

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

## Newsletter 12 Monday 7 August 2017

### ADMINISTRATION

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*Lisa Tucker*  
Deputy Principals  
*Taylor Webb*  
*Leah Clegg*  
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*Jennifer Ryan*  
School Officers  
*Sue Hutchinson*  
*Leanne Gray*

### DIARY DATES

**Tuesday 8 August**  
**P & C meeting 7pm**

**Thursday 10 August**  
**Assembly Room 15**

**Friday 18 August**  
**School choir**  
**One Big Voice**  
**Perth Arena**

### From the Principal

This has been a very busy fortnight at Duncraig PS including the opportunity for many of our students to participate in sport, music and cultural events.

### Faction Cross-Country

Last Friday, our students battled the wind and rain to demonstrate their long distance running skills in our annual faction cross-country races. This is the first of our athletics events for the term, with students from Pre-primary to year 6 proudly representing their school faction, red, green or gold. For many of our students, their increased fitness was testament to their regular attendance at our school's Tuesday morning running club.

Congratulations to everyone who ran on the day.

### Citizenship Ceremony



On Wednesday 26 July I had the opportunity to attend a citizenship ceremony held at the City of Joondalup, with year four students from rooms 4 and 5. These students performed as part of our school choir, welcoming newly appointed Australian citizens with our national anthem, Advance Australia Fair. Thank you to room 5 teacher, Mrs Christine Cox and our school's music teacher, Mrs Jan Ruscoe for organising our students to perform at this very special event. This ceremony was a special experience for all of us as we got to witness Jade and her family (room 1), as well as Alexander and William's father, Alistair (room 6 and room 17) become Australian Citizens. Congratulations to all of you.

*Lisa Tucker*  
Principal

## NAIDOC Celebration



Another exciting event for our students was last week's NAIDOC celebration. After an outstanding NAIDOC assembly, presented by our year 4 students in room 5, all children from kindergarten to year 6 participated in a wide range of activities that focused on learning about the culture of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. This was the first time our current students have celebrated NAIDOC as a school community and it was a privilege to invite some of our school families to share their experiences with our students. Thank you to Rhys Holthouse for sharing your culture with our year 3, room 6 students. Thank you also to Wade Ugle who, on behalf of his family and children Cherokee (former student), Wade (year 5) and Glen (year 3) presented the school with two paintings. These will be framed and displayed in our school office and undercover area. Thanks to Andrew Blackwell for informing us about the bush tucker garden.

Thank you also to Deputy Principal Ms Leah Clegg who, with the support of our Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS) learning area committee, coordinated this outstanding event.

## **Biennial (every second year) School Events**

In addition to the regular classroom learning programs we offer our students, an array of extra learning experiences are offered to our students throughout their time at Duncraig PS. These 'extra-curricular' activities, such as the NAIDOC event that occurred last week, are designed to enrich our children's skills, knowledge and understanding of the West Australian curriculum. In order to expand the range of experiences we offer our students, some of our school's events will occur every second year. This will allow for greater diversity in learning experiences whilst enabling sufficient time for classroom instruction. The highly successful Art Show is an example of this. As a result, the following activities have been identified as events which will be held every second year and will be included in the 2018 school calendar, not this year.

- Harmony Day
- Dancesport lessons
- Book Week parade
- Public Speaking

This has enabled the school to incorporate the following new learning experiences for our students in 2017:

- NAIDOC
- Edudance lessons
- Book Week activities (whole school story reading and book competition)
- Duncraig Senior High School STEM project (year 6 students)

Regular activities including music performances by our school choir and band and sporting events such as the athletics carnival will remain as annual events, The swimming carnival that was introduced this year will also occur annually.

## **School Choir**

I am looking forward to seeing our school choir perform at two major events this term. The first event 'One Big Voice' will be held at the Perth Arena on Friday 18 August, where they will join nearly 4000 students to sing as a massed choir. One of our students, Savannah (year 5) successfully auditioned for a solo group part at this event. Savannah will perform in the finale, singing "We're All in This Together". Congratulations to Savannah, we are all very proud of this achievement. The choir's second performance will be at the Crown Theatre on Monday 28 August. These are wonderful opportunities for our students to showcase their singing talents and I wish them good luck for successful performances.

*Lisa Tucker*  
*Principal*

## **INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY – POSTPONED**

Due to unfavourable weather conditions forecast for Tuesday August 8, organisers have decided to postpone the event to Friday August 11 in the afternoon. The first race will commence at 12.45pm.

Although competitors could probably brave conditions, the major concern is for the 65 student marshals spread over the course. Spending an hour and a half in windy and rainy conditions with the possibility of falling branches to contend with is asking a little too much.

Organisers apologise for the inconvenience this may have caused for a number of interested spectators but they hope you appreciate the reasoning behind this decision.

Ted Orzel P.E. Teacher



# Room 5 Assembly 27 July

## MERIT CERTIFICATES

<b>Zane and Caitlin</b> Rm 15 PP - Mrs Sutherland/Mrs Waters	<b>Keira and Una</b> Rm 7 Yr 3 – Mrs Stewart/Mrs Watkinson
<b>Scarlett and Lachlann</b> Rm 13 PP/Yr 1 - Mrs Firman	<b>Emilia, Ben and Sofia</b> Rm 6 Yr 3 – Mr Miller
<b>Logan, Anneara and Joshie</b> Rm 17 Yr 1 – Mrs Parramore	<b>Evie and Beau</b> Rm 5 Yr 4- Mrs Cox/Mrs Adams
<b>Elise and Charly</b> Rm 18 Yr 1 – Mrs Spiers	<b>Grace and Kian</b> Rm 4 Yr 4 - Mrs Wylde/Mrs Adams
<b>Jessica and Matheo</b> Rm 12 Yr 2 – Mrs Plummer/Miss Collett	<b>Wade, Neve, Abby and Matthew</b> Rm 3 Yr 5 – Miss Oldroyd
<b>Sam and Regan</b> Rm 11 Year 2 Mrs Cole/Mrs Calton	<b>Josie, Jayde and Jayden</b> Rm 2 Yr 5/6 - Mrs Jones/Mrs Gordon
<b>Summer and Mackenzie</b> Rm 8 Yr 2 – Miss di Martino	<b>Lauren, Ben and Caitlyn</b> Rm 1 Yr 5/6 - Mrs Garcia/Mrs Gordon
<b>Murphy and Chloe</b> French Mme Wilderspin	

### CAKE STALL

The Room 5 cake stall raised a fabulous total of **\$191.50**.

Thank you to the parents who provided goodies and those who supported the stall



### KITCHEN GARDEN SAFARI



We have started exploring biological science and what better place to start than our amazing kitchen garden. Thank you to our room 18 parent helpers Lisa Wiese & Marlaina Russell and special thanks to Angela Hawryluk for getting her hands in and handling some of the creatures so students could get a closer look.



Lisa Nash Science specialist – Early childhood





ESCAPE TO EVERYWHERE  
CBCA BOOK WEEK 19-26 AUGUST 2017

## BOOK FAIR – “Escape to Everywhere”

Book fair is coming to the library for 2017!

### Monday 21 August until Friday 25 August.

Monday 3.00pm -3.30pm; Tuesday 8.30am – 3.30pm; Wednesday 8.30am – 3.30pm; Thursday 8.30am – 3.30pm and Friday 8.30am – 9.15am and 3.00pm – 3.45pm

An exciting display of books and gifts for you to look at and purchase. This is a great opportunity to put some items away for upcoming birthdays and Christmas!

Volunteers would be appreciated. Please call into the library and see Pat if you can help.

## Woolworths Earn and Learn

Anyone from the community – staff, parents, grandparents, neighbours and friends - who shop at Woolworths can collect stickers for our school. If our community sticks together and earns Earn & Learn stickers at Woolworths, we can earn your choice of educational equipment & resources.

This year we are proud to be partnering once again with Modern Teaching Aids, Australia's biggest supplier of educational equipment. This means we can choose resources based on our needs across every category possible including: S.T.E.M, Science, Mathematics, English, Sport and Arts and Craft.

There is a sticker collection box in the office to collect your filled sticker sheets.

## Lost school bag

Information is needed on a black school bag, with white Adidas stripes, which went missing on the last day of Term 2 – Friday 30 June – from the hooks outside the Senior Block. The bag and contents are very important to one of our students. If you have any information about the bag’s whereabouts please see the office or email the school.

## Whole school inferring focus

This semester our school is focusing on the reading strategy inferring. Each fortnight all students will have the opportunity to view a selected image and engage with inferring focused discussion. Inferring is an important reading strategy where readers take information from a text and add their own ideas to work out what the author is trying to tell you. Perhaps you might like to share in the discussion with your child at home.



## School Board

### School Board Update from the Board Chair Luke Halden

The Duncraig School Board meets twice a term in the school meeting room. This past Monday morning we welcomed Sophie Dwyer to the board as our community Representative. Sophie is one of the local councillors for the south ward in the city of Joondalup (which covers Duncraig). Sophie takes up the position for a 3-year tenure and, while they don't attend our school, has young children so is aware of what it is like to be a parent within a primary school. Sophie has already shown a keen interest in how Duncraig works and is a welcome asset in our board structure.

The current use of our facilities for extracurricular activities and external providers was viewed, which showed how extensive opportunities are being provided to our students. It is commendable to the staff and volunteers, the level of engagement which is available in our community for so many varied usages.

As has been mentioned in the Principals report, the school is looking at ways of balancing opportunities for students throughout the year and their educational needs. Due to the extensive school events that occur throughout the year, and in light of not wanting to lose any of the extra activities offered to students, the school showed a plan for moving some events to a biennial basis.

A big push by the board is for us to gain a deeper understanding of the day to day programs and Business Plan strategies that are being put in place. As part of this, teacher Jenny Cole came in to the meeting to explain and share the schools 'Learning Intentions/Success Criteria' model. This teaching strategy is used at Duncraig to provide explicit learning instruction and feedback to the students.

We were also briefed about the schools plans to implement the Naplan online. A government website showing examples of what these tests will be like is available on <https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/naplan-online/naplan-online-public-demonstration-site>

Finally I would like to express my thanks to the candidates who have nominated to fill the vacant parent/community representative position on the board and hope that you will Take the time to inform yourself about them and express your vote before Friday the 18 August.

### **Election for Parent/Community Representative**

In the last newsletter, nominations for a parent/community representative position on our school board were advertised. The school board would like to thank Nicole Becker and Kristina Ryan who have nominated for this position.

As two people have been nominated for this position an election process will now occur. Each parent of a child enrolled in the school is able to vote. Voting slips are available in our school office or by contacting Sue Hutchinson on 9447 8255 or [Sue.Hutchinson@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Sue.Hutchinson@education.wa.edu.au)

Both candidates have provided the following statements outlining their experience and what they can offer our students as a member of our school board.

**Voting for this election process will close on Friday 18 August at 3.30pm.**

### **Information about board nominees**

#### Nicole Becker

*My name is Nicole Becker and my husband Tom and I have been members of the Duncraig school community for over 6 years with our oldest child in Year 5 and our youngest in pre-primary. I genuinely love our little school and am passionate about making sure the needs of all students, regardless of their abilities and backgrounds are an absolute priority. I believe, unequivocally, in the value of public education.*

*I have a background in science with a PhD in physics and have been involved in teaching at a university level. I have been a full-time mum and carer up until this year and have been able to spend many hours at the school where I have been lucky enough to have had the opportunity to help regularly during class time, coach sport and attend many excursions. This year I have returned to full-time study and feel that serving on the school board would now be a great way for me to continue to contribute to the school*

## Kristina Ryan

*I bring a range of contemporary skills and knowledge that will enhance Duncraig Primary's ability to ensure success for all students, drive a high quality and supportive learning environment and develop closer connections with community partners.*

*My work history as a Business Partner in Commercial, Government and Not For Profit environments has allowed me to develop strong networks with a range of experts. These networks will enable the school to draw on Information Technology, Scientific and Business expertise, shaping learning outcomes that have real life relevance for your child's future.*

*As a mother of a child attending Duncraig Primary, I have a passionate interest in ensuring that children are learning and achieving, supporting the schools' highest possible performance against this vision.*

### NAPLAN ONLINE - TRIAL OF THE NEW ONLINE ASSESSMENT PLATFORM

You may have heard that NAPLAN online is being introduced from 2018, with an aim for all schools to be administering NAPLAN online by 2020.

NAPLAN online will provide better assessment, more precise results and faster turnaround of information. Your child's results will be returned to you faster, within a few weeks rather than a couple of months.

Our school has volunteered to undertake a trial to enable us to assess our technical readiness to implement the new online assessments. This trial gives us a chance to try out the new national online assessment platform in a real-life classroom environment. This trial is called the School Readiness Test (SRT).

During August 2017, all students in Years 3 and 5 will participate in a trial of the assessment platform, by undertaking one or two online readiness test/s that include examples of the new NAPLAN online questions. The tests will take about 45 minutes to complete.

Participating in this trial is important as it will help us ensure we have adequate internet connectivity, and whether students have access to sufficient number of devices for NAPLAN Online testing. During the trial, our teachers will have the opportunity to practice managing the classroom logistics for an online assessment and the new test administration processes.

Feedback from schools participating in the trial will inform transition to the online assessment as well as provide valuable feedback to shape the final development of the NAPLAN online platform and administration processes. The readiness test has not been constructed to assess curriculum knowledge, but rather to provide students with an opportunity to experience the types of questions that will be included in the new online assessments. As such, reports will not be provided.

Participation in this trial is a key step to ensuring a successful NAPLAN online experience.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr Webb.

OUR SCHOOL CHOIR IS PERFORMING AS ONE BIG VOICE  
AT THE PERTH ARENA  
FRIDAY 18 AUGUST 2017  
PRE-CONCERT ENTERTAINMENT 4-6.30PM  
CONCERT 6.30-8.30

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*Bonjour !*

*It's Languages Week August 7<sup>th</sup> - August 14<sup>th</sup>*

*Duncraig Primary hosted the Marmion Ave French Network Mtg earlier this week.*

*Seven French teachers from neighbouring schools attended delighted to be sampling mini macaroons upon arrival !*



*They were highly impressed with our beautiful French Room which we are lucky to have for the year.*

*Cruz has just returned home from a short overseas trip whereby he and his "maman" spent a short time in Paris. Cruz has treated the French room to a very smart snow globe which encases 3 of Paris's iconic locations. "Merci mille fois Cruz tu est très gentil !"*

Savez vous? (Did you know ?)

- *Learners of all languages are afforded opportunities for overall literacy development; strengthening literacy-related capabilities that are transferable across the language being learnt, their first language and English. Learner's literacy involves skills and knowledge that need guidance, time and support to develop. These skills include:*
- *developing an ability to decode and encode from sound to written systems*
- *mastering of grammatical, orthographic and textual conventions*
- *developing semantic, pragmatic and critical literacy skills.*

*Up and Coming Events From L'Alliance Française*

CLASSIC FILM FESTIVAL Friday 1 September - Sunday 3 September

*The Backlot Perth The Alliance Française Classic Film Festival aims to showcase masterpieces of French cinema.*

*The 2017 season will focus on the iconic Jean-Paul Belmondo, showcasing restored versions of 4 of his most renowned films from 1961 to 1974*

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Lepetitjournal.com is an online newspaper in more than 60 cities worldwide and offers articles in French for Francophiles worldwide.

The edition in Perth wants to share a lot of French and Australian culture, be close from the French and Australian people and discover all the beauty of Western Australia.

[BONJOUR PERTH FESTIVAL 2017](#)

*Bonjour Perth festival is back !*

**SATURDAY 21 OCTOBER 2017 MARKET SQUARE PARK, SUBIACO 10AM – 9PM |**

**PROGRAMME TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON Easy access by public transport+ all day parking available**

Warm regards from the French Room,

Madame Wilderspin.



## Canteen News Volunteer Roster

Date	Volunteer
7 <sup>th</sup> August Monday	-----
9 <sup>th</sup> August Wednesday	Tanya D.S.
11 <sup>th</sup> August Friday	Wendy Amelia K
14 <sup>th</sup> August Monday	<b>HELP NEEDED</b>
16 <sup>th</sup> August Wednesday	Nicky G
18 <sup>th</sup> August Friday	Heidi McG <b>HELP NEEDED</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**

**Chicken Burgers**- The chicken burgers are now made with grilled REAL chicken breast.

**Homemade Sausage Rolls** – We still have bite sized Homemade Sausage Rolls at recess time. These are 2 for \$1 and are very popular.

**Nachos** – All nachos now come gluten free.

**Choc Mint Chill** – Unfortunately we no longer sell choc mint chill since Brownes dairy have ceased making it.





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#### 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

P: 1300 362 824 E: admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au www.primarymusicinstitute.com.au

### **Duncraig Primary School Based Academic Extension Program Testing for 2018**

Applications for **School Based Academic Extension Program Testing for 2018** admission for current Year 6 students close on Friday 11 August 2017.

This program is available to students living within the Duncraig Senior High School intake area. The Intake Area for Duncraig Senior High School runs from the Indian Ocean to the Mitchell Freeway (West to East) and from the northern side of Warwick Road, Freeman Way and High Street Sorrento, to the southern side of Whitfords Avenue (South to North).

Details of the program and the application form for Testing are available on our website, or by following the link below:

<http://duncraigshs.wa.edu.au/school-based-academic-extension-sbae>

## WEST LEEDERVILLE

Level 1/22 Southport Street (corner Cambridge Street)

### Parenting Courses September 2017

<p><b>Understanding Stepfamily Relationships weekend</b> Stepfamilies can be a huge juggling act. This course held over a weekend addresses the complex needs and priorities of a blended family including parenting. <a href="#">Web link</a></p>	<p>DATE: 1 2 3 September DAY: Fri/Sat/Sun TIME: Fri 6.30-9pm/Sat 1-5.30pm/Sun 10am-1pm COST: \$75pp/\$120 couple</p>
<p><b>Mums Raising Boys - up to 12 years DAYTIME</b> Mothers, who are usually their son's primary female role model, play a vital part in developing their son's identity, including their ability to be nurturing. <a href="#">Web link</a></p>	<p>DATE: 7 September DAY: Thursday TIME: 10am - 12.30pm COST: \$30 per person</p>
<p><b>Dads Raising Boys</b> For a boy a close relationship with his father is like gold. A father is like an anchor for a son. A dad is one constant in life who models what they become as an adult. Boys whose dads are involved with them from a young age do better in lots of ways — academically, emotionally and socially. Well-fathered boys show the positive effects years later with an improved capacity for empathy and the health of their social relationships. <a href="#">Web link</a></p>	<p>DATE: 12 September DAY: Tuesday TIME: 6.30-9pm COST: \$30 per person</p>
<p><b>Rock and Water Program</b> Physical exercises are constantly linked with mental and social skills. This program leads from simple self-defence, boundary and communication exercises which will lead to a stronger notion of self-confidence. <i>Note: due to the nature of activities there is only room for one child per adult.</i> <a href="#">Web link</a></p>	<p>DATE: 16 September DAY: Saturday TIME: 8.30am - 12.30pm COST: \$70 adult/child pair</p>
<p><b>All About Anger - for Parents and Teens</b> This workshop for parents and teens has been designed to assist families when anger is an issue. Anger is explained in a way that challenges our labelling of 'an Angry Person' and instead aims to help participants to understand that many of us have simply learnt to manage the emotion of anger in unhelpful ways. The workshop includes some simple skills to help you respond more positively when anger shows up. <a href="#">Web link</a></p>	<p>DATE: 19 September DAY: Tuesday TIME: 6.30-9pm COST: \$50 per family</p>
<p><b>Successful Single Parenting</b> People become single parents through a range of life choices and circumstances. Single parenting alone is different in many ways compared to a two parent household and can have its difficulties and challenges. If you are a single parent and are through that initial break-up stage this course will provide strategies that will help you develop a close and special relationship with your child. <a href="#">Web link</a></p>	<p>DATE: 20 September DAY: Wednesday TIME: 6.30-9pm COST: \$30 per person</p>
<p><b>Dads Raising Girls</b> Find out how you can build a rewarding father-daughter relationship. As the primary male role model in a girl's life, fathers play an important role in the development of their self-concept and self-esteem. This affects how they relate to others, particularly to boys and men. <a href="#">Web link</a></p>	<p>DATE: 20 September DAY: Wednesday TIME: 6.30-9pm COST: \$30 per person</p>

For further information and to enrol please phone 6164 0200



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## YEAR 6 SPECIALIST PROGRAM TRIALS & TESTING 2<sup>nd</sup> TRIALS (For students who have NOT already trialled)

WEDNESDAY 23 <sup>rd</sup> AUGUST, 2017		
PROGRAM	VENUE	TIME
Academic Extension	Warwick SHS Library, meet outside the front office Run by Mrs Jody Weaver  Please bring pens, pencil, eraser	9:45 – 10:45 am
Specialist Netball  <i>(DoE Approved, Netball WA Endorsed)</i>	Warwick SHS Courts, meet in gym foyer. Run by Miss Briana Barber  Please wear PS phys-ed uniform, appropriate shoes and bring a drink bottle	11:30 – 12:30 pm
Specialist Football  <i>(DoE Approved, WAFC Endorsed)</i>	Warwick SHS Oval, meet on south grass area, near administration office. Run by Mr John Batten  Please wear PS phys-ed uniform, appropriate shoes and bring a drink bottle	11:30 – 12:30pm
Dance Elite Program	Warwick SHS Performing Arts, meet in school gym foyer. Run by Mrs Janne Nolan  Please wear legging, PS shirt and jazz shoes (or socks)	12:30 -1:30 pm

Please contact school administration reception to apply to trial and test for programs.  
Telephone 6240 4400, Email [warwick.shs.enquiries@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:warwick.shs.enquiries@education.wa.edu.au)

