

# Duranbah Public School

*A quality education in a caring environment*

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Week 4 Term 2 - Friday 19th May, 2023 - Edition 7

## Principal's Report

Our term is moving along so quickly and it is great to see each class and it's students working hard to improve their progress each day.

### DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY

Last Friday eight of our students represented both our school and the Tweed Small Schools at the District Cross Country at Bilambil. Each of these students did the very best they could against strong competition. Well done to these students, thank you to their parents who were able to support them at this event and thank you to Ms Kirk who was able to coordinate and manage the team on the day.

### STUDENT ILLNESS

At any given time through the school year every school is faced with illness to both students and also staff. This is totally natural and unsurprising and obviously is worse at several points in the year as colds, flu's and virus' sweep our community. As a general rule, it's responsible decision making and also better for the child to keep children away from school if they're unwell or infectious. Any academic learning missed through sporadic illness can be caught up. Complete recovery is the best option, for both the child and the school community, before returning to school.

### PIKELET TUESDAY

Mrs Stewart began her pikelet cooking on Tuesday and it was very well received among our students. The cost moving forward will be \$1 for 2 pikelets and will create funds for our sustainability program. We are very lucky to have someone like Mrs Stewart at our school doing such lovely things for our students.



### P&C

Thanks to those who were able to attend last week's meeting. The majority of the discussion surrounded organisation for the upcoming athletics carnival catering. The next meeting is set for week 7. Details will follow.

### NORFOLK ISLAND EXCURSION FUNDRAISING UPDATE MEETING

On Monday 22nd May at 5:30pm a Zoom meeting will be held to discuss and decide upon several important matters and give an update on where we are in our fundraising. If all fundraising families could join it would be much appreciated.

Meeting ID: 431 835 1297

Passcode: 900617

Enjoy your weekends,

Jason Ellem  
Principal

*Congratulations*  
TO OUR AWARD WINNERS



#### Week 3

Byron, Thomas, Lenny, Zahli, Marley, Novia, Hayden



#### Week 4

Bowie, Marley, Summer, Jaden, Jeremy



## Office News

### EXCURSIONS, SPORTS AND INCURSIONS

#### SMALL SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The Small Schools Athletics Carnival is on 5 and 6 June. All students are to attend the full day carnival on Tuesday 6 June. Our school P&C Association will be providing the Canteen on both days. They are still needing volunteers to assist. The Canteen Menu and the names of students who have qualified for the Field events will be sent home early next week.

#### FNC DANCE FESTIVAL

The FNC Dance Festival will be held on Wednesday 7 June. Please return the permission and participation/consent forms, and pay the \$25 fee as soon as possible. Only those students who have elected to participate in the 2023 FNC Dance Festival will have received these forms. Don't forget to book tickets to attend the performance, as they sell out quickly. Tickets can be purchased from:

<https://TwinTownsSales1.sales.ticketsearch.com/sales/salesevent/108600>

### COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Please advise the school immediately if your child has been diagnosed with a communicable disease (examples of a few diseases are Impetigo - School Sores, Measles or Chicken Pox and Head Lice/Nits are included). We are required to advise the school community if a communicable disease is present. Your child's privacy is respected.

### PARENT VOLUNTEERS

All parents who would like to volunteer at school, in class rooms, are required to complete a "Declaration for Child-Related Workers". Just complete the form and provide proof of identity (ie Drivers' Licence). These forms are available from the school office.

### SCHOOL BYTES IS COMING

School Bytes provides a parent portal to help us communicate with you. We may use the parent portal for various things, including online permission notes, attendance, and payments, which can be accessed via a secure link. The School Bytes parent portal enables you to view all your children in one portal and process payments for multiple siblings in one transaction. Further information with links to the new Parent Portal to follow.

### EMERGENCY CONTACT UPDATES

Please return Emergency Contact update forms by next Friday 26 May even if there are no changes. This information for all families has to be updated in our current computer system, before we can move to School Bytes.

### UNIFORMS

We now have stocks of School Polo Shirts (\$30), Skorts (\$27) and Fleecy Warm Hoodies (\$30) or Hoodies with Zipper (\$34) in all sizes available for sale.

### BACK TO SCHOOL VOUCHERS

A reminder that Back to School vouchers **expire on 30th June 2023**. These vouchers can be used at our school to go towards any school expenses, including uniforms and fees.

### STUDENT SCHOOL TRAVEL

There are a variety of school travel concessions available to NSW students. For more information on travel subsidies or school travel passes, please go to the new Transport NSW website at

<https://transportnsw.info/tickets-opal/ticket-eligibility-concessions/school-student-travel>

### NORFOLK ISLAND CAMP FUNDRAISER

#### FRIDAY PIE DAY

Every Friday in Term 2 we will be offering meat pies and vegetarian sausage rolls for \$5.00 each (Cash only). Please return orders, with payment, to the school by Thursdays afternoons.



### P&C NEWS

This year Duranbah Public School has been asked to run the canteen for the 2 days of the Athletics Carnival on 5th and 6th June.

This is a major fundraising event and all money raised goes toward the Norfolk Island Excursion contribution.

The P&C has been asked to donate \$100 per child which goes towards flights and insurance. Calling on parents, carers and grandparents to volunteer some time either of those days.

Massive thanks to those who have already offered support, a roster will be drawn up soon and times will be advised.



## Sustainability

Last week all classes busily watered and mulched our garden beds. We also made some discoveries! Mandarins, bananas, avocados, and passionfruit!!!

This week, well let us just say we had some repairs to do, our scarecrow had a bit of a tough time in all the harsh weather!

### Sale! Sale! Sale!

We will have our own (small) Farmer's Market Sale next week, on Thursday 25th May at school. Students can bring up to \$5 to buy a selection of locally grown produce. We will supply paper bags.

Macadamia Nuts 5 for \$1

Beans and Snow peas 0.50c a bunch

Lemons 2 for \$1

Mandarins 3 for \$1

Avocados \$1.50 each

Passionfruit 3 for \$1

Grapefruit \$1.50 each



## DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY 2023





## Community Notices



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**Lismore's 31st Annual**



# Gemfest

**Lismore Showground**  
(Entry via Dunoon Road)

Jewellery  
Fossils  
Crystals  
Gemstones  
Kids Activities  
Food Stalls  
Lucky Gate  
Prizes

**Saturday - 20 May 9-5**  
**Sunday - 21 May 9-3**  
**Entry \$5 Adult**  
**\$1 over 5 yrs**

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**NBN NEWS**

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## School Calendar Term 2 2023

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
W5	May 22	May 23	May 24	May 25	May 26
W6	May 29	May 30	May 31	June 1	June 2
W7	June 5 Small Schools Athletics Carnival (Field - Qualified students)	June 6 Small Schools Athletics Carnival (Track - All students)	June 7 Far North Coast Dance Festival	June 8	June 9