



Hello Everyone,

Thank you to everybody who was able to make it to the SSG meetings on Tuesday night. We had a fantastic turn up and the early birds even had the opportunity to buy farm fresh potatoes from our transition students. Although the potatoes were a bargain for families the real value of the program is that it allows our students to weigh, price and sell the potatoes, to work out their costs and profit and to manage the giving of change. It is real life maths at its best.

Teachers will attempt to contact all families by phone if you were unable to make it on Tuesday and I know that lots of interviews have been held at different times. If you haven't had an SSG please make arrangements with your child's teacher. These SSG's are important because it is the start of our new approach to goal setting.

We are teaching the Victorian curriculum and will report your child's progress against the subject areas. We will not be setting goals against the curriculum but will be setting goals against our strategic plan priorities which are;

- Communication Skills
- Independence
- Social Capabilities

These goals which will be set by the second week of term three and will carry over into 2019. It is really important to us that parents have full input into goal setting so again if you haven't had an SSG please book one with your teacher.

2018 is the year we undergo a school review, I will shortly be sending home a survey to seek input from the school community about how you feel we have succeeded or failed to meet our strategic plan. When the survey comes home could you please make every effort to send it back to school?

I hope you enjoy our education week photos...  
This year we were celebrating the arts.....

Regards  
Sue



## IMPORTANT DATES 2018

### TERM DATES

Term 2: 16 Apr - 29 Jun

Term 3: 16 Jul - 21 Sep

Term 4: 8 Oct - 21 Dec

### SPECIAL DAYS

19th June - Design &  
Technology Day

22nd June - 2nd year  
Junior Activity Evening

### NEXT PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Monday 11th June

### CURRICULUM DAYS

Monday 29th January

Friday 3rd August

Monday 5th November

4TH Day TBC

### IMMUNISATIONS

17 Aug - HPV (2nd dose)

20 Jun - Meningococcal W

### DOLLAR MITE BANKING

EVERY Wednesday



# Principal's Awards

## Juniors



Christian received his Principal's Award for being a **Learner** and using his communication device.



Ashton received his Principal's Award for being a **Learner** by using more words and using his PECS.

## Middles



Uday received his Principal's Award for being a **Learner** and communicating verbally to make requests.



Bailey received his Principal's Award for being **Respectful** and making new friends at Dandy Valley.

## Seniors



Januka received his Principal's Award for being a **Learner** and showing increased confidence in the classroom.



Hunter received his Principal's Award for being **Responsible** when riding a bike and completing his work in class.

## Transition



Emily received her Principal's Award for being **Responsible** and displaying increased independence in the community.



# Treasure Ticket Winners:

Athan - room 13

Edona - room 19

Connor - room 24

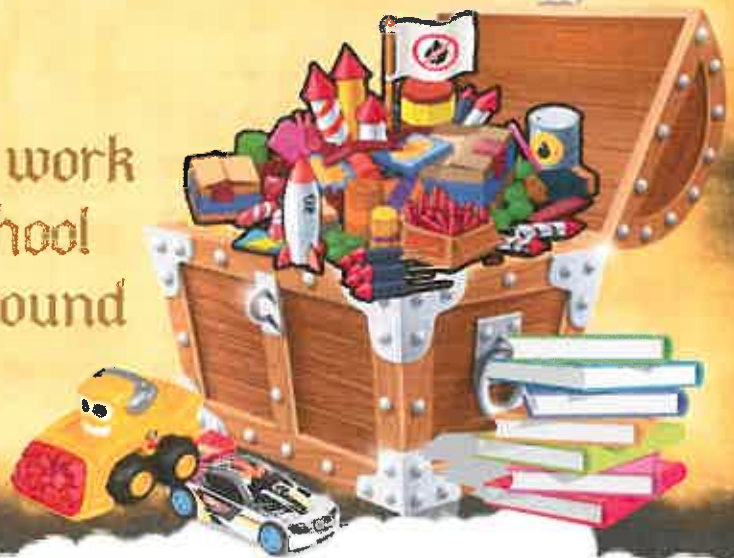
Bebe - room 25

Nicholas - room 27

Brodie - Transition

Congratulations to our winners!

Keep up the great work  
following our school  
rules in the playground



## Lost something?

Please feel free to have  
a look through the box







# JUNIOR SCHOOL





# MIDDLE SCHOOL





# Celebrating The ARTS at Dandenong Valley TRANSITION



# **OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY** **PROMOTES**



## **The Program** **Handwriting Without Tears**

The Handwriting Without Tears curriculum draws from years of innovation and research to provide developmentally appropriate, multisensory tools and strategies for the classroom. The program follows research that demonstrates children learn more effectively by actively doing, with materials that address all styles of learning. This system has figured out easier, happier ways for children to master handwriting.





# ***THANK YOU!***

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***To the  
Morando-Stokoe family  
for donating 12 watering cans  
to our school!***





# POLICY INFORMATION

## Privacy Policy



The Department has developed a new Schools' Privacy Policy and related documents for all Victorian government schools. The new Schools' Privacy Policy replaces any existing privacy policies used by schools.

This policy can be viewed on the DET website at <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/schoolsprivacypolicy.aspx>

Alternatively, there is a link on the Dandenong Valley SDS website in the documents section.



## Child Safe Policy

Dandenong Valley SDS is a Child Safe School.

Please read our Child Safe Policy on our schools website under the document heading.

<http://www.dandyvalley.vic.edu.au/>





## **SAME-DAY NOTIFICATION** **OF UNEXPLAINED STUDENT ABSENCES**

### **FACT SHEET FOR PARENTS/CARERS**

If your child is sick or absent, you are required to notify their school as soon as possible on the day of absence using one of the following methods:

1. Online: log the absence directly using your school's IT platform.
2. Telephone: the school office and let the staff know your child's name, class, date of absences and reason.
3. Email: the school and provide the staff with your child's name, class, date of absences and reason.

Notifying the school of your child's absence either prior to, or on the day that they will be away, helps ensure the safety and wellbeing of children and will fulfil your legal responsibility.

### **Why do I need to notify the school if my child is absent?**

Schools need to know when and why a child is absent and you need to know if your child isn't at school. From the end of Term 2 2018, all Victorian government schools are required to contact parents/carers as soon as practicable on the same day of an unexplained student absence. If your child is absent on a particular day and you have not contacted the school to explain why, the absence will be marked as unexplained. This system also promotes daily school attendance. Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education, they learn new things every day – missing school puts them behind.

### **What is your responsibility?**

You are legally required to ensure your child attends school every day or you must provide an explanation for their absence. You should let the school know in advance of any upcoming absences or let them know in the morning if your child won't be at school. In order for schools to implement the same day notification requirement, it's essential that you provide the school with your most up-to-date contact details. Generally one notification will be sent per family. Should there be circumstances that require both parents and carers to be notified, please contact the school to make the necessary arrangements.

### **What is the school's responsibility?**

The school must notify you of an unexplained absence in relation to your child as soon as practicable on the same day.

Schools will let you know either by your school's online communications app, SMS, phone call or email. If you can't be reached because the school does not have your correct contact details (i.e. changed phone number, SMS/email failure notification received etc.), the school will attempt to make contact with any emergency contact/s nominated on your child's file held by the school. Where possible, this contact will be made on the same day of the unexplained absence.

### **Where can I learn more about the process for managing student absences?**

Ask your school for a copy of the Attendance Policy which outlines the school's processes and procedures for monitoring, recording and following-up of student absences.



# Casey Stadium

## All Access Programs

Tailored to each participant's individual ability and special requirements, these programs provide the opportunity to build self esteem, confidence, and improve overall health.

Casey Sports Zone

Tai Chi

Creative Dance

Karate

Push & Power - Casey  
Wheelchair Sports Zone

Bookings are available for individuals or groups/service providers.

## Register Today

check out our website to keep up to date  
with the latest programs and events



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# Waverley Toyota - Good for Footy



## Waverley Toyota would like to invite you to the first **All Abilities Junior Come and Try Scratch Match**

A chance to have a kick, training advise, photos and autograph opportunities with some AFL Players

There will also be an exhibition match between two local All Abilites teams, the Mazenod Panthers and Mt Waverley Demons, competing for the prestigious Waverley Toyota Challenge Cup.

**Date:** Wednesday August 22nd

**Time:** 6pm - 7.30pm

**Location:** Mazenod Panthers Football Club - Central Reserve,  
Cnr Springvale and Waverley Rd, Glen Waverley

### Free Family activities:

- SEN will be in attendance for a live cross and giving away free footy merchandise
- Appearances from AFL Players
- AFL Giant interactive Inflatable Games
- Face painting and Balloons
- A raffle with some Great Prizes
- BBQ thanks to Grill'd Chadstone

To Register, email Mardi Scott, [mardis@waverleytoyota.com.au](mailto:mardis@waverleytoyota.com.au) with name, contact details, age and gender. Further details will follow. **Numbers are limited!**



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**GoodforFooty**

