

Duranbah Public School

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Term 4 Week 1

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PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Welcome back to everyone at Duranbah PS, for what will no doubt be a term choc-o-bloc full of fun, learning and memorable experiences.

This is my first newsletter as the substantive principal of the school. I am so excited and feel privileged to be provided with the opportunity to lead such an important and historic part of the local community. I look forward to our school moving into the future and providing our kids with skills, perspective and optimism.

What a term this will be. Our school will attend the Murwillumbah Show, the Beauty and the Beast performance, Years 4-6 will attend School Camp at Tallebudgera, we will perform at the Stewart House Concert at Murwillumbah, we will have our School Presentation and Awards evening and end of year reports will be sent home. It will be holidays and Christmas before we know it!

I spoke at the assembly this week about the way in which our kids leave the school in the afternoons. With our limited parking, it is a hazard for students to be walking through the playground where parents park. Along with this, without organised supervision we are unable to have a situation where students are playing in the afternoons as they would at recess or lunch. As a result we are asking parents to come to our rooms, and once we are aware they are here, students can go home with their parents/carers. Thanks to all for your assistance with this.

There will be a P&C meeting Wednesday 25th October at 2pm in the Library. There will be elections for P&C positions and Sheryl from J&B buses will join us to discuss how the bus service supports our school and answer any questions.

We are currently planning for 2018 classes, and would like to get a clearer idea of enrolments. We have our terrific 'Friday School' commencing on November 10 for four consecutive Fridays. This will provide a transition opportunity for 2018 Kindergarten students, but will also offer new students outside of Kindergarten a chance to come and experience our lovely school. If there are any questions about new enrolments K-6 for 2018, I encourage anyone concerned to get in touch and have a chat with us.

We will have the pleasure of hosting a practicum student from Southern Cross University starting next week. Christina Micallef will be working with K-2 for a number of weeks, and we are really looking forward to her joining us.

As per Department Policy please ensure all students arriving late or leaving early are signed in at the office by their parent or guardian.

Again, welcome back to everyone, and have a great weekend!
Mr Jason Ellem, Principal

MARK YOUR CALENDAR -

- ☺ 19 October-Yuli Museum Day
- ☺ 25 October-P & C Meeting, Annual General
- ☺ 27 October-Beauty & The Beast Performance-Murwillumbah K-Y6
- ☺ 2 November-Stewart House Concert, Murwillumbah (Evening performance)
- ☺ 3 November-Murwillumbah Show Day K-Y6
- ☺ 7 November-Multi Cultural Day, Duranbah PS K-Y6
- ☺ 10 November to 1 December (every Friday) Friday School 2018 new students
- ☺ 20 - 22 November Tallebudgera Camp Y4-Y6
- ☺ 12 December-Presentation Evening

STUDENT OF THE WEEK - CONGRATULATIONS



TERM 3 WEEK 10
Arella Liv



TERM 4 WEEK 1
Hayley Portia



STUDENT AWARDS TERM 3

At the end of Term 3 we had a number of students achieve awards from the community and school. For their artistic achievements Liv, Banjo, Cooper and Austin were presented with their certificates and prizes from the Les Peterkin Portrait competition. All of the students have their work on display at the Murwillumbah Art Gallery. Chyna is pictured with Mrs Jan O'Grady from the Kingscliff Lions Club with her entry in the local 'Peace Poster Competition' and Jasmine, Cooper and Banjo were presented with their PBL Program Movie Ticket awards. Congratulations to all these students.

SMALL SCHOOLS BALL GAMES

Students enjoyed catching up with our retired Principal, Mr Pritchard, who was helping out at the ball games, he just can't stay away. It was a great, fun day with all from K-Y6 competing in a variety of Ball Games and Tug-of-War. For most of our students it was the first time they had participated in this type of carnival. We always enjoy meeting up with and competing against the other small schools. A big thank you to Condong PS for hosting.



INTENTION TO APPLY FOR YEAR 7 ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL IN 2019

Selective high schools cater for high achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level. Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 15 March 2018. If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2019, you need to apply soon. **PLEASE INQUIRE AT THE OFFICE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.**

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P & C ANNUAL GENERAL & TERM 4 MEETING WEDNESDAY 25 OCTOBER - 2PM

If anyone has items they wish to put on the Agenda please let the office know. Agenda will be posted on our Facebook page.

ALL WELCOME SUPPORT YOUR CHILDREN AND SCHOOL

2018 ENROLMENTS

Enrolments are open at Duranbah PS. Please let friends and community members who may be interested in enrolling students at Duranbah PS know they may visit our school to have a look around or phone the office on 02 6677 7221 for any further information.

HAT REMINDER

It is compulsory to wear a school hat, especially in this very hot weather, while playing or doing sport on the oval. We do not have hats to loan, they may be purchased from the office for \$15.00.

SUSHI REMINDER - Please remember that orders **must be in on Thursday morning** each week, as our school order is placed before the end of the school day.

