# **Duranbah Public School**

# A quality education in a caring environment



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# Term 4 Week 2

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#### PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Welcome back to Term 4. Already this term is shaping up to be a busy one. A huge thank you to Ms Myler for stepping into my shoes while on long service leave, to Ms King for the great work she did while replacing me in the classroom and of course the whole staff 'team' for the excellent work they continually do for the benefit of all students at Duranbah PS.

### Positive Behaviors For Learning (PBL)

Our PBL program was implemented last term and I thank Ms Myler & Ms Young for their implementation and organization. This term students have a target of 40 'Bee cards' for which they will participate in a fun day at the end of term. Last term was Ten Pin Bowling and staff and senior students are currently looking at options for this term. While we reward positive behavior, we cannot ignore unacceptable behavior which could result in a red card. This term it has been decided that if any student exceeds 2 red cards they will not be eligible to attend the fun day. Red cards will be issued to students but parents will also be contacted to make them aware. Hopefully none of our students will miss the fun day as we continually model, encourage and reward positive behaviour .

#### Camp

As we did not have enough students wanting to attend camp this year we have had to cancel our booking at Tyalgum Ridge. Instead Ms Young has organized a full day at Lake Ainsworth Sport & Recreation Camp for the primary class involving Canoeing, Climbing and Archery. This is in Week 6 (see note). Any student who exceeds 1 red card will be unable to attend. **Swimming** 

Swimming starts on Tuesday next week. Any notes which have not been returned need to be brought to school on Monday. Please indicate if you are able to assist in transport to the pool.

## Les Peterkin Portrait Prize

Unfortunately one of our portrait prize winners, Koby was left out of the newsletter last term. Congratulations to Koby whose art work will also be displayed along with Matthew, Jay & Sonny at the Tweed Regional Gallery from 17 October to 14 December. Chris Pritchard, Relieving Principal



#### **MARK YOUR CALANDER - TERM 4**

- © October 21, 28 & November 4, 11, 18 &
- 25 (Tuesday) Swimming Classes 1-3pm
- October 23-Cake Stall Fundraiser
- © October 31 Friday School starts-Kindergarten Orientation 9am-3pm
- November 7 (Friday)-Responsible PetOwnership
- © November 14– One day camp Lake Ainsworth
- © December 17 (Wednesday)-Students Last day Term 4

#### **HATS**

Just a reminder we are a sun safe school so it is compulsory to wear a school hat when playing on the oval. Please ensure your child has his or her hat every day and it is marked with their name. We have received a delivery of the new reversible school hats which have a wider brim and are available from the office for \$12.00.

BUY A SLICE OF CAKE TO HELP DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN Thursday 23 October 1.30pm All cake 50c per slice Chocolate, Orange & Lamingtons

Home baked by Mrs Shirley Cornwell to raise money for the TEAR organisation. TEAR have been teaching women how to make their own "tippy taps" from cut-down jerry cans to supply fresh drinking water and help with sanitation and sharing hygiene messages to pass on to their own communities. As little as \$35.00 equips communities with the skills to build their own 'tippy tap' - a simple device that enables hand washing and significantly helps to reduce the spread of disease.

### **VEGIE GARDEN NEXT WEDNESDAY**

Primary students will be participating in an afternoon in the Vegie garden. They will be decorating the fence and milk containers to remind them to bring water from home (for those on town water) to water their seedlings as we are on tank water. Annie has asked for ALL students to bring the following:

- Plastic milk containers, 1 or 2 litre
- White ice-cream containers
- Cardboard milk cartons

Please bring as many containers as possible before Wednesday.

#### **DRUMMING SESSION**

The rhythmic beat of Djembe drums and percussion instruments resonated from the school grounds during the last week of Term 3. The beat was our students in a music workshop with Gareth Jones from Sound Synergy. The workshop kept all students engaged and participating in a supportive and fun environment. Information on Sound Synergy can be located at wwwsoundsynergy.com.au



# PRIMARY NEWS HEALTHY EATING PROGRAM

This term our Primary Class are working on a Healthy Eating unit of work. The unit will involve learning about nutrition and using nutritional choices. It will also involve some cooking and food tasting. If your child has any food allergies or intolerances could you please send a note to school to inform the staff.

#### **CHILD PROTECTION**

This term both the Infants and Primary classes will be involved in child protection/safety lessons. The students will be learning about practical and easy to understand personal safety messages to help keep them safe by:

Reducing the likelihood of a child entering into an unsafe situation

Teaching children how to respond in an unsafe situation

Help increase a child's knowledge of their personal rights such as "I have the right to fell safe ".

#### **BOOK DONATION**

Thank you to everyone who donated books and educational material for Buks Bilong Pikinini (Papaua New Guinea). A total of 970 books plus educational material was transported to Brisbane in the holidays and are now on their way to Port Moresby in Papua.

We will be continuing our book drive in Term 4 as one of our school sponsors, Mr Joey Philip, has advised he is setting up a school for disadvantaged children in the Philippines and I am continuing with our drive for Papua New Guinea. All donations kindly received.

Warm regards Ms Young

## **TERM 4 LITERACY GROUPS**

This term the K-Y2 class are learning about Mini Beasts. So far we have been learning to identify Mini Beasts.

The Y3-6 class are studying the Australian Classic 'Storm Boy'. Currently we are looking at the setting in the Coorong Valley, South Australia. Next week will be character studies and beginning a research project related to the text.







