

*Every day in every classroom every student is learning and achieving*

**Newsletter 8 Monday 29 May 2017**

**ADMINISTRATION**

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**DIARY DATES**

**Fri 2 June**  
**School development day**  
**Wed 7 June**  
**and Fri 9 June**  
**School photos**

**From the Principal**

We are now over the half way mark of term. Who can believe it is already June! Mrs Tucker is on leave until week 8 of this term. I hear regularly from Mrs Tucker and she is well and looking forward to returning.

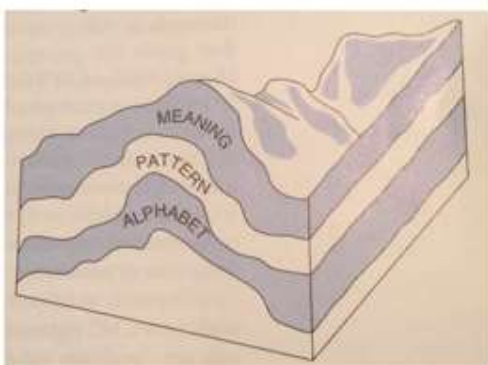
We have a school development day this Friday, so no students are to attend school. Staff will be looking at our whole school English and mathematic operational plans and be working with the Duncraig Partnership network to dive into the Digital Technologies curriculum.

**NAPLAN** testing with our year 3 and 5 students went well. Well done to all students who sat the testing, as I am sure you tried your very best. This year, the writing task was a persuasive piece of writing. I am looking forward to seeing some of the writing samples and reading all the pieces of work.

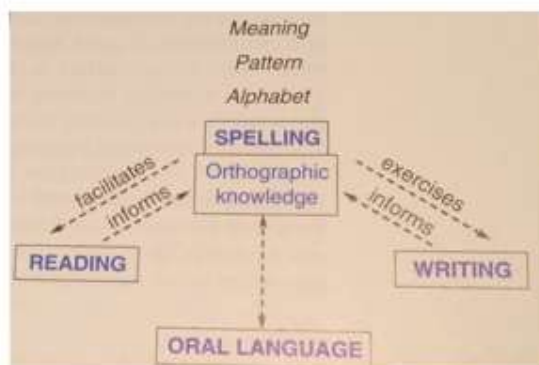
**Uniforms**

Coming into the colder part of the year, I have noticed a lot of non- school jumpers, black leggings and hats being worn. This includes Running Club and Netball team jumpers. A reminder that we strongly encourage wearing the full school uniform. I will be making it a focus to talk to students and parents about this. Wearing the school uniform helps give students a sense of belonging and as a school we pride ourselves on our appearance. You can order uniforms from the uniform shop (open every fortnight on a Friday morning), or online from our school communication app- FlexiBuzz (formerly Tiqbiz).

**Words Their Way- Information for parents on school program-** Spelling (orthography) forms an integral part of literacy alongside oral language, reading and writing. At Duncraig Primary School, the Words Their Way (WTW) spelling program is used and is based on word study. Word study instruction allows students to compare and contrast word features and discover inconsistencies through a series of activities. It allows students to learn how the spelling system works to represent sound, pattern and meaning. Word Study looks at the three layers of orthography; alphabet, pattern and meaning. Alphabet looks at the relationship between letters and their corresponding sounds. Pattern address the many groupings of letters and the sounds they represent while meaning can occur when groups of letters have direct meaning such as prefixes and suffixes. WTW is a developmental program meaning it is targeted at the appropriate level for each individual student. In this way students are able to build on what they already know. All students at Duncraig Primary School, prior to commencing on the WTW program are tested to determine their stage of development so that appropriate word study activities can be implemented. Stages are broadly determined by the types of spelling errors students make allowing instruction to focus on student's zone of proximal development (Vygotsky, 1962), or more simply by determining what the student uses but confuses (invented spellings). WTW involves students manipulating 'sorts' to discover patterns. This may look different from classroom to classroom depending on your child's stage and teacher. Recently the school purchased an updated Australian version of the program and this is currently being integrated into classroom resources. If you require further information on this program please talk to your classroom teacher.



Three layers of English Orthography

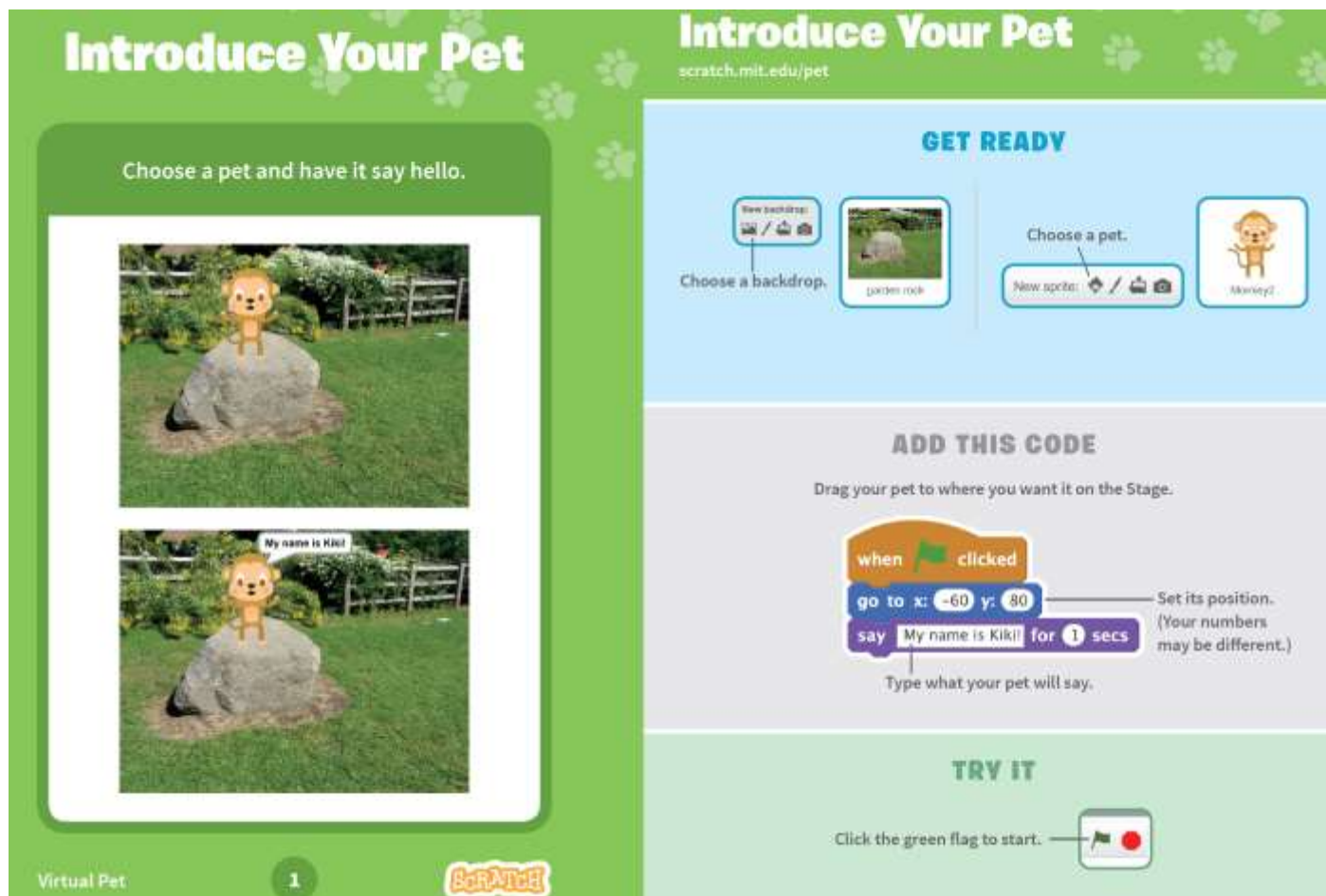


Word Study: Reading and Writing

**Parent/ Teacher Interviews-** There will be a letter coming home to families explaining the process for interviews and how to book interviews with staff by the end of the week. Please keep an eye out for it in your child's bag.

**HBF Run for a Reason-** Congratulations to our school running club- DRC, who participated in the HBF Run for a Reason on Sunday. What a fantastic opportunity for students to run together for a worthwhile cause. Thank you to all the parents who volunteer their time to organise the running club training and events such as this. Well done to all participants! A special mention to Ben Becker in year 5, who ran to support Senses Australia and the work they do with her sister Emily. Ben, to date, has raised \$2600. Donations are still open and if interested, please see let me know.

**Coder Dojo-** Our Coder Dojos are going amazingly well! Students are turning up every Monday or Friday morning to work with ECU mentors and staff. Thank you to the P&C who have donated the 36 laptops that the students are using to work on. I would like to share some of the students work with you all in the coming weeks. As promised, I have included an activity card for any student to work on at home. Click [here](#) for the link for more of these cards.



The image shows a Scratch activity card titled "Introduce Your Pet" with the URL [scratch.mit.edu/pet](http://scratch.mit.edu/pet). The card is divided into three main sections: "GET READY", "ADD THIS CODE", and "TRY IT".

- GET READY:** This section includes instructions to "Choose a backdrop" (with a "New backdrop:" button and a "parkin rock" backdrop image) and "Choose a pet" (with a "New sprite:" button and a "Monkey?" sprite image).
- ADD THIS CODE:** This section provides a code block sequence: "when green flag clicked" followed by "go to x: -60 y: 80" (with a note: "Set its position. (Your numbers may be different.)") and "say My name is Kiki! for 1 secs" (with a note: "Type what your pet will say.>").
- TRY IT:** This section instructs the user to "Click the green flag to start." and shows a green flag icon.

On the left side of the card, there are two screenshots of the Scratch stage. The top one shows a monkey on a rock with the text "Choose a pet and have it say hello." The bottom one shows the same scene with a speech bubble saying "My name is Kiki!". The Scratch logo and a "Virtual Pet" label are at the bottom left.



Please enjoy a safe and enjoyable WA Day public holiday on Monday, wherever you choose to enjoy it!

**Taylor Webb**  
A/ Principal

### School Board Community Representative Position

The community representative position on our school board has become available and we are seeking expressions of interest for this role. This position is open to the wider community and therefore, does not need to be a parent or staff member of the school. In order to support the school in addressing the strategies outlined in our Business Plan 2017 – 2019, we are looking for a person that has expertise in one of the following areas:

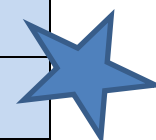
- Marketing and communication
- ICT
- STEM learning (science, technologies, engineering, mathematics)
- Flexible learning spaces
- Social and emotional wellbeing

We are seeking support from parents to assist the board in finding a suitable member. If you know someone who may be interested in this position, please contact the school or our board chair, Mr Luke Halden. Information about how our school board operates is included on our school website.

## Merit Certificate Winners Assembly 18 May 2017



<b>Seth and Varya</b> Rm 15 PP - Mrs Sutherland/Mrs Waters	<b>Charlie and Tobias</b> Rm 7 Yr 3 – Mrs Stewart/Mrs Watkinson
<b>Nicholas and Charlie</b> Rm 17Yr 1 – Mrs Parramore	<b>Jamie and Courtney</b> Rm 8 Yr 2 – Miss di Martino
<b>Remy and Charlotte</b> Rm 13 PP/Yr 1 - Mrs Firman	<b>Laila and Maciek</b> Rm 6 Yr 3 – Mr Miller
<b>Kimberley and Bonnie</b> Rm 18 Yr 1 – Mrs Spiers	<b>Zara and Hudson</b> Rm 5 Yr 4- Mrs Cox/Mrs Adams
<b>Jaxon and Amelie</b> Rm 12 Yr 2 – Mrs Plummer/Mrs Collett	<b>Daniel, Murphy and Valentina</b> Rm 3 Yr 5 – Miss Oldroyd
<b>Lucy and Seth</b> Rm 11 Year 2 Mrs Cole/Mrs Calton	Rm 2 Yr 5/6 - Mrs Jones/Mrs Gordon
<b>Aria and Jasmine</b> Rm 4 Yr 5 - Mrs Wylde/Mrs Adams	Rm 1 Yr 5/6 - Mrs Garcia/Mrs Gordon
<b>Zane and Madeline</b> French Mme Wilderspin	





### CAKE STALL

The Room 13 cake stall raised a fabulous total of **\$.136.05**

Thank you to the parents who cooked goodies and those who supported the stall.



### KINDERGARTEN & PRE-PRIMARY ENROLMENTS 2018

We are now accepting enrolments for 2018. If your child was born between 1 July 2013 and 30 June 2014 then you can enrol them for Kindergarten in 2018. Forms are available from the office or on the school website. Applications close Friday 21 July 2017.

## Maths Factor Winners



Week three -Room 5



Term 2 Focus Virtue:

### ***Courage and Commitment***

Certificates for this virtue will be now awarded at the following assemblies this term:

- 1 June - Week 6 (Room 3)
- 29 June – Week 10 (Room 12)

Ways this virtue can be demonstrated include:

- Be informed and stand up for your rights
- Be brave and face your fears
- Stand up for all you believe in
- Don't give into peer pressure
- Dare to dream your dreams
- Always honour your commitment
- Be faithful and loyal to your family and friends
- Always stand by your friends and support them

# SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS COMING!

**Wednesday 7 June and Friday 9 June**



Dear Parents,

Our school photo day is coming!

Every student will receive a Kapture Photography order envelope to bring home. The recommended method of ordering your photos is online through Kapture's website as your payment is secure and can be easily verified at any time. Alternatively you can pay by cash and return the provided envelope to the school on the photography day.

You have the remainder of the current year to order, 5 days after photography a late fee will apply. Please check the website.

You also have the option to order a sibling photo package online, however please be aware there may be a limited number of sibling orders that can be placed due to time constraints on photo day. We suggest you place your online sibling order the moment you receive your personalised envelopes.

Kapture offer a money back guarantee for any parent who is not fully satisfied with their photo package. Should you have any queries before or after photo day, please direct them to the Kapture office on 9240 1714 or email [enquiries@kapture.com.au](mailto:enquiries@kapture.com.au).

*All students will be photographed individually on photo day for school administration records AS WELL as included in their class group photo available for purchase to all families. Should there be any reason why your child should **NOT** be included in the photo shoot –please contact the school office.*

## Wednesday 7 June Photo Schedule

Time Allocated	
1. <b>8.20am – 8.50am</b>	STAFF
2. <b>9.00am – 9.30am</b>	GRADUATION
3. <b>9.30am – 9.50am</b>	Room 1
4. <b>9.50am – 10.10am</b>	Room 2
5. <b>10.10am – 10.30am</b>	Room 3
6. RECESS	Siblings
7. <b>10.55am – 11.15am</b>	Room 4
8. <b>11.15am – 11.35am</b>	Room 5
9. <b>11.35am – 11.55am</b>	Room 6
10. <b>11.55am – 12.15pm</b>	Room 7
11. <b>12.15pm – 12.35pm</b>	Room 8
12. <b>12.35pm – 12.50pm</b>	Room 11
13. LUNCH	Siblings
14. <b>1.35pm – 1.55pm</b>	Room 13

## Friday 9 June Photo Schedule

Time Allocated	Year Level /Class -
1.9.00am – 9.20am	Room 18
2.9.20am – 9.40am	Kindy A
3.9.40am – 10.00am	Kindy B
4.10.00am –10.20am	Room 15
5.RECESS	
6.10.35am – 11.00am	Room 12
7.11.00am – 11.25am	Room 17



### Canteen News

#### Welcome Emma Jefferies.

We'd like to welcome Emma to the canteen. Emma will be running the canteen on Mondays. She has 2 children at the school, Madeline in year 5 and Jack in year 4.

Emma has an extensive background in hospitality and catering. I look forward to working with her and continue to move forward with the canteen focus being fresh, healthy, and homemade food. Please say hi to her when you see her.

#### Volunteer Roster

Date	Volunteer
29 <sup>th</sup> May Monday	Katrina P
31 <sup>st</sup> May Wednesday	Diane S
2 <sup>nd</sup> June Friday	PUPIL FREE DAY
5 <sup>th</sup> June Monday	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
7 <sup>th</sup> June Wednesday	Wendy
9 <sup>th</sup> June Friday	Nat B

If you would like to volunteer in the canteen, please pop in and see Emma or Clare. We'd love to meet you and are always happy for the help.

#### Menu Changes

**LOL**- will be taken off the menu as of this week because Heinz is no longer making them. All our suppliers have now sold out of them.

**Homemade Sausage Rolls** – We will be trialling bite sized Homemade Sausage Rolls at recess time in Weeks 7 & 8 (7/6 – 16/6 or until sold out).

They will be sold 2 for \$1. Please encourage your kids to come and try them and give us their feedback.



**Duncraig Primary P&C  
Retro Fluoro Disco  
16 June 2017**



**Family Disco: 5pm - 6:30pm  
Years 3-6 Disco: 7pm - 8:30pm  
Students: \$5.00  
Pre-Schoolers & Adults: FREE**

*Glow Sticks, Drinks & Treats Available for purchase on the Evening.  
Tickets Sold @ Door*

If possible, please bring exact change  
For more info please check our P&C Facebook Page

**Call to action!**

**Our P&C events can only run a safe & successful event with community support. Both the Family and Y3-6 Discos require assistance for the following roles:**

- **Canteen Service – Short shifts to sell treats.**
- **Door Sales – Taking admission & selling glow sticks.**
- **Floor Supervision – Short Shifts to assist in helping children get to and from the toilets and ensuring they stay in the disco area.**

**If you can assist with any of these roles, please contact [duncraigpc@gmail.com](mailto:duncraigpc@gmail.com).**



**Board game club**

Come and join us for some after school board gaming fun.

**WHEN: Term 3, on Monday's 24/7, 31/7, 7/8, 14/8 and 21/8**

**TIME: 3.15—4.15pm**

**COST: FREE**

Please email [nishalakhman@hotmail.com](mailto:nishalakhman@hotmail.com) or call **0402311367** for further information.







It doesn't matter if you don't know how to play, the student leaders will teach you!



# Chess Club



At chess club you can incorporate both fun and challenge into a game!! Please come and join us in the library every Wednesday at lunchtime.

## RUNNING CLUB NEWS

Running Club is held every Tuesday morning during school term. Meet by 8am at the Marri Rd top oval (directly opposite the school oval). In the case of inclement weather, meet at the school undercover area. Everyone is welcome, no need to pre-register.

Sessions are run by Mr Orzel and school parents, one of whom is a trained fitness professional. Parents are not required to stay - but if you can, we encourage parents and siblings to join in also! The emphasis is on fun, fitness and participation. You don't need to be a super athlete!



## PROVIDING SAFE, FUN, OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE ON THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

- Kindy, Pre Primary and Junior students escorted to and from classroom
- Child led curriculum based on children's interest
- Healthy choice breakfast and afternoon tea
- Weekly learning online journals to see your child's involvement
- First aid, asthma and anaphylaxis trained staff on duty at all times
- Government rebate and benefits may apply

7.00-9.00am & 3.00-6.00pm Mon-Fri during School term.  
7.00am-6.00pm Mon-Fri during School Development Days and School Holidays.

[www.zigzagsoshc.com.au](http://www.zigzagsoshc.com.au) 0421 369 516







### Small Group & Private Lessons

- Please **ENROL TODAY** – via PMI's website OR enrolment forms available at your school front office
- Lessons are held once per week on school campus – with lessons outside of school hours
- Only \$15.95 per child per small group lesson (2-5 students for 30 minutes)
- Our small group lessons provide a fun and affordable opportunity to learn instrumental music
- Private lessons also available (\$32.95 per child for 30 minutes)
- Learning plan for all students via "PMI Stars" program – structured objectives with progress visibility
- PMI teachers supply keyboards and textbooks for keyboard lessons
- Ten minutes per day of practice at home is all that is required to see improvement!
- Instrumental music can improve your child's school results – including for reading, maths, coordination
- Limited spaces available – so please enrol ASAP

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