# 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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Dear Parents/Carers,

The school production last week was amazing!

I felt really privileged to be able to see all three performances of 'That's Magic!' The talent and enthusiasm of all the students performing was very impressive. Grant and his colleague Caroline Wainrib wrote the play and the music! We are very lucky to have someone as passionate and dedicated as Grant to give our students this musical opportunity. The staff at the Alexander Theatre see lots of professional and school productions and commented that 'That's Magic' was the best primary school production that they had seen! Well done Grant!

All the hard work rehearsing was worth it! They were very well prepared thanks to Grant and his team of hardworking staff. It couldn't have continued without the parent support team led by Cassandra Meagher and Kathryn Manago. It was certainly a big team effort!

The feedback from the Year 5 & 6 swimming program has been very positive. The program provided by the Nunawading pool is excellent. It is very important that all our children have swimming and water safety lessons. In Australia there are so many opportunities for children to enjoy water play. They need to have a healthy respect for the dangers of water as well as the skills to be safe.

I'm sure the children will have mentioned the photographers visit yesterday. I think everyone will love the 50th Anniversary Keepsake. This will be distributed next term on Friday 20 October when we have our whole school celebration.

The next few weeks will be very busy with

- Foundation visit to Tunstall Square on 21 August organised by Matt Dickins.
- House Athletics for Years 3 6 students organised by Jacob Wright, our Physical Education teacher on Tuesday 22 August.
- Book Week dress up day on Thursday 24 August and Authors visits on Tuesday 29 August (Years 3-6) and Wednesday 30 August (Foundation Year 2) organised by Andrea Sertori, our library teacher.
- Father's Day breakfast organised by the Parents and Friends on Thursday 31
  August,
- Year 1's Grandparents Day organised by Veronica Gogos.
- Chomp and Chew on September 14 organised by the Parents and Friends.

Please keep a look out on Compass for more details about these events.

Thank you to Jarod Ryan for the excellent work he did looking after Donburn while I was on long service leave. My trip to Western Australia has recharged my batteries! It's great to be back at school working with the beautiful Donburn children and the hardworking teachers and support staff!

Kind regards,

Julie

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

#### **August**

Monday 21 - Foundation - Excursion to Tunstall Square

Tuesday 22 - Donburn House Athletics Carnival - Years 3-6

Thursday 24 - Book Week dress up day

Thursday 31 - Fathers' Day Breakfast

### September

Monday 4 - Foundation - Swimming (until Friday 15 September)

Wednesday 6 - District Athletics

Thursday 7 - Year 1 - Grandparents Day

Thursday 14 - Chomp and Chew

Friday 15 - Term 3 Ends



Using the app - COMPASS SCHOOL MANAGER APP
Using the web link - https://donburn-vic.compass.education
or click on the link on our web site - www.donburn.vic.edu.au

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 3 Begins	Monday, 10 July
Term 3 Ends	Friday, 15 September
Term 4 Begins	Monday, 2 October
Public Holiday - Melbourne Cup Day	Tuesday, 7 November
Term 4 Ends	Wednesday, 20 December



# SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT (SWPBS)

# **Respectful Hoot Spotlight**

The respectful hoot is one of three hoots we can receive at Donburn as a part of SWPBS. There are many ways we might receive the respectful hoot including:

- Speaking kindly
- Using manners
- Raising my hand
- Taking turns
- Looking out for my friends
- Consider others feelings
- Support and encourage others
- Treat all property carefully

and many more...

We can't wait to get our next respectful hoot!

Anvesha C. 6C and Aiden T. 6B



#### LIBRARY NEWS - BOOK WEEK REMINDER

Donburn Book Week Dress up day is on: THURSDAY 24 August 2023!

Dress up as a 'Book character' to help celebrate Book Week 2023. We can't wait to see your costumes & creativity!

Andrea- Library Specialist Teacher



#### **YEAR 5 BOOK TASTING**

In Week 1 of Term 3, the Year 5s went into the Library. We stood in awe as we saw the Library covered in tablecloths! The Library was transformed into a cafe! There were books on each table and everyone got their own menu. We all sat on one table with our Book Club members and started to answer the questions on the menu. We flipped through the book and rated what we thought of it.

After 5-10 minutes, our teacher told us to go to the next table. We did this until we reached the last table and we had been able to taste 6 different books! When we got back to the classroom, we got together with our other book club members and started to discuss which books we most liked and least liked. Personally, my Book Club group loved the David Walliams book, *Space Boy*, because it had pictures, a lot of pages and a dog!!

We did this because our teachers just bought new books for our book club groups and wanted to see which one we liked so they could give it to us to read. The Year 5s loved the book tasting and hope we can do it more often.

# By Katie 5C













#### YEAR 3 SCIENCE INCURSION

On Monday 24<sup>th</sup> of July the Year 3s had a science incursion with Sam and Liz from Lab-Coat Learning. We were all so excited! Each class went through an hour of fun science experiments including; making slime, rockets, volcanos in a bag and dry ice bubbles. Sam from Lab-Coat learning was turned into a Smurf during the Elephant tooth experiment. The dry ice bubbles were really interesting and the exploding bags were cool but terrifying! We made them with Vinegar and baking soda. We got to make our own slime as well and keep it. Thanks to Liz and Sam from Lab-Coat Learning. By 3B





"My favourite science experiment for the day was the bubbles of dry ice because it was like a white cloud that eventually popped!"

Jacob 3C

"The best part of the science incursion was trying things that I haven't done before"
Hannah 3C

"My favourite experiment was the elephant's toothpaste because the teacher got a bit of the toothpaste on her and turned into a Smurf!" Ayden 3C

"I loved all the experiments, but my favourite was the exploding bags because you never knew when it would pop!" Valeria 3C

#### YEAR 3 SCIENCE INCURSION

"We had the BEST Incursion on Monday! We made dry ice and bubbles out of the dry ice and we could catch them as they flew out at us." Louis 3A

"We made slime, Elephant Tooth paste, rockets, volcanoes in a bag and dry ice bubbles. My favourite was making slime and we could take it home."

Alfie 3A

"At our incursion we made slime. We put vinegar and water in a bowl and then added some coloured glue. I chose the blue glue and I made some sticky blue slime." Kayla 3A

"Liz and Sam showed us how to make dry ice. They told us that dry ice is actually colder than ice and it could kill your skin, The dry ice started to steam as soon as Liz put it in the bowl. The whole incursion was a lot of fun. Rida 3A











#### YEAR 5 SCIENCE

# **Year 5s Pollution Plea!**

In Term 2 the Year 5 cohort learnt about pollution. We also found out a lot about the steps to make a good research project. We started by coming up with a hypothesis. Our hypothesis was: On weekdays the pollution levels caused by cars driving children to Donburn are higher than during the weekends.

Once we decided on our hypothesis we researched how to test our hypothesis. We found this awesome way to test it called 'pollution catchers'. Pollution catchers are a quick and easy way to check the pollution levels around Donburn. We put the pollution catchers out for two days at a time. In total we used 36 pollution catchers and the Environmental Protection Authority's Pollution Monitoring Station in Box Hill (EPA) to find out our results.

We were all surprised by the fact that the pollution levels were so close but overall, there was more pollution on weekdays than on weekends.

On the 5th of August, six students from Donburn presented our experiment to

the judges at the Science Talent Search.

Make sure if you can walk, scooter or ride to school please do it because it might be your cooperation that helps pollution levels go down.

By Lilly and Katie 5C



These are some of our pollution catchers.

#### **YEAR 5 SCIENCE**

In Term 2, the Year 5 cohort researched pollution levels around Donburn Primary School. We wanted to know the difference between pollution levels on weekdays and weekends.

We made pollution catchers using plastic lids and Vaseline and put them around the school during weekdays and weekends to see when there was more pollution. We predicted that weekdays will have higher pollution levels than weekends, because of the many parents dropping off students during weekdays.

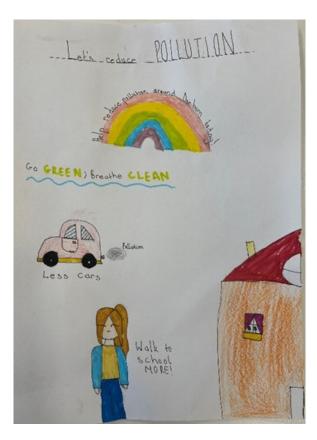
The results that we collected matched our prediction that pollution levels at Donburn were higher on weekdays compared to weekends.

We encourage people to walk, scoot or ride to school whenever possible in order to reduce the amount of pollution at Donburn.

By Ching Shun & Ibrahim, 5A



By Hosea 5C



By Isabelle 5C

#### SCIENCE TALENT SEARCH



Donburn had more than 20 entries in the Science Talent Search this year plus a class experimental research entry from Year 5. Congratulations to all students involved for their wonderful efforts putting together their projects for the theme, 'Innovations: Powering Future Industries.' Please have a read below of some reports from students who participated in the competition.

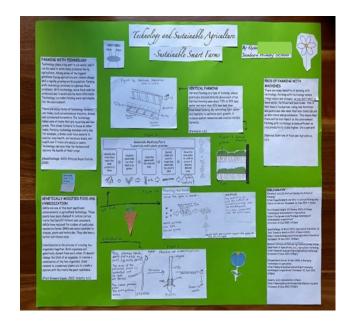
Ashleigh Walker

Science Talent Search Co-Ordinator

On Saturday the 5th of August, I attended the STS judging day. I entered the posters category, and my chosen topic was about: Technology and Sustainable Agriculture. I definitely enjoyed researching this topic. Something interesting I learnt was that scientists use metal particles to transfer copied cells in the process of genetically modifying food. At MLC, the line to wait for the judging was very long. I think I did well presenting my topic, and it was very fun to research and put together my poster. It was definitely an amazing

experience!

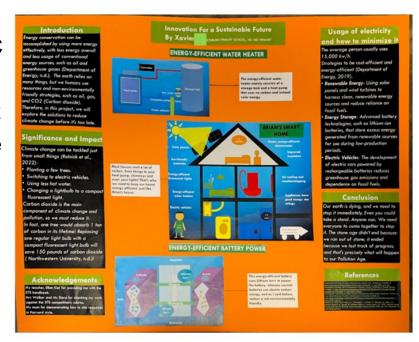
By Elyza 6A



#### SCIENCE TALENT SEARCH

On the 5<sup>th</sup> of August, I went to MLC to compete in the STS (Science Talent Search) competition. I learnt lots of information, but here are the basics of my research.

- My category was a poster.
- My topic was 'Innovations for a Sustainable Future'.
- I learnt that even lights produce carbon.



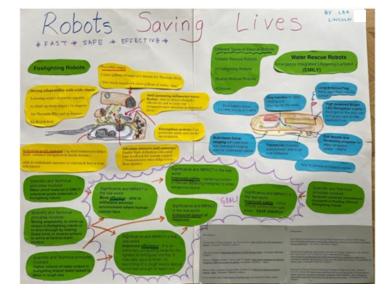
The Science Talent Search was an amazing experience and I can't wait to do it again next year!

By Xavier 4A

I did the poster category with my brother, Lincoln in 4A, and we also went to the judging day. Our topic was 'Robots Saving Lives'. I liked it because it interested us the most. We have learnt more about emergency robots and how much our world has improved since the last few years while researching. On the 5th of August, I went to MLC with Lincoln to have our poster judged. The waiting took almost half of the day! But the judges there are very kind. It

was a very unforgettable experience.

By Lea 6C



#### **SCIENCE TALENT SEARCH**

This year's Science Talent Search topic was about Powering Future Industries. My brother,

Leven (4A), and I got interested in this topic so we decided to do a picture story book together.

The topic that we did was "The Factory that Managed Itself". We did this topic because we thought it would be really cool to write about a factory that managed itself. We learnt that in order to work well together, we have to listen to each other's opinion and tell each other if we change plans. We also learnt a lot of science facts. We both had a really great experience. I hope we can do it again in the future.

By Yubi 6C



#### YEAR 5 JUDGING DAY AT THE SCIENCE TALENT SEARCH

This year the Year 5 students entered the Science Talent Search competition. Five students, Max N, Anastasia, Jaiyana, Ibrahim and myself, travelled to Methodist Ladies College (MLC) on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August to represent the whole year level. It was a great experience and it was really exciting. Our project was about car emissions and how much pollution is around Donburn Primary School.

Before we entered the room it was really nerve wracking waiting in the waiting room but afterwards it turned out that the judges were really nice. Make sure to never keep your car on when it doesn't need to be and always try your best to **stop** air pollution!!! Try walking to school more often.

Also a huge thanks to Ms. Walker, Mrs Tobler and Miss Tseregounis who entered us as a year level and organised a lot of other things for our project.

# By Dihain 5B



At the Judging Day on Saturday, 5th August.

#### **ROTARY CLUB PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST**

On the 2nd of August, Aleena (5B) and I were honoured to represent Donburn at the Rotary Club Public Speaking Contest. Each year, the Rotary Club of Manningham and Templestowe puts together a speech contest for Year 5 and 6 students from schools around the area. We got to experience a once in a lifetime opportunity and we had an amazing time. I presented a speech about the ANZACs and why we must remember our brave soldiers and Aleena spoke about 'The Ocean' and the problems with pollution.

We learnt many things about public speaking and are ready to use them in the future. Aleena and I both did a great job, and we grateful for all the support from our teachers who helped us reach our best. We had Miss Wightman, Miss Hartman-Smith, Mr Ryan and Mrs Tobler there supporting us on the night. Unfortunately, we didn't win but it was only Donburn's second year participating in the event. Third time's always a charm, right? We will crush it next time. Go Donburn!

Aadya 6C





#### **eSMART NEWS**

In a growing digital world, we value the importance of being safe and respectful online. Through eSmart units of work we are developing our students' understanding of what it means to be a positive digital citizen.

Below is a link to the **eSafety Guide** from the eSafety Commissioner. It is a resource developed to support parents in learning about the latest games, apps and social media sites including how to protect your family's information and report harmful content.

The eSafety Guide: <a href="https://www.esafety.gov.au/key-issues/esafety-guide">https://www.esafety.gov.au/key-issues/esafety-guide</a>





#### **DONCARE DONATIONS**

The EarlyAct committee would like to thank all the families that donated to the Doncare food appeal. The volunteers at Doncare were very appreciative for the massive amount of food that we donated. The food will go into the Doncare food pantry and people and families in our local Doncaster area will be able to go there and collect food packages. For more information about Doncare please visit <a href="https://doncare.org.au/">https://doncare.org.au/</a>.

The picture shows just 1 of 5 trolly loads donated.

Thank you all again for being so generous.

Donburn EarlyAct Committee.



# That's































# FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Tickets \$8 Per Adult/Child

Thursday, 31 August 7.30 – 8.45am

Order via the Canteen Module on Compass

Donburn Primary's Father's Day Breakfast

will be held in the hall or on the school oval, weather dependant

#### Menu:

Option 1 -Cereal

Option 2 - Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt

Option 3 - Croissants/Pastries

Optional Extra – Tea, Coffee or Hot Chocolate from Coffee Van - \$5

Bookings now open via Compass: (book through Canteen Module)

(Orders close Thursday, 24 August at 3pm. For catering purposes - no late orders

accepted) Any queries, please contact the Office on 9841 8099

\*\*Please note that this is a regular school day and children must be accompanied by an adult until 8.45am

\*\*This event is a Fundraiser and there will be no Father's Day stall



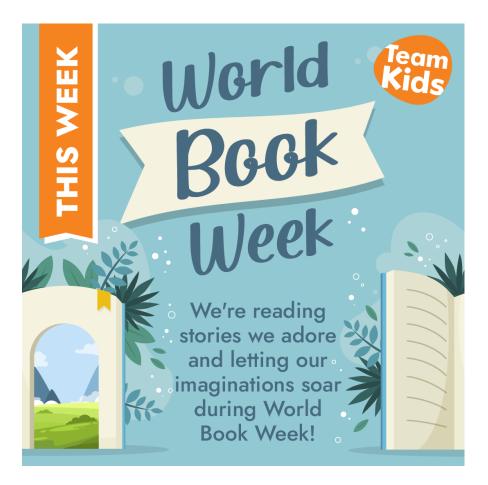


Did you know that you could be making great savings on your Before, After & School Holiday Care? CCS can now cover up to 90% of your childcare costs, depending on your combined annual income, covering incomes of up to \$530,000! Getting assessed is **EASY**. Simply follow a few simple steps and you could be making great savings. So, families will be getting cheaper care and more families will have access to TeamKids! Now even more children will enjoy our epic clubs, events, fun zones, yummy food, friendly Educators and more!

A link to download a fact sheet detailing the changes: <a href="https://www.education.gov.au/child-care-subsidy-campaign/resources/changes-child-care-subsidy">https://changes-child-care-subsidy</a>
A link to the Child Care Subsidy Calculator: <a href="https://www.startingblocks.gov.au/child-care-subsidy-calculator">https://www.startingblocks.gov.au/child-care-subsidy-calculator</a>

Are you ready to dive into the magical world of books?
At TeamKids, we're reading stories we adore and letting our imaginations soar during World Book Week!
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#### IMPORTANT CONTACTS TO KEEP HANDY

Kids Help kidshelpline.com.au phone 1800 55 1800

Parent Line betterhealth.vic.gov.au phone 13 22 89

Headspace headspace.org.au phone 1800 650 890

eSafety Commissioner - esafety.gov.au - Advice for parents and carers to help

children have safe experiences online

The Fathering Project - www.thefatheringproject.org - for some fun activities