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Principal's Report

Welcome back to term 2. Hopefully we have all had a good break and were able to recharge and refresh and meet the new term with lots of energy.

ANZAC DAY Commemoration

It was so nice to join as a school group and represent our Duranbah community on ANZAC Day on Monday. We had a lot of positive feedback from different parts of the wider community as to how impressive our contribution was. A very big thanks to our students, staff and families who were able to join us for this important occasion.

Following on from this, our school held it's own service on Thursday, with the senior students leading the ceremony. It was clear that our students appreciated the importance of the message throughout the service, as they demonstrated the necessary reverence and respect throughout. Having Austin play the 'Last Post' live was certainly special.

The People's Pantry

We are very excited to be part of a new initiative involving a partnership between our school and an emerging business in our school community. Our school is the host of this new enterprise, providing staff and support to 'The People's Pantry'. This initiative connects local producers to local consumers, and in the process builds school funds for an identified school activity ie new play equipment.

Parents and Carers can support this project by joining the 'People's Pantry- Kingscliff' and taking advantage of the produce on offer. Orders are to be picked up from Cudgen Leagues Club, in the bowling shed area, each Tuesday from 3pm-5pm (starting May 3). To connect with 'The People's Pantry' simply find: https://thepeoplespantry.com.au/pantries/4

Flood Counselling Support

Attached are the details for extra counselling support, specific to the recent floods. Parents and Carers can contact the school for further details around this if needed.

Term 2 Sport

This term our students will have two excellent sporting opportunities to participate in. Each Friday we will host members from the Kingscliff Little Athletics, who will teach and instruct our students in all the events in preparation for the Small Schools Carnival in week 9 of this term. As well as this, they will enjoy learning fun dance activities with Miss Cassie from week 4.

Industrial Action

Many Parents and Carers will have heard in the Media about planned Industrial action on Wednesday 4th May. Whilst we may have staff involved in this, our school will remain open and operational on this day.

New Staff

We welcome Miss Hannah Harris to our school. Miss Harris will work on 2/3 each Thursday and Friday for the remainder of the year. Miss Harris has been joining this class on a regular basis in term 1 and is well known to our students.



Miss Tomlinson will also be joining our school on 2/3 each Thursday for term 2. Miss Tomlinson has been working with us quite often over the last two years and is well known to our students.



Hopefully everyone has an enjoyable weekend.

Jason Principal

Mark Your Calendar

3 May BEEP! Performance (K - Year 3 Only)

4 May Sausage Sizzle Lunch

6 May Athletics commences for the term

10 May NAPLAN commences (2 week duration)

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Duranbah PS was well represented at the ANZAC day service.



Lots of fun was had at our Easter Hat Parade last term.



What is NAPLAN?

The National Assessment Program—Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) assesses the literacy and numeracy skills of students in Years 3 & 5.

NAPLAN provides an understanding of how individual students are performing at the time of the test. The tests are just one aspect of a schools assessment and reporting process - it does not replace ongoing assessments made by teachers about student performances.

We will commence NAPLAN at Duranbah PS on Tues 10th May, if you have any queries or concerns please contact Ms Humes by calling the office 02 6677 7221.



Office News

STATEMENTS OF ACCOUNT

Family Statements of Account have been sent home yesterday for Term 2. Prompt payment of these Accounts would be appreciated. Payment may be made with Cash, EFTPOS or POP (Parent Online Payments through the school website).

RAPID ANTIGEN TESTS

We still have Rapid Antigen Tests (RAT) available for families, please just contact the office if you would like tests sent home with your child.

EXCURSIONS

Kindergarten to Year 3

BEEP!

The Murwillumbah Theatre Company performance of BEEP! will be held next Tuesday 3 May at the Tweed Heads Civic Centre. The cost is \$10 per student and transport to and from the venue will be by bus.

P&C News

Our Parents and Citizens Association (P&C) Meeting is planned for Thursday 12th May 2022 at 6:30pm, venue to be confirmed. Everyone is welcome and we would love to see some new faces with the new time slot. Please contact the school or Kathy Rockwell 0405 521 966 if you have anything to add to the agenda or to pass on your apologies.

Mothers Day Stall is being held next Friday 6th May during first break.

*Gifts will range from \$2 - \$10.

*We will require volunteers to help wrap presents on the morning of the stall. More details to follow.

Wednesday Canteen Volunteers Required We still need volunteers to cook the Wednesday lunch on June 15th and June 29th.

Contact the school office if you're able to assist.

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FRIDAY LUNCH CHANGE

This term we will be offering the students lunches from Tropical Fruit World rather than Sushi. Order forms will be sent home next week. Please return orders to the office by Thursday every week.



NEW FRIDAY LUNCH MENU

From Term 2 2021

½ Chicken Salad Wrap with Chips
 ½ Ham Salad Wrap with Chips
 ½ Salad Wrap with Chips
 Breaded Chicken Strips with Chips

\$5.50 each

Please return order slips to the office by the Thursday before.

Gluten Free Available

Mayonnaise contains egg

Kitchen is **NOT** a nut free zone and meals may contain traces of nuts







Phone: (02) 6677 7222 | Email: Info@tropicalfruitworld.com

Term 2 2022 COVID-19 GUIDELINES

In Term 2 2022, your child's school will operate with a number of COVID-smart measures that have been developed with NSW Health to minimise transmission and keep schools open.

An announcement to ease the isolation requirements for close contacts was made on 20 April 2022. This will enable students and staff who are close contacts and have no symptoms to continue to attend school if they follow guidelines agreed with NSW Health.

Note that staff and students who have had confirmed COVID-19 in the last 12 weeks do not have to comply with the following guidelines if they become a household or close contact and are not required to self-isolate or test unless they develop new COVID-19 symptoms.

Close contacts attending school will need to adhere to the following in addition to the NSW Health guidelinesExternal link:

- They must notify the school if they are intending to return under this provision.
- They should conduct a daily RAT and return a negative result each morning before attending school for 5 school days.
- Any visitor to a school site who is a close contact is required to advise the school that they are a close contact before they come on site. These visitors should conduct a daily RAT and return a negative result before attending. They must also wear a mask indoors at all times. Schools should consider if the visit can be conducted virtually.

For positive COVID-19 cases

If there is a positive case in your child's class, year or other grouping, your child can continue to attend school in line with NSW Health advice. If a student or staff member receives a positive RAT test, they need to:

- record the positive RAT result through the <u>Service NSW</u>
 <u>website</u>External link or <u>Service NSW app</u>External link –
 please add details of your child's school or early child-hood education centre when prompted
- notify the school of the positive RAT or PCR test result as soon as possible
- follow <u>NSW Health advice</u>External link to isolate for 7 days

Visitors on school grounds

Schools can invite visitors – including parents, carers and families – to their sites regardless of their vaccination status, in line with settings in the broader community.

Workers and volunteers must meet mandatory vaccination requirements including:

- volunteers or staff operating uniform shops and canteens
- visitors supporting school operations and curriculum delivery
- allied health partners for the wellbeing of students
- university and TAFE students attending school sites to complete their practicum or teacher training.



Click-and-collect shopping that supports your local producers

Order online Thursday to Sunday.

Pick up Tuesday between 3-5pm,

from the Cudgen Bowls Club shed, Bradshaw Place, Kingscliff.



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Flood School counselling support

The NSW Department of Education provided some additional counselling support for schools and their communities that have been impacted by floods.

Our school had the services of Rob Spence, a registered psychologist for the last two weeks of Term1, who will be returning to support our school, weeks 1 and 2 and weeks 4 and 5 of Term 2. During Term 2 Rob is available to run 'Chill Circles' with groups of students.

The Purpose of Chill Circles:

- To assist students, identify their own feelings and thoughts in different settings. NB this will
 not specifically be about the floods but it is expected the floods will be raised by most
 students.
- 2. To be aware of strategies to use when they don't feel safe in certain situations.

Age group: All ages. Group size: 6 to 8 students Format: Activities and discussion

If you would prefer your child NOT be part of this opportunity, please let the school know.

In addition, Rob is available;

- To meet with parents/carers informally before and after school on the days he is at our school.
- 2. To meet with parents/carers more formally by appointment. Please contact the school to arrange a time.
- 3. To meet with groups of parents/carers. Please contact the school to arrange a time.
- 4. Attend a Parents/ Carers meeting to discuss recovery from trauma.

When will Rob be at our school?

- Thursday 12 May afternoon
- Wednesday 18 May
- Wednesday 25 May

Mr Jason Ellem		
Please return to the Office		

I would like to be part of a Parent/ Carer discussion group to explore ways I may be able to support my child through flood trauma.

I would prefer (please circle):	Thursday 12 th May -	Wednesday 18 th	$May-don't\ mind$

Signed	Date
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I would prefer (please circle): 9:30am – evening (7pm?) – don't mind

^{*}Parents and Carers are asked to contact the school to organise a formal appointment with Rob.