Dear Parents and Friends,

Last week we had a wonderful time celebrating Book Week with a Book Character Parade on Thursday! It was fabulous to see students and staff members dressed in their creative book character costumes and so many parents and friends at school for the event. Thank you all for joining in with the fun and taking the opportunity to visit your child’s classroom to read together! A special thank you to Ruth Drew and Mary Psaila for doing such a great job in organising the proceedings on the day and over the week. The book fair in the school library was a huge success with many of our students making the most of the low cost books for sale! A big THANK YOU to Sheryl for making this possible!

NAPLAN results are available for parents and carers to collect from the school office for those students in Years 3 and 5 who sat the tests earlier this year. If you would like more information or would like to discuss the results with your child’s teacher please contact the school office to make an appointment.

A reminder that there will be a Curriculum Day on Thursday September 8. This is a pupil-free day.

Kind regards,

Liz Balharrie

OUT OF UNIFORM DAY / CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Emi Eliu who has made it into the School Sport Victoria Touch Football Team. We are very proud of Emi’s efforts. The championships are being held in Perth, October 23rd – 28th. Unfortunately there is a huge cost for the uniform and accommodation. We would like to support Emi so our wonderful school leaders have organised an out of school uniform day to be held on Thursday 15th September. Students are asked to donate a gold coin to help towards the cost.

Congratulations also to Marie Dongwa—the winner of the Parent Opinion Survey Award. She receives a Coles voucher after returning Parent Opinion Survey. Well done.
Dear Families and Friends of Deer Park North Primary School,

This week I had the pleasure of attending my first community event at Deer Park North P.S. The book character parade is a celebration of Children’s Book Week and an excellent opportunity to celebrate reading. I was so pleased to see so many families and friends attending the parade; your support and involvement is so important in building children’s positive attitudes towards reading. Reading is an important partnership between the school and home and we must all work hard to give our students the best possible chance at being good readers as this will lead to improved learning opportunities in all aspects of their school life.

Research has proven that reading regularly at home (15 – 30 minutes every day) is one of the most powerful ways to improve your child’s chances of success at school. We thank you for taking time to read with your child and talk with your child about his/her reading every day.

If you would like to know more about how you can support your child with their reading at home, please make sure that you talk to your child’s classroom teacher and they will be more than happy to give you some tips.

Ruth Drew
Literacy Coordinator

Prep
The preps have been busy learning about ‘teen’ numbers. We have been working with the Numeracy Coach, Mr Bowen, practising making teen numbers with train sets, dinosaurs and bundles of ten. We have learnt that teen is the same as ten, for example 14 is ten and four. We have been learning to say the number, make the number and record the number in our books.

Jodi
Class Teacher
Deer Park North PS

3/4 Performing Arts Concert
The Deer Park Sunshine Performing Arts Festival will be held next week, on Wednesday the 7th of September. This year it will be held at the following address:

Quin Auditorium,
Caroline Chisholm Catholic College,
204 Churchill Avenue,
Braybrook.
34 of our year 3/4 students will be performing a dance item and two choir songs on the night.

Remember to print your tickets and bring them to the auditorium. There will not be any tickets available at the venue.

Zoe Hahesy
Concert Coordinator

Our Purpose: To engage each child’s curiosity, build on their strengths and preferred learning styles to develop healthy, socially responsible, capable and resourceful life long learners.

More on our Website...
www.deerparknthps.vic.edu.au
Students in SVG have been focusing on Inferring in their reading sessions. They have created Poems, and the reader must use their Background Knowledge and the Clues in the poems to infer what the poem is about!

I am short
I am tall
I am big
I am small

I move when the wind blows
I can be rough
I can be smooth
I can be alive
I can be dead

You can cut me or you can trim me
There are lots of me everywhere
I can be green I can be brown

What am I?
By Si Ngo and Siu

THE FILLING FACTS
I am round and rubbery
I can be bouncy
I can be big and small

I go KABOOM in your face
I look ordinary but I cause trouble
I am different temperatures
The harder you throw me
The bigger the KABOOM goes

When I am thrown get ready to flee
I am the master of pranks, you can’t beat me

What am I?
By Grace, Thao and Michael

THE DIFFERENT FLIERS
I can fly in the sky
But not too high
I have scales
But not feathers

I have a tongue
But not teeth
I have six legs
But no feet

Some people like me
Some people don’t
If you try to harm me I let off a smell
And if you breathe through your nose
You won’t feel so well

I come in different shapes and sizes
But also different patterns
Some people think the fairies painted me
But I was just born with it

I have four wings instead of two
I only fly away from you
I am shy and I have no courage
I cannot speak the English language

What am I?
By Brylee, Penni and Latisha

I can be fake
I can be real
I can stick to your face like glue

I am one of your senses
I am very well known as a part of your body
The light hurts me

What am I?
By Joseph, Brendan and Bledi

I am named after a song
I can be big and small
I can be soft and hard

My head is rough
I am bushy
I am green

You can fry me
I am edible

What am I?
By Jillian, Judy and Laura

ANSWERS:
Tree, Yoshie, Butterfly, Water Balloon, Eyeball, Broccoli
What mum Jacqueline and daughters Ida and Lavinia say about

“Under 5 in the Hive Playgroup”

Q1, How did you find out about Under 5 in the Hive Playgroup?

Though the Brimbank library.

Q2, what do you enjoy most about coming to the playgroup?

It gives my daughters and myself the opportunity to engage with other members of our community. My children also get the opportunity to learn through different activities they are presented with. I believe that it is important to foster the love of learning at a young age. If a child has a curious mind they will be more compliant to engage with the learning at school and in future years.

Q3, What do your children say about Under 5 in the Hive Playgroup

Ida

I like playing with playdough

Lavinia

I like playing with my sister and mummy at playgroup.

Q4, Do you feel more connected to your community since you found the hub?

The hub is a wonderful example of how people of different cultures can come together and connect. We are all parents from different backgrounds, cultures, education but we all have the same goal for our children and that is a positive start to our children’s learning and engagement with other members of our community.

Thank you to the hub for making us feel very welcome each week. It is a wonderful resource for the toddlers and their families to be involved in...