

Duranbah Public School

A quality education in a caring environment



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Term 4 Week 1

Friday 19th October 2018

Principal's Report

Welcome back everyone to Term 4, undoubtedly the busiest term of the year. Personally it is great to be back, following a wonderful family adventure at the end of last term. I want to acknowledge the excellent work of our staff in my absence, particularly Ms Vicki Myler in the role of Relieving Principal, Mrs Kate Field fulfilling the role as class teacher on our 4/5/6 class and of course Ms Lynette Kirk in her role of SLSO, ensuring the students in this class had quality continuity. We are extremely fortunate that all of our staff here at Duranbah Public School are caring, skilled and approachable.

Peter and the Wolf

Next Friday (Week 2) our school is in for a special treat. We leave school to travel by bus to Murwillumbah at 9:30am to enjoy the Murwillumbah Theatre production of 'Peter and the Wolf'. We have been enjoying these productions for many years and are confident our students will enjoy this one as well. Once this is finished, the bus will take our students directly to our swimming program at Casuarina. If time permits, we will make a brief stop somewhere safe and pleasant to enjoy some lunch and play.

Swimming

Our swimming program began in earnest on Friday. Our students were divided into appropriate groups for their program and began their lessons. We look forward to seeing how they progress both in their abilities and in their confidence. This is a 6 week program.

Music Room

We have officially moved into our new music room, with official lessons being held in there this week. Feel free to have a look at this wonderful resource. We are really excited to have access to a purpose built music room, and are confident it will provide excellent opportunities for our growing music program. This also means that our library is just that, and we are able to make this a more effective and specialised work space.

Music lessons

Mr Mueller is away for weeks 1 and 2, but will resume drum lessons on his return in week 3. Our Music program has continued to grow with several new students electing to learn guitar this term. Mr Ash now provides tuition all day Wednesday and Thursday to cater for not only the growth in interest but also the coordination of several ensembles. We want to provide our students with the opportunity to use their music skills to play as part of a group where possible and Mr Ash is currently working hard to make this happen.



2019 Enrolments

Very simply, if there are any families who wish to enrol their children at Duranbah PS in 2019, we strongly advise them to complete the appropriate enrolment documents as soon as they are able, to guarantee placements. Placements are not held until this paperwork is received.

Mark Your Calendar

- ◆ 19th September - Swimming Lessons (12.30—2.30)
- ◆ 26th September - Swimming; Peter and the Wolf; NO Sushi

Room refurbishments

Recently we have been notified that our smaller classroom, where Mrs Jones has her 2/3 class, will be refurbished over the Christmas holidays to extend it and make it larger. It will simply be extended toward the kitchen end of the school and to a lesser extent over the photocopy room, making it almost the same size as the K1 room. This will ensure that class has more room and is more comfortable, as well as providing more storage for this room.

Staffing

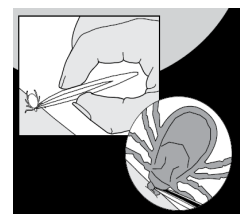
We welcome Miss Anna Smythe to our school and community. Miss Smythe is completing her 4th year of University studies as a Primary Teacher and is finishing her studies with a practicum with Ms Myler. We are sure she will enjoy her time with us and are confident she will learn much from her time here.

P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting is set for Tuesday 30th at 1:30pm in the library. The agenda for this meeting has already started to develop and anyone who wishes to add to this agenda can do so by either contacting Kathy Rockwell, the school or by messaging on the P&C facebook site.

Ticks

We had an instance of a tick on one of our students this week. Advice surrounding the prevention and treatment of ticks can be found at: https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/Publications/tick_alert_brochure.pdf, and includes the checking of individuals "especially behind the ears, on the back of the head and neck, groin, armpits and back of knees."



Parking

Parking at our school is sometimes a challenge. Over the past year we have tried several initiatives to address this, with the aim to always ensure the safety of our students. The afternoon pickup loop is working well and the staff electing to park up the top under the pines has also alleviated some pressure on parking, but unfortunately there are still some times when cars need to be parked on our oval. As we are attempting to restrict cars parking where kids are playing, we would like to ask a couple of things from our parents in this:

*please check that there are no vacancies in the car park before parking on the oval, and

*please don't park on the oval during the play times during the day.

We are working with the appropriate asset agencies in the Department of Education to have some infrastructural support built for us to further alleviate this pressure in the near future.

SCHOOL TRANSPORT INFORMATION

School student applications for 2019 open from Monday, 15 October 2018.

Students progressing to year 3 and year 7 **do not** need to re-apply if they:

- are continuing at the same school
- are residing at the same address
- have not been sent an expiry notification from Transport for NSW.

Where a student meets the new distance eligibility, the system will automatically update their entitlement. If they do not meet the new eligibility, they will receive an expiry notification.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition which is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

Term Bus Pass holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

If students need to update their information or re-apply, they should go online to <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails>

Applications need to be submitted before 31 December 2018 to ensure student entitlements are updated and their current entitlement/card is not cancelled. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2018, the system will automatically cancel a card and a new one will need to be issued.

Students in the Opal network applying for a SSTS or Term Bus Pass entitlement for the first time will receive their card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out during December 2018 and January 2019.

Students residing in Rural and Regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the commencement of the new school year from their nominated operator. **Note:** some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students should check with their operator for more information.

For further information visit

<https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts>



Office News

Wednesday LUNCHES - We now have all the cooking slots covered, thank you to our fabulous volunteers.

Wednesday Lunches and Friday Sushi PAYMENTS- All payments for lunches and Sushi must be in **cash**. These activities are P&C Fundraisers and the cash goes directly into the P&C Bank Account and to pay for the Sushi deliveries. Please **do not** pay using our Parent Online Payment (POP) system as this is for all other school related activities.

SCHOOL BANKING Day is Thursdays. Please send your yellow folders, containing the money to be banked and the completed deposit slip, along to school with your child.

YEAR 4-6 SCHOOL CAMP 19th - 21st November at Tyalgum Ridge - Reminder - the final payment of \$100 is due on 26th October.

PETER AND THE WOLF PANTOMIME is on Friday 26th October. Please return your permission note and payment as soon as possible.

Community Notices

COOLOON'S 20th KIDS FEST CELEBRATING YEARS

COOLOON COMMUNITY KIDS FEST

10AM - 2PM NSW TIME • SATURDAY 27 OCTOBER 2018

a FREE event for children and families

LIVE MUSIC BY RENATA • TRACKLESS TRAIN • KIDS INDIGENOUS WORKSHOPS
SILENT DISCO • FAUNA FETCHER • BUNNINGS GARDEN WORKSHOP • ROCK CLIMBING • FACE PAINTING • HAIR COLOURING • JUMPING SLIDE • BALLOONS
BEPEO THE CLOWN • HOOPLA CIRCUS • PONY RIDES • CRYSTAL DIG AND MORE!

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What does \$20 look like?

Healthy snacks aren't as expensive as you may think!

How far could your \$20 go when making healthy choices. The trolley on the right has a whopping 22 serves of vegetables, 10 serves of fruit, 4-5 serves of dairy, 3 serves of protein and about 20 serves of grains!



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TWEED SHIRE VACATION CARE

PROVIDING QUALITY CARE TO THE FAMILIES OF THE TWEED SHIRE SINCE 1984

October 2018 Murwillumbah

2nd-12th October

Bookings open September 10th

Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. NSW DST
Bookings: 07 5523 3708
Email: admin@tweedshirevacationcare.com.au
Website: www.tweedshirevacationcare.com.au
Facebook: Tweed Shire Vacation Care
Address: Charles Street, Murwillumbah

Cost:

Full fee is \$60 per day.
CCS is available for eligible families.

Need to bring each day:

- Hat
- Spare clothes
- A packed healthy lunch and snacks- no nuts or nut products
- Water bottle on excursion days
- Fruit to share for afternoon tea
- Suitable shoes for playing outdoors

Excursions:

Please sign the additional permission form, otherwise your child cannot go on the excursion.

Excursions depart at 9:30 a.m. (unless specified).

We will return by 3:00 p.m. (unless specified).

Please arrive at least half an hour before departure. Excursions are subject to change due to inclement weather. The extra charge for excursions are listed on the program. Please bring a water bottle. We provide sunscreen and sun-safe shirts.

Cancellations:

Cancellations require 24 hours' notice, otherwise the daily fee will be charged.

Booking Information:

Please phone Tweed office on 07 5523 3708 for bookings and/or changes to bookings.

Bookings can also be made via email.

An enrolment form must be completed for all new children and please advise of any changes to details.

Asthma/Medical Health Plans

If your child has asthma/medical condition please provide a Medical Plan from your doctor.

Medications:

All medication needs to be in the original packaging with your child's name printed on it. Please leave medication with an educator and complete a Medication Record form.

Payments:

Payments are to be made on a weekly basis and account finalised at the end of the Vacation Care period. Payments can be made via EFTPOS, cash, or by direct deposit.

Funding:

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Richmond Tweed Regional Library

HSC lock out

Calling all HSC students! Enjoy the quiet of Murwillumbah library after hours and smash out a great study session in the lead up to your final exams. These sessions are available to HSC students only. Snacks will be provided to keep your energy levels up. **Saturday 6 October 2pm to 5pm Murwillumbah library. Bookings are essential, phone (02) 6670 2427.**



Kids in the kitchen

Come along and make some healthy snacks. For children aged 7 and over. **Thursday 4 October at 10.30am Tweed Heads library. Bookings essential, please phone (07) 5569 3150.**



Robotics workshop

Learn the skills that you will need in the future. Join us for a Robotics beginners workshop. **Tuesday 9 October at 3pm Murwillumbah library. Ages 8 and over. Bookings essential, please phone (02) 6670 2427.**
Thursday 11 October at 10am Kingscliff library. Ages 8 and over. Bookings essential, please phone (02) 6674 1607.
Friday 12 October at 10am Tweed Heads library. Ages 8 and over. Bookings essential, please phone (07) 5569 3150.



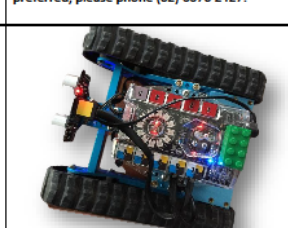
In the bin!

Join our Storytime guest Tarra from Tweed Shire Council to learn and read stories about using bins for our rubbish. For children aged up to 5 years. **Wednesday 3 October at 11am Murwillumbah library.**



Watch me grow

Decorate your own Greenhouse and watch your seeds germinate and grow. For children aged 5 to 8. **Thursday 4 October 10am Murwillumbah library. Bookings preferred, please phone (02) 6670 2427.**



Fire Brigade visit

Special guests from Fire and Rescue NSW will be talking about fire safety and bringing along their Fire Engine. Best suited for children aged 4 and over. Please note that in the event of an emergency this visit may be cancelled without notice. **Wednesday 10 October at 11am Tweed Heads library. Bookings essential, please phone (07) 5569 3150.**



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