

# Duranbah Public School

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**Term 1 Week 10 - Edition 5**

**Friday 31 March 2021**

## Principal's Report

It's just crazy to think that we are at the end of Term 1. Just a minute ago, everyone was fresh from their Christmas break, our new Kindergarten students began and our 2021 classes were formed.

### **Sustainable Schools Program**



We were very excited this week to learn that our school was successful in attaining a grant for a number of sustainable programs across our school. These include irrigation, water storage, staff training, Indigenous gardens and training, and equipment upgrades. These will be put to very good use and our students will benefit greatly from this opportunity. A huge thank you to Miss Alex for her work in the successful grant proposal.

### **P&C Meeting**

Our Coastal Leaning Community (CLC) P&C mixer was held last Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> at Cudgen PS. This opportunity provided our P&C with the chance to discuss the successes and challenges of the fellow P&C groups within our local community of schools. Brooke will provide an overview of everything learned at the next meeting in Term 2.

### **Holi Festival Day/Colour Run**

What an excellent day last Friday's Holi Festival Colour Run was! So many laughs, so many laps, so many little people having a ball. Thank you to Brooke and Kathy for organising our day, to Dave, Greg and Anita for their culinary skills and to all the parents who joined us to have fun and help out. It certainly seems as though we have a new annual event!



## **Mark Your Calendar**

- 1 April Small Schools Cross Country  
Last day of Term 1
- 20 April School Resumes for Term 2
- 21 April Free P&C Sausage Sizzle Lunch
- 25 April Anzac Day Parade at Kingscliff

## **Small Schools Cross Country**

Tomorrow our school is participating in the Small Schools Cross Country at Stokers Siding PS. All arrangements have been made and parents are allowed to attend under the revised guidelines. We look forward to seeing everyone there to cheer our runners on!

## **Term 2 Scripture and Ethics**

In Term 2, those students from Years 4/5/6 who have provided permission, will participate in the Ethics program, while those students from Years 2/3 who have provided permission for Scripture will participate in that program.

## **Anzac Day**

On Sunday 25th April, Duranbah PS parents and students are invited to participate in the Anzac Day Parade in Kingscliff. Further information regarding times, meeting place etc will be provided in Week 1 of Term 2.

Thanks again to all of our students, families and staff who have made this such an enjoyable and effective term of learning. Hopefully everyone gets the chance to share time with the important people in their lives as well as some necessary 'me' time.

Stay safe,

Jason Ellem

Principal

**Week 9 Award Winners**

Hugo, Hayley, Jarli, Thea



**Week 10 Award Winners**

Marley, Darcy, Knox, Miren



**Holi Day  
Colour Run  
2021**



# Happy Easter and have a safe holiday!



**SNEAK PEEK...**  
Check out some of the awesome Easter Hats that our students wore today for the Parade...  
For more Easter Hat Parade fun, check out Duranbah PS Facebook page.





# Applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in **2022**

Once you complete and submit your application you must change details receive messages and record decisions through your application portal.

## Thinking of applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2022?

You must apply online at:  
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>



### Key dates

Application site opens:  
**Tuesday 20 April 2021**

Application site closes:  
**5pm, Friday 7 May 2021**  
You must apply before this deadline

Test centre advice sent:  
**Wednesday 7 July 2021**

Opportunity Class Placement Test:  
**Wednesday 21 July 2021**

Placement outcome information released overnight on:  
**Friday 1 October 2021**

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

Parents\* should check the Department's website at:  
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5> regularly throughout the application and placement process.

Please check the Department's website for information before you contact the Team.

The opportunity class placement process for Year 5 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Team\*.

#### Contact Details:

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#### Please Note:

\*In this document, the High Performing Students Team is referred to as the Team.

\*\*Parent\* is defined under the Education Act, 1990, as a 'guardian or other person having custody or care of a child'.