



Donburn Primary School

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 holidays are beginning on Friday 17 September. I hope everyone has a chance to recharge and relax during this two week period. Term 4 will start on Monday 4 October. In this newsletter there are some ideas from the Fathering Project of fun activities to do at home over the holidays plus a family friendly Trivia Night on Wednesday 22 September.

Thank you to all the parents and students who participated in the forums over the past 2 weeks for the School Review. The last day of the School Review is scheduled for Thursday 7 October and will again be online. We have been busy at school with virtual tours for the reviewer, Di Matheson. This gave her an opportunity to see the classrooms and the students' work. The review panel observed some WebEx classes this week and were impressed with the engagement of the students and quality of the teaching. They acknowledged the strong relationships the class teachers have with their students.

In these strange times with children spending so much time on line it is important that parents monitor their conversations on social media. There have been a number of incidents of children saying inappropriate things to their peers which has been upsetting. Please read the eSmart information in this issue with safety and courtesy guidelines.

There has been a lot of building activity in the administration area of the school. We received a grant last year for refurbishing the staff toilet amenities, sickbay and staffroom. This should be completed early Term 4.

Amy Thompson will commence Family Leave next term. Welcome to Annabell Dransfield who will be taking over from Amy on Mondays and Tuesdays. Brian Whitehouse will teach the Year 1 students on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays throughout Term 4. Amy and Annabell will both be teaching Year 1 on Monday 4 October to enable a smooth transition for all the students. I wish Amy all the best and look forward to hearing her exciting news.

I think we are all looking forward to hearing the roadmap out of lockdown the Premier will be announcing on Sunday. Hopefully this will give us information about when the students will return to school! We are all looking forward to their return!

Please take care and keep safe over the holiday period.

Kind regards

Julie

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Frid 17 Sep - Last day of Term 3

TERM 4

Mon 4 Oct - First day of Term 4 (please have your school hats ready)

Thur 7 Oct - Year 1 Mont De Lancey Excursion ([on COMPASS](#))

Frid 15 Oct - Curriculum Day (no students on this day)

Mon 25 Oct - Book Week 'Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds'

Thu 11 Nov - Graduation Photos taken

Tue 14 Nov - Graduation for 2021 Year 6s

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



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

School Holidays start	Saturday, 18 September
Term 4 starts	Monday, 4 October (11 weeks)
Curriculum Day	Friday 15 October
Public Holiday	Tuesday, 2 November
School Holidays start	Saturday, 18 December

Hi all,
Last week was National eSmart Week for 2021!
This year the National eSmart theme was **'Responsible Action.'**

By taking responsible action, we can demonstrate how we all can keep kids safe online and offline.

There is always lots to learn with cyber safety and online awareness, especially during this period of Remote Learning where we are all having extended screen time and continually learning new online things.

Here are the top three tips given last week: All of these are valuable and worth discussing with your children.



There is some valuable information available for parents and care givers located on the eSmart portal: The one featured below is on online workshop/webinar:

Parenting in the Digital World:

a popular workshop for parents of primary and secondary students.

Parenting in the Digital World (primary school parents) presented via Zoom (Wednesday 27 October 2021 8:00 PM)

How do I register for a PD session?

Parents can register for their sessions through the following link:

esmart.page.link/zoom or <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82053440046>

Parents are able to join the Zoom meeting via either the short URL above, the longer full Zoom link or by entering the meeting ID 820 5344 0046 for either session at 12.00pm or 8.00pm AEST. There is NO charge for this event!



FOUNDATION SHOW THEIR TALENTS



Ezekiel:

"This is my pet shell, Unagi. He goes fishing in his boathouse which I also built for the Lego contest. It really floats!"

Iris:

I really enjoyed making a pet rock in my remote learning class. This is my pet rock and her house. Oops! The door is too small haha. Her name is Clock Rock because her hair is like a bird clock.



Daniel:

I missed my friends and Miss Kiel a lot in Term 3, but I tried to make the most of it by keeping active. The step challenge, making a pet rock named Tommy Tiger, footy drills every day and Book Week were some of my favourite things.

Eva:

"I got this task as school homework but I loved it so much that I started painting all the rocks in my garden. And now I am planning to make a fairy garden from these rocks. I think fairies are going to love my Aboriginal art."



FOUNDATION SHOW THEIR TALENTS



Kip:

"I surprised mum by counting by twos. She didn't know I could do that."



Ada:

"I love reading Green Eggs and Ham, that's my favourite book. The characters are funny! The best thing being online is seeing Miss Veis and my friends!"



Ethan:

"I love reading outside because I can run around at the same time".



Alex:

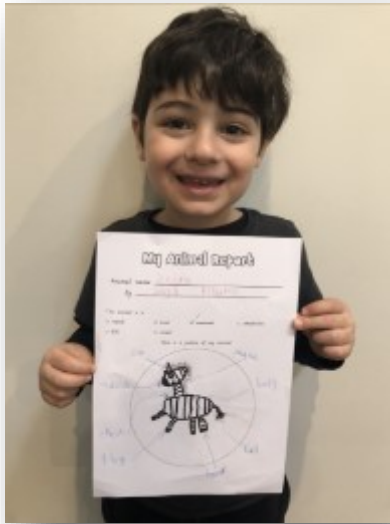
"I liked using my transformers and my matchbox cars for Maths".



Kevin:

"It was a very creative activity and I loved making the pet rock and his home."

FOUNDATION SHOW THEIR TALENTS



Zayd:

Zayd loved working on his Zebra animal report.

He liked working on a different page every day for a week and learnt so much about his favourite animal.

His favourite fact was that they can run up to 65km/h like a car.



Daniel



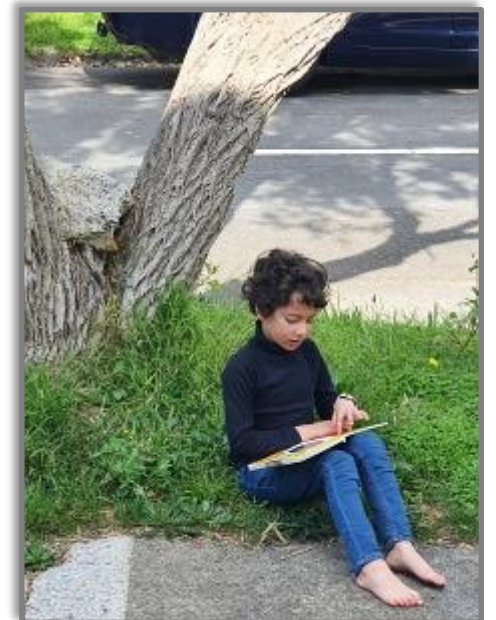
Norah:

I enjoy the PE and movement class because I like to move it move it.



Yasin:

I felt comfy and relaxed under the shade of the tree.



Cynthia:

"I loved pretending to be a teacher with glasses. I was teaching my friend Teddy about water safety."

YEAR 1 VIRTUAL INCURSION - A TOY BOX TALE

In our Year 1 virtual incursion, I learnt that some toys from the past are the same and some are different to the ones we play with today. It was interesting to find out how an old camera works. **Caleb 1WT**



On the 9th of September, during online learning, I participated in a virtual incursion called 'A Toybox Tale'. I learnt about toys in the past and what they looked like. It was interesting to learn about toys in the past because I had never seen any of those toys before. **Sierra 1WT**

During our Year 1 virtual incursion I learnt that a long time ago children played with a fluffy ball made from Possum skin called a Marn Grook. I really enjoyed seeing the doll with the rainbow stripe because I love rainbows. **Ava 1WT**

On the 9th of September, during online learning, I participated in a virtual incursion called 'A Toybox Tale'. I really enjoyed hearing about all of the olden day things. It was interesting to learning about Barbie dolls from a long time ago. **Pia 1WT**

On the 9th of September, during online learning, I participated in a virtual incursion called 'A Toybox Tale'. I really enjoyed listening to Simone because she explained about toys from different periods. It was interesting because I learnt that toys were made with different materials as time went by. **Nick 1WT**

I really enjoyed the excursion because the presenter was great and funny. I learnt that the Marn Grook was an Indigenous football game. A toy I would put in the treasure box is my diary because I could tell my future generations about my life. **Victor 1G**

I learnt that a box camera needed special paper to go with it, in order to print out the picture. It was interesting that people played with toy soldiers to remember the people who fought in the war. A toy I would put in the toy box is a small cat. **Lancy 1G**

I learnt that the toys can be different. It was interesting when they showed us a book from a long time ago as the writing was small and the pictures were in black and white. I would put my soft toy octopus in my toy box. **Kayla 1G**



YEAR 1 VIRTUAL INCURSION - A TOY BOX TALE

On the 9th of September, during online learning, I participated in a virtual incursion called 'A Toybox Tale'.

It was interesting because I have never seen a camera you can wear on your belly. A toy I would put in my toy box is my table vacuum because when my grandparents were young they didn't have toys with batteries. **Claire 1G**



I really enjoyed learning about toys in the past as I can compare toys in the present day. I learnt that Barbie dolls were even around in the 1980s but the fashion was different. It was interesting to know that the Marn Grook was made from possum fur and filled with grass or charcoal. A toy I would put in the toy box is my Lego Technic Serina GTR because I want my next generations to know how the Lego in my time looks like. **Zhe Yi 1G**

I really enjoyed learning about the olden day toys. I learnt that the Marn Grook is made of possum fur. It was interesting to know that they had Barbie dolls in the olden days. A toy I would put in my toy box is my Poppit toy. **Ella 1G**

I really enjoyed the presenter show us the Barbie because I have tons of Barbies and I love them very much. It was interesting that the rainbow book was a children's and adult's book. A toy I would put in my toy box is my unicorn plushie because when I was little I loved unicorns, even now. I am sure that lots of children love unicorns too and they like to sleep with them. **Sophia 1G**

I really enjoyed the toy soldiers made of lead and the box camera was empty and that it required film. I learnt that in the olden days Indigenous children made balls of possum fur. It was interesting that in the olden days there wasn't much colour on toys and screens. A toy I would put in my toy box is a Pengie number 2 because he is so fluffy and cute. **David 1G**

I learnt that the Indigenous toy Marn Grook was made of possum fur that was filled with grass or charcoal. Toys I would put in my toy box are any toys I no longer play with. **Dima 1G**

I really enjoyed learning about the dolls because I love dolls. I learnt that Indigenous children made balls out of possum fur. It was interesting that in the olden days only one video game could be played but today we have lots to choose from. A toy I would put in my toy box is a Squishmallow because it is squishy and snuggly. **Alyssa R**

I really enjoyed learning about the possum ball. I learnt that you held the Box Brownie Camera on your tummy to take a picture. A toy I would put in my toy box is my purse. **Emma 1G**

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On the 9th September during online learning I participated in a virtual excursion called 'A Toy Box Tale'. I really enjoyed the olden days Barbie. I learnt that the Barbie was made in 1980. I would put the toy Barbie in my Barbie caravan. **Keira 1G**

I really enjoyed the part of the story that Ella made the doll for Hannah's grandma. I learnt that the Indigenous people made a football out of possum fur filled with dry grass and charcoal. This toy was called a Marn Grook. **Alyssa T 1G**



I really enjoyed looking at all the toys from the past and the present. I learnt that different toys are made of different materials. A toy I would put in the toy box is my Lego. **Alfred 1G**

On the 9th of September during online learning, I participated in a virtual excursion called A Toy Box Tale. I really enjoyed the paper doll! I learnt that things were different in those days. A thing I would put in my toy box is a book I love to read. **Emily 1B**

On the 9th of September during online learning, I participated in a virtual excursion called A Toy Box Tale. I really enjoyed asking questions. I learnt that Melbourne had the biggest book arcade. It was interesting that there were paper dolls. A toy I would put in the box is my joke book. **Hannah 1B**

On the 9th of September during online learning, I participated in a virtual excursion called A Toy Box Tale. I really enjoyed listening to the story. I learnt that a Man Grook ball is made from possum fur. It was interesting that there was a box that looked like a treasure chest, it had a lot of toys in it. A toy I would put in the toy box is my cute teddy bear that squeaks. **Benjamin 1B**

On the 9th of September during online learning, I participated in a virtual excursion called A Toy Box Tale. I really enjoyed guessing the toys. I learnt that the toy soldiers were made out of metal. It was interesting when I saw my friends. I would put a cube in my toy box. **Hudson 1B**

On the 9th of September during online learning, I participated in a virtual excursion called A Toy Box Tale. I really enjoyed learning about the toys in the past. I learnt about all different kinds of toys. It was interesting to learn that some toys were made out of metal and gold. What I would put in the toy box is my toy car. **Arjun 1B**

YEAR 1 VIRTUAL INCURSION - A TOY BOX TALE

On the 9th of September during online learning, I participated in a virtual excursion called A Toy Box Tale. I really enjoyed learning about the book. I learnt that the past is the best. A toy I would put in the box is a football.

Abdullah 1B

On the 9th of September during online learning, I participated in a virtual excursion called A Toy Box Tale. I really enjoyed the Barbie doll. I learnt that the camera from the past is different. It was interesting because I learnt about towns with gold. **Dayyaan 1B**

On the 9th of September during online learning, I participated in a virtual excursion called A Toy Box Tale. I really enjoyed listening to the story. I learnt about so many toys. It was interesting to learn that the soldier was made of metal. The item I would put in the toy box is a drawing. **Rhosyn 1B**

On the 9th of September during online learning, I participated in a virtual excursion called A Toy Box Tale. I really enjoyed looking at the book store and the books from the past. I learnt that they had huge cameras to take pictures with, not phones. It was interesting when we looked at skipping ropes made out of rope and wood. A toy I would put in the toy box is one of my hot wheels cars. **Lucas 1B**

On the 9th of September during online learning, I participated in a virtual excursion called A Toy Box Tale. I really enjoyed the excursion because I had a chance to look at all the toys from 1885 to the present. I learnt about the evolution of toys. In the olden days, toys were usually made from wood, rope and fabric. Now toys are made from plastic and they sometimes need batteries and electricity to run. It was interesting to know that the ball used by traditional indigenous people was made of possum fur. A toy I would put in the box is a skipping rope because I love skipping. **Edric 1B**

On the 9th of September during online learning, I participated in a virtual excursion called a Toy Box Tale. I really enjoyed seeing the camera that you hold at your belly button. I learnt that in the past Barbie's hair was only blonde. It was interesting that you can dress paper dolls with paper clothes. An object I would put in the toy box is special bracelets. **Tahlia 1B.**



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