



**DANDENONG NORTH  
PRIMARY SCHOOL  
NEWSLETTER**

School Website:  
[www.dandenongnorthps.vic.edu.au](http://www.dandenongnorthps.vic.edu.au)

16th May, 2023

# News From the North

## Calendar of Events

### MAY 2023

- 11-18th - Book Fair
- 16th - Grade 4 Students - Aviation Museum
- 17th - Grade 2 Students Dinosaur World Excursion
- 19th - District Cross Country
- 24th - Pizza Day

### JUNE 2023

- 2nd - Division Cross Country
- 9th - House Athletics Day
- 12th - Kings Birthday (Public Holiday)
- 14th - Regional Cross Country
- 20th - Parent Teacher Interviews Interpreters
- 21st - Student Free Day  
**NO SCHOOL**
  - Parent Teacher Interviews English Speaking
- 23rd - END OF TERM 2

## 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.

## It's Education Week!

This week, schools across Victoria are celebrating all of the wonderful learning opportunities children experience whilst at school. On Thursday 18th May, we are excited to open our classroom doors and invite parents and carers to visit your child/ren's class. Doors will be open from 2.15. Please note, school will conclude at 3.15 and children will be dismissed from their classrooms as usual.

**Celebrate Education Week by visiting your child in their classroom.**

**Thursday 18th May**  
**2.15- 3.15pm**

**move active learners: make motivate**

Find out more about Education Week 2023 at [vic.gov.au/education-week](http://vic.gov.au/education-week)

## Student Free Day - Wednesday 21st June

Students will not be required at school on

**Wednesday 21st June** as this will be a Professional Practice Day for all teachers.

In addition to this teachers will be planning for Term 3, Parent / Teacher conferences will be held at DNPS from 2pm - 6pm. More information to come.

## Special Awards

Care, Courtesy, Cooperation and Common Sense are fabulous values that are always on display from students at staff at Dandenong North. Congratulations to the following students for receiving their class award.



PA: Sadaf	1KS: Sahar	1T: Samira	3P: Christian	5KL
PH: Sai	1C: Yousuf	2P: Dania	3V: Christian	5P: Yahya
PN: Helaina	1F: Zak	2T: Hekmatullah	3J: Ishashree	6PG: Keertan
PO: Eldin	1H: Asim-ullah	2NG: Maerweina	5AL: Batu	6K: Shayla
PR: Steven	1N: Connie	3A: Ariana	5G: Mahnoor	

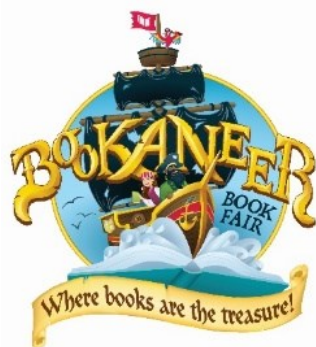
## PREP ENROLMENTS:

There has been a new statewide timeline for enrolling in Prep for the 2024 school year, with guidelines around dates being mandated. Therefore, [if you have a child starting primary school in 2024, it's time to enrol.](#) Every application must be submitted before Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2023. If you currently have a child attending DNPS and a new sibling beginning in 2024, your child will be prioritised at our school as per the Department's Placement Policy. We encourage you to visit the school office at your earliest convenience to complete an enrolment form (you will require your child's birth certificate or passport and their Medicare Immunisation Certificate).



# Book Week

## 11th - 18th May



Welcome back everyone we hope you've had a lovely two week break and plenty of reading was done during the school holidays. This term we will be encouraging children to read by having a Book Fair... It's no ordinary fair because this year it's a **Bookaneer Book Fair!** There will be plenty of fun activities and prizes to be won by all. The fair starts on **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May after school**. Don't forget all purchases will benefit our school, so come and join us and look at all the fantastic range of books that are available to buy. Parents are most welcome to come with their children after school and before school during the book fair.

A Book Fair is the perfect place for children to discover a love of books and ignite a lifelong passion for reading. We look forward to seeing you there!!



## BOOK FAIR HOURS

Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	Lunch	After School
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Morning	Lunch	After School
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Morning 8.30—9.00		

# Get hooked on a book!

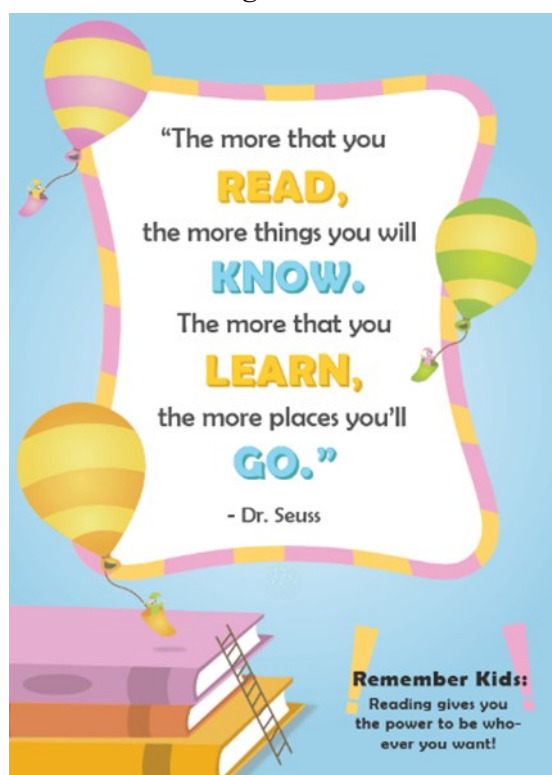
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## Wellbeing Matters

### Read aloud to boost your child's vocabulary!

Words can be powerful tools and a rich vocabulary can provide our children with better health and academic outcomes. Daily conversations with your child will be the steppingstone to securing your child's vocabulary. An expanding vocabulary bank will also provide the child with the ability to express themselves more clearly and in turn, regulate their own behaviours. Children draw on their vocabulary to communicate verbally and in the written form and their vocabulary choices will optimise the clarity and accuracy of their expression. There is also a clear link between vocabulary and the success of reading comprehension and word recognition skills.

Reading together can also provide some valuable parent-child bonding time. It can strengthen the relationship between parent and child which in turn supports their emotional wellbeing.



### Strategies to encourage vocabulary development:

When you are reading with your child and you encounter a new word, you may pause and ask the child what they think it means. If they are unsure, provide some context from the story and give some clues about the meaning. Provide them with the definition if they are still unclear.

Using gestures such as pointing, providing definitions, asking questions about new words can assist in developing vocabulary.

It is also useful to read the same story several times to strengthen the retention of new words.

Use a variety of words to describe the different characters in a story and what they are doing e.g. The brave/ courageous/ prince fell/dropped/ plunged into the water.

Keep track of new words e.g. create a whiteboard word bank on your fridge and add to it each day. Have the word bank somewhere around the house where you are likely to see it often to increase exposure.

If you don't have access to a book, you can always tell your child a story! Story-telling can also benefit vocabulary building and it is a great way to connect with your child.

We have a 'Free Little Library' at our school, so feel free to take a book home 😊 OR borrow some books from Dandenong Library (225 Lonsdale St, Dandenong)

May Chelle Tung

Speech Pathologist





**DANDENONG NORTH  
PRIMARY SCHOOL  
INVITES YOU TO SEE OUR  
SCHOOL IN ACTION**



# **Foundation 2024 Tours**

**If you have a child who  
will be starting Primary  
School in 2024, we  
invite you to see our  
classes in action, meet  
the teachers and ask  
questions.**

**Wednesday 10th May 9.30am  
Wednesday 24th May 9.30am  
Friday 2nd June 9.30am  
Wednesday 7th June 2.30pm**

**Call 9794 7899 or  
scan QR code  
to book**



**SCAN ME**

14-20 MAY  
**EDUCATION**  
**WEEK 2023**



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# WAVERLEY WINTER HOME RUN HEROES T-BALL COMPETITION

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YOUR  
INNER  
HERO WITH  
THIS FUN &  
INCLUSIVE  
T-BALL  
PROGRAM



COST  
**\$40**  
FOR NEW  
PARTICIPANTS  
**FREE**  
FOR EXISTING  
MEMBERS

REGISTER HERE:



DATES	TIME	AGES
WED MAY 3 to WED JUNE 21	5:00 - 6:00PM	7-12 YEARS

WAVERLEY SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION  
JELLS RD, WHEELERS HILL

WAVERLEYSOFTBALL@GMAIL.COM  
WWW.REVOLUTIONISE.COM.AU/WAVERLEYSOFTBALL/

- 8 WEEK COMPETITION
- MIXED GENDER TEAMS

## Waverley Winter Softball Competition is starting soon for juniors aged 7-12!!

The perfect competition for juniors to unleash their super skills learnt at home, school or in club training as well as develop and foster new skills in a supportive team-based competition!!



Fun, inclusive, welcoming comp for all



Mixed gender team competition



Wednesday nights from 5-6pm



Once players register they'll be placed in a team



RSVP HERE:

<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/waverleysa/events/183328/>

AND TELL ALL YOUR FRIENDS TO COME AND BE HOME RUN HEROES TOO!