



Donburn Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Last Friday we had our last day of Foundation Transition. The students came on site for the first time. It was so impressive to see them all confidently come into the school, say good-bye to their parents at the front door and meet their teachers for next year. A real credit to their parents and their kindergartens. The students have been very well prepared. When I went to observe them in their class groups they were very engaged in the activities the Foundation teachers Ellen Kiel, Abigail Koh and Meika Hubble presented to them. They are a delightful group.

Over the past few weeks the Year 5 & 6 students have been very excitedly filming iThrone37. Grant Puglia and Andrea Perrin have finished filming the production. And Grant has been tirelessly editing and completing the process. We are all looking forward to seeing the final cut. It will soon be available on Vimeo.

As we mentioned in our previous newsletter, Team Kids will be the Out of School Hours provider for 2022. They will have a parent information evening on Thursday 2 December at 6.30 pm on Zoom. The details were sent out to all families yesterday on Compass.

Thank you to all parents for being vigilant with Covid testing their children even when they have minimal symptoms and sending through the results. It is a difficult time for all and I really appreciate the respect parents show; using the QR code & showing their vaccination status, only coming into the school when necessary, wearing masks and social distancing.

Don't forget to order your books & stationery from Campion on <https://order.campion.com.au/index.html#resourceListListView?code=44F94614> by 10 December to access the free delivery option! Thank you.

Kind regards

Julie

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



- Friday 10 Dec - Booklist orders due
- Tuesday 14 Dec - Graduation for Year 6 2021
- Thursday 16 Dec - Last Day of Term. Finish at 3:30pm
- Friday 17 Dec - Pupil Free Day –no students on this day
- Friday 17 Dec - Last day Compass student reports can be accessed for Year 6 students and students leaving Donburn.



2022

- Monday 31 Jan - First day of Term 1 (please have your school hats)
- Thursday 3 Feb - 2022 Foundation students first day of school

BOOKS AND STATIONERY ORDERS FOR 2022

BOOKLIST ORDERS DUE FRIDAY 10 DECEMBER. Last day for free home delivery.

Please check COMPASS for details.



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 1 2022	Students: Monday, 31 January 2022	Friday, 8 April 2022	10 weeks
School Holidays	Saturday, 9 April 2022	Monday, 25 April 2022	
Term 2	Tuesday, 26 April 2022	Friday, 24 June 2022	9 weeks
School Holidays	Saturday, 25 June 2022	Sunday, 10 July 2022	
Term 3	Monday, 11 July 2022	Friday, 16 September 2022	10 weeks
School Holidays	Saturday, 17 September 2022	Sunday, 2 October 2022	
Term 4	Monday, 3 October 2022	Tuesday, 20 December 2022	11 weeks
2022/2023 School Holidays	Wednesday, 21 December 2022	Sunday, 29 January 2023	

THE 2HM CHICKS WONDERLAND!

2HM have had great excitement over the last few weeks. The reason is that 15 eggs arrived with an incubator to our classroom. We were all thrilled and curious to see what would happen next. Linda, from Henny Penny, set up the incubator to keep the chick eggs warm, at a constant temperature, so the eggs could hatch safely. She also set up a mini enclosure so when the chicks had hatched and dried out, they had a safe place to grow and play.

Watching the chicks hatch out of their eggs was exciting and fascinating. The first chick hatched during our maths lesson. Everyone crowded around the incubator to see the chick peck its way out. The class was so excited to see it emerge from its shell. Quickly after, another egg started moving and another chicken appeared. They needed to stay in the incubator until their feathers dried and they started to become fluffy. When the chicks went into the enclosure they loved to sleep under the heat lamp because it kept them warm and cosy. They loved to huddle together. It was so much fun watching them running around and playing together. There were chicks that were yellow, brown and golden. Some of the names we gave them were, Fluffy, Barbeque, Burger and Sausage. 2HMs favourite part of their day was when they could hold the chicks and let them run around on the floor.

2HM laughed if the chicks did a little accident on them!



Baby Chicks

On November 8th, at Donburn Primary School, the Year 2 classrooms got chicken eggs! They were delivered by the company Henny Penny Hatching.

The chicks came with an incubator and an enclosure. The incubator had 12 eggs inside. The enclosure had three baby chicks already inside. They were delivered so students could watch the eggs hatch to help with our Science unit *Watch it Grow*. The first stage was hatching, and the next stage was the chickens growing feathers.

“I liked holding them,” said Elise in 2TW. “I was surprised by how fast they grew up,” said Alice in 2TW.



EGGCITING ADVENTURE

At Donburn Primary School, Year 2 had chicken eggs in their classroom to hatch. The eggs arrived on November 8. The Year 2 students had chicks because they were learning about how things grow. The chicks were bought to the school by Linda from Henny Penny Hatching. Each day of the first week the students expected to see 3 eggs hatch. Unfortunately some of the chicks hatched at night but it was a surprise for the students to see them in the incubator in the morning. The first egg that hatched just before the bell on 9 November. Ella said, "It was so fun to see the eggs hatch because they did a lot to get themselves out of the eggs. The chicks were very cute." By the end of the week all the eggs had hatched. The bad news was that the last egg in Mr. Terry-Whyte's room did not hatch. The students in 2P named their chicks. The names included Fudgy, Lucky, Sir Cracks a Lot and Midnight although it was very difficult to tell some of the chicks apart.

The chicks grew very fast and 2P had a lot of fun with them. When the students tapped on the glass of the pen, the chicks would come up to investigate. The students were able to hold the chicks and cleaning up the poop, taught them about being responsible pet owners. Madison said, "The chicks were really cute and fun to play with. They also pecked a lot." At the end of the 2 weeks, Linda returned to collect the chicks and take them to a farm. Saga described it as, "The best 2 weeks of the term."

Reporters: Students of 2P



YEAR 1 EXCURSION TO MONT DE LANCEY

On Thursday 18th November Year 1 students stepped back in time at Mont De Lancey Homestead in Wandin.

First, we looked at different olden day things such as the Blacksmith, the Woodturner, the old house, the 150 year old Chapel and fire bell. We also learnt about shearing sheep and how people lived without electricity. We saw how people dealt with flies many years ago.

After lunch, we split back into our groups and rotated through four different activities. They were; attending a school from 150 years ago, playing with olden day toys like billy carts, quoits, tug-o-war, stilts, hula hoops and sack races. We helped to make our own rope and we got to use it for skipping. We made 'peg people' and lavender bags. They smelt very nice!

Finally, we caught the bus back to Donburn, it was a great day!



My favourite part of the day was the billy carts. - **Jimmy, Jarrett, Valeria 1WT**

My favourite part of the day was playing tug-o-war. - **Nick, Caleb, Raadin 1WT.**



YEAR 1 EXCURSION TO MONT DE LANCEY



My favourite part of the day was making lavender bags.- **Jacob, Kate 1WT**

My favourite part of the day was the olden day school. - **Karen, Ayden, Jordan, Pia, Sierra, Mila, Dia, Reyansh 1WT.**



MATHS OLYMPIAD AND MATHS GAMES

This year students from Years 5 and 6 have competed in Maths Olympiad while the Year 3 and 4 students competed in Maths Games. Australasian Problem Solving Mathematical Olympiads has been operating since 1987 and is open to schools all over Australia, New Zealand and other neighboring countries.

The competitions consist of five separate contests held approximately six weeks apart between March and September. The overall aim is to encourage students to develop important mathematical problem solving skills in an enjoyable, non threatening environment. Although the students in Maths Olympiad are competing against other members of their class and teams from other schools, they are primarily competing against themselves to improve their problem solving skills.

This year the Maths Olympiad Team should be very proud of their efforts, coming within the top 25% of schools that participated. This is a wonderful achievement during what has been another challenging year. It was also wonderful to see the improvements the Maths Games students made throughout the competition.

By Kris Pepper



Top performing students in this years Olympiad. Congratulations to Chloe for being the top performing student at the school.

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