu-su-mo) and Laura. They only dance Latin. It was very hard to keep up to be honest because of the time difference. If I was in Australia at 3pm then in Singapore it would be 12pm so three hours difference. I felt a bit tired for the whole day. On the competition day I got dressed and had four costumes. I was in the 16 and under, 12 and under, 10 and under age groups even though I am only 10! I competed in lots of events for Latin dance but somehow only one event for ballroom. I won four silver and one bronze and lots of fourth, fifth and sixth places. Overall it was a great experience and I got to visit lots of places which were beautiful. Here are some photos of me dancing.

By Jennifer 5C







CONGRATULATIONS TO LEONA



Leona (Year 6, 2022) won the 12-13 year old 50m breaststroke for Victorian Secondary School Swimming with a state record of 36.54 seconds.

All Year 2 students completed a snapshot of their holidays, completing a Holiday P-M-I. PMI stands for Plus, Minus and Interesting. Below is one section that they selected to share.

Enjoy!

2C

PLUS On Friday I went to Kids Day out. It was so much fun. I had the best day in my life. I also had eight playdates with my best friend and got a new wood floor at my house. **Chloe**

PLUS I had a fabulous time moving house. It was fun helping my family move into our new house. Next, I watched the new movie, Mario Bros. I really enjoyed it. I also went to Gumbaya World. **Louis**

PLUS I went to the movies with my mum and sister and my mums friend. Victoria

PLUS I went to my cousin's house and I had the most exciting, fantastic, fun time celebrating Eid. **Anam**

PLUS On my holidays I went to Sydney. We went into the city and we went to Luna Park. We rode on the Merry Go Round, the Cars and we went on the Giant Slide. We had ice-cream. **Janan**

PLUS My mum and I watched Matilda at a London theatre! It was so brilliant. I had an amazing time! **Ada**

PLUS Before the holidays started I went to Malaysia on an aeroplane. My favourite thing was going to Thailand because we went to a water festival. I liked playing with the water guns the most. **Ellie**

PLUS I played my first footy game for the season and I was player of the match. I am number 30 for the Doncaster Cats ,like Tom Atkins from the Geelong Cats. I became a real Australian citizen. It was an incredible, fantastic, super brilliant occasion. I loved it! I also went to the Zoo with family and friends. I went to the movies with my mum and friends to watch Mario Bros. It was great! **Daniel**

PLUS I went to a big city. It had a building that had lots of levels. I loved all of the buildings. My mum made pizza. I loved the pizza. I also got to watch TV at night. **Aaram**

PLUS I had a fun holiday because I went to Japan. I went to four Temples. My favourite Temple was the one that had a mountain. I went with my family. When I came back to Australia we got a new car which was a Tesla Model 3. **Larry**

PLUS I had a fabulous haircut! I went to the movies to see Mario Bros with my family. I went to see my cousin. **Michael**

PLUS I had a fun sleepover with Nadia and Norah. It was amazing! We watched 3 movies in a row. It was spectacular! It was the BEST SLUMBER PARTY EVER! **Tahlia**

PLUS I had a fabulous lunch of pizza, burgers, nuggets and chips. Darcy

PLUS I had a fun day because I went to Mornington to pick strawberries. I also sat on a red tractor. **Rayvis**

PLUS On the holidays I went to the Zoo. I got to see all the animals. I loved feeding the Kangaroos. The Penguins were so cute and they were walking so slowly. I also went to two parties. **Simon**

PLUS My cousin came to my house. We had so much fun! We played video games. After we ate food, we went to the playground. Then we had an ice-cream. We had the best time! **Arisa**

PLUS On the holidays I went to Wilsons Prom to camp with my family and friends. It was a lot of fun! **Joseph**

PLUS On the holidays I went to the Gold Mines. We had to go to a river to find the gold. We got to go on a tour underground. The tour was scary. I also went to a strawberry farm and I got so tired as we got so many strawberries. **Aanvi**

MINUS It was not fun when my feet started hurting when I was still hiking to Mount Kosciusko. NOW THAT IS NOT COOL! **Ezekiel.**

INTERESTING That we went to a Science place which is called Scienceworks. We learnt that in space there is over 1000 galaxies in space and we learnt another thing that Venus is next to the Moon. **Neil**

INTERESTING I think it was very interesting when I went to Sealife and watched the movie. The Penguins used actions to tell people what they were saying. **Elizabeth**

2B

PLUS At my really, really bouncy weekend, I got to jump really high and I got a lot of presents for my Birthday. I could flip. I learnt how to do a back flip from Tyler and Agastya. **Aviram**

PLUS On the last day of the holidays I went to the cinemas and watched the "Super Mario's Bros" movie. It had red colour all over the TV and what it wrote was "Nintendo." Bowser was the bad guy. He was the King of the Badlands. That is where Luigi landed in. **Tyler**

PLUS I went to Timezone at 13:30 with my sister and dad. We played ten games. My dad helped me win a plushie. Then my dad took me to the movies. I watched the Mario Bros. I went to the park and found a Kangaroo and a Tiger Snake. **Ayla**

PLUS On the holidays I was happy that it was Eid. I had so much fun. I opened all my presents and I loved them all. **Sofia**

PLUS On the holidays I went hiking with my friends. I did the map reading because we were at Mt Macedon. We went on the Maple walk. **Raymond**

PLUS I played a song, (You Raise Me Up) on a guitar, trumpet, piano, horn and the electric piano. **Lenient**

PLUS I got to go to my best friends "Wednesday Adams Family" sleepover. We stayed up until 1:30 am. I also got to sleep in my friend's bunk bed on the top. **Ava**

PLUS I saw the Super Mario Bros movie and the chairs could move. Max

PLUS I played with my dad. We played Lego. We built a shopping trolley. Cynthia

PLUS I enjoyed riding my bike with my friend Nathaniel! I went to Park Orchards. I also watched the Mario Bros in a theatre. **Lucas**

PLUS I went to Sydney and saw my mum's friend. We stayed in her apartment. **Elise**

PLUS I went to see the Super Mario Bros movie and Mario was fighting DK and he drove a Kart. I was excited to watch the movie because I like Bowser. **Aarav**

PLUS I got to go to two places on the same day. I got to play with my sister Karlie. I also got to spend more time with my family than usual. **Miranda**

PLUS I got to watch TV for two weeks and play cricket at the same time. I also got a really good Lego set from K-Mart and other things like an archery set. I also watched a movie. **Ibrahim**

MINUS Summer has a pet crab and her crab scratched me. Issac

INTERESTING I went to my uncle and auntie's house for four days and it was excellent. I also went and climbed up a mountain and I went to a game place. **Tarah**

INTERESTING I saw a dog named Kimmy. He was so cute and I wanted to teach him how to write and draw. **Nancy**

INTERESTING I got free Wi-Fi in Bright and Daylesford but not at Macedon. At least I got some free Wi-Fi so I could use the internet. **Lachlan**

INTERESTING I watched Super Mario Bros movie with my friend Daniel. My favourite characters were Luigi and Toad. **Agastya**

INTERESTING I was part of C.Y.S.M and I got the clothes and the socks but I didn't have the jacket. The day was a little cold and at night time my cousin and I gave some light things to the people who were watching. **Sum**

2A

PLUS

I had an Easter Egg hunt at my nan and pop's house. Kip

I went to Tasmania and went to Hobart. I ate honeycake and honey ice cream there.

Vancy

My sister had her half birthday on Tuesday with a chocolate cake at an animal park. It was very fun. **Shanaya**

I learnt how to surf in Sydney then we came back and ate ice cream. **Alex**

I got to see mum at the aiport! She hugged really tightly and it was a happy moment of relief. **Aarya**

I went kayaking with Yasin. After that, Yasin and I went to the snow. We saw Lucas in the snow and he was stuck. **Nathaniel**

I went to Fiji. I went to the beach. At Fiji I had a sleepover at my cousin's house. I had a special rose and milk ice block. **Norah**

YEAR 2 HOLIDAY REFLECTIONS MINUS

My favourite restaurant, Bite to Eat, is closing down. Hazal

My dad pushed me very hard on the swing and I almost fell off! I got sick and my sister got sick. **Caroline**

My cat Evie vomited more than 10 times!!! It was disgusting! Zayd

I couldn't play mobile phone games on weekdays. Omar

A ball popped and a basketball hoop broke as well. People were crying a lot. Rabee

INTERESTING

I saw the movie *Harry Potter 7*. During the movie I ate a very special dish of carrot, broccoli and sweet potato. **Everly**

I went to see a one hour comedy show at the museum. People juggled five bowling pins.

Kevin

I saw Nathaniel in church. We played with nerf guns. I had a sleepover with my friends.

Raynen

I found a robot that can make coffee. Ethan

My mum saw a crab at the beach. It was very big! It was orange. Pin Pin

YEAR 5 POLLUTION INCURSION

On Friday May 5th, Mr Dirk Visser came to Donburn to talk to the Year 5s about pollution and how cars emit greenhouse gases. He explained the different types of air particles that cars emit, such as CO2, CO and NOx. He also told us about how the smoke from cars can make smog, which is smoke that looks like fog. We also did some math to calculate how many tons of pollution are emitted just from driving to school and back each



year. And can you believe there was 50 000 kilograms of greenhouse gas emissions each year produced from cars at Donburn? This is also known as 50 tons!

The Year 5 students enjoyed the fascinating presentation very much and learnt lots about pollution. We would like to thank Mr Dirk Visser for the informative presentation and facts. We would also like to thank him for taking time off his busy schedule at Monash University to teach us about pollution. On behalf of all the Year 5 students and teachers, thank you Mr Visser.

By Anita and Sarah

FAMILY MATHS GAMES AFTERNOON

I came with my mum, dad and little brother James. My mum did the estimation of counters in a jar and her estimation was the closest out of the other parents and our class. My mum's estimation was 170 counters and there were 181 in the jar. **Ada 2C**

Cynthia, mum and I went to the Maths afternoon at 3:45 pm last Wednesday. First we played Mastermind to warm up our brains. Next we played 4 in a Row, it was so infuriating when I had to explain how to play!! They also did an estimation of the counters in the jar. Next we went to my sister's classroom and did a lot of multiplication. It was amazing! That was my experience of the Maths afternoon. **Tahlia 2C**

On the 3/5/ 2023 we had a Math afternoon. I played with my mum Mastermind. First I won, then my mum won two times. Next we played Red Danger and then we played 4 in a Row. I couldn't believe that I had won again. My favourite game was Mastermind because my strategy was to reuse the numbers I had already used to confuse mum. It worked. **Louis 2C**

Our families enjoyed playing Math games with us at our Donburn Math afternoon. We could also bring our siblings with us. We played Mastermind, Cover up Seven, Red

Danger, and 7 moves to 100.

My favourite game was Cover up7 – Neil. 2C

My favourite game was Mastermind. – Ellie 2C

My favourite game was Mastermind. -Rayvis 2C

My favourite game was 4 in a Row. – **Aanvi 2C**



I came to the Maths afternoon with my mum. We played two games of Mastermind and we both won, one. Then we played Red Danger and my mum won three games and I won one. Next we played 4 in a Row and I finally won two games to zero. After that we played 5 moves to 100 and that was the most fun and the best! My mum did the estimation of counters in the jar and her number was 73 and I estimated 76 but the actual number was 191. I loved the Maths afternoon heaps! **Daniel 2C**

On Wednesday my mum and I and my cousin went to the family Maths games afternoon. I played the games with my cousin. We played Mastermind. I used the strategy to have a big number. It was so much fun. I had the best time. **Arisa 2C**

FAMILY MATHS GAMES AFTERNOON

At the Maths afternoon I played Mastermind and I did it faster than my mum. My other favourite game was 5 moves to 100 because I beat Grant! **Tara 2B**

At the Maths afternoon I played Mastermind. My mum had to guess what the number was that I was thinking. My mum won! **Max 2B**

I went to the Maths afternoon with my mum. I played Mastermind with my mum. It was a lot of fun. **Ava 2B**



At the Maths afternoon, I played almost every game. My favourite game was Mastermind. I played with Raymond. He had to guess my number and Raymond won. I really liked playing with him. **Tyler 2B**

At the incredible Maths afternoon, I went with Neil in 2C. My favourite game was Red Danger because we made a deal if we won, we got starbucks and ice-cream. We also played Mastermind. **Agastya 2B**

I went to the Maths afternoon. I also went with Tyler. We both loved playing Mastermind. My brother Matthew, Mum and Andrew joined in too. **Raymond 2B**

On the Maths afternoon I went with my cousin Maddison. We went into 2B's room, a year 3 room, a year 4 room and a year 6 room. **Sum 2B**



I played in the Year 6 classroom and my dad won one of the games! **Kevin 2A**

I played Mastermind and Red Danger and I beat both my parents! It was fun. **Ahmed 2A**

I liked playing Mastermind and Four in a Row, because my mum liked them too and that made me happy. **Zayd 2A**

I liked playing Cover Up Seven Up because I liked knocking off my mum's counters.

Caroline 2A

I went to Maths games afternoon with my grandma. It was nice to play games with her.

Norah 2A

FAMILY MATHS GAMES AFTERNOON

On Wednesday I brought my mum to the Family Maths
Afternoon and we played some maths games. We played
Bingo and Snap and Friends of Ten Dominoes and I beat
my mum at all the games! It was really fun to show my
mum the maths games with my friends.

Aston C. Foundation A





I brought my mum to the Family Maths Afternoon and we played Bingo and Snap. My mum beat me at Bingo but I won when we played Snap. We had lots of fun playing together.

Ariana A. Foundation B

At the Family Maths Afternoon, I got to play maths games with my brother and my mum. My mum and I played lots of maths games like Snap and Friends of Ten dominoes. It was fun to play with my mum in my classroom.

Charlotte K. Foundation C

FAMILY MATHS AFTERNOON – THANK YOU

A big thank you to the many Donburn families who attended the Family Maths Afternoon last Wednesday, May 3rd. It was wonderful to see such engagement in our Maths program with many parents being given a run for their money by their children in the maths games! The children's ability to explain and run the games in each classroom was excellent and we look forward to seeing you at our next maths event!

Matt Dickins - Numeracy Learning Specialist

SUSTAINABILITY AT DONBURN

Recycling News.

Thank you to all the families and friends of Donburn who have been saving their plastic bread bags and placing them in the box outside

the office. Donburn can earn points to buy new sports equipment depending on the amount of bags we can recycle. So keep up the fabulous recycling by continuing to bring them in and preventing the bread bags going into landfill.





Gardening Club.

It has been wonderful to see so many students participating in Gardening Club which occurs every Friday during lunchtime. The garden beds are thriving, with some beds ready to replant after harvesting crops last term. Students last week planted potatoes, weeded, watered and observed the growing mass of worms in our compost. Our chickens are always happy to be handfed grass and have a cuddle. Parents are also welcome to attend at lunchtime and join in the fun!





Nude Food Day Tuesday! (Lunch boxes with no wrappers.)

Congratulation to the classes who have already won the Golden Lunch Box this year. Nude food day is tallied on a Tuesday but remember all days could be a wrapper free day, where we can all continue to make a difference to landfill.

By the Sustainability team.







SCIENCE TALENT SEARCH

The Science Talent Search is on again for 2023! The Science Talent Search is run by the Science Teachers' Association of Victoria. It is open to students from Foundation to Year 6 and involves students completing a project in their own time at home.

In past years, Donburn has had a number of winners of bursary awards and all students found it a very positive experience.

The theme for this year is 'Innovations: Powering Future Industries.'

If you are interested in entering the competition, please refer to the information posted on Compass last Friday.

Please note that entry forms must be submitted to me by Friday 19 May at the very latest. It is recommended that forms be submitted as soon as possible as Donburn is only allocated a certain number of places.

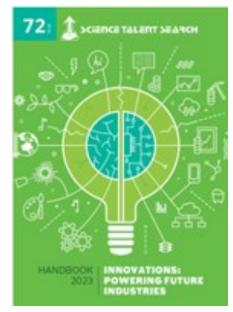
Further information can also be found on the Science Talent Search website: https://stav.org.au/science-talent-search/

Please download the STS handbook and refer to it to check what category you would like to enter and all the competition requirements.

We are looking forward to seeing all the fantastic entries that the students

come up with this year!

Ashleigh Walker
Year 5 Teacher
Science Talent Search Co-ordinator



RESILIENCE, RIGHTS & RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

Welcome to the May update of Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships (RRRR). In this edition, we will be providing a summary of the curriculum across all year levels, from Foundation - Year 6.

RESILIENCE RIGHTS & RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

The RRRR learning materials cover eight topics of Social and Emotional Learning across all levels of primary and secondary education.

The eight topics are as follows:

- 1. Emotional Literacy
- 2. Personal Strengths
- 3. Positive Coping
- 4. Problem Solving
- 5. Stress Management
- 6. Help Seeking
- 7. Gender and Identity
- 8. Positive Gender Relations

Further information on topics 1-4 is below. In the next edition of the newsletter, we will provide information on topics 5-8.

TOPIC 1: EMOTIONAL LITERACY

Emotional literacy can be defined as the ability to understand ourselves and other people. It includes the ability to understand, express and manage our own emotions, build empathy, and to respond appropriately to the emotions of others. Building a large vocabulary for emotions helps to increase emotional literacy and build self-awareness and empathy for others.

TOPIC 2: PERSONAL STRENGTHS

Children and young people need a vocabulary to help them recognise and understand strengths and positive qualities in themselves and others. This topic provides learning activities to build this vocabulary and to use it when discussing personal, social and ethical challenges. Research in the field of positive psychology emphasises the importance of identifying and using individual strengths. Social and emotional learning programs which use strength based approaches promote student wellbeing, positive behaviour and academic achievement.

RESILIENCE, RIGHTS & RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS (cont.)

TOPIC 3: POSITIVE COPING

Learning activities in this topic provide opportunities for students to identify and discuss different types of coping strategies. When children and young people develop a language around coping, they are more likely to be able to understand and deliberately utilise a range of productive coping strategies and diminish their use of unproductive coping strategies. Students learn to extend their repertoire of coping strategies and benefit from critical reflecting on their own choices and being exposed to alternative options. Activities introduce students to the concept of self-talk and practice using positive self-talk to approach and manage challenging situations. Positive self-talk is a key strategy for coping with negative thoughts, emotions and events. It is associated with greater persistence in the face of challenge, and can be learnt or strengthened through practice.

TOPIC 4: PROBLEM SOLVING

Problem-solving skills are an important part of the coping repertoire. The classroom program provides a number of learning activities to develop students' problem-solving skills. The activities in the program assist students to develop their critical and creative thinking skills, and to apply them to scenarios exploring personal, social and ethical dilemmas.

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