News From the North

DANDENONG NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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25th August 2015

Calendar of Event

August 2015
27th - Scholastic Bookclub Orders Close

September 2015
3rd & 4th - Curriculum Days - Pupil Free Days
9th - PIZZA LUNCH
18th - END OF TERM 3

October 2015
5th - START OF TERM 4

School Pledge
I will do all that I can to make sure that Dandenong North Primary School remains a great school.
I will try my hardest to follow the 4Cs to keep our school a safe and happy place.
I promise to treat others as I would like to be treated

Street Parking Changes

The City of Greater Dandenong has responded to parental concerns about the drop off and pick up areas around the school. In particular the previous unrestricted parking areas within Woodlee Street that created a bottleneck at peak times.

The Council’s Parking Review Committee investigated the area concerned and decided that the previous unrestricted parking areas that run along Woodlee Street needed amending. Therefore this area has now been converted into a section of No Parking on School Days between 8am to 9.30am and 2.30 to 4pm. Removable bollards have also been put in place to stop drivers mounting curves and driving along footpaths as they try to manoeuvre around parked cars.

It is hoped that the No Parking restrictions will give parents the opportunity to stop for up to two minutes in order to drop off or pick up their children safely.

Since the parking changes have been put in place, parents have commented that there has been better traffic flow along Woodlee Street which had previously been dangerous for students and parents. This in turn has also assisted the traffic congestion in David Street.

We ask that parents take note of these new parking restrictions and endeavour to obey these new laws as the Council Parking Officers are regular visitors to the roads around our school.

New wooden bollards and parking restriction signs in Woodlee Street.

CURRICULUM DAYS

Thursday 3rd September &
Friday 4th September - NO SCHOOL

School resumes, Monday 7th September
Eyes, Ears, Heart & Mind Award

There were four Eyes, Ears, Heart and Mind awards presented at assembly on Monday. It is always nice to see students presenting these awards to their peers which is exactly what the students in 3S did for Una. Here is her award:

**Eyes:** Una’s eyes are like beautiful roses that brighten up everyone’s day.

**Ears:** Una’s ears are like the best that anyone in the whole world can have. She can hear from Australia to Bosnia.

**Heart:** Una’s heart is full of greatness and kindness. She is so caring. If someone needs help, she will be the first one to tell a teacher.

**Mind:** Una’s mind is so great she can think straight away like a robot.

We love you Una.

Congratulations on your award Una.

This award was presented by Sana, Shifa and Aruzou (3S)

For the second week in a row, Mr Malone received one of these awards! A new record! Upon his presentation, Mr Malone proceeded to ask students to complete star jumps and washing machines! Obviously Mr Malone has mellowed in his old age as he would have never received one of these awards before - let alone two in two weeks!

This is what the children wrote about his award:

**Eyes:** Mr Malone has eyes like a night animal. Whenever we do star jumps, even if he is not looking directly at us, he can see if we stop because Mr Malone has back and side eyes.

**Ears:** Mr Malone has good, sensitive ears. He can hear us whispering very silently and he always knows if we are not listening to his instructions.

**Heart:** Mr Malone has a heart that is full of happiness. He is funny and nice. But when we are doing sport with him he is really strict. Mr Malone is perfect and shows respect by making sure that everyone gets lots of exercise and is nice and fit.

**Mind:** Mr Malone has a mind like a legend. He has so many ideas to do. He is the best teacher to learn sport with. He makes us laugh with his jokes. His mind comes up with new and interesting activities and ideas. He has a smart brain that helps him to somehow answer really fast.

You’re the best sport teacher.

His award was presented to him by Leeteesha, Mariam, Zahra and Vidushi (3S)

The next award for the assembly was Mrs Ledgar. It is lovely to see the confidence of our younger students to present in front of such a large audience. Below is what they said about Mrs Ledgar.

**Heart:** Mrs Ledgar has a heart full of golden thoughts. Her class knows that she will care for us and make sure we are learning.

**Ears:** Mrs Ledgar has ear rings that are like golden circles. She is good at listening to her students.

**Eyes:** Mrs Ledgar’s eyes are very beautiful and good at looking for kids who need her help. Mrs Ledgar is always looking at our work and making sure it is neat.

**Mind:** Mrs Ledgar is a very smart teacher who has a mind like a computer.

By Archit, Naomi, Ruth, Hadia and Rodney (2L)

The last award was presented to Freshta which was presented by Maryam and Ranudi (3V)

**Eyes:** She can see from a mile away who is hurt or sad. Freshta’s eyes are as sharp as a Shark’s teeth.

**Ears:** Freshta’s ears are as good as a Cheetah’s ears. She can hear from such a long way away. The thing about her ears is that they are just so special.

**Heart:** Freshta’s heart is full of chocolate, golden, flowers. She cares deeply for people.

**Mind:** Freshta’s mind is just like a powerful computer - in fact her mind is smart enough to be a computer!

Congratulations to all the staff and students who were presented with their award!
Hoop Time

Mr Allman and Mr Fenby have spent a lot of their play time and lunch times coaching any Year 5 and 6 students interested in taking part in a McDonalds Hoop Time Competition.

After the competition was abandoned earlier this term, the event took place on Monday at Dandenong Basketball Stadium

The following teams participated - Emerson School - 2 teams, Aspendale PS - 5 teams, Sandringham PS - 11 teams and Dandenong North - 3 teams.

Our all Boys team named “All Star Boys” had 3 losses and a draw throughout the day. The draw was a great outcome - with about 20 seconds left, Jacob (5/6S) dribbled around three opponents and then shot a beautiful goal to make the scores even. They ended up finishing 4th and lost their final, 32 - 8.

A mixed team named “Future Stars” (Devils) lost their 3 games for the day but were close on all occasions. Deng (5P) and Ny (6L) lifted in their finals appearance and they ended up winning 12 - 0.

The “Mixed Rookie” team - (The Dragons) had a fantastic day and improved with each game that they played. They had 2 wins and 3 losses for the day and lost their final in a close one, 14 - 8.

The students all behaved themselves and had a wonderful experience. Thanks to Miss Graf, Mr Riley, Mr Allman and Thom, for taking our children and giving them the opportunity to participate in this wonderful experience.

Special Award Winners for the week ending 21st August

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**Woolworths Earn and Learn**

Thank you to all of the families that have been collecting the stickers as part of the Woolworths Earn & Learn Program. It has been fabulous to see so many children excitedly coming to school and telling their teachers how they have collected stickers to donate to this fund raising cause! The competition doesn’t end until the 8th September, so if family and friends shop at Woolworths, it would be fantastic to keep the stickers coming to our school.

At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to get some great new equipment.

Thank you for your support with this fundraising event.

**Whole School Book Parade**

You could be mistaken for thinking that you had stepped onto the pages of your favourite books on Tuesday as the school was awash with book characters.

Our staff and students dressed up as a part of the Book Week celebrations. Miss Varas and Mrs Saunders organised the event and it was fantastic to see so many children dressing up and having fun at the parade.

Below are some photos from the event. A big thank you to Miss Varas and Mrs Saunders for organising the parade, music, certificates and prizes.

All the lucky prize winners for having the best costume in Prep to Year 6. Congratulations to the winners!