**Calendar of Event**

**October 2015**

- 15th - Regional Athletics
- 16th - Preps 2016 Transition Program 9:30 am until 10:45 am
- 23rd - Preps 2016 Transition Program 9:30 am until 10:45 am
- 30th - Preps 2016 Transition Program 9:30 am until 10:45 am

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**News From the North**

**Bright Start to the Term**

It was a fabulous start to Term Four - some would say it was a scorching start with the temperature rising above 34 degrees.

Every term is educationally important, however term four of any years is an emotional one as the Year 6 students enter the final phase of their time at Primary School. This year the traditional Year 6 Graduation Luncheon has been moved to Wednesday 16th December with the certificate presentation day being the Thursday 17th December.

There is also the annual Whole School Concert being held on the last Monday of Term Four - so don’t be surprised to hear music playing as children are choreographing dances for this end of year performance. This is always a wonderful way to finish off the year and an event that is looked forward to by all of the children.

Throughout the term, the Prep classes will be looking at the theme of “Mini Beasts” and they are having an incursion called Creepy Crawly where their will be lots of small insects on show!

The Year 1 and 2 students will be focusing on “Fun in the Sun”, while the Year 3 and 4 students will look at the theme Sun, Sea and Safety. The children in Years 1 and 2 will visit Mordialloc Beach, while students in Years 3 and 4 will be heading to Mother’s Beach in Mornington.

Finally the Year 5 and 6 students are looking at the Science based topic “States of Matter”. Where they will be undertaking various chemical reaction experiments.

It is, as usual, a big term ahead!

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**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.

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**Hats for Term Four**

Dandenong North is a Sun Smart School so it is expected that all students are to wear a navy blue school hat (broad brimmed or legionnaire), during Terms 1 and 4 of the school year. With the weather warming up, it is important that a hat is worn during any outside activities including P.E. sessions and during recess and lunch times.

All children should have their own hat and it should be brought to school everyday or alternatively it can be left in classrooms. Hats can be purchased from the uniform shop for $12.50. The hats from the EAL room are only for borrowing in case of emergencies or forgetfulness.

Please ensure your child has the correct school hat as soon as possible.
District Athletics

On Wednesday 16th September, 37 children from Dandenong North Primary School represented the Dandenong District at the Division Athletics Championships. These students had successfully made it through to the Divisional Athletics where they competed against students from the Springvale and Noble Park Districts.

Any student who placed first or second in their event would then progress through to the Regional Championships on Thursday 15th October at Casey Fields.

The further the children progress, it is natural that the competition becomes a lot tougher for them to secure a spot in the next round of competition. Our students again showed their tenacity and competitive spirit with the following children making it through to the next level of competition:

Adama - 1st in 100m and 1st in 200m.
Krish - 1st in 800m
Waghma - 2nd in triple jump, 2nd in hurdles
William - 2nd in hurdles

Rethath - 2nd in 800m
Anaisis - 2nd in Discus
Soul - 2nd in Discus
Akbar Ali - 2nd in Triple Jump.
Wacha - 2nd in 100m
Ny - 2nd in 100m

Congratulations to all of the children who made it through to the Regionals. A big thank you to Mr Malone for training these athletes to be the best competitors that they can be!

Prep Transition Program begins next week!

Preparations are well under way for our new 2016 Prep students ‘transition sessions’. Which begin next Friday. These Prep transition sessions are very successful in preparing new Preps for the beginning of their school life. The focus of this program is to make the children feel happy and comfortable about starting school. These sessions will be conducted by the Prep teachers within their classrooms.

During this time, children will have the opportunity to become familiar with their new surroundings, teachers and future classmates. Parents will also be given the opportunity to attend a parent information briefing which is held at the same time as the first transition session.

Please Note the Dates in your diary:-

**Dates for our 2016 Prep Transition classes:**
16th October 2015, 9:30 am until 10:45 am
23rd October 2015, 9:30 am until 10:45 am
30th October 2015, 9:30 am until 10:45 am

We look forward to seeing all of our new Prep students for 2016 at these sessions.