



# 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

Thank you for your patience with the disruptions to the WebEx sessions due to our school review this week. It has been a challenging time for everyone including the reviewers as we have needed to schedule all the staff forums on WebEx also. There will be more review sessions over the next few weeks and we'll keep you informed if there will be any further interruptions.

The Premier has announced today that remote and flexible learning in all year levels will continue until the end of term across the state. Further announcements about Term 4 will be made next week. We now have clarity and certainty about the rest of the term.

Today after the Premier's announcement there was a principals' meeting with David Howse, the Deputy Secretary of the Department of Education. He stressed the importance of certainty for students, of providing routine and predictability. We understand students will be disappointed about not returning to school and we will continue to support them.

We will continue to focus on making sure all students are attending Webex meetings and connecting with their teachers. If you would like further support, please call the school and we will work out how we can best assist you.

Congratulations to Jarod Ryan, his wife Amy and their daughters Evie and Lulu on the arrival of Darcy James. Jarod is currently on leave supporting Amy and enjoying their new addition.

It is a beautiful day today. I hope all students are having a break from their devices and outside and enjoying the sunshine!

*Kind regards*

**Julie**



*learning for living*

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS



~~Mon~~ ~~13 Sep~~ - Donburn Production. iThrone37 (Cancelled)

Frid 17 Sep - Last day of Term 3

### TERM 4

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

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

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

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS TO KEEP HANDY

Kids Help [kidshelpline.com.au](http://kidshelpline.com.au) phone 1800 55 1800

Parent Line [betterhealth.vic.gov.au](http://betterhealth.vic.gov.au) phone 13 22 89

Headspace [headspace.org.au](http://headspace.org.au) phone 1800 650 890

eSafety Commissioner - [esafety.gov.au](http://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](http://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

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## DONBURN BOOK WEEK 2021

The official Childrens' Book Council Australia Book Week 2021 was from Monday 23 until Friday 27 of August. The students enjoyed doing some Book Week related activities during their home learning. I have also ordered the shortlisted book titles so the children can enjoy borrowing these books once they return to school.

Due to the current lockdown we have decided that we will celebrate Book Week at Donburn in Term 4- Week 4, commencing 27 September 2021. We will also be setting a date for a whole school dress up day.

The Book Week theme this year is **Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds**. It is a brilliant theme and the children can enjoy dressing up as a diverse range of characters from one of the three different and unique worlds!

I will also be organising and booking some exciting author visits for both Junior and Senior school students to enjoy.

Kind regards,

Andrea Sertori ~ Donburn Library Teacher



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Today is 'Indigenous Literacy Day'. The Indigenous Literacy Foundation proudly presents **Indigenous Literacy Day**, celebrating stories, story telling and language.



Students and teachers can visit <https://www.ild.org.au/> to listen and watch a great variety of unique and special Indigenous stories read by vibrant authors and storytellers.

There are a variety of stories on this website which will be available to view for a whole year. Happy viewing and reading!

Andrea



## YEAR 6 WEBEX BAKING - YUMMY

On 16 August all the Year 6 teachers and a groups of students got together and made some yummy cookies in our WebEx.

The ingredients we needed were flour, butter, sugar and choc chops. Miss Hubble talked us through the steps and it was fun to get our hands in the mix.

After, when they were cooked and cooled down, we ate them and they were SO good.

Thank you to all the Year 6 teachers for planning this.

By Kate C and Nour Y 6H



## YEAR 4 SCIENCE WEEK

During Science Week, the Year 4s made mug cakes over WebEx. They were very easy to make and tasted delicious! You should try making your own at home!

### Student Reviews:

During lockdown, the Year 4s of Donburn Primary School made some delicious mug-cakes that were just too appetising to resist. At 11:30am, the Year 4s joined an online meeting, and learned how to make mug cakes from the Year 4 teachers: Miss Hartman-Smith, Ms Fraser and Ms Ota. It was a delightful recipe and it was really fun to cook and learn at the same time. The Year 4s also did some experiments to see if the mug cake worked, and it did, coming out more mouth-watering than I expected. Learning about how to make a mug cake was an excellent idea, and I believe that everyone enjoyed making it!

Charlotte X 4HS

It was a delightful experience to make a delectable mug cake with the year level. Even if we are in lockdown, we can still have fun virtually. It is easy to make and fun to decorate. It is even better to make together with my friends!

Elyza 4HS

It is the most delicious mug cake I have ever eaten before. It was the most easy cake to make and bake! Delicious!

Erin 4F

I liked the experience and at the end it was very tasty.

I had chocolate sprinkles on top.

Izaan 4O

Making the mug cake was a delightful experience to see everyone make one and have tonnes of fun. The toppings were also fun to put on. I had sprinkles and maple syrup!

Harlan 4F

Mug cakes were super fun to make and it was good to see everyone having fun. I put white choc chips and ice-cream on top.

Hamish 4O



## YEAR 4 SCIENCE WEEK ... CONT

It was great to see everyone and they all had very delicious toppings on their mug cakes. I had rainbow sprinkles. The mug cake was yummy!

Ishanvi 4O

I made the mug cake online with all the Year 4s. It was so fun. I put choc chips on top. Even though it looked ugly, it tasted so yummy!

Justin 4HS

I made the mug cake at school with all of the other Year 4s in the staffroom. Cathy helped us. I made a chocolate cake and I put sprinkles and a tablespoon of icing sugar on top.

Marcus 4O

### Chocolate Mug Cake Recipe:

¼ cup self-raising flour (you can use plain with a tiny bit of bicarb soda if you don't have self-raising flour)

2 tbs white sugar

2 tbs cocoa powder (Don't add this in if you would like a vanilla cake)

⅛ teaspoon salt

3 tbs milk

2 tbs canola oil

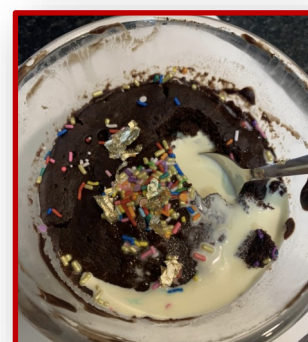
1 tbs water

¼ teaspoon vanilla extract (if making chocolate you don't need this)

Put all ingredients in a LARGE microwaveable mug or microwavable bowl and mix.

Cook in microwave for 1:45 - 2 minutes. Serve with toppings of your choice.

Enjoy!



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## YEAR 5 POTATO OLYMPICS

On Friday August 13, the Year 5s held the first ever Donburn Year 5 Potato Olympics.

Excitement had built during the week as students had been told to bring a potato to their morning Webex but had no idea what was happening.

Potatoes were given names and faces, and their personalities quickly shone through!

All events were tied in with Maths or Literacy tasks. Events included long distance running (rolling down a slope and measuring how far the potato went), diving into a bowl of water (measuring the amount of water displaced) and rhythmic gymnastics (timing how long your potato could spin for.)

Unfortunately the shot put-ato resulted in a number of casualties and potatoes requiring medical treatment, including band-aids, paper towels and rubber bands to hold them together!

Students also enjoyed writing an 'Athlete Profile' for the potato. Have a look at a couple of fantastic and very creative profiles below as well as Tate's report from the day.

Thank you to all the amazing Year 5 students who did such a great job remotely with their potato athletes and shared their results in Google Classroom.

Year 5 Team

Caitlin Wightman, Julie-Anne Tseregounis, Ashleigh Walker

Welcome to the **POTATO** Olympics



Who will be top SPUD?





## YEAR 5 POTATO OLYMPICS

On Friday 13 August the Year 5 students took part in The Potato Olympics 2021!

To start off we all decorated and named our own potato to get them ready to participate in the amazing heptathlon which include events like long jump, running, diving, artistic gymnastics, rhythmic gymnastics, ten pin bowling and my Spud's favourite, shot put-ato.

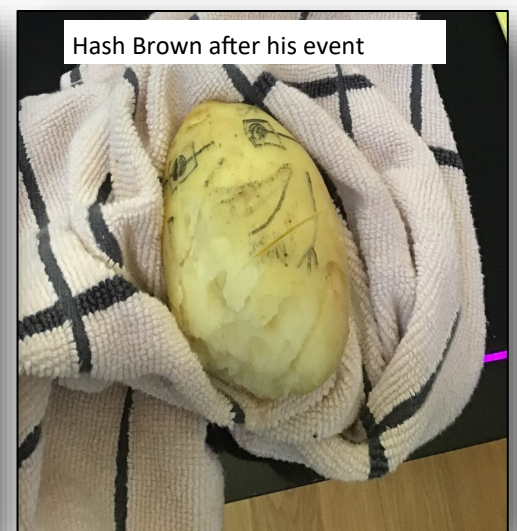
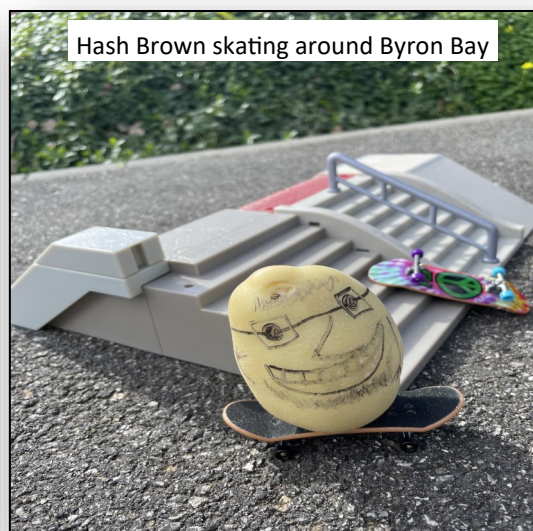
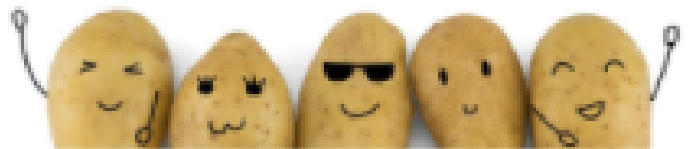
I really enjoyed setting up each event for my athlete to compete in. Making the athlete profile was fun because you could give them a personality and hobbies.

I liked how we could go outside to do this activity. When our potatoes had finished their events they received points according to how well they had done in each event

Potato Olympics was a fun task!

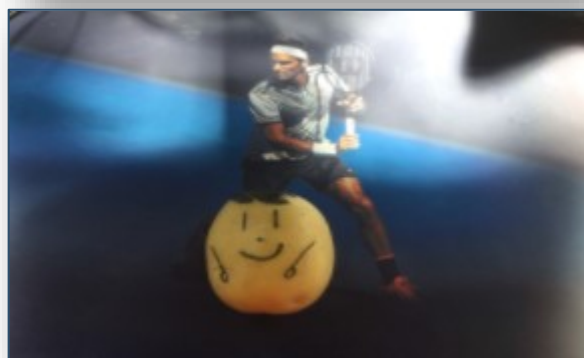
By Tate 5C

Event 1	Long Distance Running
Event 2	Diving
Event 3	Artistic Gymnastics
Event 4	Rhythmic Gymnastics
Event 5	Shot Put-ato
Event 6	Ten Pin Bowling
Event 7	Long Jump





# YEAR 5 POTATO OLYMPICS



Donburn Year 5 Potato Olympics - Team 2021

## Potato Face



### About Potato Face

Potato Face has not always been Potato Face. Every week he takes on a new persona including, Mr Potato Head, Mrs Potato Head, Mini Potato Head, Big Potato Head Medium potato head, Microscopic Potato Head and many more.

#### Age:

13 Weeks

#### Place of birth:

Coles

#### Home Club:

Potato Club of Doncaster

#### Coach:

James



#### Fast facts:

Favourite event:

Make over

Life highlights:

Playing Mr Potato Head in toy story

Hobbies:

Watching cooking videos not using potatoes

Olympic History:

Olympic debutant-First time going to the Olympics

Height: 12cm

Weight: 152g

Girth: 24cm

#### Personal goal:

"To not work at McDonalds"



# Athlete HASH BROWN - skateboarder!

**About:** Hash Brown

Hash grew up on an organic farm in Byron Bay.

His dream is to become the best skateboarder he can be.

**Age:**

1 week old

**Place of birth:**

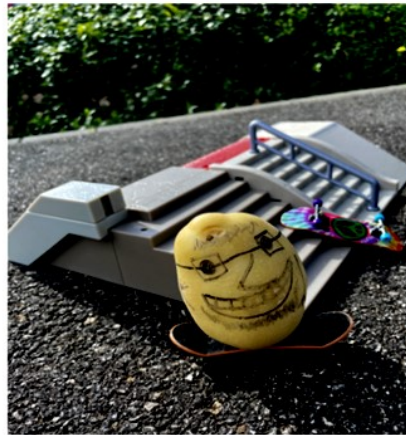
Born in the sand of Byron

**Home Club:**

Smash n mash skate club

**Coach:**

Mash Brown



**Height:** 9.2cm

**Weight:** 250gm

**Girth:** 8.5cm

**Personal goal:**

To skate every skate park in Australia.

**Fast facts:**

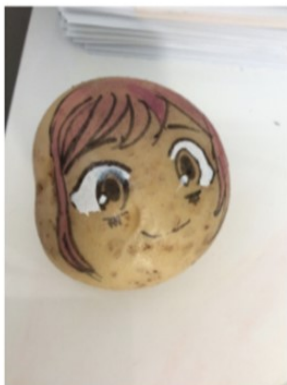
**Favourite event:** Surfing the waves under Byron Bay lighthouse.

**Life highlights:** Being picked up from the Byron Bay farmers market to be coached by his uncle Mash Brown.

**Hobbies:** Rolling around in his Combi van in Byron

**Olympic History:** This is Hash's 4th Olympics as the organic food has kept him young

Before



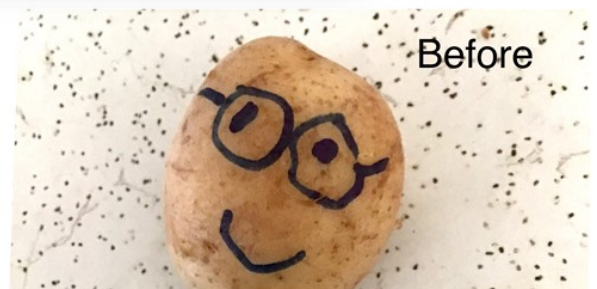
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After



Before



After





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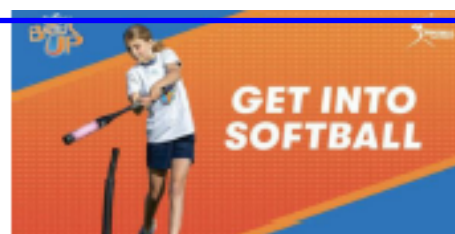
### 2021/22 Baseball Summer Season

For Boys and Girls Aged 5+

Register for an online information session:

**[juniorbaseball.com.au](http://juniorbaseball.com.au)**

## SOFTBALL BATTER-UP



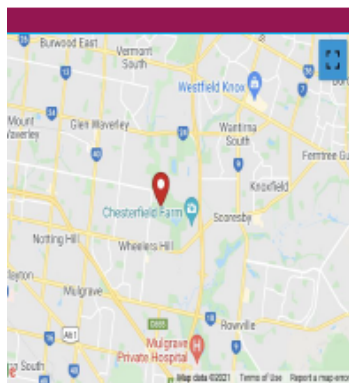
An 8-week program running for an hour consisting of skill development and a Fully Loaded Softball Game!

**ALL EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED**

**REGISTER NOW TO RECEIVE YOUR BALL AND GLOVE PACK\*\***

**\*\*AT FIRST SESSION**

**EVERY WEDNESDAY AT JELLS PARK**



**HOST: SYNDAL SOFTBALL CLUB**

**CONTACT: GILL PENFOLD**

**EMAIL: [syndalsoftballclub@gmail.com](mailto:syndalsoftballclub@gmail.com)**

**WHERE: DIAMOND 3, JELLS PARK, 2-30 JELLS RD, WHEELERS HILL, VIC 3150**

**TIME: 4.30pm to 5.30pm**

**AGES: 8-12 (boys and girls)**

**HOW MUCH: \$80.00**

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**St David's is a family oriented club located on the north ovals of Donvale Reserve (Mitcham Rd).**

The club offers excellent playing, training & social facilities as well as qualified coaching in all grades. The club offers opportunities for boys and girls of all ages and abilities.



**Woolworths Blast**  
Friday evenings  
Ages 5-7 years

**U10, U12, U14, U16 & U18's**  
Friday nights, Saturday &  
Sunday mornings

**Senior Men's Cricket**  
Saturday afternoon  
A grade to G grade

**Veteran's Cricket**  
Sunday afternoon  
Over 40's & over 50's



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