# **Duranbah Public School**

# A quality education in a caring environment

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# Term 4 Week 6

## PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

### Swimming

We have completed our second week of swimming and all our students are enjoying their lessons and making progress. Thank you to those parents who have provided transport so far and those who will be, during the swimming program. It is parental support such as providing transport that allows us to participate in activities out of school.

### Lantern Workshop and Parade

Primary students were involved in a lantern making workshop last week which they enjoyed immensely and learnt some new skills. The lantern parade on Saturday night at Budd Park, Murwillumbah was a fantastic experience with a huge crowd watching. Duranbah School was well represented with many of our students and even some parents carrying lanterns made at the school. Again thanks to the parents for getting children to the parade and to Ms Young for giving up her Saturday evening to co-ordinate our school participants.

#### Assessments

Students from K to Year 6 will be undertaking various assessments over the next few weeks in preparation for end of year reports. All reports will be sent home on 13 December. Chris Pritchard Relieving Principal Duranbah Public School Est. 1892

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# Friday 15 November 2013

MARK YOUR CALANDER 0 15 November (Friday) - Solid State **Circus Excursion to Cudgen PS** 0 19 November to 10 December (Every Tuesday) - Swimming - Kingscliff Pool  $\odot$ 20 November (Wednesday) - K/Y2 **Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary**  $\odot$ 21 November (Thursday) -Y6 to Y7 Information Night Kingscliff HS 6pm  $\odot$ 26 November (Tuesday) - P & C Meeting 12.30pm (before swimming) 0 11 December (Wednesday) - Y6 End of Year Celebration Lunch 11 December (Wednesday) - 5pm 0 **Presentation Night** 0 16 December (Monday) - Picnic & Beach Day 0 18 December (Wednesday) - Last day Term 4 for students

> P & C MEETING Tuesday 26 November 12.45pm (before swimming)

# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Week 4 Primary Class Infants Class Kain Maleke



Week 5 Infants Class Primary Class Ashleigh Callan

# LIONS PEACE PRIZE



Koby and Matilda were presented with a certificate and \$25.00 prize for their winning entries in the Lions Peace Prize poster competition. The Kingscliff Lions Club congratulated both students on the high standard of their entries.

## LANTERN PARADE

We were very proud to have many of our students take part in the lantern parade of the Tweed River Festival held at Murwillumbah last weekend. This festival is an annual celebration of our community and environment, highlighting the importance of the Tweed River and surrounding wetlands. We were very excited to again be chosen to take part in this event. It certainly is a wonderful

community occasion. During the parade students carried lanterns they had made at school to the delight of the large crowd. Large feature lanterns

including creatures from the story " Where the Wild Things Are", musical instruments and native animals paraded making this event one of the most exciting and community orientated festivals in our local area.











#### **ORGANIC GARDEN UPDATE**

Our organic vegie garden and hay bale gardens are growing fast. Banjo and Dipisha have regularly brought in their litres of water from home to help with the watering. Molly, Jasmin, Matilda, Dipisha & Dylan, with help from other students have been looking after general upkeep, watering and weeding. All students are surprised at how fast our plants have grown. The lettuce in all gardens will be ready for eating very soon and the other plants are all looking very healthy. We would once again like to say a very big 'THANK YOU' to Greg James from Farmer's Choice Organics, Wollumbin St, Murwillumbah for his expertise, passion and help in setting up the gardens, Tweed Shire Council who sponsor the environmental projects and Annie for her ongoing help.



FUN, FOOD AND SCIENCE DAY A big thank you to Steve and Donna at 'The Vegie Shed' on Tweed Valley Way Murwillumbah for donating a watermelon for the day, which we will share with the whole school on Friday and for lending us a pumpkin for our experiments.



#### HEAD LICE ALERT

We are starting to see the results of the warmer weather and the head lice are back. Could all parents check regularly and treat (if necessary) their child's head for head lice and eggs. **Simple treatment:** Cover your child's head with conditioner, wrap with gladwrap and leave overnight if possible, next morning comb out nits and eggs.

| Nutrition Snippet  |   |
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| Choose these simple, tasty options<br>for your child's lunchbox to give<br>them the energy to get through the<br>day.<br>When you next pack their lunches,<br>have a think about healthler<br>options. |   |
| Snacks   | Healthier Snacks  |
| Small packets of savoury<br>bikkies  | Wholemeal rice crackers<br>with cheese + fruit slices                     |
| Buttered popcorn   | Unbuttered popcorn with<br>sultanas                                       |
| Packet of potato or com<br>chips   | Vegie sticks: carrots,<br>beans, celery with a<br>hummus or guacamole dip |
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