

Duranbah Public School

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Week 5 Term 4 - Edition 17

Friday 5 November 2021

Principal's Report

Halfway through the term (almost) and we are as busy as ever. End of year plans are well on the way!

Swimming Scheme

Our students started our school swimming scheme this week (as soon as the guidelines allowed!). This will continue with Week 6 and 7 being Monday AND Tuesday, as these were the only opportunities available.

P&C

On Tuesday 26th October, our P&C held it's AGM and elected a new Executive for the next year. As you probably know now, Kathy Rockwell was elected into the position of President, Greg Blacklock and Jacqui Kershaw were both elected into the position of Vice President, Matt Camps was re-elected into the position of Treasurer and Anita O'Grady was elected into the position of Secretary. Thank you to this group for putting your hand up to assist the school in these capacities.

Also, a huge thank you to the outgoing committee. Brooke, Jo and Kate, who put a lot of time and effort into these roles for our students.

Bandanna Day

Last Friday our school raised approx. \$432 for the very worthy cause of 'The Cancer Council' through the sales of bandannas and also mufti day donations. So many colours, and so many different ways to wear a bandanna!

School Presentation

Our school presentation has been set for Tuesday 14th December. It will be held at school in the morning starting at 10am. More details to follow.

Year 7 Visitors

On Thursday we were fortunate enough to host a visit from last year's Year 6, who spent their morning speaking with our 4/5/6 class about their transition and experiences this year in High School. They spoke very well, and were happy to provide the advice, challenges and new opportunities they encountered this year. Our 4/5/6 class loved having them back and were very grateful to listen to them and ask the questions they had.

Adult Toilet

Some of you may have noticed the new adult toilet that has been completed in the space previously used as a spare shower. The funding for this upgrade was provided as a partnership between our school, our P&C and also the NSW Department of Education.

Mark Your Calendar

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| • 8/9/15/16 November | Swimming Lessons |
| • 18 November | Kindergarten Orientation and Yrs 1-6 Transition — 9.30-12.30 |
| • 23/30 November | Surfing Lessons |
| • 25 November | Kindergarten Orientation and Yrs 1-6 Transition — 9.30-12.30 |
| • 2 December | Kindergarten Orientation and Yrs 1-6 Transition — 9.30-12.30 |
| • 3 December | Year 4/5/6 Camp Goodenough |
| • 14 December | Presentation Day |
| • 16 December | Beach Picnic Day |
| | Last day of Term 4 |

2021 Staffing

As we made everyone aware last week, Mrs Badger has accepted a new role at another school that required her to take the position from Week 6. Her last day with us will be on Tuesday 9th November.

As we shared last week, we are very grateful for Mrs Badger's time and efforts with our school and our students in her time with us. We wish her all the best in her new career pathway.

This week, Mrs Sally Carroll has joined us and will remain with us until the end of the year in a teaching capacity. We welcome Mrs Carroll to our school and are sure she will enjoy contributing to our wonderful school community.

This week we also said thank you and good-bye to Mrs Field and also Mr Bousfield. Our students made a lovely poster for them, the P&C provided a small gift for them and the staff were able to host a small afternoon tea to thank them.

Mr Phil Eizenberg has been working closely with Mr Bousfield this week so that he may assume the role of music tutor for keyboard and also guitar. He is very excited to be joining our school and we look forward to the continued progress of our music programs.

Hopefully everyone has a great weekend.

Jason Ellem

Principal

Week 4 Award Winners
Audrey, Jeremy, Lennox, Eleanor

Week 5 Award Winners
Damon, Sachi, Harper Rose



Office News

STATEMENTS OF ACCOUNT

Family Statements of Account will be sent home next week. Prompt payment of all outstanding amounts would be appreciated to allow us to finalise our budget for 2021. Payments may be made by using Cash, EFTPOS or POP (Parent Online Payments).

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION AND YEAR 1 – 6 TRANSITION

Invitations have been sent home to the families of Kindergarten and the new Year 1-6 students, who are enrolling into Duranbah Public School in 2022, to attend Kindergarten Orientation and the Years 1 – 6 Transition Programs. Dates can be found in the calendar on the front page of this newsletter.

Please contact the school to confirm your child's attendance. If you haven't already done so, please bring the original proof of identity, residence and immunisation documents to be sighted.

EXCURSIONS

Swimming Lessons

The remaining swimming lesson days in Term 4 are 8, 9, 15 and 16 November.

Surfing Lessons

The Surfing Lesson days in lieu of the postponed days in Term 1 are 23 and 30 November. Please return the permission note by Tuesday 16 November.

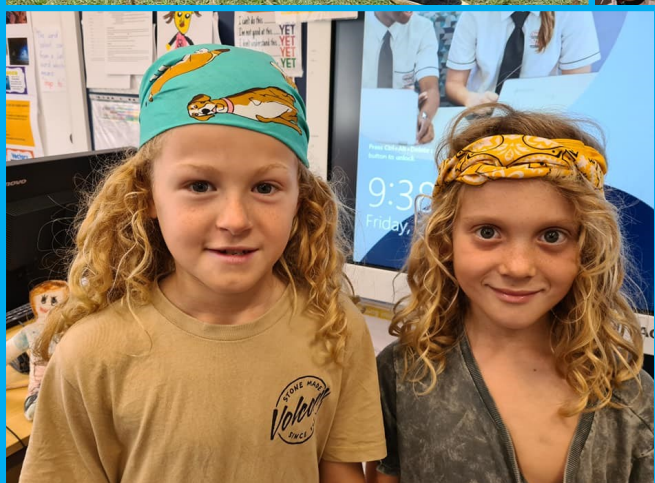
BEEP!

The performance of BEEP for the K/1/2/3 students has been postponed to May 2022.

Year 4/5/6 Excursion

The excursion to Camp Goodenough is to be held on Friday 3 December. Please return permission notes with payment of \$72 by 26 November.





**Year 7
Visitors
2021**



Connect locally, learn globally ...

Join the virtual school for rural and remote students

Aurora College is NSW's virtual school for high potential and gifted students in rural and remote government schools.

Our school provides innovative, flexible learning in a whole new context, by allowing students to connect locally and to learn globally.

The 'bright lights' of Aurora learn with their classmates from across the state in timetabled lessons using cutting-edge technologies in a virtual learning environment.

Aurora teachers are highly qualified and experienced subject experts with specialised training in delivering best practice learning and teaching to high potential and gifted students.

Applications for placement in **Year 7** in 2023:

- open Tuesday 19 October 2021
- close Wednesday 17 November 2021

For further information, visit www.aurora.nsw.edu.au or phone 1300 287 629.



For enrolment information, please visit:
<https://aurora.nsw.edu.au/our-school/enrolment-information/>



The Family Centre have been providing services to the Northern Rivers and Gold Coast communities for over 30 years. We have recently launched The Family Centre Disability Services, offering Plan Management and Support Coordination.



We will be hosting **FREE ONLINE INFORMATION SESSIONS** to help you access and get the most out of your NDIS Plan.

These information sessions are for anyone wanting to access the National Disability Insurance Scheme, as well as current participants, families, carers and nominees.

We will give you information

- **About the NDIS and how to access the scheme**
- **Plan Management Services**
- **Support Coordination Services**

Information Session 1

Tuesday 16 November 10am–11am (NSW Time)

Information Session 2

Wednesday 17 November 6pm–7pm (NSW Time)

If you are unable to attend the information sessions but would like to find out more about The Family Centre's Disability Services you can call us on (07) 5524 8711 or email disability@thefamilycentre.org.au

Calling all parents and carers! Claim your first \$100 Active Kids voucher for the year.



Voucher 1 is valid January to December and a second voucher is valid July to December.

Register and get your kids playing today: <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/campaign/active-kids>

