

# The Mount Dandy News

*Top of the mountain, top results.*



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## What's On

### TERM THREE

**Monday 21st July**

*Music Assembly*

**Tuesday 22nd July**

*100 Days of School*

**Thursday 24th July**

*Three Way Interviews*

**Mon 28<sup>th</sup> July— Fri 8<sup>th</sup> August**

*Prep-2 Swimming Program*

**Friday 13th September**

*OSHClub Movie Night*

**Friday 19th September**

*Last day of Term 3*

## News and Views...

### Welcome Back

It was great to see all of the smiling student faces at assembly yesterday morning after what has been a wet, windy and cold mid-year break. It was perfect weather for a few sleep ins, some board games and bit of cooking as was the case in my household. Welcome back to one and all for Semester 2.

### Near Miss – Please Be Careful

This morning a near miss on Old Coach Rd was reported to me by a very concerned parent. Please do not drop your children off at any location other than the drop and go zone at the front of the school. All other areas require you to park and walk your children to the gate. We also ask that you please drive slowly and cautiously. The last thing we want is an accident involving our community members.

### Grade 2 Camp

On Thursday our grade 2 students will head to Mount Morton Outdoor Adventure Camp for their first overnight experience in the school camping program. We are sure that they will have a fantastic time enjoying the exciting activities on offer. I'll be joining them on Friday morning and I am looking forward to seeing them in action. Have a great time Grade 2 students.

### School Council Approved Three Way Interview Day, Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> of July. 12pm – 8pm.

Our three way interviews are just over a week away and we ask that all parents return the interview reply slips and the report feedback forms by this Friday. During these interviews students, parents and the teacher will work together to identify some goals for each student to work towards in Semester 2.

On this day the interview is the only time students are required to attend. For those of you who require further supervision for your children please contact OSHClub who will operate a program if there are enough enrolments.

### Prep – 2 Swimming Program Payments Due by Friday.

This year's P-2 swimming program is at the newly renovated Monbulk Aquatic Centre. Our junior school students will be participating in the program from the 28<sup>th</sup> of July to August the 8<sup>th</sup>. Please ensure that payment for this program is finalised by this Friday. Thank you

### Staffing Updates

**Julie Francis** is now on leave for the rest of the term. She is undergoing reconstructive surgery on her knee. Kathy Parry is going to replace Julie each week on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, Robyn Cousins will work on Wednesday and Louise Jones will work each Friday. Welcome to Kathy and Robyn who are new to our school. We would like to wish Julie a full and speedy recovery. Good Luck Julie.

**Jody Howell** begins maternity leave on Monday and will be replaced by Michelle Lawrence for the remainder of the year. Our very best wishes go to Jody and her husband Jonathan for the upcoming birth of their first child.

**Sue Gibson** returns on Thursdays for the remainder of the year to coordinate our Student Welfare and Students with Disabilities Program. If you have any queries relating to student welfare or support please drop in and see Sue on Thursdays. If matters are urgent, I am of course available on most days. Welcome Back Sue.

**Thank you and have a fantastic semester 2.**  
**Mike Leonard**

**100 Days of School**

On Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July your children have been coming to school for 100 days!!!

The children in the Junior School and some other classes will be taking part in activities related to this on that day.

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### Purpose Statement

Mount Dandenong Primary School values our unique environment and close community. It is a place for creative opportunities and academic excellence, nurturing respect, happiness and independence.



## Calling all Families

It is hard to believe our annual Art Show is now in its fourth year! We have been fortunate enough to be able to engage with the local community through our Art program by inviting artists from the area to deliver a lesson to the students. Students create artworks based on these lessons and the pieces are exhibited at the end of year. The links to the broader community are priceless to the learning and engagement provided to students. Parents are always welcome to attend any of these sessions to see first-hand how students work with artists to develop their work. Times will be advised in the upcoming Art Show newsletters.

This year we thought we might see if there are people with skills, talents or hobbies more local to us, within our families. If you have a mum, dad, aunty, grandpa or anyone in your family who has a particular creative passion or a skill they might like to share, then we would love to hear from them.

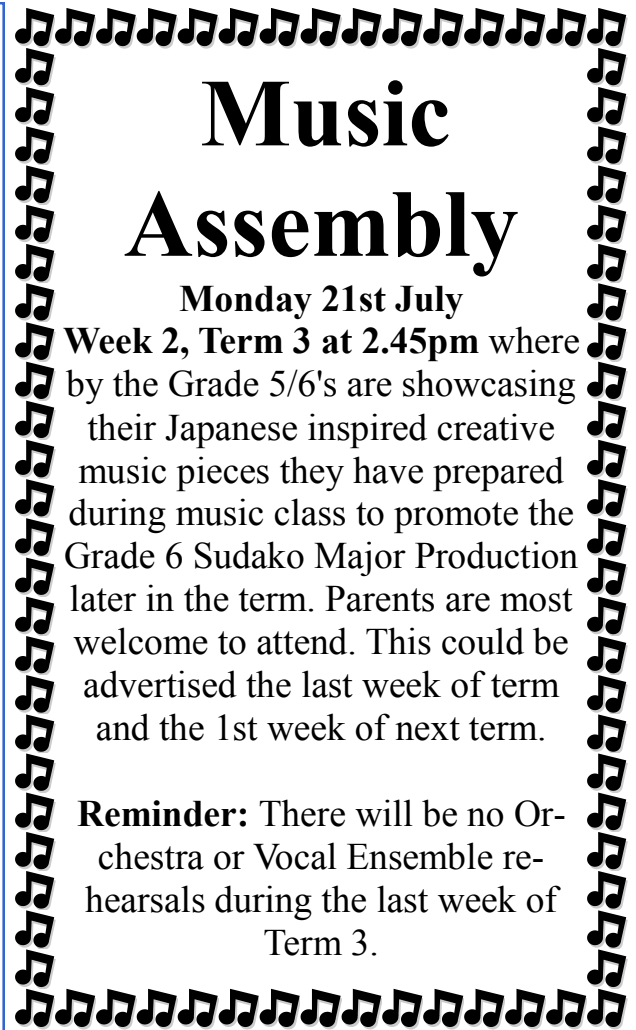
Please email [mishlawrence@bigpond.com](mailto:mishlawrence@bigpond.com) or speak with Liz Kennedy in the art room.

# Music Assembly

Monday 21st July

Week 2, Term 3 at 2.45pm where by the Grade 5/6's are showcasing their Japanese inspired creative music pieces they have prepared during music class to promote the Grade 6 Sudako Major Production later in the term. Parents are most welcome to attend. This could be advertised the last week of term and the 1st week of next term.

**Reminder:** There will be no Orchestra or Vocal Ensemble rehearsals during the last week of Term 3.



## FRUITY FRIDAY Years Prep—3



# NO FRUITY FRIDAY THIS WEEK

Many thanks to the following families for sponsoring the program in 2014 :-

**Brammer family**

**Gates family**

**Grant- McLeod Family**

We will be starting week 2 of term 3 and are requesting volunteers to cut up the fruit for approximately 1hr at 9am on a Friday morning.

**Toddlers are VERY welcome!**

**Please complete form below and return it to the office.**

Name:- \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Weekly	Fortnightly	Monthly
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**Please circle your preference above. A roster will be sent home the first week of term 3 to ensure people are clear about when they are required.**

## Sport News


### Eastern Region Cross Country

The second last Tuesday of Term 2, the 17<sup>th</sup> of June, six students from Mt Dandenong Primary School competed in the Eastern Region Cross Country finals at Yarra Valley Race Course in Yarra Glen. This was a huge achievement having six students from our school qualify for this event. The students qualified for this event by finishing in the top places in the Mt Dandenong House Cross Country, the District Cross Country and the Division Cross Country. Congratulations to Aaron Hick, Josh Rowe, Ziggy Hatherley, Max Thornton and Josh Leonard who all ran great races and did their school proud. A huge congratulations also goes to Josh Yuki who came 15<sup>th</sup> in his event, narrowly missing out on the State Cross Country.

### Hooptime

The Grade 3/4 students travelled to Kilsyth Basketball Stadium last Term, on Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> of June, to take part in Hooptime, which was a round robin basketball competition for all ability levels. This was a great way to conclude a unit of basketball the students have been participating in during Physical Education classes. The school had 4 Rookies teams: The Mt Dandy Dingoes, Marlins, Dragons and Meteors, a Future Stars team: The Mt Dandy Magic and an All Stars team. Well done to all students who participated and demonstrated some fantastic performances on the day. The Mt Dandy students demonstrated a huge improvement in their teamwork and skills throughout the day and showed fantastic sportsmanship and attitude. What was just as impressive was the effort and improvement from the rookies. There were many students who hadn't played much basketball before who showed a high level of involvement, improved a huge amount and had heaps of fun on the day. Each team played at least six games (13 minutes long) and there were plenty of wins for the Mt Dandy teams over the course of the day. There were some especially good performances from the Mt Dandy All Stars who narrowly lost the Grand Final for the All Stars league. A huge thank you goes to the parents- Danny Leonard, Jade Hyett, Colleen Forward, Judith Carylton, Clive Chambers, Karin Harris, the Year 10 student helpers- Laura Clarke, Ben Watson, Liam Golub and Hayden Matthews and the teachers- Kathleen Kean and Anne Boal, who all made this day possible with their huge amount of help in scoring and coaching the teams on the day.

Ryan Harris  
Sport Coordinator



**'Christmas in July'  
Market Day**

The World Challenge Team is seeking expressions of interest from stallholders who would like to be involved in our fundraiser. We hope to be able to offer a great variety of stalls for the shoppers in our local community.


We plan to hold our 'Christmas in July' Market Day indoors at Emerald Secondary College's Gymnasium on Saturday July 19 at 10am-3pm. Doors would be open from 9am to set up, with pack up to finish by 4pm.

**\*\*This event will only take place providing there is enough interest from community stallholders.**

Each stall will have 3mx3m (the average size of an outdoor sun shelter) available to them with stallholders being required to supply their own tables, chairs and display stands.

Any food stallholders would have to have the required permits/notifications from Cardinia Shire Council to participate; keeping in mind "food is defined as any item consumed by mouth."

The cost of the space would be \$30.  
Please contact Matilda via email on [matilda\\_sinclair@ymail.com](mailto:matilda_sinclair@ymail.com) by June 27<sup>th</sup> to book your spot or for any further information.



### **A note from the Christmas in July team:-**

World Challenge is an educational organisation that provides life skills such as:

- personal development and thinking skills,
- leadership,
- encourages teamwork ,
- risk management,
- negotiation,
- delegation and money management.

This is achieved by travelling to the other side of the world and taking part in an incredible expedition trekking through challenging terrain, spending time volunteering in a developing community and experiencing the sights, sounds, smells, food, altitude and culture of the destination.

Students are involved in every aspect of the expedition, community project and itinerary. A great deal of preparation is required including mental and physical preparation for the challenges that lie ahead, fundraising towards the costs and working with the planning managers who liaise with local contacts to source a project that meets the needs of the community and the goals of the team. The aim of the project is that it will be sustainable and continue to benefit the community long after the team have returned home.

**A group of students from Emerald Secondary have formed a team, with the destination of their trip being Java. The trip is to take place in November/December.**

The team is planning to organise a 'Christmas in July' Market Day as part of their fundraising and are hoping that your school would support the team by including this attachment as part of your school's next newsletter, as a means of attracting as many interested stallholders as possible to make this day great.

We thank you in advance for support.  
Matilda, Megan, Mackie, Callum and Annalise



# Physio

DANDENONG RANGES

Pilates  Orthotics  Remedial Massage

-  Back/neck pain
-  Sports injuries
-  Headaches
-  Overuse injuries
-  Sprains/strains
-  Falls & balance
-  Post-surgical rehab
-  Women's health

OLINDA - 9751 0400 - Opposite Mt Dandenong Hotel [www.drphysio.com.au](http://www.drphysio.com.au)

## Learning to Listen presents Jump Start – A program to enhance your child's learning



Give your children the boost they need to **learn faster**, improve **self-esteem** and **strengthen the body and brain** with 50-minute classes incorporating Move to Learn techniques, Brain Gym and yoga.

Join Katharine King, Mt Dandenong Primary School's resident auditory processing consultant and Brain Gym instructor, as she teaches your children exercises that will strengthen their body to brain connection, helping them to listen and learn more effectively.

**Classes commence:** Term 3  
**Venue:** Mt Dandenong Primary School in the Forest room  
**Time:** 3:40pm - 4.30pm  
**Cost:** \$20 (\$160 for 8 sessions)

### FREE Individual Assessments

Are you concerned about your child's listening and learning skills? Katharine will be conducting FREE 20-minute personal sessions to outline your child's needs at **Mt Dandenong Primary School**

Places are limited, so book your FREE assessment with Katharine on  
**Ph: 9728 1724 M: 0410 402 487**



## OLINDA CRICKET CLUB

Olinda Cricket Club Vets

July 2014

### Calling All Dads

Olinda Cricket Club are seeking new players for our over 40's (Vets) cricket teams. If you enjoy a spot of cricket in the backyard with the kids then you will love playing in one of our Vets cricket teams.

### What is Vets Cricket?

Similar to one day cricket with 36 overs per innings. We try and let everyone have a bat and bowl each game. Friendly relaxed atmosphere amid a culture of fair and competitive play. Training is optional. All equipment is supplied. You just need whites and a sense of humor. Because you can just roll up and play it is perfect for busy guys that are unable to commit a lot of time. Games are a fortnight apart to enable full recovery. **Bring up a mate and play!**

### New Clubrooms

This year is a very exciting time for the local community with the completion of our new multi-million dollar clubrooms expected around mid September just in time for Cricket season. These state-of-the-art clubrooms will be the perfect place to launch your stellar cricket career.

Please call Brad Stevens on 0427 334 347 for more info.

"Come on guys. Give me a call so we can get your cricket career on track and create a chance to tick off some items on the bucket list."

• Brad Stevens  
Foundation member  
Olinda Cricket Club Veterans  
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The new Olinda Clubrooms due to open September 2014

### Features of Playing

- Great camaraderie
- Relaxed atmosphere
- Fitness while having fun
- All equipment supplied
- Optional training