# THE DONBURNIAN



**Donburn Primary School** 

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

Jarod Ryan, Jess Bullen and I have been around to all the classes this week to welcome the students back to Term 2. It was very apparent that all the students are refreshed and happy to be back at school. We were also very impressed to see all the students engaged and focused on their learning.

This term in preparation for our school review in Term 3 we will be writing our Pre-Review Self-Evaluation (PRSE). This process will include collecting and analysing data from a range of sources. We will also be surveying parents and students to identify enablers that have aided our success and barriers that may have prevented success over the past 3 year.

Staff will work on the PRSE on the pupil free day on Friday 30 April 2021.

There was much excitement with the students who all enjoyed the Easter Bonnet Parade on the last day of last term. It was great seeing all their different bonnets and thank you to all the parents who attended this event. Thank you to Camp Australia for providing the coffee van! There is a report from the Junior School Council about this event in this edition of the newsletter.

Congratulations to the Year 6 students for raising \$1382.00 with the Easter raffle. This money will go towards their graduation. Thank you to the Year 6 families for their generous donations of Easter Eggs for the raffle prizes.

Also congratulations to the Parents and Friends, led by Lisa Abbey and her team for the successful Chomp'n'Chew at the end of last term which raised \$1622.00.

This term will be a very busy time for all with NAPLAN for Years 3 & 5 in May, camps for the Years 3 & 4 to Camp Manyung and Years 5 & 6 to Camp Weekaway. Information about the camps will be sent out over the next few weeks.

Kind regards

Julie

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Mon 26 Apr - Second Hand Uniform Sale 2:30 pm

Tues 27 Apr - House Cross Country Yrs 3-6 (COMPASS consent required)

Wed 28 Apr - Yr 5/6 Selected Girls Footy (COMPASS consent required)

Fri 30 Apr - Student free day (no students at school)

Tues 11 May - NAPLAN - Yrs 3 and 5 (11 May - 21 May)

Thur 27 May - Yr 5/6 Winter Sport

Mon 31 May - Years 1/2 Swimming Program (31 May - 11 June)

Mon 14 Jun - Public Holiday

Tues 15 Jun - Yr 5/6 Camp Weekaway (15 June - 18 June)

Wed 28 Jun - Yr 3/4 Camp Manyung (23 June - 25 June)



Holidays, Pupil Free and Term Dates	
Donburn Pupil Free Day	Friday 30 April
Public Holiday	Monday 14 June
School Holidays start	Saturday, 26 June
Term 3 starts	Monday, 12 July (10 weeks)
School Holidays start	Saturday, 18 September
Term 4 starts	Monday, 4 October (11 weeks)
School Holidays start	Saturday, 18 December

#### SCHOOL CODE OF CONDUCT - CHILD SAFETY



# SCHOOL CODE OF CONDUCT - CHILD SAFETY

Donburn Primary School is committed to the safety and wellbeing of children and young people. Our school community recognises the importance of, and a responsibility for, ensuring our school is a safe, supportive and enriching environment which respects and fosters the dignity and self-esteem of children and young people, and enables them to thrive in their learning and development.

This Code of Conduct aims to protect children and reduce any opportunities for child abuse or harm to occur. It also assists in understanding how to avoid or better manage risky behaviours and situations. It is intended to complement child protection legislation, Department policy, school policies and procedures and professional standards, codes or ethics as these apply to staff and other personnel.

The Principal and school leaders of Donburn Primary School will support implementation and monitoring of the following child safe Code of Conduct, and will plan, implement and monitor arrangements to provide inclusive, safe and orderly schools and other learning environments. The Principal and school leaders of Donburn Primary School will also provide information and support to enable the child safe Code of Conduct to operate effectively.

All staff, contractors, volunteers and any other members of the school community involved in child-related work are required to have a current <u>Working with Children's Check</u> before commencing.

All staff, contractors, volunteers and any other member of the school community involved in child-related work are required to comply with the Code of Conduct by observing the expectations for appropriate behaviour below. The Code of Conduct applies in all school situations, including school camps and in the use of digital technology and social media.

#### 1. Code of Conduct:

#### 1.1. Acceptable Behaviours

Staff, volunteers, contractors, and any other member of the school community involved in child-related work <u>individually</u>, are responsible for supporting and promoting the safety of children by:

- Upholding the school's statement of commitment to child safety at all times.
- Treating students and families in the school community with respect both within the school environment and outside the school environment as part of normal social and community activities.

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- Listening and responding to the views and concerns of students, particularly if they
  are telling you that they or another child has been abused or that they are worried
  about their safety / the safety of another child.
- Promoting the cultural safety, participation and empowerment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.
- Promoting the cultural safety, participation and empowerment of students with culturally and /or linguistically diverse backgrounds.
- Promoting the safety, participation and empowerment of students with a disability.
- Reporting any allegations of child abuse or other child safety concerns to the school's leadership and then following Mandatory Reporting procedures. (Follow reporting process detailed in: Child Protection – Reporting obligations Policy: http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/safety/Pages/childprotection.aspx )
- Understanding and complying with all reporting or disclosure obligations (including mandatory reporting) as they relate to protecting children from harm or abuse.
- If child abuse is suspected, ensuring as quickly as possible that the student(s) are safe and protected from harm.

#### 1.2. Unacceptable Behaviours

Staff, volunteers, contractors, and any other member of the school community involved in child-related work **must not**:

- Ignore or disregard any concerns, suspicions or disclosures of child abuse. (See forming reasonable belief & indicators of harm: Child Protection – Reporting obligations Policy:
  - http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/safety/Pages/childprotection.aspx )
- Develop a relationship with any student that could be seen as favouritism or amount to 'grooming' behaviour (for example, offering gifts).
- Exhibit behaviours or engage in activities with students which may be interpreted as abusive and not justified by the educational, therapeutic, or service delivery context.
- Ignore behaviours by other adults towards students when they appear to be overly familiar or inappropriate.
- Discuss content of an intimate nature or use sexual innuendo with students, except where it occurs relevantly in the context of parental guidance, delivering the education curriculum or a therapeutic setting.
- Treat a child unfavourably because of their disability, age, gender, race, culture, vulnerability, sexuality or ethnicity.

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- Communicate directly with a student through personal or private contact channels (including by social media, email, instant messaging, texting etc.) except where that communication is reasonable in all the circumstances, related to school work or extra-curricular activities or where there is a safety concern or other urgent matter.
- Photograph or video a child in a school environment except in accordance with school policy or where required for duty of care purposes.<sup>1</sup>
- In the school environment or at other school events where students are present, consume alcohol contrary to school policy<sup>2</sup> or take illicit drugs under any circumstances.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> SPAG: <a href="http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/safety/pages/photoandfilm.aspx">http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/safety/pages/photoandfilm.aspx</a>. The policy says the school should get consent before taking and publishing photos of a student. This applies every time a photo is taken. The same policy applies for excursions and school activities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> SPAG: http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/safety/pages/alcohol.aspx. The policy says the school must obtain school council approval before alcohol can be consumed on school grounds or at a school activity. The policy says staff members should not consume alcohol during camps and excursions. It is silent on whether they can consume alcohol at other school events where students are present, this is a matter that the school needs to decide upon – draft text is provided in the guidance fact sheet

# **PROTECT**

# Everyone has the right to be safe and be protected from abuse.

No one should behave in a way that makes you feel unsafe or afraid, including anyone in your family, anyone at school or anywhere else in the community.

Tell a teacher or any adult at your school if you feel unsafe.





# It's everyone's responsibility.

Adults at school must listen and respond to concerns about child abuse.

If you suspect abuse of any child or young person, you have a responsibility to report it, even if you are not sure.

Further information & resources www.education.vic.gov.au/protect











#### **EASTER BONNET PARADE**

On the 1st of April 2021, out the front of the school, we had the annual Donburn Easter Bonnet Parade. It was tons of fun for everyone because each class got to parade the hats that they had made and win prizes for the best creations too. The sun shone on the parents who came to watch and cheer the students on and there was fun music to get each class moving. Everybody who won a chocolate bunny was very happy! It was a very fun day!



Oscar - Year 6

On the final day of Term 1, the Donburn Year 6 students held an Easter raffle in order to raise money for the Year 6 Graduation Ceremony. My fellow classmates spared their time every day to go and collect money in exchange for raffle tickets. Mr Dickins estimated the total amount of money raised as roughly \$1500. As a reference one ticket was one dollar, meaning there were 1500 raffle tickets bought in order to fund our graduation ceremony, an average of \$3.75 was spent by every Donburn student. We cannot be more

grateful to the students and we treasure your efforts down to the last cent.

Evan Z - Year 6









# YEAR 6 CINQUAIN POEMS

#### **CLASSROOM**

Creativity, funny
Working, playing, learning
Working together as friends
School
By Devanshi B

#### **SCHOOL**

Humorous, Kindness
Learning, Playful, Loving
Having lots of fun.
Classroom
By Avni K

#### Soccer

Healthy, strong
Kick, running, tackle
Kick ball into goal
Football
By Joey C

#### Ocean

Cool wet
Water salty drenched
Diving under the waves
Swimming
By James V

### SCIENCE TALENT SEARCH - FOOD: DIFFERENT BY DESIGN

Dear Students, Parents and Carers

You are invited to participate in the Science Talent Search for 2021! The theme for this year is 'Food: Different by Design.'

The website for the Science Talent Search is:

## http://www.sciencevictoria.com.au/sts/

It is recommended that you download the STS handbook and refer to it to check important details.

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. There are a number of different categories in the competition and students should choose one of the following sections to focus on: Creative Writing; Posters/Scientific Wallcharts; Working Models; Inventions; Experimental Research; Videos; Games; Computer Programs or Science Photography. There are set topics for Creative Writing and Posters/Scientific Wallcharts sections only and further details can be found on the website. In past years, Donburn has had a number of winners of bursary awards and all students found it a very positive experience.

# **Important information:**

All registrations (on the form) must be submitted to me or to the Office by Friday 21 May. Once your registration form has been received, a payment will be raised on Compass in your child's name for the cost of the Science Talent Search. All payments must be made by Wednesday 26 May at the latest in order for us to have time to register students on the STS portal. The STS does not accept any late entries. Please note that entries do not have to be complete until July/August.

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There is a fee for entering the competition: Individual \$8 per entry. If students are working in a group (maximum of two students), the fee is \$15, and this cost will be split between the two students on Compass (so they will pay \$7.50 each.)

Donburn is only permitted to enter a certain number of entries based on our size. It is recommended that entry forms and money be submitted early please to be sure of a place. Entries will be submitted according to the date they were received.

In our experience, students that do well in the competition very closely follow the entry guidelines and we recommend reading these very carefully and adhering to all recommendations.

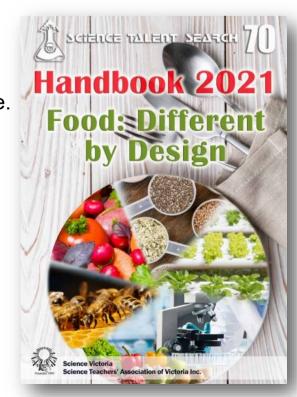
Experimental Research and Creative Writing categories: entries are due in on **Monday 12 July** (to us at school) and must be submitted electronically (for example on a USB.)

Models, Inventions, Computer Programs, Games, Photography, Posters and Video categories: Entries are taken to a Judging Day which students must attend and will be held on **Saturday 7 August** (morning). This takes place at a number of locations: MLC in Kew, Wesley College in Prahran, Auburn

South Primary School in Hawthorn or Parade College in Bundoora. Further information will follow closer to the date and more detailed information is given in the STS Handbook online.

Please come and see me if you have any questions. I am really looking forward to seeing all the wonderful innovations students come up with about 'Food: Different by Design.'

Ashleigh Walker - Year 5 Teacher/ Science Talent Search Co-ordinator



#### CHESS CLUB AT DONBURN ON TUESDAYS

My name is Hamzah and I play chess on Tuesday.

Chess Club at Donburn is amazing! We learn how to play chess, explore new tactics and the best part of all is that you learn from your mistakes. Chess Club is fun! Chess Club is every week on Tuesdays at lunch from 1:40 pm to 2:20 pm.

In my opinion as a Year 6 student, I think that Chess is outstanding. They will turn you from a beginner to an expert in just a blink of an eye!

We hope to see you at Chess Club. - By Hamzah

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# Daniel & Esha's Music School

Daniel & Esha's Music School is all about helping our students grow their love and passion for music.

We ensure that we will follow the Covid safe guidelines set by Donburn and by the Department of Education in our lessons.

Lessons are 30 minutes weekly and will cost \$30.

Students Full Name:

Students Class (e.g. 3K):

Which instrument they wish to learn:

Or if you'd like more information, please feel free to email us at any time.

Our email address is <a href="mailto:danieleshamusic@gmail.com">danieleshamusic@gmail.com</a>

Regards,

Daniel & Esha

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**MENDING AND ALTERATIONS** – Zips, hems, lengthening, shortening, taking-in or letting-out. Grandparents of Dean and Olivia, with over 50 years experience as a tailor and a dressmaker. Call Andrea on 9842 7860, East Doncaster.

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

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

**MINDFULNESS CLASSES FOR KIDS** to help kids balance stress, improve focus and concentration, reduce anxiety, decrease worry, help them cope with change and improve self-esteem. More details from Ryan (parent), info@minderly.com.au or 0488100255

**RHSPORTS Donburn** uniform items For School Donburn hats, you can order on-line and they will be shipped to you or free to the school. <u>www.rhsports.com.au</u> Shop 14/100 New Street Ringwood Ph: 039870 1377

MAT PILATES Wednesdays 5:30pm to 6:30pm at Ruffey Lake Park. Cost \$10 Call Mandy on 0409 568 221 to book!

**MANNINGHAM UNITING CHURCH PLAYGROUP** Playgroup spaces available now. Manningham Uniting Church in Templestowe. Address: 109 Wood Street Templestowe (access from carpark to hall) For children 0-5 years and their parents, grandparents and carers. Craft, painting, playdough, messy play, outdoor and indoor play all included each session. More details from Chris <u>playgroup@manninghamuc.org</u> or Claire 0410827597

**INDIVIDUAL EYELASH EXTENSIONS** Applied to each individual eyelash - No more mascara! Completely harmless to your natural lashes when applied correctly. Home based business in Donvale, professionally trained and qualified. Call Bec 0430 318 172.

**DONBURN BADMINTON** Thursday Mornings from 9:15am - 11am (a change of day and now for Dads and Mums) Come and join us at social badminton. Bring your friends. Get to know members of Donburn community. Great exercise, even better coffee. Call or text Allison (Raf and Asher's mum) 0400 984 288. Even if you've never tried, you can cheer us on. Kiddies and bubs welcome.

**MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS (MOPS)** Structured mother's group with crèche in Doncaster for mums of kids aged 0-6 years. Two Wednesday mornings per month during school term. Socialise, eat, learn, craft and RELAXI First session free for new mums -Call/text Donburn mum Margaret 0410 120 446 e: <a href="margin:mors@holvtrinitydoncaster.org.au">mors@holvtrinitydoncaster.org.au</a>.

#### IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS 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



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).