Calendar of Events

SWIMMING
Preps, Grade 1s & 1/2J, 2C, 2G
Monday 14th NOV to Friday 25th of NOV
Grades 2H, 2M, 2S, 3, 4, 5 & 6
Monday 28th NOV to Friday 9th DEC

Grade 6 Library excursion
Friday 25th November

Grade 6 Graduation Lunch
Tuesday 13th December
Grade 6 Graduation Certificate
Day Thursday 14th December
Keyboard Concert
Wednesday 14th December
School Concert Monday 19th

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
TUESDAY 20TH DEC @1.30PM

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.

Writing Excellence Award

At Monday’s Assembly Mr Mackay provided Michaela (5/6N) with a very special Principal’s Excellence Award.

Mr Mackay has been taking part in the Year 5 & 6 20 steps to success program that takes place each term. As part of this program he ran a writing group that watched a film clip about a dog. They were then asked to select any style of writing and write a response.

Mr Mackay took Michaela’s persuasive piece and sent it into the South Gipsland Sentinel Times local paper. It was then published in the editorial section and has been viewed by over 20,000 people - what a fantastic feat!

Below is a copy of what Michaela wrote:

Don’t Deny the Dogs

In the context of a new Bass Coast Shire Council position on dogs on the beach, I suggest the following:

I feel that dogs should be able to go to the beach because I believe that any animals should be given the same privileges and opportunities as us. If you know your dog gets a bit restless at the beach take initiative and leash it. Dogs have a much shorter life than us so let them live it freely and safely for everyone.

Congratulations Michaela - what a fantastic effort and an excellent persuasive piece!

Swimming Program

The two week intensive swimming program is beginning Monday and is running for Preps, Year 1, 1/2J, 2C and 2G.

The rest of the school will have their two week swimming lessons beginning Monday 28th November.

These swimming lessons will be taking place at Dandenong Swim which is at the Genesis Pool in Scott Street Dandenong.

It is extremely important that all student clothing is labelled as articles of clothing often become misplaced and when it is labelled it is much easier to find the owner!

Don’t forget to pack bathers and a towel next Monday!
**Malone Medallions**

Mr Malone was feeling particularly generous on Monday as he presented three boys from Year 6 with a Malone Medallion.

It was unfortunate that Eza (5/6W) was absent at the time of his Medallion presentation - however he was still a deserving recipient. Beginning with this year’s Cross Country where he placed 1st District, 1st in the Division and 20th at the Regionals.

He has been a fantastic role model to all children and has been Captain of the AFL team in Gala Day 1, Captain of the soccer team in Gala Day 2 and is a part of the Regional finals team in November.

Eza also regularly borrows a stopwatch to monitor his speed as well as borrowing a step ladder to improve his fitness levels.

A sign of his dedication to athletics and fitness was when at this year’s athletics he fell over the line in the 200m race - ending up at the hospital with a concussion—however he was determined that he could run in the relay! What persistence and effort Eza always shows.

The second recipient, Akbar (5/6C) came 10th in the District Cross Country in 2015 and in 2016 he placed 2nd in the District, 2nd in the Division and 39th in the Regionals.

Akbar placed first in the triple jump in 2015 in the district and he again performed well in the triple jump in 2016 placing 4th in the Division. In 2016 he also made it through to the region in the relay—placing 4th.

Akbar always shows great sportsmanship and puts effort into all sporting activities. He is a wonderful role model for all.

The final recipient was Mubashar (5/6W). In 2014 Mubashar placed 35th in the District Cross Country and in 2015 he placed 15th.

At both the 2015 athletics he placed 4th in the discus and the 800m race. In 2016 he placed 4th in the 200m and 4th in the hurdles.

In Gala Day 2 he was the Vice Captain of the soccer team and is an active participant in the Kanga Cricket squad.

Mubashar always participates well and displays great sportsmanship.

Congratulations to all three boys!

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**Student of the Week Awards - Week ending 4th November**

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Eyes, Ears, Heart & Mind Awards

At Monday’s Assembly two Eyes, Ears. Heart and Mind Awards were given out to teachers. The first award was presented to Mr Chandler by Amitoj, Nimisha and Chesna. Read below what the girls had to say about their teacher.

**Eyes**: Mr Chandler’s eyes are as sharp as an eagle. He can see a tiny ant crawling on the ground. He can see his kids working hard.

**Ears**: Mr Chandler can hear a bee buzzing near him. Mr Chandler has the best ears in the whole entire world.

**Heart**: Mr Chandler’s heart is full of love, gold and care. Mr Chandler is also a very creative person.

**Mind**: Mr Chandler’s mind is the smartest mind ever. We can give him any question but he can still answer it.

You are the best teacher ever!

The second award was presented to Miss MacMichael by Hailey and Laraib. The girls really enjoy Miss MacMichael’s Art lessons and missed her while she was away in terms two and three. Enjoy reading about what the girls had to say about Miss Macmichael.

**Eyes**: Miss Mac’s eyes are full of kindness and love. If you look deeply into her glamorous eyes you will see a gallery full of creative ideas!

**Ears**: Miss Mac’s ears can hear children being happy to do Art, and if you listen closely you will hear a voice of kindness!

**Heart**: Miss Mac’s heart is full of love, care and happiness. We say she has the best heart in the world!

**Mind**: Miss Mac has a mindful of creative ideas and if you hear one of her ideas it will be awesome.

Congratulations to Both Mr Chandler and Miss Macmichael on receiving their well deserved awards!

School Banking

We would like to thank all of our students who have taken part in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program this year. Not only does the program reward children for saving regularly, but it is also a great fundraiser for our school.

Our final banking day for 2016 will be Tuesday 29th November.

Any tokens that have not yet been redeemed, can be held over and used in 2017.
Year 1 & 2 Tabloid Sports Day

What a beautiful Spring day it was for the Year 1 & 2 Tabloid Sports morning. This annual event organised by Mrs Conway saw all of the Year 1 & 2 children coming dressed in their house colours or favourite team colours.

Mrs Conway was out early setting up numerous tabloid sport activities for the children to take part in.

She had Year 5 & 6 helpers aplenty assisting the Year 1 & 2 teachers at each station.

Students enthusiastically participated in the different events which included hula hooping, throwing and catching, balancing and running.

A huge thank you goes to Mrs Conway for taking the time to organize this very successful event - the children had a wonderful time and this is something that they will remember for years to come.

Year 5 & 6 visit GM Holden Dandenong South

On Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, all of the students in Years 5 & 6 had the opportunity to attend the GM Holden plant at Dandenong South.

As part of the Energised theme the Year 5 and 6 students have been learning about different sources of energy and how they are used. With this in mind, the excursion was a great example of energy in use.

Roary the Holden Mascot met the students at the plant and they then listened to an informative talk from the engineers about the Holden brand, what they produce and the energy that they use.

The children were then split into two groups - one group went on a tour of the factory which is the same size as three MCG’s! The student’s saw how the parts are picked, packed and moved - including a look at the different lifting devices they use.

The second group spent time looking through different new cars and gaining an understanding about how an engine works, how to save your battery life as well as all of the car safety features that are now being used.

The children came away with a new understanding of what goes on at Holden along with the energy sources and uses that have developed over time.

A huge thank you to the staff at Holden for their friendly and informative presentation and tour.