



Respect & Care



Responsibility



Inclusion, Tolerance & Understanding



Excellence

Dear parents, grandparents and friends,

Assembly

At assembly today, we heard from students about the school value of Responsibility.

Sam, Summer, Hamish and Lewis shared their thoughts on some great ways of being responsible.

Our House Captains were presented with their badges today. These leaders will have several responsibilities throughout the year, including leading students at different sports events.

Welcome Picnic and Games Night

On Tuesday evening, we had our first community gathering for this year, and indeed almost a year since our last whole school event! Thank you to the many families who came along and enjoyed a picnic and entertainment. The coin tosses were very popular, as was the music, generously provided by Sam Bell, Marc Oswin and Paige Duggan. Thank you! Our wonderful staff and School Council fundraising committee did a great job of organising the event. There is never a shortage of conversation and fun at Dana St!



Prep enrolments

Do you have a child currently attending four-year-old kinder who will be coming to school next year? We have already had many enquiries for prep 2022 and are currently taking enrolments. If you know of anyone who is interested in enrolling their child for prep next year, please encourage them to attend our information session next Tuesday, 2nd March

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle - We need you!

We have a Sausage sizzle fundraiser on March 13th at Bunnings in Creswick Road.



We need a total of 20 volunteers to help serve, cook and assist.

If you can spare two hours throughout the day, please put your name on the roster at our office, or call us to let us know you can assist. We would deeply appreciate your help!

Principal internship

We wish Sam Streeter all the best for her internship alongside the principal at Canadian lead Primary School. The internship begins on Monday 1st March, and Sam will return to us on 22nd March.

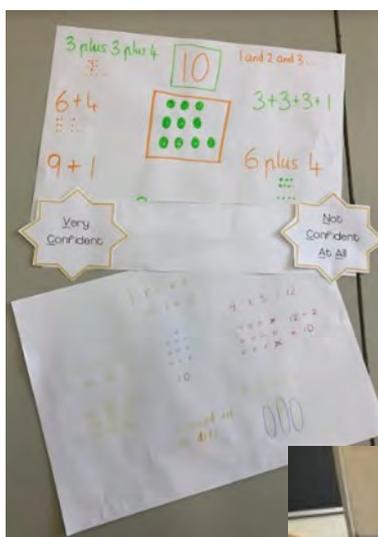
Natalie Toohey
Principal

Staff Numeracy Professional Learning Day

On Monday, all staff took part in a Numeracy Professional Learning day with numeracy consultant, Andrea Hillbrick.

We learnt about Number Talks to promote and strengthen accuracy, efficiency, flexibility and computation strategies in our mathematicians. Number talks are similar to our daily warm ups, as they are used each day at the beginning of our maths lessons. We also developed our understanding of the importance of students being able to “prove it” and “convince a skeptic” when discussing mathematical concepts and strategies.

During the day, we worked in our units to analyse and interpret assessment data, establish goals and develop an action plan when creating learning sequences for our mathematicians. This collaborative approach is fundamental in continuing to develop consistency in mathematical language and planning across our school.



Dates:

Tuesday 2nd March

2022 Prep Information morning ~ 10:00am

Tuesday 2nd March & Wednesday 3rd March

Sovereign Hill Excursion ~ Grade 5 students

Monday 8th March

Labour Day Public Holiday

Wednesday 10th March

Senior Athletics @ Llanberris

Thursday 11th March

Parent as Helpers session 2 ~ 9.00am

Monday 15th March

School Council Annual Reporting Meeting ~ 6:30pm meeting



Swimming News



Last Friday, Hannah Buchanan, Molly Malone, Ottilie Kelsall and Scarlett Quon represented our school at the Division Swimming Competition.

The girls came 3rd in the Freestyle relay, 4th in the Medley relay and individually achieved some great results and times.

Hannah goes through to the next round in Horsham after coming first in Freestyle and Butterfly; as does Scarlett with a 2nd in Breaststroke and Molly with a 3rd in Breaststroke and 3rd in Butterfly.

Congratulations to all four girls for challenging themselves and striving to do their best!

Talking with your child about school.

Many parents tell us that their child doesn't say much about school, or when asked what happened at school today, says "nothing."

So many things happen during the school day, that it can be difficult for a child to think of exactly what to talk about. Here are ten great questions to get them talking!

1. What made you smile today?
2. What went well for you today?
3. Can you tell me an example of kindness that you saw/showed today?
4. Tell me something you learned in Maths today?
5. Can you teach me a word in Japanese?
6. Can you remember one of the learning intentions from today?
7. What made your teacher smile today?
8. What are you learning in P.E./Art?
9. What are you writing about at the moment?
10. What kind of person were you today?



Student Of The Week Awards



00B ~ HENRY

For the way you show the value of responsibility. Henry is always a responsible and focused learner in the classroom. Since starting school Henry has also taken great pride in looking after our classroom environment. Way to go, Henry!



00C ~ LUCA

For the beautiful way he returned to school and how he has 'locked' into all learning tasks. Luca, you have a terrific growth mindset and the way you listen in class is admirable. You are a star!



1/2B ~ SHELBY

For seamlessly settling into our school. You embrace all learning challenges and consistently demonstrate respect and care in the classroom. Well done!!



1/2H ~ LUCA

For showing a great interest in our integrated studies. Luca, you presented your manmade and natural landmarks with excellence and proudly discussed these with me. EXCELLENT WORK, SUPER STAR!



1/2K ~ EVIE

For constantly displaying the school values. Evie, your hard work, dedication and beautiful manners are an asset that I always see from you. What a great leader you have become. Keep up the great work!



1/2R ~ HARVEY

For your amazing attitude towards learning. Harvey, when you commit to a task, you have shown that you are capable of amazing things. Your information text work has been outstanding. You're awesome, keep it up!



3/4M ~ AIMEE

For being a great example of our school values. You make sure that all of your classmates feel included and you treat them with understanding and care. You always strive for excellence in your work and give everything a red hot go.



3/4P ~ MARLEY

For showing excellence when identifying similes and metaphors in texts. You were fantastic at initiating discussions with your peers and justifying your responses around key words and comparisons. You applied your understandings to create your own similes and metaphors to add into your narrative draft. Keep up the wonderful work, Marley!



3/4R ~ OLIVER

For always beautifully demonstrating each of our school values. He always has a red hot go and locks straight into his learning, to complete incredible work. He is such an amazing role model to everyone. Thank you and super effort.



5/6KP ~ OSCAR

For the outstanding work ethic and growth mindset that he has demonstrated. Oscar, your willingness to use feedback to strive for excellence, highlights your willingness to improve in every aspect of your learning. Keep on challenging yourself legend!



5/6W ~ ANTHONY

For showing excellence in your writing this week. You have pushed yourself to complete all tasks to a high standard! Keep up the terrific effort! You are an absolute super star, Anthony.



Mathletics!

Congratulations to Cahill on achieving a Gold Certificate.





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Join our virtual tour to experience the exceptional and unique opportunities our College offers for Years 7-12. The virtual tour will showcase our extensive renovations and refurbishments and you will view our speciality areas. You will gain an insight into the quality education students are provided at our College.

Virtual Tour: Thursday 4 March, 2021
Launch Time: 6.00 pm
 The Virtual Tour can be accessed via **Youtube or Facebook**
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FOUNDATION 2022 PARENT INFORMATION MORNING

Tuesday March 2nd

10:00am - 11:00am

Please come along for a tour, enrolment details and transition information for the 2022 school year.

Phone 5332 1301

www.danaps.vic.edu.au

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM VICKI:

If any of your family information changes, can you please let the office know immediately. **This includes email addresses.** If you require any further information please contact me.

Staff Car Park – safety warning



Our staff car park can be a busy place before and after school. For safety purposes, we ask that parents and children do not use or walk through the car park

All of our grade 6 students are leaders. They were presented with a badge at assembly so that our younger students can identify them as leaders. We work with *all* of our students to show leadership in many different ways.





3/4 Unit Term One Learning

Reading

In Reading we have been focusing on building our reading stamina to read for extended periods of time. We have been choosing good fit texts and practising our accuracy strategies to support our reading fluency and comprehension. We have started asking literal and inferential questions about texts to help us develop a deeper understanding of what we are reading.

Writing

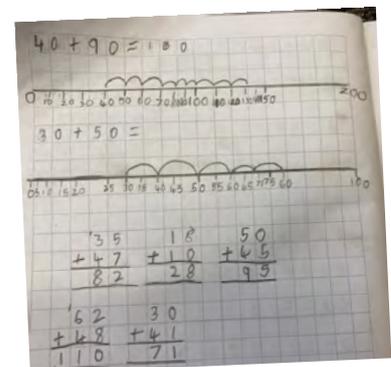


In Writing, we have been learning about narratives. We have had an amazing time creating our Writers' Notebooks and starting to fill them with incredible ideas. We have taken our ideas and made compressive plans. This week, we have started to draft and revise our narratives. We have also been learning about figurative language, focusing on how to add metaphors and similes into our writing.

Maths



In Maths, we firstly explored whole numbers into the tens of thousands and the place value system. Our mathematicians increased their ability to read and write numbers, expand and partition them, draw and model them, as well as place them on open number lines. We have just commenced our focus on addition and subtraction, reviewing known strategies and exploring new ones, with an emphasis on renaming.



Meet our 2021 House Captains



Dunne House
Anthony & Jameson



Baker House
Libby & Nya



Martin House
Chloe & Dom



Spielvogel House
Lilac & Lucy