

Duranbah Public School

A quality education in a caring environment

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Term 4 Week 1 - Edition 12

Friday 16 October 2020

Principal's Report

Welcome to term 4 everyone. Hopefully there was the opportunity over the break to recharge and enjoy some quality time with everyone important (including ourselves).

The updated School Operational Guidelines due to COVID-19 were released late last week. There were some minor changes to restrictions for schools, however non-essential parent presences at school are still not allowed.

Term 4 Staffing changes

This term we welcome two new volunteers to our school.

Mrs Sue Wilson will be supporting our school in the Sustainability program and also throughout the school's physical environment.

Ms Krishna Mathrubutham is a TAFE Cert 3 student who is working with us as part of her course. She will be working with small groups to support our students with their learning.



We welcome both of these people to our school and look forward to seeing how they can positively impact upon our school and students.

4/5/6 Camp

With the new COVID-19 guidelines, we are permitted to have local camps. We are very excited by this and will be conducting a local school camp with students staying overnight at school. They will be participating in a range of local activities and we are sure they will have a memorable time.

Acknowledgement of Country Workshop

Our Yr6 students, as school leaders will participate in a workshop on Monday at Fingal Head PS with school leaders from other small schools. The purpose of this workshop is to put together a localised and contextually correct 'Acknowledgement of Country' for our schools to use. They will work closely with members of our Regional AECG and elders from our local community.

School Presentation

At this stage we have not been advised as to what our school presentation may look like. We have been advised that we should receive this information in the next few weeks and will make decisions and let everyone know how it will proceed as soon as we can.

Mark Your Calendar

- 19 October - 16 November Swimming lessons
5 weeks (1.00 - 2.30 pm)
- 27 October P&C meeting (1:30 pm)
- 23 November Swimming Carnival
(9.30 am - 2.00 pm)
- 1 & 8 October Kindergarten Orientation
(9.30 am - 2.00 pm)
- 4 & 11 December Surfing (make up days)
- 10 December Presentation Night
(to be confirmed)
- 16 December Last day of Term 4

Swimming Program

Our whole school swimming program starts Monday. All students K-6 will leave school by bus at 1pm and will participate in the program from 1:30-2:30pm. Students are to be picked up at the Kingscliff Pool at 2:30pm. This program will continue for 5 weeks and will culminate with our second ever school swimming carnival! This worthwhile program is being subsidised by the Sporting School Commission Grant.



Auslan

Our students really enjoyed their learning of the Auslan language last term. We are very fortunate to continue this program in Term 4 and will do so each Friday.

Reports

Individual student reports will be forwarded towards the end of this term. Parents/ Carers are asked to ensure that if duplicated copies are required, the school is notified including if any require being posted.

Outstanding Financial Accounts

Family Financial Statements are attached to this newsletter. Prompt payment by EFTPOS, POP (School Website) or Cash would be appreciated to allow us to finalise accounts for the year. We are happy to organise a payment plan for anyone finding themselves in financial difficulties.

Warm Regards

Jason Ellem
Principal



P & C News

NEXT P & C MEETING

The next P & C Association Meeting will be held in Week 3 Tuesday 27 October at 1.30 pm at Tropical Fruit World, inside their café. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Brooke Udale (P & C President) or the school office if you'd like to add anything to the Agenda or pass on your apology.

WEDNESDAY CANTEEN

The note has been sent home requesting volunteers cooks for the Wednesday Canteen Lunch Program, which is commencing next Wednesday 21 October. We still need someone to cook for 9th December.

FOR SALE

Rashies \$10

Handmade Scrunchies \$2.00

TO GIVE AWAY

We have two Child Car Booster Seats and one very old overhead projector to give away. Please contact the school if you would like any of these items.

To be collected from the School Office.



Term 3 Week 10 Award Winners



Damon, Mieki, Knox, Isla



Office News

FRESH HEN EGGS

We have at least 8 fresh chicken eggs available each day. The cost is \$3.50 or \$3.00 with the return of an egg carton. Please order through the school office.



WHOLE SCHOOL

Swimming lessons commence on Monday 19 October and all permission notes and payments should have been returned.

YEARS 4/5/6 CAMP

An Information note for the Year 4/5/6 Camp has been sent home and the cost will be \$110 per student. The permission note will be sent home soon.

FRIDAY FUN DAY LUNCHES from Tropical Fruit World have commenced for Term 4. Orders must be into the office by Thursday of each week.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION FOR 2021

We will be running two Kindergarten Orientation days for 2021 in Term 4 2020 on Tuesday 1 and 8 December 9.30 am—2.00 pm. Further information will be forwarded home next week.



High Performing Students Team

Placement in selective high schools for Year 7 entry

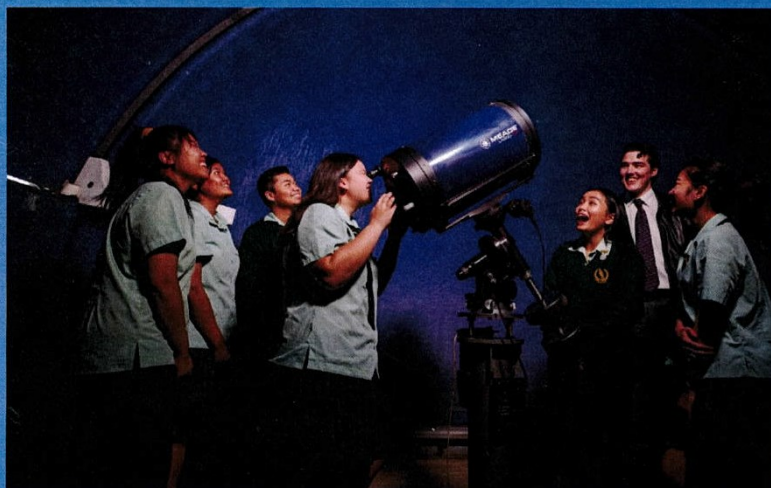
in **2022**

Information for applicants

Thinking of applying for
a government selective
high school for Year 7
in 2022?

You must apply online at:

[https://education.nsw.gov.au/
public-schools/selective-high-
schools-and-opportunity-
classes/year-7](https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7)



Key Dates

Application website opens:
13 October 2020

Application website closes:
16 November 2020
You must apply before this date.

Test centre and test authority advice
released:
25 February 2021

Selective High School placement test:
11 March 2021

Placement outcome information released:
2 July 2021

**Please read this booklet carefully before
applying.**

**From this year, you will be able to log
into your application to send and
receive messages and notices.**

There may be changes to the procedures
in this document. Check the website at
education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc regularly for
updates throughout the application and
placement process.

Please check the website for information
before you contact the Team.

The Selective High Schools placement process for Year 7 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Team. It is referred to as 'the Team' in this document.

Contact Details:

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Community Notices



WATER NIGHT

Thursday 22 October 2020
5pm-5am

No taps. One bucket.

Improve your water mindfulness

Together with Smart Approved WaterMark, Tweed Shire Council is asking all Australian households to sign up to Water Night to practice 'water mindfulness' and being self aware when reaching for a tap. The challenge is not to use taps, showers and running water for the night, making do with one bucket of water only from 5 pm to 5 am on Thursday 22 October 2020 (use of water for hand hygiene and religious reasons is exempt of course).

EACH FAMILY AT DURANBAH PUBLIC SCHOOL IS RECEIVING A TIMER TO PUT IN THEIR SHOWER RECESS TO TIME THE LENGTH OF THEIR SHOWERS (INCLUDED WITH THIS NEWSLETTER).

WATER NIGHT

Sign up at www.waternight.com.au



HOCKEY TWEED PRESENTS

SUPER 6'S!

Summer Hockey to maintain your skills and fitness.

Mondays: K-2, 3-4, 5-6 School Comp 5.30pm
Wednesdays: 13-17 years & Opens 6pm
Starts Monday October 12

START GETTING YOUR TEAMS SORTED NOW!!!
Registration details on the website soon

Live Life Well @ School

ACTION: BUILDING WELLBEING



ACTION CALENDAR:



MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

"Start Where You Are. Use What You Have.
Do What You Can" ~ Arthur Ashe



4 Focus on what you can do rather than what you can't do

5 Send friends a photo of a time you all enjoyed together

6 Take a step towards one of your life goals, however small

7 Let someone you love know how much they mean to you

11 What are your most important values? Use them today

12 Be grateful for the little things, even in difficult times

13 Today do something to care for the natural world

14 Show your gratitude to people who are helping to make things better

Are you looking for ways to build happiness, mindfulness, purpose, kindness and self-care into your everyday practice at home?

Download the action for happiness calendars today. They provide simple and practical tips for the family to do together to help build a culture of wellbeing.

Check out:

www.actionforhappiness.org/calendars

