











Respect & Care

Responsibility

Inclusion, Tolerance & Understanding

Excellence

Dear parents, grandparents and friends,

Assembly

Our new grade 6 student leaders led assembly for the first time today. Congratulations to Annie, Eva, Oscar, Darcy, Josie and Alice, who showed courage and did very well!

Every week at assembly, we will have students from across the school who share their learning. This develops confidence in public speaking.

Student Code of Conduct

Last week we included the <u>Student Code of Conduct</u> with the newsletter. Each family received this document to keep at home. We have high expectations of behaviour at our school, and believe that it is very important that all members of our school community feel safe and supported.

Thank you for reading through the Code of Conduct with your child and keeping it in a safe place for easy reference. The Code of Conduct helps everyone in our school community to be aware of our expectations and procedures.

No School for Students- Professional learning day

A reminder that there will be no school for students next **Thursday 17th February.** Our staff will be at school, participating in professional learning related to teaching Inquiry. Our teachers continue to deepen their knowledge and skills, just as we expect with our students!

Welcome Picnic Evening - Early notice....Please Save the Date!

On Tuesday 1st March we will hold a welcome picnic for our school community. All families are invited to come along, from 5.45 to 7:00pm. This is a great way to get to know the families of other students at our school. Families just need to bring a rug or chairs, something to eat, some loose change and a smile! We will provide fun activities. New families will hopefully get to experience our wonderful barbecues when the COVID situation settles further!

Child Safety

Our school is committed to the safety of all children. We actively promote the safety and wellbeing of all students, and all school staff are committed to protecting students from abuse or harm, in accordance with their legal obligations including child safe standards. All of our Child Safety documents are on our website and available at the school. Please see me if you have any questions or concerns about Child Safety and/ or our practices.

Parent /Teacher meetings

Our parent/ teacher meetings will take place in the week beginning 21st February. Last week, information on the online booking system, including an access code, was sent home with the newsletter. We look forward to families taking the opportunity to meet with their child's classroom teacher, to share information and discuss goals and expectations for the year. It is very important that we work together to ensure all of our students have every opportunity to achieve their best. Please contact the office if you need support to book your meeting times.

Annual Privacy Reminder

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' Privacy Policy.

Please take time to remind yourself of our <u>school's collection notice</u>, found on our website.

Natalie Toohey ~ Principal

Early Notice: Student Free Days for 2022:

Term 1: Thursday 17th February (week 3)

Term 3: Monday 11th July (week 1)

*Term 4: Monday 3th October (week 1)

**Correction - Date was incorrect last week

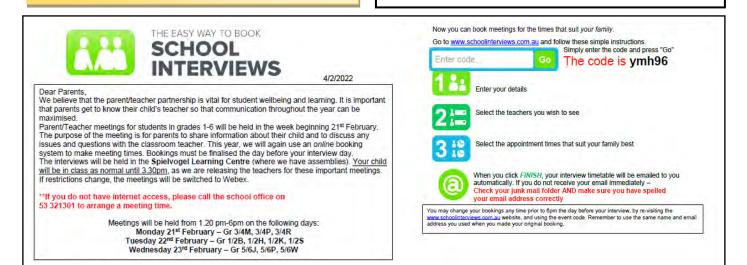
Term 4: Monday 21st November (week 8)

Air Pollution around our school

Did you know that leaving your car engine idling while waiting outside school can cause air pollution? A recent study



found that traffic congestion and idling car engines can exacerbate conditions such as asthma, especially during peak times such as school pick up. By turning off your engine, you're reducing those peak -exposures in the day, so it does make a difference!



Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) applications

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. There is also a special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families.

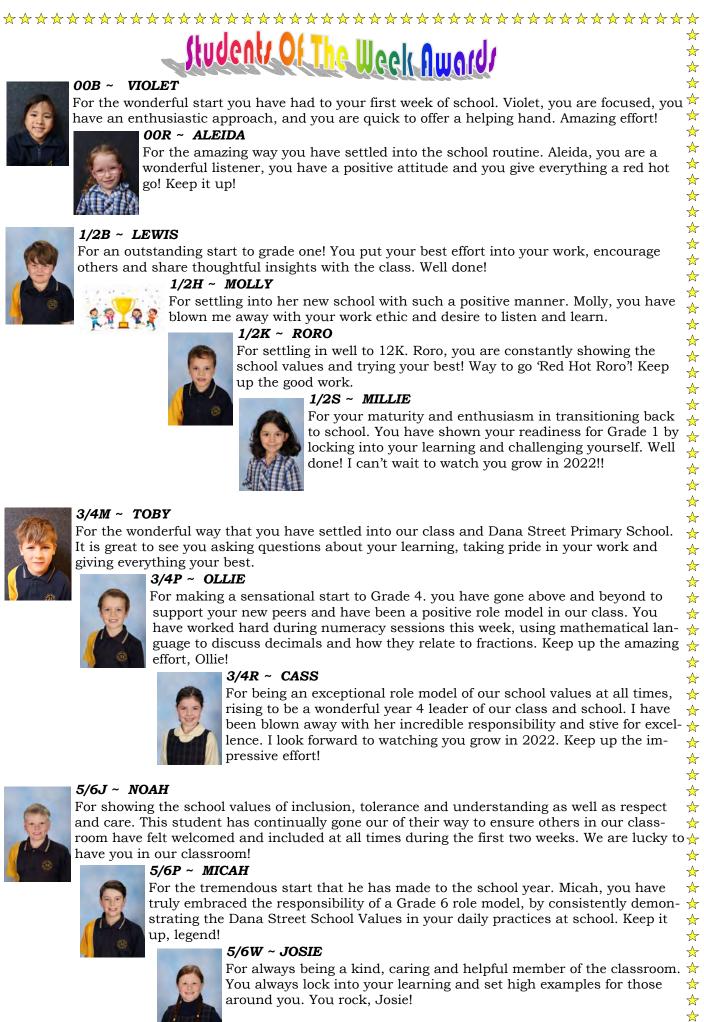
The payment amount this year for eligible primary school students is \$125. Payments are made direct to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

If you would like to apply for the first time, please contact the school office and ask for an application form.

You can also download the form, and find out more about the program and eligibility, on the Department of Education and Training's Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund web page.

Check with the school office if you are unsure, and please return completed forms to the school office as soon as possible.



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For the wonderful start you have had to your first week of school. Violet, you are focused, you have an enthusiastic approach, and you are quick to offer a helping hand. Amazing effort!

OOR ~ **ALEIDA**

For the amazing way you have settled into the school routine. Aleida, you are a wonderful listener, you have a positive attitude and you give everything a red hot go! Keep it up!

$1/2B \sim LEWIS$

For an outstanding start to grade one! You put your best effort into your work, encourage others and share thoughtful insights with the class. Well done!

1/2H ~ MOLLY

For settling into her new school with such a positive manner. Molly, you have blown me away with your work ethic and desire to listen and learn.

1/2K ~ RORO

For settling in well to 12K. Roro, you are constantly showing the school values and trying your best! Way to go 'Red Hot Roro'! Keep up the good work.





For your maturity and enthusiasm in transitioning back to school. You have shown your readiness for Grade 1 by locking into your learning and challenging yourself. Well done! I can't wait to watch you grow in 2022!!

3/4M ~ TOBY

For the wonderful way that you have settled into our class and Dana Street Primary School. It is great to see you asking questions about your learning, taking pride in your work and giving everything your best.



3/4P ~ OLLIE

For making a sensational start to Grade 4. you have gone above and beyond to support your new peers and have been a positive role model in our class. You have worked hard during numeracy sessions this week, using mathematical language to discuss decimals and how they relate to fractions. Keep up the amazing effort, Ollie!



3/4R ~ CASS

For being an exceptional role model of our school values at all times, rising to be a wonderful year 4 leader of our class and school. I have been blown away with her incredible responsibility and stive for excellence. I look forward to watching you grow in 2022. Keep up the impressive effort!

5/6J ~ NOAH

For showing the school values of inclusion, tolerance and understanding as well as respect and care. This student has continually gone our of their way to ensure others in our classroom have felt welcomed and included at all times during the first two weeks. We are lucky to have you in our classroom!

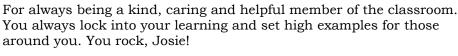


5/6P ~ MICAH

For the tremendous start that he has made to the school year. Micah, you have truly embraced the responsibility of a Grade 6 role model, by consistently demonstrating the Dana Street School Values in your daily practices at school. Keep it up, legend!

5/6W ~ JOSIE







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Dates:

Wednesday 16th February No school for Foundation students

Thursday 17th February Staff Professional Development day ~ No school for students

Monday 21st February School Council Meeting 7pm

Monday 21st February Parent teacher meetings ~ Grade 3/4

Tuesday 22nd February Parent/Teacher meetings ~ Grade 1/2



Wednesday 23rd February Parent/Teacher meetings ~ Grade 5/6

Tuesday 1st March Community Evening

Ask your child about.....Learning Intentions

Teachers will usually share the learning intention (aim) at the beginning of a lesson. Some examples of learning intentions are:

We are learning to make our reading sound like talking
We are learning to find the main idea in a text
We are learning to write a procedure
We are learning to partition numbers
We are learning to mix colours
We are learning to say greetings in Japanese
We are learning to throw a chest pass



At Dana St, we have embedded learning intentions into our lessons. By sharing Learning Intentions, teachers know that students become more engaged in their learning and more able to monitor their own progress towards the aims of the lesson. This helps students to grow in their learning.

STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE ARRANGEMENTS

At this time of year, we have been reminded that the Department of Education and Training does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students.

As such, parents and guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any related ambulance/transport costs.

Reasonably low cost student accident insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers. For more information, contact an insurance broker or search online for a suitable personal accident insurance.

VALUABLES & PROPERTY

Personal property brought to school by students, staff or visitors is not insured and the Department of Education does not accept any responsibility for any loss or damage.

This can include mobile phones, calculators, toys and sporting equipment. Please note that neither the school nor the Department hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and will generally not pay for any loss or damage to such property.

We request the support of parents and guardian in ensuring students are discouraged from bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuables items to school.

WELCOME FOUNDATION STUDENTS

It has been a wonderful start to the school year in our foundation classroom with so many students thrilled to finally be at school. We are enjoying watching students develop more confidence as they get use to the daily school routine and we are so happy to see so many new friendships blossoming.

In Literacy students have been learning about letters and sounds. While in Numeracy students have been active participants in lots of hands on tasks and games exploring counting and numbers to 10.

You may have even noticed our Wonder Wall in the foyer. These are our wonderings for our inquiry "How do I learn and play at school?". Their wonderings will make you smile.







Meet our 2022 Student Leaders!

Our 2022 Grade 6 Student Leaders were presented with their Leadership badges this week.

School Captains

Oscar

Eva

Annie

Darcy









Junior School Council Presidents

Josie

Alice



