# **Duranbah Public School**

A quality education in a caring environment

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# Monday 3rd December 2018

# Principal's Report

#### Congratulations

Congratulations to Felix Hooper who was awarded a 'Grade One' in Speech and Drama from the Australian Music Examination Board. Such a prestigious award for Felix, where he achieved an outstanding A+ High Distinction! Great work Felix!

Also congratulations to Lucas Nixon-Hind for participating. and his mighty effort, at yesterday's Triathlon in Kingscliff. Well done Lucas!

#### Yuli

On Friday our years 5 and 6 students involved in the Yuli program (a program for Indigenous students organised through our Coastal Learning Community) attended an activity day and special assembly at Kingscliff High School. It was a very special time to celebrate this wonderful program and the efforts and learning of the



participating students. Special thanks to Mrs Jones for leading and supporting this program in our school.

### **Music Expression of Interests**

Expressions of interests were distributed last week to all students. These allow the school to employ the staff required to cater for what our parents and students want in their music learning. Please return these to the office to assist us in planning effectively.



# **Cricket Development Activities**

On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December, our school will host a visit from Jared Seiffert from Cricket Australia. He will be taking our students through some fun cricket activities and games and talk with them about being active and having fun.

#### Reports

Teaching staff are busily writing reports for all of our students. You will notice the updated formats of these and are very welcome to provide feedback on your impressions of them. Parents are invited to make appointments with their child's teacher(s) after reading and digesting the information.

#### Mark Your Calendar

- Yr 6 to 7 Transition Day (own transport) 4 December -
- 6 December-Duranbah Has Talent Finals 1.30—3.00 pm
- 7 December Friday School (Kindy Orientation) 9 am 3 pm
- 13 December Presentation Evening BBQ 5 pm & Santa 7.30 pm
- 19 December Hastings Point Excursion & Last Day of Term 4 for all students

## **Duranbah Students out and about**

Since our last newsletter, we have seen several occasions where our students have attended and participated in activities with other school groups:



\*Our year 3&4 students attended a Fundamental Movement Skills day at Kingscliff HS. They played lots of different games and activities all designed to boost their gross motor skills and have a good time. Again, this group were really great ambassadors for our school with their positive attitude and enthusiastic participation.

\*Our year 5 students also travelled to Kingscliff HS to partake in a 'taster day', where they were able to see what goes on at high school. They had short lessons, got to mix with new students and teachers and really got a lot out of their experiences. Again, our students represented us with distinction with their respectful approaches and willingness to have a go!



# **Principal's Report Continued**

#### **Duranbah Students out and about**

\*Our year 4-6 students attended the annual school camp at Tyalgum. Their efforts and behaviour was outstanding and they



### **Office News**

**School Uniforms (all sizes)** for 2019 are now available for sale. An order form is attached. Please return the order form, with your payment or pay online using the POP method.

Year 6 - End of Year Celebrations - Paddle Boarding on Monday 17th December. Cost \$20. Lunch and transport to and from the venue will be provided. Permission notes are to be returned with payment, by Monday 10th December.

Financial Statements of Account will be sent home next week.

**Garden Program** - Duranbah PS received an award for our garden from the Murwillumbah & Dist Garden Club Inc. 41st Annual Garden Competition 2018. We purchased Netting for the fruit trees with the prize voucher. Thank you to Anne Pollard for running the Garden Program.

### **Principal's Report Continued**

#### Parking at school

If parents could remember to check whether there are any spaces in the school car park before driving onto the oval, we could limit the situation where kids are playing in the area where kids are playing. Thanks for your consideration in this.

#### Year 6-7 transition

All students enrolled in a NSW DEC High school for year 7 in 2019, will participate in a transition day on Tuesday 4th December. On this day students travel to their future school to learn about schedules, classrooms and a range of things to assist their transition. Those attending Kingscliff HS are asked to be at the school hall by 9:30am.

End of Year Activity - Hastings Point Picnic Day
The whole school will be going to Hastings Point again
this year, on the last day of term, Wednesday 19th
December. Details to follow.

## "Friday School" Kindergarten Transition

Our very successful 'Friday School' Kindergarten transition program has begun in earnest. Our 12 new students have enjoyed the opportunity to join us last week and also this week to get ready for their exciting BIG school experience. Next week is the last of our transition program, and by then all our wonderful new students will be ready to go in 2019!





# STUDENTS OF THE WEEK CONGRATULATIONS



Week 7 Award Winners Hayley, Me'Sharn, Zeph and Danica (absent)





#### **Presentation Evening**



This year's school presentation evening is set for Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December here at school. The P&C will run a sausage sizzle from 5pm, with the official parts of the evening beginning at 5:45pm. Volunteers are required to run the BBQ, please advise Kathy or Jacqui if you are able to assist. Presentations for annual school awards, class awards and student musical items will all take place with Santa arriving at approximately 7:30pm. All are invited and welcome, come and help us celebrate an excellent year here at Duranbah Public School.

#### P & C End of Year Raffle

Attached to this newsletter, families will receive a book of 10 raffle tickets to sell and the raffle will be drawn at our Presentation Evening. The tickets are \$1.00 each. P&C team have come up with a great collection of prizes which include and private flight with Steve, (Jasmines dad), which is valued at \$150. We have lots of restaurant vouchers and local shops have donated books, clothes and gifts. A full list of the gifts will be on the P &C Facebook page by the weekend. Please sell the tickets and return the sold ticket stubs, unsold tickets and money to the school before the evening.



# Please DONATE

#### Donations for the P & C Raffle

Last year Duranbah parents were able to secure some amazing gifts for the raffle, this year we hope to do the same. We are asking parents to ask their local shops for donations.

## **Christmas Tree P & C Fundraising Drive**

Orders for Christmas trees are currently being taken, for distribution next Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December between 2 - 4 pm. Price will be \$15 per tree. Volunteers are required to cut trees in the morning. Contact Jacqui for this or check out the school Facebook site or phone the school to place your order.





#### **School Disco**

The School Disco has been postponed to 2019.

# **Kingscliff Triathlon**



Our wonderful P&C have raised funds by working at the weekend's triathlon. They ran a water station from 6am to 11am in two shifts, promoting our proud school and helping our community in the process. Thank you to all of the volunteers who were able to give some of their time and a big thank you to Kathy.

# **Richmond Tweed Regional Library**

#### Summer Reading Club - Curious creatures.

Read books (or listen to audiobooks) and have the chance to win prizes! The Summer Reading Club runs from 1 December 2018 until 31 January 2019. Register at Tweed Heads, Kingscliff or Murwillumbah library.

#### Christmas cooking for kids

Have fun making some tasty Christmas treats. For children aged 7 and over. Places are limited, so bookings are essential. Murwillumbah library – Wednesday 5 December at 3.30pm – Please phone (02) 6670 2427.

Tweed Heads library – Wednesday 19 December at 4pm – Please phone (07) 5569 3150.

Kingscliff library – Thursday 20 December at 9.30am – Please ohone (02) 6674 1607.



#### Christmas songs with Santa

Sing and dance with entertainer Chris Harvey and very special guest Santa! Murwillumhah lihrary – Tuesday 4 December at 11am

Tweed Heads library - Monday 17 December at 11am

Join us to get arty and make some crafty creations Tweed Heads library - Thursday 6 December, Thursday 13 December and Thursday 20 December at 3.30pm.

Join us after school for Christmassy fun. Make your own noughts and crosses set and Christmas slime. For ages 8+.
Bookings essential. Phone (02) 6670 2427.

#### Murwillumbah library - Thursday 13 December at 3.30pm



All library branches will be closing at 2pm on Monday 24 December 2018 and re-opening at 9am on Wednesday 2

Library eBooks eAudiobooks and eMagazines are available 24/7. Go to www.rtrl.nsw.gov.au for more information. After hours returns chutes are available at Kingscliff, Murwillumbah and Tweed Heads libraries

# Richmond Tweed Regional Library Connect. Discover. Escape.

# **Community Notices**

Go4Fun® Term 1 2019 Children aged 7 to 13 years and their families are invited to register for NSW Health's Go4Fun®. Term 1, 2019 programs will run in Lismore, Ballina, Tweed, Casino and Grafton. Go4Fun® is a free healthy living, after school program for kids. The program encourages children to feel more confident and boost their self-esteem. Kids learn to set goals to reach and maintain a healthy weight.

#### **Phoebe Nicholls**

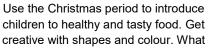
**Go4Fun Program Coordinator** 

(02) 6621 1932 or free call 1800 780 900

https://go4fun.com.au/



# Festive Food – make it fun and healthy at the same time





do people eat around the world? Or use Santa's reindeers love of carrots to start a "Carrot Revolution" at your school.

'Flavoured water' is a refreshing drink at celebrations: mix some flat and fizzy water (optional: add 99% juice), then add chopped fruit and peppermint leaves, and a squeeze of lemon.

# Have your say and win!





Help us improve our parks and open spaces by completing our online survey and you can go in the draw to win a stay at Kingscliff North Holiday Park.

#### Visit yoursaytweed.com.au/openspace before 16 December 2018.

The Draft Open Space Strategy sets out a decade-long plan and proposes over 200 projects across the Tweed including:

- · new playgrounds
- · pathways

· accessibility upgrades

- · off-leash dog areas
- skate parks

· community gardens

Your feedback will help us better understand what the community wants and how to prioritise the projects in your area.

# Have your say

- Tell us what projects are important to you by completing the online survey at www.yoursaytweed.com.au/openspace
- · Email your comments or questions to: tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au
- · Write to: Open Space Strategy, General Manager, Tweed Shire Council, PO Box 816, Murwillumbah, NSW 2484

The online survey and competition closes on 16 December 2018. For the competition entry form and terms and conditions visit www.yoursaytweed.com.au/openspace