



Discovering Doreen

Week Ending 10th October 2025

From Dave

It is with great sadness that we share the news of the passing of **Armita Tafaghodi (Ava's mum)**, a valued member of our Doreen Primary School community. Armita was a kind and caring parent whose warmth and support was deeply appreciated by those who knew her. Mr Miller, Mrs Green and I attended the funeral today on behalf of the school to pay our respects and offer our condolences to the family. Our thoughts and sympathies are with Armita's loved ones during this difficult time.

Welcome back, everyone! Term 4 is here, and it's shaping up to be a big one at Doreen Primary School. There's plenty happening over the next few weeks, with something for every part of our school community. We've got Bike Ed kicking off again and the always-popular **Great Doreen Bike Ride** on the calendar. Our 2026 Prep transition program is underway and our senior students will be busy with the **Grade 5/6 Soccer Tournament**, **Hoop Time Finals**, and the **City Bike Ride** later in the term. We're also looking forward to a **Working Bee**, the **Panton Hill Music Concert**, a **Bunnings BBQ**, **Grandparents' Day**, the **Book Fair and Dress Up Day**, and a **special Prep - Grade 2 night**. And of course, we'll wrap up the year with our **School Concert** and **Grade 6 Graduation**. It's going to be a full and exciting term ahead – plenty to look forward to as we finish the year strong together.

This week we welcome back **Rachel Blake** (Music) and **Di Zobel** (Art, Resilience and Wellbeing) from their **Long Service Leave**. Both enjoyed a well-deserved break and we're thrilled to have them back on deck for Term 4. A big thank you also goes to **Eva Norbury** and **Teesha Garriga**, who did a fantastic job stepping in and supporting our programs while Rachel and Di were away.

We've pencilled in a **Working Bee** for **Sunday, 26th October**, and we're looking forward to a great turnout! After speaking with many parents around the yard, we've had very positive feedback about holding this on a Sunday. We'll be firing up the **BBQ** and calling this one **The Great Doreen Working Bee**. There will be a list of jobs to tackle, ranging from **physical tasks** to **lighter duties**, including the exciting establishment of a **new garden**. We've always had a fantastic **mum turnout**, and this time we'd love to see more **dads** get involved.

Please note that the **Panton Hill Music Concert** has been **rescheduled** from **Monday, 28th October** to **Tuesday, 11th November**. All existing bookings have been moved to the new date. Families should receive a confirmation text from Panton Hill Hotel around the change. This event will feature students in Grades 4-6 who currently have lessons with Joel, Cara or Sam, as well as members of the school band and choir. It's always a fantastic night showcasing the wonderful musical talent within our school. The evening will be held at the Panton Hill Hotel, with dinner bookings available from 5:00pm and the concert beginning at 6:30pm. The event is open to the entire community and we warmly invite everyone to come along and enjoy the performances. To book a table for dinner, please contact the Panton Hill Hotel directly on 9719 7270, quoting "**Doreen PS Music**."

The **Great Doreen Bike Ride** is pencilled in for **Friday, 14th November**, and preparations are well underway. As mentioned previously, this event relies heavily on **parent volunteers** to ensure the day runs smoothly and safely. A Compass message has been sent out today seeking volunteers to assist on the day. We have a number of **Prep-Grade 1 riders** who are still developing their confidence and may need a little extra support. Not all volunteers are required to ride – a few **walking or running parents** alongside this group would be ideal. Depending on their year level, riders will cover distances ranging from **8 kilometres** for our **Prep-Grade 2 students** to around **36 kilometres** for our **Grade 5/6 group**. All volunteers must hold a **current Working With Children Check (WWCC)**. If you're available to help, please sign up using the **Google Form on Compass**. I'll provide a full briefing for all volunteers the week before the ride to go over roles and responsibilities.

Important Dates and INFORMATION	
TERM 4	
Bike Ed Grade 5 & 6	15, 22, 29 Oct
Bike Ed Grade P-4	16, 23, 30 Oct
Prep 2026 Transition Day 1	21 Oct
Working Bee	26 Oct
Curriculum Day	3 Nov
Melbourne Cup Day	4 Nov
Prep 2026 Transition Day 2	6 Nov
Panton Hill Music Concert NOTE: DATE CHANGE	11 Nov
Great Doreen Bike Ride	14 Nov
Prep 2026 Transition Day 3	19 Nov
Report Writing Day No Students	1 Dec
Prep 2026 Transition Day 4	2 Dec
Bookfair (Dress Up Day -4th Dec)	3 & 4 Dec
School Concert	12 Dec
Grade 6 Graduation	17 Dec
Grade 6 Bowling	18 Dec
Last Day of 2025 1.30pm dismissal	19 Dec
PLEASE NOTE: All dates are subject to change. We will notify the school community of any changes as soon as we can.	

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We're excited to announce that we are moving from Munch Monitor to Flexischools.

Any funds over \$1 remaining in your Munch Monitor account will be refunded directly to you, via your original payment method.

With Flexischools, families will enjoy:

- No more termly fees — just a small fee per order
- Clearer, more detailed menu item descriptions
- An easy "Forgotten Lunch" option available online

Please see the Flyer for details on how to set up your Flexischools account.

DOREEN PRIMARY PANTON HILL CONCERT

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our Concert is on Tuesday, 11 November 6.30pm.

*******PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE*******

This is for students in Grade 4-6 who currently have lessons with Joel, Cara or Sam or are in the band or choir. Always a great night out, we encourage you to come for dinner and a show. Please book from 5pm to eat, for a 6.30pm concert. Please note we prefer people to eat before the show so that our students can have an attentive audience.

To book your table, you need to contact the Panton Hill Hotel directly on 9719 7270. Quoting Doreen PS music. They are taking bookings for dinner from 5pm.





Doreen Primary School is online with Flexischools



Step 1

Register with Flexischools

- 1 Download the Flexischools app and click "Sign Up."
- 2 Enter your email to **create an account**.
- 3 Go to your inbox and click the link to **verify your email**.
- 4 Follow the **prompts** to complete your registration.



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**FIRST LUNCH ORDER
OF TERM 4 WILL BE
WEDNESDAY 8TH OCT**

Step 2

Add a student on Flexischools

- 1 In the navigation bar, add your student(s) under "Profile" > "Students" > "Add new."
- 2 **Add your child's details** to the new student profile. Under "School" search "Doreen Primary School". Select your child's "Year" and "Class".
- 3 Tap "**Save**." Once saved, click the "X" in the top right corner.
- 4 Click the "**Order Food**" to begin ordering.

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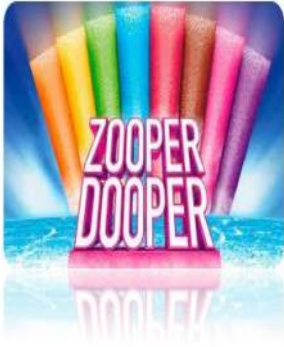




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Clean Room Award!



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TERM DATES

2025:

TERM 4

6 October–19 December

2026:

TERM 1

27 January (teachers return)

28 January (students return)

- 2 April

TERM 2

20 April–26 June

2ND

4TH

1ST

3RD

House Points

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