

DANDENONG NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL **NEWSLETTER**

Calendar of Events

News From the North

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28th October 2021

Children Back Onsite

NOVEMBER 2021

1st - All Students Return 2nd - PUBLIC HOLIDAY

It has been fabulous having students back onsite over the past week, for the beginning of a staged return to face to face to teaching. Children have returned to school with smiles on their faces, eager to return to the classroom. School has been a very quiet place over the last 12 weeks as most children have been off site completing their learning remotely.

We would like to thank parents for following the guidelines that have been created when dropping off their child/ren. Parents have been wearing their masks, maintaining a



social distance of 1.5m and have left the school grounds as quickly as possible. Children in Years 3 to 6 have been wearing masks and many children in Prep to Year 2 are wearing masks as recommended by the Chief Medical Officer.

Unfortunately, parents will still be unable to enter any school buildings until further notice. If any parent or carer would like to talk to their child's class teacher, please ring the office to make an appointment or contact your child's class teacher through Seesaw.

Again, we remind parents and carers to be very cautious if your children report feeling unwell. If they attend school and do turn out to be COVID positive, all of their classmates and their teachers are prevented from attending school for two weeks.

After the Premier's announcement on the weekend, all children will return to school on Monday 1st November. However if your child is in isolation then they may not return to school until they receive a second negative test on day 13 and have isolated for the required 14 days. We thank you for your assistance in keeping our community safe and COVID free.

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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Curriculum Day Cancelled

The Victorian "Roadmap" now allows for all children to return to school full-time FROM Monday 1st November. As you know this was a planned curriculum day, however we did not want to disappoint any of our students by not re-opening from remote learning as soon as we could. Therefore we have postponed the curriculum day until 17th December. Students will now finish the 2021 school year on Thursday 16th December at 1.30pm.

Tuesday 2nd November remains a public holiday for the Melbourne Cup. School will be closed on that day.

SunSmart School

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. Broad brimmed hats can be purchased from the Office for \$12.95 or a bucket hat for \$9.95

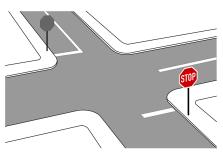
Please ensure your child has the correct school hat as soon as possible.

Students are also encouraged to wear an SPF 30+ (or higher) sunscreen to school, which they can reapply prior to the lunch break.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

David & Cleeland Street Intersection Closure

Road works are continuing between Woodlee Street and the intersection of Cleeland and David Streets. The road will be closed again from Monday 1st November as a new round about is being installed. That means that there is no parent access via car. These works are continuing until the middle of November, meaning that no children will be able to be dropped off or picked up outside the front of the school. Alternative arrangements will need to be made and we are asking for our families to use patience when parking in neighbouring streets. Please speak with your child/ren and let them know that if they have not been collected by 3.30, to make their way to the soccer pitch in front of the office and to wait patiently for their parent/carer to arrive.





Monday 1st November - All children return to onsite learning. (Except those in isolation) Tuesday 2nd November - PUBLIC HOLIDAY - No School. Wednesday 3rd November - All children return to school Page 3 News From the North

School Owned Borrowed Devices

Once children have returned to full time onsite learning (1st November), we ask that parents remove from their child, all school owned borrowed devices. This is because students will no longer require these devices for EDUCA-TIONAL purposes.

However, with the current high level of COVID cases, and the recent history of snap lockdowns being called, we will extend the loan of school owned devices until Tuesday 23rd November. This is a precaution to ensure that if a lockdown is called, our students will have quick access to devices and they will be ready to undertake online learning if needed.

Please note date change: As of Wednesday 24th November, we ask that all children return loaned devices to the school. Class teachers will have an up-to-date list of



students who borrowed devices and they will continue to question the students daily about the return of these borrowed devices and chargers.

It is important that each device is returned in the condition that it was borrowed, as all of these devices are used at school to assist children with their learning.

Once all devices are returned, they will then need to be cleaned and reimaged before they can be used in classrooms again.

We thank you for your assistance with this matter.

2022 Enrolments

We are currently in the process of organising grades and teaching staff for next year and it is very important for us to know our enrolment numbers for 2022.

If you know that your child <u>will not</u> be attending Dandenong North next year, could you please write a letter informing the Office staff of your 2022 intentions or print off the slip below and either return it to your child's classroom teacher or to the office staff as soon as possible.

We thank you for your assistance.

Student/s Name/s
Current Grade/s
Name of new school being attended in 2022
Parent/Guardian Signature