

# The Mount Dandy News

*Top of the mountain, top results.*



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## What's On

### TERM ONE

#### March

- 11th—House Athletic Sports
- 12th—Three Way Interviews
- 18th—School Photos
- 27th—Last Day Term 1 and Easter Hat Parade
- 28th—Bunnings BBQ

#### April

- 13th—First Day Term 2

## News and Views...

### Barn Dance

We are considering renaming the Barn Dance the Rain Dance after heavy rain and storms once again washed out proceedings. Fortunately this time however, the storms arrived later and revellers were able to make the most of the festivities until 9pm. The band 'Eat Ya Greens' once again got everybody up participating and the food and beverages were popular and tasty.

We'd like to especially thank our wonderful fundraising committee for once again organising a magnificent evening. Hopefully next year we can score some dry weather.

Thank you also to Olinda Cellars and the Mt Dandenong Bakery who supported our event with generous donations.

### House Athletics New Date – March 11th.

Please note that our House Athletics date has changed from Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> of March to Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup>, March. We will once again compete at Kalorama Oval and we have invited Olinda Primary School to join us. We will have a sausage sizzle and drinks and icy poles available for purchase at lunch time.

We'd love many parent volunteers to come along and help out and enjoy the day. If you are able to help cook and sell sausages please contact the office and let Julie know.

### Every Day Counts

We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

If students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.

Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher as early as possible.

(Source: <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/school/parents/everydaycountsprimary.PDF>)

### Easter Egg Raffle

Easter will soon be upon us and as is the tradition at Mount Dandy we will be holding our Easter Hat Parade on the last day of the term at 9.15 am. We will soon announce this year's categories. In the meantime we are requesting each family to make a donation of Easter eggs so that our hugely popular Easter Egg Raffle can once again be a success. Please drop your donations in to our school office.

Thank you

### 3 Way Interview Day – March 12<sup>th</sup>

Please remember that our Three Way Interview Day is coming up and it is expected that each child attend with a parent/parents on the day. Interviews are available from midday through to 8pm. As endorsed by school council, we will not run a regular program on that day and parents are requested to organise other arrangements for their children. OSHClub will run a program during the day for those families who would like to utilise this program.

### Community Footy Tipping Is Back!

The AFL season is nearly upon us and up for grabs this year is bragging rights and a dozen eggs. If you'd like to participate in our free school tipping competition please go to the link below search for MDPS Community Comp and join. Please use your first and second name as your user name so we can clearly identify you. Good luck and happy tipping.

[www.victeach.footytips.com.au](http://www.victeach.footytips.com.au)

**Thank you, Michael Leonard and Anni Smart.**

### URGENT!

Volunteers needed for the canteen delivery and pick up run.

Pick up from MDPS and deliver to the Bakery at **9.30am on Thursday mornings**

Pick up from Bakery and deliver to classrooms at **1.00pm on Friday afternoons.**

Please contact the office if you can do either or both of these delivery times.

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### Purpose Statement

Mount Dandenong Primary School values our unique environment and close community. It is a place for creative opportunities and academic excellence, nurturing respect, happiness and independence.

Our guest speaker this week in the SLU was Jim Asimokopoulos OAM. Jim was born with cerebral palsy. He came in and told us about his life and all the amazing things he can do. It was inspiring to see and realise how well he can play sport and do everything for himself during his daily life. It was incredible and we all realised that everyone is different and everyone can do amazing things. Respect our differences. Jim's website is [www.jim.oam.com.au](http://www.jim.oam.com.au) if you would like to know more about him. By Mahni Lowe and Emily Spratt



## Art News

The following information has been taken from the blog at [www.5000poppies.wordpress.com](http://www.5000poppies.wordpress.com)

*Good morning poppy friends .... there has been much happening at Poppy HQ this week.*

*Firstly ... our official total stands at 120,803 ... but ... we have had at least another 7,000 plus delivered this week so now pushing 130,000. That is incredible ... who knew?*

*Our volunteer group has been working overtime, and work has been completed on 5,000 gorgeous stemmed poppies ... plus ... our nets have finally arrived .... at least some of them ... so we have been able to start work on the first of the 80 x 10m panels we are making for the display. #1 is coming together nicely ... and it's been a bit of a test for our attaching mechanisms ... pleased to say that it is all working well!!! We have been offered temporary space at the Melbourne Town Hall for a few weeks to work on the panels, and will let you all know when we are up and running so that you can come and join us for an hour or two or more.*

Two weeks ago every child from Grades 1 to 6 made a poppy. They are very excited to be given the opportunity to contribute to such a large community art installation. There have been a few parents too who have collected materials to make poppies at home. Many thanks to Alison Allison for assisting the children in the junior school to make their poppy.

I will be sending our poppies next week. If you would like to make poppies at home the materials are available on the table outside the Art room. Alternatively you could knit or crochet a poppy or use the many poppy pattern ideas available on the website. Please leave your completed poppy at the office.

Thank you  
Liz Kennedy

# OSHClub News

## Before School / After School Care Program



This week in OSH we said goodbye to a beautiful summer season! We did some great painting, fun outdoor games, delicious picnics and some amazing chalk drawings. These were definitely popular and looked amazing!

Thursday the 12<sup>th</sup> of March the school is having a 3 way interview day As a result OSH will run a curriculum day program. OSH will be open from 7:00am to 6:15pm. Have a look at the front desk for more information and a list of activities for the day. If you would like to book your child in for a day of fun, adventure and learning opportunities please book in online, it is a cheap alternative for a day of fun.

This week in OSH we are celebrating the literacy world with book week



### This Week's Activities - Term 1, Week 6

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Before Care Activities</b>	Fruit salad	What's the time Mr wolf	Dodge ball	Extreme handball	Poison ball
<b>Brekky</b>	Cereal & Milk, Juice (No sugar), Toast (White/ Wholemeal) & Spreads, yoghurt	Cereal & Milk, Juice (No sugar), Toast (White/ Wholemeal), Spreads & Milk & Milo	Cereal & Milk, Juice (No sugar), Toast (White/ Wholemeal), Spreads & Raisin Toast	Cereal & Milk, Juice (No sugar), Toast (White/ Wholemeal) & Spreads, Fresh fruit	Cereal & Milk, Juice (No sugar), Toast (White/ Wholemeal) & Spreads, Milk & milo
<b>After Care Activities</b>	<b>'Construction Day'</b> 4:15 – 5:15pm Story construction & Table tennis	<b>'Get Creative' Art/Craft Club!</b> 4:15pm – 5:15pm Our own cartoon books & Act it out	4:15pm – 5:15pm Illustrate the story & Hoola hoop	<b>'Cooking Club!'</b> 4:15 to 5:15pm Scones & Tiggy	<b>'Friday Fun Day'</b> 4:15pm – 5:30pm Bop Bop statues & Dress up
<b>Afternoon tea</b>	Cheese and crackers and a plate of oranges, pineapple, watermelon and apple.	fresh jam, vegemite and cheese sandwiches and a plate of watermelon, Apple and kiwi fruit	Nachos and a plate of oranges, watermelon, apple and mango	Dim sims and a plate of oranges, watermelon and apple.	A plate of cherry tomatoes, carrot and cucumber with savoy's and dip, along with a plate of Watermelon, apple and orange.

### Parent Information

Make sure your child/ren bring their hat as: No Hat = No outside play.

Ensure all enrolments are to be signed in and out when your child arrives and is collected at the end of the day.

**OSHC program phone: 0419915649**

**OSHClub Head Office: 03 8564 9000**

**Coordinator: Samantha Clarke**

**Assistant: Kerrie Jones**

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au) all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.

# FUN ON WALK TO SCHOOL DAY



## Curriculum Day Program



Due to the school 3 way interview day OSH will be Running a curriculum day program with lots of fun activities.

Date Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> of March 2015  
 Times 7:00am – 6:15pm

**Cost (per child, per day) from \$11.00**

Full price \$46.00. Full fees for OSHC will apply to families who do not apply for and are not eligible for CCB and the CCTR (50% Tax Rebate). All fees are approximate only.

**How to book:** An OSHClub online enrolment form must be completed (if not already done). Enrol online at [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au). Once enrolled with OSHClub, log in to your account and choose the **Pupil Free Day** option.

**What happens:** Loads of fun for all ages including art/craft, games, sports, drama, board games and fun with friends.

**What to bring:** Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea. Also wear or bring appropriate clothing including a hat.

**Please remember:** Unfortunately Once you have enrolled into this day there are no refunds for cancellations unless we decide not to run the program due to lack of enrolments.

**Activities:** A detailed program of the daily activities will be but up 1 week prior.

[www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au) Ph: 03 8564 9000



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# SCHOOL MAGAZINE 2014

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## Upwey High School Festival Day 2015

The Upwey High School Festival will take place on Saturday 14 March. The day begins with a free Volleyball Coaching Clinic for all Primary school students from 11am to Midday in the Upwey High School Stadium. Featuring elite level coaches, this clinic caters for all levels of participants, from those new to the sport or just trying it out, all the way to regular players. There will also be exhibition games with local high schools, a sausage sizzle and refreshments available.

Following the Volleyball, a Market featuring local traders with products from new and second hand clothes to art and crafts will be held at the school. A range of food vendors and coffee will also be available for visitors. At the same time the Streeton Art Show and a Music concert will be held at the school. The music concert will feature a number of bands from Upwey High School, Dandenong Ranges' 'New Horizons Band', bands and groups from local primary schools as well as bands from the local community. It is also not too late to be a performer at the concert, so if interested, check out the website at

[www.upweyartsfestival.com](http://www.upweyartsfestival.com).

### The Streeton Art Show

Thanks to the wonderful sponsorship of the Yarra Ranges Council, the *Upwey Arts Festival* Art show returns for 2015. This year's Art show has been renamed the Streeton Art Show and prize money has increased. Again this year there is no set theme or medium for the entries. The categories and prizes are-

Category	Main Prize
Lower Primary (Prep- Yr. 3)	\$100
Upper Primary (Yr. 4-6)	\$100
Secondary (Yr. 7-12)	\$200
Open Category (all ages)	\$600

For more information, or to make an individual entry, check out [www.upweyartsfestival.com](http://www.upweyartsfestival.com). Entries into the art show can be made by individual students of the school, or a bulk entry from the school will be taken.

### Upwey High Festival Day Market Stalls

If you are interested in running a market stall on Saturday 14 March at Upwey High School, please contact Andrew McNeil at [mcn@upweyhs.vic.edu.au](mailto:mcn@upweyhs.vic.edu.au)

# Spot on dance company

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Email: [info@spotondance.com](mailto:info@spotondance.com)

Phone Claire: 0408 973 505

MONTROSE PUBLIC HALL

## Children's Festival



Monday 30th March - Sunday 12th April 2015

Monday 30th - Bouncy Castle from 10am to 3pm

- Nine hole Mini Golf 10am to 5pm

- Igor the giant's treasure hunt from 11am-5pm

Tuesday 31st - Face painting from 11am to 1pm

- Games & Music with our fairy 2pm to 4pm

- Nine hole Mini Golf 10am to 5pm

Wednesday 1st - Nine hole Mini Golf 10am to 5pm

- Activities with Michelle from Parks Victoria 12.30pm & 1.30pm

- Igor the giant's treasure hunt from 11am-5pm

Thursday 2nd - Mini pets (Rabbits, guinea pigs and chickens) 10am to 12pm

- Nine hole Mini Golf 10am to 5pm

- Igor the giant's treasure hunt from 11am-5pm

Friday 3rd - Half price maze entry from 11am-5pm

- Nine hole Mini Golf 10am to 5pm

- Igor the giant's treasure hunt from 11am-5pm

Saturday 4th - 8 horse carousel from 11am to 4pm

- Black snake productions - Reptile display & handling 3pm to 5pm

Sunday 5th - Easter Egg Hunt at 10.00am with the Easter Bunny

- Farmyard friends! Come visit our farmyard zoo from 2pm to 4pm

Monday 6th - Didgeridoo Lessons with "Stax" from 12pm to 2pm

- Igor the giant's treasure hunt from 11am-5pm

Tuesday 7th - Sand Art—Creative magical fun 1pm to 4pm

- Pony rides from 10.30am to 12.30pm

Wednesday 8th - Balloon twisting from 3pm to 5pm

- Activities with Tim the gardener from 1pm to 3pm

Thursday 9th - Half price maze entry from 11.00am to 5.00pm

- Formula one racing cars 11.00am to 4.00pm

Friday 10th - Magician 2.00pm to 4.00pm

- Badge Making from 10am to 3pm

Saturday 11th - Train rides around the car park from 11am to 4pm

- Black snake productions - Reptile display & handling 3.00pm to 5.00pm

Sunday 12th - CFA display & badge making 10am to 3pm

- Igor the giant's treasure hunt from 11am-5pm

Fairy floss machines and snow cones are available  
every day but extra charges apply.

\*Activities are free of charge - Gate fees do apply



# Autumn Fair

Monday March 9th, 10am-  
2pm

## PAPER PLANE COMPETITION

Paper available on day, or make and bring your own along, Categories include furthest flight and best decorated.

## SPONGE THROWING

Throw wet sponges at volunteers from our Sunday School and church.

Michael the Balloon Man, Cakes, Jams, Devonshire Teas, BBQ, Books and White Elephant

**St Matthew's Church, Monash Avenue,  
Olinda.**

