



News from the North

29th July, 2025

IMPORTANT DATES

July

30: Foundation Baking Incursion

August

1: Yr 1 Moonlit Sanctuary Excursion

7: Yr 2 Science Works excursion

8: Foundation Fire Brigade visit

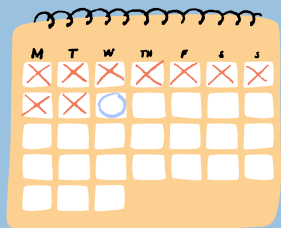
11: ICAS English

12-14: Yr VSSEC excursions

22: Book Week Dress up (Parade @ 9.30am)

25: ICAS Maths

26: Pizza Day



Welcome Back

We hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable winter school holiday! It's been lovely hearing all the holiday stories from the children as they've really enjoyed sharing what they got up to. We've had a fantastic start to Term Three. It's been great to see how quickly students have settled back into their routines. Classrooms are calm and focused, and teachers are doing a wonderful job making sure every child is supported in their learning.

There's a lot to look forward to this term! We have some exciting excursions and incursions planned:

Foundation will be visited by the Fire Brigade and head off to Kew Traffic School.

Year 1 are going to the Moonlit Sanctuary.

Year 2 will visit Scienceworks.

Year 3 are off to The Briars in Mount Martha.

Year 4 have a Democracy incursion

Year 5 will visit the Victorian Space Science Education Centre (VSSEC).

Year 6 will also visit Scienceworks and take part in regional sports finals.

One of the big highlights this term is our Book Week Parade in Week 6 on Friday 22nd August at 9:30 AM. This is a special event where students dress up as their favourite book character and take part in a whole-school parade. It's always a fun and colourful day that the children love.

It's already shaping up to be a busy and exciting term. We can't wait to share it with you!

*Paul Hilton
Principal*

2026 Enrolments now due!!

Enrolment for 2026 is now due.

We are now in the process of offering places to students and completing the enrolment process for students starting school in 2026.

If you have forgotten to enrol your Pre School child in Foundation, please speak to the office THIS WEEK.



End of Term 2

Friday 19th September

Policies

[Click this link for quick access to our published policies.](#)



Like all schools, Dandenong North Primary School have established policies and procedures to create a safe, predictable and supportive learning environment. Our policies cover a range of topics from Child Safety and Wellbeing to Enrolment and Volunteers. All policies are reviewed regularly and can be viewed on the school website.



Student of the Week

Each week we love celebrating the achievements of our students at assembly. As a whole school, we recognise the conscious efforts students make to follow our school values of Care, Courtesy, Cooperation and Common Sense (our 4Cs) by awarding a certificate to one student from each class every week. The recipients from the last fortnight are below.

Awards presented 28th July

FO: Ella	1P: Asil	2S: Aleena	3T: Ayansh	4C: Curtis
FN: Leo	1YN: Azam	2L: Ariz	3G: Olivia	4L: Muneeb
FE: Ava	1V: Dilusika	2D: Ali	3TW: Hania	5LP: Adrina
	1I: Taqwa	2A: Bilal	3S: Casilda	6CA: Arzoo
	1FB: Sujaan	2C: Yusuf	3A: Chloe	6W: Ehsanullah
	1KN: Harraz	Library: Karikalan 2D	ICT: Sovanessa 3J	



The DNPS 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.

Book Week 16-23rd August



Children's Book Week
16-23 August 2025



Dandenong North will be celebrating book week with a Book Parade to be held on:

Friday 22nd August from 9.30am – 11am.

The Theme for 2025 is “**BOOK AN ADVENTURE!!**”

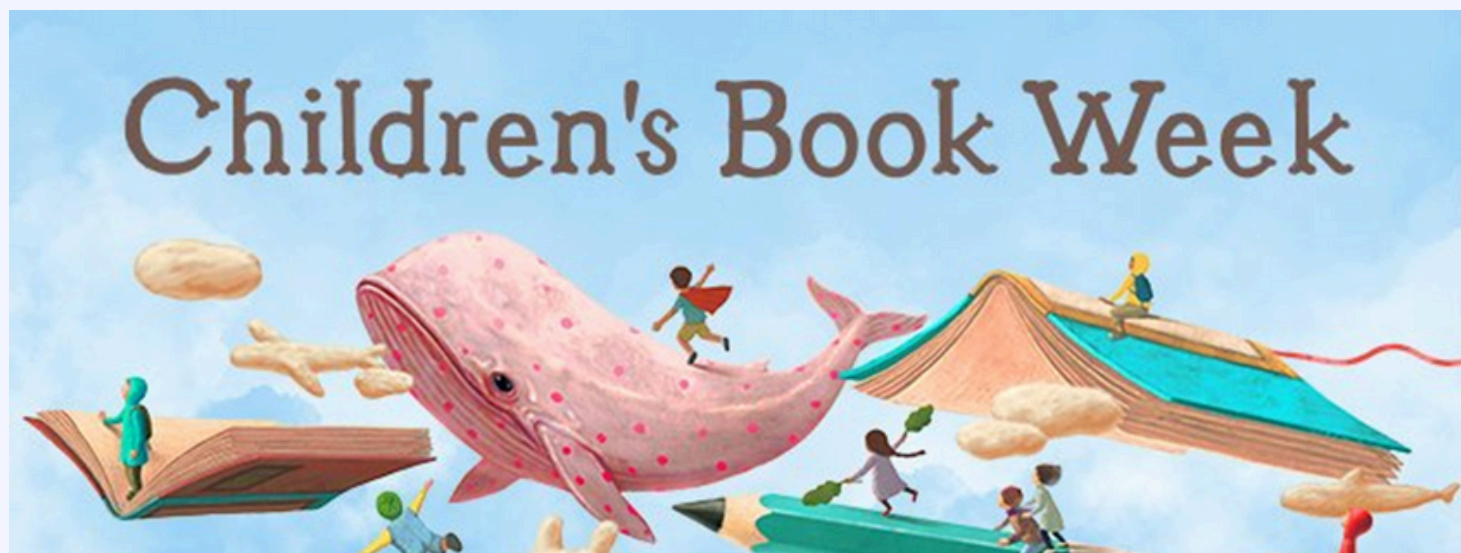
Throughout the year, the Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) works in partnership with authors, illustrators, publishers, booksellers and other organisations in the children's book world to bring images and stories into the hearts and minds of children and adults.

The CBCA is a not for profit, volunteer run organisation that aims to engage the community with literature for young Australians.

This is a wonderful time of the year to celebrate and encourage children to sit down and enjoy reading a book just for pleasure.

Imagination drives creativity and innovation. It allows us to envision and escape to worlds beyond our own, to times other than the here and now. Imagination is behind every fairy tale and picture book we cherish from our childhood. So come dressed as your favourite book character or non-fiction character to this fun and creative book parade.

The best dressed book characters from each class will win a free new book and every student will receive a participation certificate. Parents are welcome to join us in this fabulous celebration which will be held in the Agora area. If it is raining we will be moving it to the school gymnasium.



Year 4 Incursion

On Tuesday, the 29th of July, Year 4 students took part in a hands-on incursion called Rethink Recycling. The session focused on how plastic affects our environment and the importance of giving it a second life through recycling. We learnt how recycling helps conserve resources, reduces pollution, and protects animals and people from harm.

The team brought along their special van, "Rusty," filled with equipment that let students experience the recycling process firsthand. We crushed plastic bottle caps, melted them down, and turned them into coloured slinkies and handy clips for our schoolbags.

It was a fun educational experience that helped us understand how long plastics take to break down and why making responsible choices is so important. We all left feeling inspired to take better care of our planet!



5 tips

to keep your family safe online



Parents and carers can use a combination of strategies to help young people build their digital technology skills and have safer experiences online.

1. Start the chat

Get into the habit of talking about online safety as a family, so your child feels comfortable coming to you if they ever need help working out an issue. It's never too early to introduce [good online habits](#) such as respect, empathy, critical thinking, responsible behaviour and resilience. As your child grows older, eSafety's advice about [hard to have conversations](#) will help with some of the tricky topics like sending nudes, online pornography and contact from sexual predators.

2. Create a family technology agreement

Creating a Family Technology Agreement can help you and your kids decide together when and how digital technology will be used at home. As a family, brainstorm easy-to-follow rules and display them where everyone will see them. Your agreement could cover things like: time limits, apps your kids are allowed to use and online behaviour. Families with younger children can [download](#) a template to guide the conversation.

3. Set up parental controls

Parental controls let you monitor and limit what your child sees and does online. It's best to use them in combination with the other online safety strategies listed here. [Taming the technology](#) can help you understand your options. Grab a device and get started with our guides to setting up parental controls on [devices and accounts](#) or in [social media, games and apps](#).

4. Choose games and other apps carefully

Use eSafety's [App checklist for parents](#) to think about the positives and negatives when your child asks to download a new game or other app. The checklist covers things like age ratings, managing privacy settings and reporting abuse in-app. You can also use [The eSafety guide](#) to check and set up safety features with your child.

5. Use digital technology together

Exploring or playing on devices or online with your child can be a positive experience that promotes learning and development. Ask questions, be curious and get involved. To learn more, read our blogpost [How to encourage good screen practices for your child](#).

Come & Explore

At St John's Regional College, we provide a supportive and inclusive environment where students can thrive. With a strong focus on educating the whole person, we offer a range of academic, vocational, and creative pathways tailored to your child's unique interests and strengths.

WHY CHOOSE ST JOHN'S?

- Faith-Based, Values-Driven Education
- Academic Excellence and Innovative Learning
- Dynamic Arts and Sports Programs
- A Warm, Welcoming Community

DISCOVER THE ST JOHN'S DIFFERENCE.

Join us for an upcoming tour and see our vibrant learning community in action:

Saturday, 2 August at 10:00 am or Thursday, 28 August at 6:00 pm, followed by our Sports Academy Information Session. Weekly tours also run every Thursday at 9:15 am.



BOOK A TOUR TODAY

Come and see what life at St John's is really like. Meet our students, tour our facilities, and speak with our team about how we can support your child's next chapter.

VIBRANT PROGRAMS.
ENGAGED LEARNERS.
SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY.