

Newsletter 20 Monday 28 November 2016

From the Principal

ADMINISTRATION

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DIARY DATES

Tuesday 29
 November
 ♦ Year 6 DSHS
 Orientation
 ♦ PP 2017 Parent
 Meeting

Wednesday 30
 November
 ♦ Kindy A students
 orientation for Pre-
 primary

Thursday 1
 December
 ♦ Kindy B students
 orientation for Pre-
 primary
 ♦ P&C meeting

Friday 2 December
Dancesport Yr 5/6

Thursday 8
 December
 ♦ Public speaking
 final assembly 9am
 ♦ Volunteer parent
 morning tea 10am

Friday 9 December
 ♦ Uniform Shop open
 8.15- 8.45am
 ♦ Dancesport Yr 5/6

Staff Leave - Mrs Tucker

I wish to inform the community that Mrs Tucker is unwell and will be on leave for the remainder of the year. This was unexpected and I am sure you will join me and the staff, in wishing Lisa a speedy return. Although they are very big shoes to fill, we aim to ensure the end of the school year is a successful one. I will be acting principal for the remainder of the year. Miss Clegg will be full time deputy principal and Mrs Stewart (room 7) will be continue teaching in room 7, but also join the leadership team as deputy principal.

2017 Class Structures

Last week, school staff commenced the student class placement process for 2017. This is a complex process where class teachers, specialist teachers and education assistants work together to place all children into the 2017 class structures. The academic, health and social needs of every child are considered during this process. Class structures are determined by the number of students in each year level, with consideration given to the recommended class sizes. Where possible, we endeavour to ensure that all classes commence the year at or below capacity. In 2017, the following class structures should occur:

Year	Room	Year	Room
K	KA	3	7
K	KB	3	6
P	15	4	5
P/1	13	4	4
1	17	5	3
1	18	5/6	2
2	12	5/6	1
2	11		
2	8		

2017 Specialist Programs

After community, staff and student feedback, we are delighted that our specialist programs will continue in 2017. The specialist programs are: Physical Education, Arts- Music, Arts- Visual Art, P-2 Science and Languages- French 3-6.

2017 Class Lists

Class lists for 2017, including class teacher information, will be published on the website prior to the start of the school year. The date for publication will be included in the next newsletter.

Deputy Principal Appointment

The selection process for the second Deputy Principal position has been completed. I am delighted to share with you that Ms Leah Clegg has now been appointed to the permanent position. Congratulations Leah.

Independent Review

The report from our independent review last term has not yet been made available. Once the final report is received, it will be shared with the Board and available on the school website for the community.

Year 6 Councillor and Faction Captain Elections

Next week, we will hold our student leadership elections. Staff, along with current year 4, 5 and 6 students, will have a say on who will be the 2017 councillors and faction captains. This is a very rewarding opportunity and one that involves a high level of responsibility. Although there are only a number of positions available for councillorship and faction captains, all year 6 students are considered school leaders. There will be other exciting roles and opportunities throughout 2017 for those who miss out.

Public Speaking Final

The public speaking final will be held on Thursday 8 December at 9.00am. We invite all parents and community members to attend. Some students will also be presenting musical items, along with the announcement of the term 4 fiction winners and community song.

Volunteer Thank You Morning Tea

This will be held after the assembly on Wednesday the 8th December. We invite all volunteers who have helped in any way at our school this year, to attend. It is one of the ways we would like to say thank you! Without your assistance, the school could not operate to the level it does. We look forward to seeing you there.

Graduation/ Presentation Assembly

A reminder that the year 6 graduation and book award presentation assembly for PP-year 5, will be on Wednesday 14th December commencing from 9.00am. All community members are invited to attend the assembly. There will be reserved seating for parents of the year 6 graduating students

P&C Fundraiser- 5 cent Challenge

The school put in a fantastic effort and collected a grand total of **14,506** coins - for a total of **\$725.30**. Congratulations to Room 12 who well and truly smashed the challenge collecting \$138.25 by filling 4 jars with 2,765 coins. The P&C will organise their prize soon. I also found a handful of foreign coins, a couple of one cent pieces and even a few sixpences (predating decimal currency)! Thanks to all the teachers and parents for supporting this fundraising initiative.

Taylor Webb

Acting Principal

Merit Certificate Awards 17 November 2016



Bonnie and Campbell Rm 15 PP - Mrs Parramore/Mrs Heteby	Jake and Archie Rm 7 Yr 3 - Mrs Stewart/Mrs Watkinson
Charly and Voitek Rm 17 PP - Mrs Sutherland/Mrs Waters	Carmen and Jake Rm 8 Yr 4 - Mrs Wylde/ Mrs Gibson
Sam and Ethan Rm 13 PP/Yr 1 - Mrs Firman	Ella and Patryk Rm 6 Yr 3/4 - Mr Miller
Ario and Tim Rm 18 Yr 1 - Mrs Spiers	Jayden Rm 5 Yr 4- Mrs Cox/Miss Collett
Isla and Jay Rm 12 Yr 1 - Mrs Plummer/Mrs Calton	Rm 3 Yr 4/5 - Miss Oldroyd
Sundy Rm 11 Year 1/2 Mrs Cole/Miss Clegg	Elsie, Gurpreet, Oakley and Jazmin Rm 2 Yr 5/6 - Mrs Jones
Oliver and Grace Rm 10 Yr 2 - Miss Di Martino	Jaime, Charlie and Nicholas Rm 1 Yr 5/6 - Mrs Garcia/Mrs Gordon
Zane and Shanti French - Madame Wilderspin	

Student of the Month

Value : Respect

Amara Rm 15 PP - Mrs Parramore/Mrs Hetebry	Isaac Rm 7 Yr 3 – Mrs Stewart/Mrs Watkinson
Alex Rm 17 PP - Mrs Sutherland/Mrs Waters	Grace Rm 8 Yr 4 - Mrs Resnik
Parvati Rm 13 PP/Yr 1 - Mrs Firman	Austin Rm 6 Yr 3/4 – Mr Miller
Chloe Rm 18 Yr 1 – Ms Locke	James Rm 5 Yr 4- Mrs Cox/Miss Collett
Jacob Rm 12 Yr 1 – Mrs Plummer/Mrs Calton	Rm 3 Yr 4/5 – Miss Oldroyd
Charlie Rm 11 Year 1/2 Mrs Grant	Archer Rm 2 Yr 5/6 - Mrs Jones
Alice Rm 10 Yr 2 - Miss Di Martino	Molly Rm 1 Yr 5/6 - Mrs Garcia/Mrs Gordon

CAKE STALL Thank you to all parents and friends of Room 15 who brought items for sale at our cake stall or purchased delicious treats. A grand total of \$165.50 was collected and will be used for alternative lunchtime play resources.



A big thank you to Susie Wright who has coordinated the cake stalls in 2016.



ILLNESS AT SCHOOL

We are currently experiencing a high number of cases of gastroenteritis and other illnesses throughout the school. We can all help to reduce illness by keeping our children home if they are sick and reminding them of the basics of hygiene to minimise the spread of infection. The following is an extract from **Communicable Diseases Guidelines** by the Government of Western Australia Department of Health.

While it is often difficult to prevent the transmission of common respiratory (colds/flu) and gastroenteritis infections that occur, every effort should be made to minimise the spread of infection by encouraging:

- *staff and children at school or childcare to stay at home in the early stages of illness as at this stage they can be infectious and shed the virus, bacteria or parasite through coughing, sneezing, contaminating surfaces and personal contact*
- *school staff and students who are ill should not to return to work/school until they are symptom free if they have a cold or flu and for at least 24 hours if they have had gastroenteritis*
- *parents to seek medical advice if their child has ongoing symptoms of illness.*

Strategies to prevent transmission of infection

- *Hand washing with soap and water for at least 15 seconds before preparing or eating food, after using the toilet, changing nappies, after blowing your nose with a tissue and after any contamination of the hands with body fluids such as blood and vomit.*
- *Effective cleaning with detergent and water, followed by rinsing and drying will remove the bulk of germs from environmental surfaces*

It is very important that we are able to contact you if your child is sick and needs to be picked up. Please ensure that the office is advised promptly if you have any changes in your contact details.

SCHOOL BANKING

Friday 2 December will be the last day for ordering prizes for 2016.

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.



LIBRARY NEWS

Please ensure that all library books are returned to the library by **Thursday 1 December**.

The library will be closed for borrowing for 2016 from this date.

Keep on reading over the holidays by joining your local library. Reading is fun and a great way to relax inside when it's hot outside.

I would like to thank Linda Key and Pat Gresele for all their help in covering, shelving and loaning books out to students this year. Their help was greatly appreciated. The library will be closed in Weeks 9 and 10. All student books need to be returned to the library in Week 8 (due date Thursday 1 December). Wishing everyone a safe and happy Christmas.

Kind regards Pat Southall Library Officer

YEAR 6 ORIENTATION DAY FOR DUNCRAIG SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Year 6 students who will be attending Duncraig Senior High School in 2017 will be attending an orientation day at the high school on Tuesday 29 October 2016.

GETTING READY FOR 2017

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 and are 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 begins for students on Wednesday 1 February 2017.

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Christmas Stall

Tuesday 6th December
(Rooms 1, 2, 5, 8, 10, 15, 17 & Kindy B)

and

Wednesday 7th December
(Rooms 3, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 18 & Kindy A)

A number of gifts under \$5 will be available.

All students will get the opportunity to visit the stall during their allocated class time. The stall will also be open before school on both of these days.

Any donations of gifts would be greatly appreciated
(a box for donations is in the office)



Any queries contact - Michelle at michellelane@live.com.au or
Mandy on 0405 952 523



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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.



SAFETY HOUSE



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

It is an exciting program that is not only fun for children, but extremely good for them. Our program is for **6-12 year olds** and focuses on giving kids as much sporting experience as possible! Activities are structured so they are appropriate for each age group and are supervised by experienced and skilled staff.

Our next program will run during the **January school holidays 9th—27th (excluding the 26th)**

For more details and enrolment options please visit our website

www.ecu.edu.au/sport/khp



School Holiday Mountain Bike coaching sessions with Trail Addicts WA

Open to young riders aged 11-16 these sessions will be run on local trails, with local coaches. Learn new skills, have fun on your mountain bike and meet new people.

Sessions will be run 8am - 12noon to avoid the heat of the day. \$30 per day or \$120 for the week. Minimum 20 riders.

Please get in touch with Level 2 MTB Coach Chris to reserve your spaces and find out more: chris@pedalperformancecoaching.com or 0423 637159 or take a look at [facebook.com/TrailAddictsWA/](https://www.facebook.com/TrailAddictsWA/)

Coaching will be safe, fun and run by accredited coaches on risk assessed trails.

HOLIDAY CRICKET CLUB

Join us on January 9th till the 12th, 9.00am to 1.00pm each day

For 4 days of cricket fun. Western Warriors players will visit the camp.

Cost \$120 – Earlybird offer before Jan 1st (save 10%) Call David Virgo M: 0439 091 418 or email info@cycd.com.au

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For more information please contact us on 0468 443 235 or enquiries@nrlfc.com.au

