# 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

Welcome back to Term 3. We have a very busy term ahead with a School Review and Production as well as swimming programs for Foundation, Years 1 & 2, Year 5 & 6 Public speaking evening, Book Week and the Parents and Friends are organising a disco for the students and a group booking to the film Space Jam on Sunday 25 July.

The Year 5 & 6 students and the Year 3 & 4 students finished last term with their camps. The students had a fabulous time on the camps and a big thank you to the following for assisting on the camps.

The Year 5/6 camp to Camp Weekaway was led by Caitlin Wightman & Matt Dickins. Staff attending included: Petra Berglund, Meika Hubble, Julie-Anne Tseregounis, Abigail Koh, Grant Puglia, Alison Hazelman, Andrea Perrin and Bec Barker. The following parents also attended: Theo Diamond (Ella), Stephanie Peek (Melek), Belinda Loukidis (Isabella & Amelia), Kate Lee (Sihu), Sathya Pethaperumal (Shiva), Yousuf Mehboob (Musa) and Adrian Chippini (Tamika).

The Year 3/4 camp was to Camp Manyung and led by Robyn Fraser and Marina Redmile with the following staff, Jenny Ota, Sophie Hartman-Smith, Mark Whitehead, Samantha Johnstone, Ellen Kiel, Sally Pittendrigh-Smith and Shandell Henry. Thank you to the following parents for attending Brendan Renehan (Isaac), Simon Datsun (Harlan), Cathy Marani (Lily), Jovan Penjin (Emilija), Andrea Dennis (Anthony), Kirsten Fry (Hamish), Mariska Pothof (Jayden & Maddie), Hellieh Basirnia (Ava) and sister, Georgia Crowley (Jake).

I thank all the teachers and parents for attending the camp. It is a big commitment leaving families for 3-4 days and a huge responsibility. It takes a large number of people to make a camp possible for our students!

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The first day of the School Review is next Tuesday 20 July, this is an opportunity for the school community to consider the school's strategic plan for the previous four years and reflect on our successes and recognise areas for improvement to make plans for the next strategic plans. Our reviewer is Diana Matheson from Valad Solutions. Additional panel members include Mark Flack, our Senior Education Improvement Leader (North-Eastern Region), Wilma Culton (Principal Serpell Primary School), Trish Fahy, (PLC Regional Manager, Professional Practice and Leadership Division) and Sanober Arefeen (School Council President). There is information in this newsletter explaining the School Review process.

We have a pupil free day on Friday 23 July. The teachers will be working through the Cultural Understanding and Safety Training with Alice Young, Koorie Engagement Support Officer, Koorie Engagement Unit.

Kind regards

Julie

# DONBURN PRIMARY SCHOOL, SCHOOL REVIEW PROCESS

The school review model is designed to harness the effort each school community invests in evaluating the school's past and current performance through their pre-review self-evaluation (PRSE). The focus on the preparation that leads to an effective and collaborative school review. This includes professional learning for school leaders and reviewers, designed to facilitate capability building and collaborative interaction. It aims to promote review outcomes that are tailored to our school.

#### Purposeful professional learning

Leadership is key to school review. An effective review involves leaders who work collaboratively, understand the benefits of transparency to school improvement and have an awareness of how system-wide resources can be harnessed to accelerate practice change. Professional learning, emphasising the purpose of the school review model, is provided in the year of review to each school principal and their senior education improvement leader (SEIL). The opportunity for principals and SEILs to attend the professional learning together enhances the collaborative nature of the school review and promotes consistency in understanding of the review model and review roles, as well as its expectations and objectives.

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The professional learning program equips schools with the tools necessary for engagement before and during and the school review to generate high-value review outcomes. Professional learning is scheduled throughout the year and available during the term before the school's review commences.

All reviewers must attend professional learning, which is designed to ensure state-wide consistency in the facilitation and delivery of school reviews.

New reviewers participate in an intensive accreditation process to prepare them for their role. They are required to meet a range of assessment tasks to assist them in progressing from provisional accreditation to full accreditation to lead school reviews.

#### **Dates for Donburn Review**

#### Preparation Meeting 10 June

We are required to:

- Co-develop the Validation Day agenda
- Co-develop the Validation Day Classroom Observation Schedule for the observations and focus groups that will enable the panel to test and observe the schools practices with regard to student voice, agency, and leadership, curriculum content and teaching practice
- Finalise Validation Day participants (including students, SIT members) and their roles.
- Discuss coordination and logistical requirements for Validation Day including requirement to meet Protocols for Onsite School Reviews
- Confirm date that Final Report must be submitted (once we have confirmed the date for Final Day) and discuss timelines for estimated date for submission of review report to SEIL post-review, and for return of Principal/SEIL feedback
- Go through Minimum Standards

# Validation Day 20 July

All school reviews begin with a Validation Day. On Validation Day the School Review Panel examines and tests the evidence and analysis presented in the school's PRSE Report. The Panel's objective on Validation Day is to ensure the accuracy of the information in the PRSE Report. Panel members come to an agreed position on the school's performance against the goals and targets in the School Strategic Plan. This includes the school's placement on the Framework for Improving Student Outcomes (FISO) Continua with reference to the FISO dimensions, focusing on the six High-impact Improvement Initiatives.

The outcome of Validation Day is the Panel's agreement about the school review's duration, terms of reference (ToR) and methodology.

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## Fieldwork Day- 3 August

Each school review has a focus on the instructional core and understanding how the school's culture reinforces student engagement with learning. This is particularly obvious in the review's concentration on data and evidence collected through the pre-review self-evaluation (PRSE) and the review's fieldwork.

Data alone does not diagnose causes or guide strategies for improvement. The Panel brings its contextual knowledge and experience to the data. This assists in fully using and interpreting the data so that it reflects understandings of current practice. The PRSE Report and review fieldwork activities turn the data into insights. Schools can therefore make informed and practical choices about what to do next to accelerate improvement in student outcomes.

The terms of reference (ToR) focus questions are developed on Validation Day by the Panel. The Panel's intent is that the focus questions will clarify the school's improvement opportunities. The school review's fieldwork phase investigates the focus questions through activities determined in the ToR methodology, which is designed with reference to the school's context. Importantly, fieldwork is flexible as it responds to issues that emerge during the course of the review. An expansive approach to data collection and analysis offers the best opportunities for triangulation.

# Final Day- 10 August

The Panel reaches conclusions about improvement outcomes. These outcomes become the focus for the next School Strategic Plan through the Panel's recommendation of goals, targets and KIS. 'The school is the primary agent for change, and high quality internal evaluation processes are fundamental in developing strategic thinking and the capacity for ongoing improvement.' Goals, targets and KIS are arrived at collaboratively by the Panel following the SMART rubric – specific, measurable, achievable, realistic, and time-bound.

## **Donburn Primary Review Panel**

**Reviewer-** Diana Matheson

School Council President- Sanober Najamul Arefeen

**School Improvement Education Leader (SEIL)** – Mark Flack

Challenge Partners-

Wilma Culton (Serpell Primary School Principal)

Trish Fahy PLC (Professional Learning Community) Regional Manager Professional Practice and Leadership Division

Principal- Julie Hoskin

Assistant Principal- Jarod Ryan

Leading Teacher-Jess Bullen

Learning Specialist- Sue Fuller

Learning Specialist- Caitlin Wightman

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Thu 15 Jul - Years 5 / 6 Winter Sport Rnd 2 (on COMPASS)

- Years 5 / 6 Public Speaking evening

Wed 21 Jul - Parent / Teacher interviews (on COMPASS)

Thu 22 Jul - Parent / Teacher interviews (on COMPASS)

- The Resilience Project evening (on COMPASS)

Frid 23 Jul - Curriculum Day / Pupil Free Day

Sun 25 Jul - P & F Movie Event (on COMPASS)

Mond 26 Jul - Second hand uniform sale

Thur 29 Jul - Year 4 Scienceworks Excursion

Mon 9 Aug - Second hand uniform sale

Frid 13 Aug - P&F Disco

Mon 23 Aug - Year 2 Swim Program 23 Aug - 3 Sep (on COMPASS)

- Book Week starts

Mon 6 Sept - Foundation Swimming (6 Sep - 17 Sep)

Mon 13 Sep - Donburn Production. iThrone 37 (13 - 15 Sep)

Donburn Curriculum Day	Friday, 23 July
School Holidays start	Saturday, 18 September
Term 4 starts	Monday, 4 October (11 weeks)
Public Holiday	Tuesday, 2 November
School Holidays start	Saturday, 18 December

# **CAMPS SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS (CSEF) FUND**

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. There is also a special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families.

For a CSEF Application Form, go to https://www.donburn.vic.edu.au / Parent Information / Forms or we can apply for CSEF funding on your behalf. **CSEF has been extended to August 13.** 









# PARENTS INVITED TO THE RESILIENCE PROJECT THURS 22 JULY 6:30 pm - 8 pm

The Connected Parenting Workshop offers a valuable set of tools for parents aiming to raise children through positive connections and communication.

In this 90 minute workshop, Lael Stone will provide parents with:

- Guiding our children to become resilient adults.
- Practical strategies to build stronger connections with your children.
- Ideas to support your children when they are frustrated or going through challenging situations.
- Simple ways to create co-operation.
- Dealing with our own triggers as a parent.
- Understanding big emotions and feelings and assisting your kids in becoming emotionally resilient.

Lael Stone is an author, TEDx speaker, counsellor and parenting educator who specialises in navigating trauma and disconnection in families. She has spent the last 17 years working with families, as well as running programs in Secondary schools for teens on relationships and Well-being. She is a mother of three grown up children and the co-founder of Woodline Primary School - a new innovative school focused on supporting emotional intelligence in children.

#### \*\* Please note the cost for this event is \$10 per family.

If you would like to attend please accept the invitation on Compass and you will then be able to pay for the event once the invitation has been accepted. Should COVID restrictions still be in place for

Victoria, we will remain committed to supporting your school community and will deliver your session virtually. You will then also receive a recording to share with your parent community for two weeks after the webinar session. This will allow parents to access it at their leisure and make the reach greater.

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# YEAR 3 / 4 CAMP PHOTOS

















#### SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALES

OPEN Monday 26 July at 2:30pm - 3:30pm (extended availability to allow for Covid safe room capacity)

- Sales are located in room next to the office
- Covid safe space is a maximum of 2 customers at one time.
- Donburn will take 50% of the sale price for administration costs.
- Item Sale price will be determined by Donburn.
- Official school uniform items can only be accepted
- Uniforms must be in good, clean condition with no holes or broken buttons or zips
- Hats and school bags can <u>not be</u> accepted for sale

Regards

Margaret - Second Hand Uniform Coordinator/Volunteer



#### **CHESS CLUB - TUESDAYS**

Hi! We are Charlotte and Nicole from 4HS and we attend Chess Club in the hall on Tuesdays at lunchtime. We would like to tell you a little bit about Chess.

NAME OF CHILD:

Credit Card Details

EMAIL ADDRESS: AMOUNT \$145.00

CONTACT PARENT/GUARDIAN:

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN:

Beginners/Intermediates or Advanced group.

Chess is a game that is great at challenging your brain. It expresses your thinking, and it also helps your Maths and general problem-solving skills. It is an excellent opportunity to play against different people. We really feel that Chess is an amazing opportunity for anyone who wants to join.

Thank you! By Charlotte and Nicole

4HS





GRADE:

# DONBURN P&F EVENT SUNDAY 25TH JULY - BOOK VIA TRYBOOKING



# DONBURN'S FAMILY MOVIE EVENT

Please join us for a private screening of Space Jam A New Legacy at Hoyts Cinemas Forest Hill

Movie tickets: \$15.00 Limited seats are available!

DATE: Sunday 25th July TIME: 2:00pm - 4:30pm Preorder discounted popcorn/drink combos

Please order on www.trybooking.com

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**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 RELAX! First session free for new mums -Call/text Donburn mum Margaret 0410 120 446 e: <a href="mailto:mops@holytrinitydoncaster.org.au">mops@holytrinitydoncaster.org.au</a>.

**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. www.rhsports.com.au 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 *playgroup@manninghamuc.org* 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.

#### 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).