

Duranbah Public School

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Week 5 Term 2 - Edition 8

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Principal's Report

If you've yet to check, we are now officially halfway through this term. Our students are continually impressing us with their growth and development in all areas of learning and their capacity to consider the needs of others.

Main Learning Displays (MLD's)

Our school was very excited to welcome 4 new devices into our classrooms last week. These MLD's are mobile at present and may be mounted within each room. They replace the Interactive Whiteboards, however have many more applications for uses to engage our students, consolidate their learning and tailor the learning activities for classes. The distribution and embedding of this technology are a part of Miss Humes 2022 role as our Digital Classroom Officer in the Regional Access Grant program and we are grateful for her professional support in this area.

Soccer

On Friday 3rd June, our school will enjoy a Small School Soccer gala day at Byron Bay. Priority for those attending has gone to those who were part of last years postponed event. Ms Schumaker and Ms Kirk will coordinate and manage this opportunity for our students, along with the support of all the parents who also attend.

Flood Counselling Support

Mr Rob Spence led all of our students through a sharing and supportive program for the last two Wednesdays called 'Chill Circles'. Small groups were led through discussion based activities and impressed Rob with their particular capacity to support and empathise with others. Rob presented our students with this beautiful book 'Alfie' to congratulate them for being brave.



Cross Country

Last week Ms Kirk and Mr McPhail accompanied 9 of our students to the District Cross Country event at Kingscliff. All competitors did us proud and their support for each other and their personal efforts were outstanding. Thanks to Ms Kirk for coordinating this experience for our students.

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- Casuarina' and taking advantage of the produce on offer. Orders are to be picked up from Casuarina Hockey Club, each Tuesday from 3pm-5pm. To connect with 'The People's Pantry' simply find: <https://thepeoplespantry.com.au/pantries/4>

Hopefully everyone has an enjoyable weekend.
Jason
Principal



Mark Your Calendar

1 June	Gymnastics commencing (for 5 weeks)
1 June	Kingscliff High Year 7 2023 Pinnacle Program Application Closes
3 June	Soccer Knockouts
7 June	8am Coffee Van @ School for Parents
9 June	P & C Meeting 6:30pm
19 June	1st Aid Course @ Duranbah PS
20 June	Spelling Bee
21 June	1/2 Day Athletics Carnival (Field Events)
22 June	Full Day Athletics Carnival (Track Events)
Sept	FNC Dance at Twin Towns (TBC)

Awards

Week 4 - Taya C, Jeremy D, Ace C, Ollie F & Leilani K



Week 5 - Mia T, Amelite H, Liam D, Gabe R, Marley H, & Dante B



Office News

CHANGES TO STUDENTS DAILY ROUTINE

Often there can be changes to how a student is getting home. Some days they may catch the bus, other days they may be picked up by another family member. If there is any change to how a student is getting home on the day, advise the office by 2.00 pm on 02 6677 7221.

Please phone the school office only, as emails can be missed. This ensures that the student receives the message before the end of school, and gets home safely.

UNIFORMS

We have FLEECY LINED HOODES available for purchase from the office for \$30, so your child can be snug as a bug in a rug!

GYMNASTICS LESSONS

Gymnastics Lessons will now commence next Wednesday 1 June, due to the inclement weather this week. The lesson will be made up at a later date, this term. Please ensure you have returned the permission slip with the payment of \$15 per child.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN VOLUNTEER DECLARATION

In preparation for parents to return to assisting in classrooms and for driving students to and from activities, we need to ensure all parents have completed a WWC Volunteer Declaration. These are available from the school office or can be emailed to parents on request. Parents may apply for a Children Check Clearance (WWCC) through Service NSW which is free, but is not a requirement for them to volunteer at a school. If you are driving students you must provide evidence of current car insurance for the vehicle being used.

FIRST AID AND CPR COURSE

We are once again offering free Nationally Recognised First Aid and CPR Training to the school community. It will be held on Sunday 19 June from 9am to 4pm in the Duranbah Public School Library.

Our P & C will be catering and offering morning tea and lunch at the reasonable cost of only \$20 per person.

Please email ethan@pulsestart.com.au to book your place as soon as possible, as places will be limited.. Also copy the school into your email duranbah-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au for catering purposes.

P&C News

Our next **Parents and Citizens Association (P&C) Meeting** is Thursday 9 May, 6:30pm at the Kingscliff Surf Club. 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 or kathy-roc77@gmail.com if you have anything to add to the agenda or to pass on your apologies.

Our focus will be on putting together events within the school that brings our school community together.



EVERY IDEA MAKES A DIFFERENCE

JOIN YOUR P&C

Please request to join the **DURANBAH PUBLIC SCHOOL and COMMUNITY FACEBOOK PAGE** to keep up to date with the latest P&C information. The school also uses this page as a source for communication.

District Cross Country

Our 9 student representatives did Duranbah School very proud. They were very supportive of each other and brought 100% effort and persistence. Great running and well done!



THE PEOPLE'S PANTRY
CASUARINA
thepeoplespantry.com.au

Click-and-collect shopping that supports local producers & Duranbah Public School

Shop online Wednesday from 3 pm to Sunday 10 pm

Pick up Tuesday 3 - 5 pm
Casuarina Hockey Club

PASSION PROJECTS BEGIN IN TERM 3

Can you volunteer one hour of your time on a Friday for 6 weeks? We are looking for family and community members to share their personal interests and to work actively with our students to further develop their skills and interests. The Passion Projects will run on Weeks 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 of Term 3.

Our students have indicated that they would like to further develop their knowledge and skills in the following areas:

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| <i>Animal care</i> | <i>Gymnastics</i> |
| <i>Art/craft</i> | <i>Modelling / deportment</i> |
| <i>Bush survival</i> | <i>Photography</i> |
| <i>Dancing</i> | <i>Science</i> |
| <i>Cooking</i> | |

If you have a personal interest that isn't listed that you would like to share with our students, please let us know. All volunteers are to be fully vaccinated for Covid-19.

Also if you would like to come along and help please let us know.

IMPORTANT DETAILS

Starting 29 July at 12:00pm.

Email: Breanna.Schumacher1@det.nsw.edu.au

Phone: 02 677 7221

Breanna Schumacher (Teacher)

HARDSHIP FUNDING

FOR FLOOD EFFECTED FAMILIES

The Minister for Education and Early Learning announced that \$500 Education Hardship Fund will be made available for every NSW public school student in the 7 identified local government area (LGAs) affected by the recent floods in the Northern Rivers region.

The funds will be transferred to schools over the coming weeks and are to be expended by the end of 2023. Parents and carers can nominate to use funds for:

- * excursions, camps and incursions
- * school-organised formals
- * competition fees
- * subject fees
- * uniforms including: school uniforms (from school-run or P&C uniform shops), end of school year jerseys, senior shirt
- * calculators
- * in-school tutoring such as music tutors
- * sport participation including weekly sport or carnivals
- * school photos
- * family costs incurred with involvement in school theatre or musical performances
- * ongoing weekly co-curricular programs such as dance or gymnastics programs.

Please contact the school to advise how you would like to use your \$500. These funds cannot be given as cash payments to families.

Our school^{*} is teaming up with Wonder Recycling Rewards to help reduce soft plastic waste in our environment.

By collecting and recycling our soft plastic waste at school^{*}, we can protect our environment, oceans and wildlife – and earn new sports equipment for our school^{*}!

PLUS, every registered school^{*} will go into the draw to WIN a REPLAS Exercise Circuit made from recycled soft plastic!

We are calling on all students, parents and teachers to get collecting!



There's 3 simple steps to helping our school^{*} keep soft plastic waste out of the environment and earning new sports equipment for our kids to enjoy!



To help get you started, here's a list of items you can and can't collect to recycle

YES PLEASE	NO THANKS
Wonder bread bags (and all other bread bags too)	Plastic bottles
	Plastic containers
	Glass
	Paper
	Cardboard
	Tin cans
	Food waste



\$500 Vouchers = FREE CHILDCARE

Parents and carers of children enrolled in all primary schools in NSW will benefit from a \$500 Voucher program for Before and After School Care (BASC) services to provide greater support and access to BASC services.

Families can claim their \$500 voucher per child to reduce the out-of-pocket costs of Before and After school care and Vacation Care. To claim your voucher, visit <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/basc-voucher>.

Key dates:

- You can apply for a voucher from 28 February to 30 September 2022 through Service NSW.
- Vouchers can be redeemed with a before & after school care provider from 28 February to 31 December 2022.
- Voucher credit can be used for services until 30 June 2023.

Aussie Kids Fun & Fitness is open for Before School Care from Monday to Friday 6.15 am – 8.30 am

After School Care from 3pm – 6.00pm

Vacation Care & Staff Development Days from 7.30 am – 5.30 pm

CASUAL BOOKINGS ARE AVAILABLE. Fees start from as little as \$9.00 per session after Childcare subsidy for BSC + ASC

FOR MORE INFORMATION PHONE: 0413974775