

The Mount Dandy News

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**REMINDER:
NO CANTEEN THIS
WEEK (Last week of term 2)**

NOTICES DUE:

- Grade 2 camp notice and payment
- Prep-2 swimming notice and payment
- Chess Club expression of interest
- 3-6 Maths comp

Free Eggs!

We are looking for two families to volunteer to care for our chickens during the school holidays. If you are not planning to go away and would like to do this please let Julie know as soon as possible. Payment is in the form of the eggs you collect.



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News and Views...

School Uniform Expectations

The wearing of school uniform ensures equality between the haves and have nots and engenders a sense of school pride and we ask that all students wear full uniform each day. We do understand however that it is currently very cold outside and therefore students are permitted to wear an extra jacket or coat over the full school uniform, including a school jumper or jacket, whilst they are outside playing.

End of Term – 2.30pm Dismissal this Friday

Term 2 ends this Friday and we would like to wish our community a happy and safe holiday. All students will be dismissed at 2.30pm with the exception of the students who catch the bus towards Olinda. They will be escorted to catch the 2.21pm bus. OSHClub is available from 2.30pm on Friday.

Reports and Three Way Interviews

Due to Mrs Becker's pending retirement and Ms. Smart's upcoming long service leave our reporting process and three way interview times will be disrupted for some families. Families of Grade 5/6B will receive their reports on Monday the 13th of July and will have their three way interviews that on Wednesday and Thursday of that week. This will be an opportunity to meet the new grade 5/6B teacher as well. Ms Smart is on long service leave in week two next term so families of 1/2PS will also receive their reports on Monday and interview on Tuesday of that week. We ask that families of 5/6B and 1/2PS return their three-way interview slips this week. All other grades will receive their reports on Friday, July the 17th with interviews in the following week.

School Strategic Review Update

Our school leadership team have been working very hard to complete the Strategic Review draft ready for approval by school council before it is submitted to our school review panel. Once our school council have approved the review document we will make it available to the community. In particular we will distribute a copy to all of those who provided valuable feedback and suggestions as part of this process. This should occur in week two of next term.

Thank you again to the many contributors. We appreciate your ideas and suggestions.

Extra Curricula Chess Club for Grade 2-6 Students.

We are currently investigating the viability of engaging a professional company to coordinate a Chess Club at our school. We believe that an extra curricula Chess Club will provide the opportunity for some of our students to extend their learning whilst engaging in a wonderful game that they can play for many years. There will however, be a cost for parents attached to this program. If this sounds like something that your child would enjoy and like to participate in please return the expression of interest form that was sent home, by the end of this week.

Lost Property Overflow!

Our lost property basket is bursting at the seams. We ask that parents and students come and have a look through the large number of jackets and jumpers if they are missing an item. All unnamed items will be washed over the holidays and added to our second hand uniform stall. Non uniform items will be donated to a charity.

Classroom Cheques Presented

Yesterday each classroom teacher received a cheque for \$300 to be used towards supporting the classroom reading programs. This money was raised by our community through the efforts of our fundraising community. On behalf of the MDPS staff we would like to thank all of those on the fundraising committee and the many people who helped raise money at the Fun run and Chestnut festival.

Mrs Leticq-Cromb's Farewell

Last Friday we farewelled Mrs Leticq-Cromb and I would like to thank all of those who helped organise such a special farewell assembly for her. Mrs Leticq-Cromb had a great time and really enjoyed the opportunity to be on stage with our students for one last time.

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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.

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Thank You Mrs Becker

With only two newsletters left until Mrs Becker finishes her distinguished career, we wanted to take this opportunity to acknowledge her remarkable efforts at Mt Dandy.

Mrs Becker was instrumental in setting up the SLU building and programs and transforming it into the wonderful learning facility that it is. She has also played a major role in rejuvenating and reinvigorating the Grade 6 production. Mrs Becker also played a role in getting the SLU organic gardens up and running. Many of you may not realise that Mrs Becker has also been an integral part of the school leadership team for the past 4 years which has seen her have a major impact on the excellent outcomes that our students deliver. Mrs Becker is often the first staff member to offer support when it is needed and her 'can do' attitude will be missed.

We will respect Mrs Becker's request not to have a large farewell assembly but we certainly encourage all of you to be sure to thank her for her contributions to MDPS and to wish her well.

Thank you Mrs Becker!

Happy Holidays

We would like to thank our students, staff and parent community for a fantastic first Semester and we hope that you have a warm and safe mid-year break.

Thumbs Up To:

- 👍 The many students who received an Art award this week.
- 👍 The Mt Dandenong Rookies after school basketball team who are playing in their grand final tonight. Go Rookies!
- 👍 The MDPS Orchestra who performed so well at Mrs Leticq-Cromb's assembly.

Thank you, Mike Leonard and Anni Smart.



Earn and Learn is back!

Collect the stickers from woollies, fill your card and place them in the collection box in the school office.

All tokens raised will be used to purchase equipment for our Phys Ed program.

Thank you, Kathleen Kean, Physical Education Teacher



Calling all Families

It is hard to believe our annual Art Show is now in its fourth year! We have been fortunate enough to be able to engage with the local community through our Art program by inviting in friends and relatives of students who have a skill they would like to share. In Term 3 students create artworks based on these newly acquired skills and the pieces are exhibited at our Art Show in October.

The links to the broader community are priceless to the learning and engagement provided to students. Parents are always welcome to attend any of these sessions to see first-hand how students develop their work. Times will be advised in the upcoming Art Show newsletters.

If you have a Mum, Dad, Aunty, Grandpa or anyone in your family who has a particular creative passion or a skill they might like to share, then we would love to hear from them.

Please email lawrence.michelle.m@edumail.vic.gov.au or speak with Liz Kennedy in the Art room. We look forward to lots of making, creating and sharing with those you know and love. Hope to see you in the Art room.

Michelle Lawrence and Liz Kennedy

Art News

At the end of each term one boy and girl from Grades Prep to Grade 6 will receive an Art certificate and prize for their interest, enthusiasm and creativity in Art.

Congratulations to the following students who have received an award:

Boaz, Lily, Will, Sarah,
Cass, Tobi, Ethan, Sarah,
Ripleigh, Romy, Arke,
Olivia, Angus and Tia.

OSHClub News

Before School / After School Care Program



This week in OSH (due to overwhelming demand) we had our AFL week. Each day we physically, mentally and artistically experienced the football world. AFL footy is an iconic Australian sport and it is fantastic to see so many children involved in the game. This week the children were very enthusiastic in sharing their experiences with AFL, from Aus Kick, to their favourite team, player and position.



In our Active After School Care we look at kicking techniques, how to bounce the ball, making a handball and how to take a mark. It was great to see the older boys take a leadership role in teaching their peers the rules and techniques of the game. It was a great week.

Next week is the last week of term. On Friday the 26th of June we will be opening ASC at 2:30pm, as school is finishing early. Please book prior to the date as this helps with staffing and catering purposes. Have a safe and happy holidays, and we look forward to seeing everyone back in Term 3.

See you at the club!!



This Week's Activities - Term 2, Week 11

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before Care Activities	Colouring	Winter scenes	Winter construction	Winter word finds	Winter silhouette
Brekky	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 & Raisin Toast	Cereal & Milk, Juice (No sugar), Toast (White/Wholemeal) & Spreads, Milk & milo
After Care Activities	4:15pm-5:15pm 3D Snowflakes & Sport challenge	'Get Creative' Art/Craft Club! 4:15pm – 5:15pm Winter Birds & Basketball	'Active after school' 4:15pm – 5:15pm Hand print tree & Table tennis	'Cooking club' 4:15pm – 5:15pm Vegi soup & Snowflake poster	'Friday Fun Day' 4:15pm – 5:30pm Winter around the world & Frozen play
Afternoon tea	Fresh jam, vegimite and honey sandwiches with a plate of watermelon, apple and grapes.	English muffins and a plate of watermelon apple and orange	2 minute noodles with a plate of watermelon, oranges and apple	Nachos and a plate of oranges, watermelon, apple and mandarin	Wedges with sour cream and a plate of watermelon, apple and grapes

Parent Information

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 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.

Are you enrolling a Prep in 2016? You are invited ...

2016

Meet the Teachers

**Friday,
26th June,
9.30 —
10.30am**

Parents, students and friends are invited to a 'MEET THE TEACHERS' session at Mount Dandenong Primary School, Farndons Road, Mount Dandenong

Morning tea provided

**Mount Dandenong Primary School
Farndons Road
Mount Dandenong 3767**

Email:
mount.dandenong.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
Telephone:
9751 1136



THANK YOU LEE PATRICK

We would like to give a huge 'Thank you' to Lee Patrick for kindly providing the class prize for the Fun Run Fundraiser. The Prep and Prep/1 classes were joint winners of the prize. Lee Patrick will be visiting the school and run a tennis skills session with both classes.

We would love you to support Lee and his coaching sessions. Lee runs tennis lessons at Kalorama/Mt Dandenong tennis club on Wednesday nights. He runs classes at all skill levels for children over the age of 5. Adult sessions are also available. To book a spot or for more information call **Lee Patrick on 0412402265**.

Mt Dandenong, Olinda and Sassafras Primary Schools present...

Developing Oral Language in Children – Parent Forum



Parents of children aged 0-8 are invited to attend this session focusing on developing oral language in children.

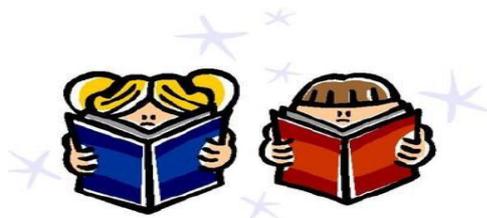
Strong oral language skills support children's transition into reading and writing and set children up for academic and social success.

Anita Volombello, a speech pathologist from Department of Education and Training will run a talk for parents on the importance of reading at home with children as a means of both developing oral language and supporting the transition to literacy. Parents play a major role in the development of oral language skills and during this session they will be provided with tips, techniques and a reading pack including a book and information sheets to take home.

We hope you can join us on the day for what will be an informative session!

This session is free, however bookings are essential.

To book your seat please call Julie at Mt Dandenong Primary School on 9751 1136 or email francis.julie.j@edumail.vic.gov.au



Host school:
Mount Dandenong
Primary School,
Farndons Road,
Mount Dandenong

03 9751 1136



Music News



Busking night, Wednesday 29th July

Instrumental performers
Singing, dancing and theatre
Orchestra and Vocal Ensemble

Mark this date in your calendar now!

Canteen Menu Term 2 2015

Hot food Price	
Sausage roll	\$3.00
Plain pie	\$3.80
Hot dog in roll	\$3.00
Party pie	80c
Party sausage roll	80c
Vegetable pastie	\$3.60
Sauce	20c
Sandwiches (white or w'meal) or rolls	
Roll add	20c
Ham, cheese and tomato	\$4.20
Chicken, lettuce and mayonnaise	\$4.50
Salad	\$4.00
Vegetemite	\$2.50
Pizza roll	\$2.50
Cheese and bacon roll	\$2.20
Plain croissants	\$2.20
Treats	
Cinnamon donut	70c
Iced donut	80c
Chocolate cookie	\$1.80
Cornflake cookie	\$1.80
Gluten free cookie	\$1.90
Cup Cake	\$2.00
Drinks	
Apple or Orange Juice	\$2.50

Deborah J Weber CA



Chartered Accountant



Chartered Accountant
CA SMSF Specialist
Registered Tax Agent

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MANDALA & MEDITATION

What are you seeking.... & what is seeking you? Join us for a deeply rewarding and expansive journey of reflection, creation, manifestation and transformation through colour, emotion, symbolism and beyond. A healing, gratifying, fun and creative process in and of itself. Term 3 ~ Tuesdays 11am- 12.30pm ~ 4 weeks @ OCH

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Explore new and exciting ways to expand your personal creative genius. Enhancing right brain activities, skills, tools and processes, to use for a life time, and applicable to all creative mediums and materials. An exciting and enriching journey for beginners and established artists.

Term 3 ~ Tuesdays 1.30 - 3pm ~ 8 weeks @ OCH & 5 - 6.30 @ KCH

Explore, Expand & Evolve the Creative You

~ Positions Limited ~ Bookings Essential ~

Olinda Community House
79-81 Olinda-Monbulk Road, Olinda
T: 9751 1264

Kalista Community House
2 Church St, Kalista VIC 3791
T: 9755 2622

Teacher
Renee E. Jacobson ~ T: 0417 334 808
Artist, Art & Design Teacher & Designer



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classical tracks

June concerts

The Consort of Melbourne
The Memo, Healesville
SUN 14 JUNE, 2PM

Hear a beautiful and diverse collection of Italian a capella works spanning almost 1,000 years.

Tamara-Anna Cislowska
Montrose Town Centre
SUN 21 JUNE, 2PM

A special piano recital in tribute to Australian composer Peter Sculthorpe.

Melbourne Guitar Quartet
The Memo, Healesville
SUN 28 JUNE, 2PM

Celebrating the dynamic impact that Melbourne Guitar Quartet has made on the guitar landscape.

Classical Tracks extends through July and August bringing world-class talent to Yarra Ranges and featuring notable names such as ACO and Grigoryan Brothers.

Find the full program at Eastern Regional Libraries, Yarra Ranges cultural venues and online at culturetracks.info.

Venues

Montrose Town Centre & Library
935 Mt Dandenong Tourist Road, Montrose
Centre 03 9761 9133 / Library 03 9728 4224

Mooroolbark Community Centre
125 Brice Avenue, Mooroolbark
03 9726 5488

Mooroolbark Library
7 Station Street, Mooroolbark
03 9726 8200

Lilydale Library
Anderson Street, Lilydale
03 9294 3120

Information
1300 368 333
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1300 368 333
In person at any venue

Bookings are required for all activities, performances and movies. Payments must be made at time of booking. Please note libraries can only process credit card payments.

June 2015

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	2 Grade 5 Transition to Monbulk SC	3 5/6 Interschool Sport	4	5	6	7
8 Queens Birthday Public Holiday	9 Grade 5 Transition to Monbulk SC	10	11	12	13	14
15 School Council Meeting	16	17	18	19 Deb Leticq- Cromb's Farewell Assembly	20	21
22	23	24	25 Developing Oral Language in chil- dren—9.30am	26 Last Day of Term 2—2:30pm Finish	27	28
29	30					

July 2015

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 First Day of Term 3 Maths Competi- tion entries due at school	14 <u>12PS only</u> Three-way Inter- views—12-8pm	15 <u>56B only</u> Three-way Inter- views—3.45- 7.30pm	16 Grade 2 Mt Mor- ton Camp <u>56B only</u> Three-way Inter- views 9am-6pm	17 Grade 2 Mt Morton Camp Student Reports go home	18	19
20 School Council	21 Three-way Inter- views—1:30- 6:00pm	22	23 Three-way Inter- views—4:00- 8:00pm	24	25	26
27 Prep—2 Swimming	28 Prep—2 Swimming	29 Prep—2 Swimming Busking Night	30 Prep—2 Swimming	31 Prep—2 Swimming		

August 2015

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
31					1	2
3 Prep—2 Swimming School Review	4 Prep—2 Swimming	5 Prep—2 Swimming Wakarri at Frankston	6 Prep—2 Swimming	7 Prep—2 Swimming	8	9
10	11 University of NSW Maths Competition	12 Kilsyth Basketball Workshop	13	14 Kilsyth Basketball Workshop	15	16
17 School Council	18	19 Kilsyth Basketball Workshop	20 Book Fair	21 Kilsyth Basketball Workshop Book Fair	22	23
24 Book Week <u>Date Change:</u> Book Fair: Special Friends Day and Book Character Parade	25 Book Week Book Fair	26 Book Week Book Fair	27 Book Week Book Fair	28 Book Week Eggs Incursion— Prep-6	29	30