



DUNCRAIG PRIMARY SCHOOL

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At Duncraig Primary School our purpose is to create a caring and supportive environment for all children, to enable them to achieve their academic, artistic, social and physical potential while fostering respect of self and of each other and to become valued and contributing members of society.

ADMINISTRATION

Principal
Lisa Tucker
Deputy Principals
Taylor Webb
Leah Clegg
Manager
Corporate Services
Jennifer Ryan

School Officers
Sue Hutchinson
Leanne Gray

COMING EVENTS

Tuesday 22 March
Harmony Day
lunch

Thursday 24
March
School
Development Day
(Students do not
attend)

Tuesday 29 March
Easter Tuesday
(Students do not
attend)

Wednesday 30
March
Swimming lessons
PP- 4

Friday 1 April
∞Uniform Shop
8.15-8.45am
∞Interschool
swimming carnival

Tuesday 5 April
ANZAC assembly

Wednesday 6 April
∞Year 6 camp
∞Kindergarten
parent discussion
forum

Newsletter 4 Monday 21 March 2016

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Last week, Duncraig's year 6 student leaders (councillors and faction captains) attended the Halogen Young Leaders Conference. This conference is an annual event designed to develop strong leadership values amongst young Australians. The theme of the day was 'Master the Little' where students learnt that a person does not need to do just the big things as a leader, in order to make a significant difference to the lives of others. Throughout the day, prominent Australian leaders from a range of fields shared their leadership journey with the children. Speakers included Taku Scrutton (cultural ambassador and author of the book 'Multicultural Me' and Dylan Parker (paper pilot and inspiration for the movie 'Paper Planes'). The 2016 school leaders will use the theme of the conference to consider how they can make a difference to the lives of others in both our school and the wider community.

Visible Learning – Know Thy Impact

Alongside our student leaders, seven members of our school's staff leadership team were fortunate to attend the Visible Learning Symposium today. We were privileged to have the opportunity to work with Professor John Hattie and his team on a rare visit to Perth. John Hattie is the Director of Educational Research at the University of Melbourne. He is also a regular advisor to governments in Australia, New Zealand the United States about the teaching strategies that have the greatest impact on student learning. The symposium focused on those teaching strategies that have the most impact for our students, surface and deep learning and how to use success criteria as a motivation for students. Over the next year, the leadership team will work with teachers and education assistants to share our knowledge, to further enhance the learning opportunities and outcomes for the children at our school.

ANZAC DAY

ANZAC Service

Our school ANZAC service will be held prior to the school holidays on Tuesday 5 April at 9am. ANZAC Day falls at the end of the school holidays this year on Monday 25 April. Although our school service is considerably earlier, after discussion with the RSL, we decided to ensure our students had the opportunity to remember the significance of the ANZACS and attend a school service prior to the school holiday break. This day also allows our year 6 students to lead the service before the leave for their school camp. All parents and members of the extended Duncraig and wider community are welcome to attend.

Parent Discussion Forum – Kindergarten Parents

I would like to invite all parents with children in our two kindergarten groups (Kindy A and Kindy B) to an informal coffee catch-up in the last week of term. This meeting will be held on Wednesday 6 April at 9.15 am in the Kindy B classroom. Several times a year, I like to meet with parents in a small group forum to discuss their child's experiences at our school. This provides the school with valuable information about our areas of strength and importantly, assists to identify areas for improvement. Please contact Sue Hutchinson in the school office if you are able to attend.



Grounds and Building Upgrades

Over the next fortnight and throughout the April school holidays, a series of upgrades to our school grounds and buildings will once again occur. Repairs to existing footpaths have been scheduled and a bike path will be installed to enhance the play space in the kindergarten. New carpets will be laid in rooms 7, 8 and the administration block. Replacement of linoleum will also occur in both the senior and middle blocks. After a full inspection of the trees within the school grounds, maintenance including both the removal of dead trees and trimming of canopies is another planned school holiday project.

Families are reminded that the school will be closed for students for a week over the Easter break. This Thursday, staff will participate in a professional learning day, prior to the start of the Easter long weekend. School reopens on Wednesday 30 March. I wish everyone a safe and relaxing Easter break.

Every day in every classroom, every child is learning and achieving.

Lisa Tucker
Principal

Merit Certificate Awards 10 March 2016

Conrad and Conor Rm 15 PP - Mrs Parramore/Mrs Hetebry	Emily and Jack Rm 7 Yr 3 – Mrs Stewart/Mrs Watkinson
Khaylan and Voitek Rm 17 - Mrs Sutherland/Mrs Waters	Nicholas and Jade Rm 8 Yr 4 - Mrs Wylde/ Mrs Gibson
Scott and Charlie Rm 13 PP/Yr 1 - Mrs Firman	Denis, Leah and Atli Rm 6 Yr 3/4 – Mr Miller
Kade and Tiziana Rm 18 Yr 1 – Mrs Spiers	Ravi and Soley Rm 5 Yr 4- Mrs Cox/Miss Collett
Daniel and Jessica Rm 12 Yr 1 – Mrs Plummer/Mrs Calton	Molly and Daniel Rm 3 Yr 4/5 – Miss Oldroyd
Cooper and Charlotte Rm 11 Year 1/2 Mrs Cole/Miss Clegg	- Rm 2 Yr 5/6 - Mrs Noguchi
Riley, Riki and Lucy Rm 19 Yr 2 - Mrs Goodfield	- Rm 1 Yr 5/6 - Mrs Garcia/Mrs Gordon
Kai French Mme Wilderspin	

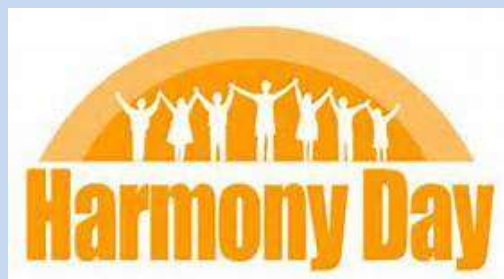
KABOOM MUSIC INCURSION



Kaboom Percussion entertained us with fantastic percussion music, played on chairs, brooms, cups and even their bodies! We joined in and created a body percussion piece and were surprised by some magic tricks, acting, music and juggling.

Harmony Day @DPS

Diversity is our Strength



International Lunch
Invitation

Tuesday 22 March at 12.30 PM

Venue: New Undercover Area

Who: All students, staff and interested parents

What: All students will share in a lunch prepared by families with differing cultures and backgrounds. Prior to the lunch, students will be participating in a range of Harmony Day activities with their buddy class.

Why: Harmony Day is about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. At Duncraig Primary School, we are celebrating Harmony Day in conjunction with our KidsMatter launch. KidsMatter is a mental health and wellbeing framework for primary schools.

What we need: Each family is requested to bring along a dish of food (cold or hot) to share for lunch. If the dish is cold, students can bring it to the school canteen on arrival to school. If the dish is HOT, we request that it be delivered to the canteen at approximately 12.15PM. We would request food be provided in disposable containers if possible. Plates, bowls and forks WILL be provided for all students.

Food for students with allergies: Please refrain from using egg and nut related ingredients. If you do, please indicate it and other ingredients on the dish. Students with allergies are asked to bring their own lunch or have a parent present.

Dress: Children who have a traditional costume or national clothes are encouraged to wear them to school. Children can also wear a plain coloured shirt in the colours of the rainbow.

Volunteers: We are seeking parent volunteers to help serve lunch on Tuesday. Please turn up on the day and help out.

Thank you in advance and we look forward to having a lovely shared lunch!

CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHARGES

We look forward to your support in paying these voluntary contributions –

Kindergarten \$60 Pre-Primary \$60 Years 1-7 \$60

These funds will be used to provide additional resources for all students.

If you have any queries on contributions and charges, please contact the office. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or bank deposit (BSB 016 495 3409 48316). We have no EFTPOS facilities.

DPS 5TH ANNUAL AFL FOOTY TIPPING COMPETITION

Parent v Child. Teacher v Student. Who will prevail?!

Join our footy tipping comp and help raise funds for our school.

Season kicks off Thursday 24th March.

Entry forms will be available in the school admin office from Friday 26th Feb or contact heidi@spiceilly.com.au to have one emailed to you.

Comp is run through the official Footytips.com.au website. Our competition administrator is our PE teacher Ted Orzel and our competition co-ordinator is - Heidi McGrath m: 0422 226992

Entry \$30 per team. Overall prize pool and contribution to our school is determined by the number of teams entered. Family and friends welcome

Duncraig Senior High School will hold the 2017 Year 7 SBAE test on **Thursday 4th August 2016** from 9am to 1pm. Application forms are now available on our website, payment details are on the application form, further details will be emailed after receipt of this application.

Application forms need to be completed and returned to Administration on or before the closing date. **Thursday 21st July 2016,**

For further information please contact Sasha Brennan at sasha.brennan@education.ea.edu.au

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CLUB: NORTH COAST RAIDERS HOCKEY CLUB

CONTACT NAME: ANNE FUHRMANN **CONTACT NUMBER:** 0411 257 111

LOCATION: CHARLES RILEY RESERVE, NORTH BEACH **START DATE:** 7TH MAY 2016 **TIME:** 9.00AM

EMAIL: annefuhrmann@inet.net.au **WEB:** northcoastraiders.com

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION on line registration: <https://memberdesq.onesporttechnology.com/1221/org>

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