

Newsletter 18 Monday 14 November 2016

From the Principal

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DIARY DATES

**Wednesday 16
November**

*Whiteman Park
excursion Rms 3,5*

**Thursday 17
November**

Assembly Rm 15

**Friday 18
November**

*Dancesport yr 5,6
Kindergarten 2017
orientation*

**Tuesday 22
November**

*School board open
meeting 7.30am*

**Friday 25
November**

*Uniform Shop 8.15-
8.45am
Dancesport yr 5,6*

P&C Fundraising 2016

Our school P&C at Duncraig Primary is an enthusiastic and hardworking group of parent volunteers. Throughout the year, they have dedicated countless hours to arranging fundraising activities that have benefited our students. You may be interested to know that in 2016, the P&C have been able to provide over \$30 000 toward the continued improvement of our student's learning environment. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the P&C for their support of our school. I would also like to acknowledge the leadership of our P&C president, Mrs Mandy Blackwell and thank her for the time she puts into this role. In 2016 the P&C has purchased the following items:

Choir uniform shirts
Projector and screen in undercover area
Grounds improvement
Picnic tables
Mathletics
Alternate lunchtime play equipment
Kitchen garden improvements

Independent School Review

You may remember that at the end of last term, the school participated in our second external review as an independent public school. A report outlining the findings of this review is currently being finalised and will then be made available to the school community through our website. A copy of this report will also be provided to the Minister of Education and Director General of Education. Along with the staff and students, a number of parents gave up their time to meet with the reviewers throughout their two days in the school. I would like to thank everyone who participated in this review process and look forward to sharing the full report with you over the coming weeks.

School Board – Open Meeting

The next meeting of the school board will be open to the school community. This is a good opportunity to come along and see what the Duncraig Primary School Board has achieved over the last 12 months. The meeting will be held on Tuesday 22 November from 7.30-8.30am in the Conference Room, located in the middle block.

In conclusion, our final assembly for the year will be the public speaking final. This assembly will be held on Thursday 8 December, commencing at 9am. Immediately following the assembly, a morning tea will be held in the school library to thank those members of the school community who have volunteered their time to assist the school in a myriad of ways.

Lisa Tucker
Principal

Merit Certificate Awards 10 November 2016



Joshua Rm 15 PP - Mrs Parramore/Mrs Hetebry	Emily and Jasmine Rm 7 Yr 3 – Mrs Stewart/Mrs Watkinson
Rm 17 PP - Mrs Sutherland/Mrs Waters	Catalina Rm 8 Yr 4 - Mrs Wylde/ Mrs Gibson
Julia and Sacha Rm 13 PP/Yr 1 - Mrs Firman	Leah and Kate Rm 6 Yr 3/4 – Mr Miller
Georgia and Courtney Rm 18 Yr 1 – Mrs Spiers	Brodie, Taj an Dylan Rm 5 Yr 4- Mrs Cox/Miss Collett
Tayla, Tadhg, Finlay and Jessica Rm 12 Yr 1 – Mrs Plummer/Mrs Calton	Finlay, Lachlan and Ben Rm 3 Yr 4/5 – Miss Oldroyd
Evie and Aarya Rm 11 Year 1/2 Mrs Cole/Miss Clegg	Archer and Joshua Rm 2 Yr 5/6 - Mrs Jones
Tully and Lucy Rm 10 Yr 2 - Miss Di Martino	Ruby, Samuel and Lauchlan Rm 1 Yr 5/6 - Mrs Garcia/Mrs Gordon
Daniel and Zizou French – Madame Wilderspin	



CAKE STALL

Thank you to all parents and friends of Room 17 who brought items for sale at our cake stall or purchased delicious treats. A grand total of \$106 was collected and will be used for alternative play resources.

FEATURED VALUE FOR NOVEMBER RESPECT

A person who shows respect:

- Takes time to appreciate others' attributes
- Respects others and show good manners
- Treats others in the same way you would like to be treated
- Always shows consideration when dealing with others
- Takes responsibility and considers the environment.



PUBLIC SPEAKING FINAL – Thursday 8 December

You are invited to the Public Speaking Final assembly to be held on Thursday 8 December at 9am. The year group winners will present their speeches to a guest judge.



KITCHEN GARDEN UPGRADES

Our kitchen garden prep and meeting area is taking shape. Thanks to a donation of bricks from Melanie Parkinson via Buy Nothing Duncraig and the support of some dedicated Duncraig Parents, our gardeners now have a solid surface to prepare food and use our stainless steel prep table.

Special thanks to Jeff Donovan for dedicating time on the weekends and to Gary Murphy-Marshall for assisting. Also many thanks to Dion and Anthony for helping to source the bricks and move them to the site



5 cent challenge – Save the Echidna
Send your 5c coins in to your child's classroom.

Ends Wednesday – the class with the most 5c coins will win.

BOGAN BINGO

The tally of funds raised from the fabulous Bogan Bingo social night was \$5,330.00 an amazing achievement, thank you to all who supported this event. Funds raised will be spent on resources to support the learning journey of all children at Duncraig Primary School.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Book club orders will close on Thursday 24 November. Please make your final orders before this date as late orders cannot be accepted.

SCHOOL BANKING

We are seeking a volunteer to assist our coordinator Leanne Hamilton in 2017. If you would like to know more please contact the school office or Leanne directly.

GETTING READY FOR 2017



2017 Class Placement Information

At Duncraig, placement of children into classes for the new school year is based on the professional judgements of staff. In allocating children to classes, the academic, health and social/emotional needs of all students are considered. All classes are homogenous, representing a range of academic abilities and social development. Parents are welcome to provide the school with additional information that may impact on their child's 2017 class placement. This includes information about your child that you would like the school to be aware of when allocating them to a class. All parent information should be made in writing and addressed to the principal. Please be aware that only information that reflects educational grounds will be considered. This may include learning difficulties/strengths, health requirements or social/emotional concerns. Requests relating to your child's friendship groups or staff member preferences will not be considered. All parent requests must be received by Friday 18 November 2016.

Will your child be attending Duncraig Primary School in 2017?

In this final term of the school year, all children from kindergarten to year 5 will be placed into their 2017 class. If your children will no longer be attending Duncraig Primary next year, please inform the school by emailing us as soon as you can. Your cooperation is appreciated to ensure our 2017 class structures are accurate.

Personal Use Items/Booklists 2017

Booklist items are now available to purchase online through OfficeMax. A copy will be sent home with your child today and is also available on our school website. Orders placed before 4 December will receive free delivery.

Uniform Shop 2017

The uniform shop will be open for only one day prior to school starting in Feb 2017. The Uniform Shop will open Friday 27th January from 9am-1pm. Online orders will be ready for collection that same day. The shop will also be open on Friday 3 Feb 2017 from 8.15-8.45am and then fortnightly. Check the term planner for opening dates.

School development days 2017

Term 1	Monday 30 January, Tuesday 31 January
Term 2	Monday 24 April and Friday 2 June
Term 3	No school development days
Term 4	Monday 9 October and Friday 15 December

School begins for students on Wednesday 1 February 2017.

RSPCA FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED

A message from Sam – mother of Jaime from Room1

One of my roles as a General Inspector involves caring for all animals, who have been abandoned by their owners. This requires other inspectors and me to provide sufficient food for these animals for a period of time, until arrangements can be made for them to be taken off their property. This process could take anywhere from a few days to a few weeks. Our food supply at RSPCA is running extremely low and for us to continue our work helping animals in need, it would be absolutely wonderful if Duncraig Primary School could assist with any food donations for these animals (ideally dog and cat dry food).

Please bring your donation to the office if you would like to help the RSPCA.





200 Toys closes Thursday 8
December

PROJECT
And Gifts

We can 100% Guarantee your donation will go to someone in need

We Need Your Help!

Our Aim: Collect new, unopened toys and gifts for disadvantaged children and families so everyone has a gift to open at Christmas.

How You Can Help:

- Buy a new toy or gift from the shop and donate
- Donate an unopened & unused gift you having lying around your house

Find out More Info and Follow our Progress on Facebook!

https://www.facebook.com/200ToysProject/info/?tab=page_info

Be the change you wish to see in the world

FREE OFFER

SAFETY HOUSE NUMBERS FOR SCHOOL BAGS

It can be important to have emergency contact details available in your child's school bag. This will ensure that if a child needs help from a Safety House person or another trusted adult they can easily get in contact with the child's parents or carers.



The Safety House Contact Number Cards are very similar in size to a standard credit card, made out of hard plastic and printed with the child's basic contact information details. For personal safety reasons there is no address or family surname on the card, just sufficient information that will help the Safety House person or trusted adult contact the right person and school as quickly as possible if the child is in need of help.

The Contact Number Card is available exclusively from Safety House WA Inc. for any Duncraig Primary School family to order. The card can then be kept safely in the child's school bag just in case they ever need to give a contact number when

they are hurt or upset.

A special **FREE OFFER** deal has been done between the Duncraig Primary School Safety House group and Safety House WA Inc. to make the Safety House WA Contact Number Card available to Parents and families **FREE OF CHARGE**.

To request your Contact Number Card please contact the Duncraig Primary School Office with details of the child's first name/s and a **MAXIMUM** of 2 contact names and numbers. This offer will be available during Term 4 2016. The printed cards will be delivered to the Duncraig Primary School Office in Term 1 2017.

MAD HATTER'S TEA PARTY



Fundraising for *MAKE -A- WISH* foundation to assist in granting Emily from Room 12 her wish to swim with dolphins.



Wear a Mad Hat

Saturday 19 November from 4pm at Charlie's place.

\$30 per person which includes drinks. Food will be available for purchase.

There will be raffles, games and a silent auction. Spice Lily jewellery and other great gifts for sale.

Payment can be made to J&C Hemphill 036226 329073 asap for catering purposes. Please enter your name as a reference.

If you would like to donate products or services, make a cash donation or need further details please contact Charlie on 0413 428 148



1-2-3 Magic and Emotion Coaching Parent Course.

To help manage difficult behaviour in children 2 to 12yrs.

All 7 to 9.30pm.

\$180pp or \$340 per couple

Tue 29th Nov, 6th & 13th Dec

Protective Behaviours \$65pp or \$120 per couple

Mon 28th Nov, 6.30 to 9.30pm.

Engaging Adolescents (11 to 16yo)

\$150pp or \$270 per couple

Wed 30th Nov and 7th Dec.

Parenting Information Session (Including 10 take home tips)

This 2 hr seminar is designed to improve your knowledge and confidence as a parent. In House only.

Private Consultations Available.

To enquire/register call 9382 1182 or

www.behaviourtonics.com.au