

Every day in every classroom every student is learning and achieving

ADMINISTRATION

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DIARY DATES

Tuesday 28
 November
 ♦Yr 6 Orientation
 DSHS
 Wednesday 29
 November
 ♦Pre-primary 2018
 Parent information
 meeting 7pm
 Thursday 30
 November
 ♦P&C meeting 7pm
 Friday 1 December
 ♦Kindy 2018 Parent
 Information 1.30pm
 Tuesday 5 December
 ♦Christmas Stall
 Wednesday 6
 December
 ♦Christmas Stall
 ♦Edu- dance concert
 2.00pm – 2.50pm
 Thursday 7
 December
 ♦Thank you volunteer
 morning tea
P&C meetings
Term 4
 Thurs 30 Nov

Uniform Shop

Friday 8 December
 8.15am – 8.45am
2018
 Monday 29 January
 9am – 1pm
 Wednesday 31
 January
 8-8.30am Online
 orders-pickup only

Newsletter 19 Term 4 Monday 27 November 2017

From the Principal

It is difficult to believe that there are less than three weeks remaining of the 2017 school year. These final weeks will be very busy, with a number of end of year activities occurring at the school during this time. Key events are scheduled on the following dates:

- Duncraig SHS orientation – 2018 cohort Tuesday 28 November
- Pre-primary parent meeting – 2018 cohort Wednesday 29 November
- P&C Meeting Thursday 30 November
- Kindergarten meeting – 2018 cohort Friday 1 December
- P&C Christmas Stall Tuesday 5 December, Wednesday 6 December
- Edu-Dance Concert 1 Wednesday 6 December
- Parent/Volunteer thank you morning tea Thursday 7 December
- Edu-Dance Concert 2 Tuesday 12 December
- Graduation Assembly Wednesday 13 December
- Semester 2 reports distributed Wednesday 13 December
- Term 4 finishes Thursday 14 December

Semester 2 reports will be distributed electronically, by email, for the first time at our school on Wednesday 13 December. Please ensure your email address is accurate by checking with the school office. Paper copies are available upon request to the school office. In this newsletter, I have included some information about the process used to determine student achievement grades. This may be of interest as you read your child's report.

Staff Update

The end of the year is always tinged with sadness as we farewell some of the wonderful staff who have worked with your children this year. The following staff will be leaving Duncraig in 2017:

- Confirmed Retirements
 - Mrs Pat Southall Library Officer
Mrs Southall has been our library officer at Duncraig for 40 years. She was a foundation staff member at our school.
 - Mrs Alison Plummer Teacher
Mrs Plummer has been at Duncraig for 13 years.
 - Mrs Chris Cox Teacher
Mrs Cox has been at Duncraig for 10 years.
 - Mrs Karen Storm Education Assistant
Mrs Storm has been at Duncraig for 14 years.
- Staff Leaving
 - Mrs Lisa Becker Teacher
Mrs Becker has been at Duncraig for 7 years. She has accepted an appointment at Wise Preschool.
 - Mrs Vanessa Sutherland Teacher
Mrs Sutherland has been at Duncraig for 3 years.
 - Mrs Elena Adams Teacher
Mrs Adams has been at Duncraig for 1 year.
 - Mrs Nicola Parramore Teacher
Mrs Parramore has been at Duncraig for 2 years. She has accepted an appointment at Halidon Primary School.

These staff have shared their knowledge, expertise and enthusiasm for education with our school community for a combined 90 years. Their professional and dedicated approach to their work has been an inspiration to all of us who have had the privilege to work alongside them, and they will be very much missed. I am sure you will join me in wishing all of these staff the very best in their new ventures. A retirement function is being held at the school this Friday 1 December, commencing at 3.30pm in the school library. I would like to ask parents to ensure their children refrain from using the playground near the library on this afternoon, so that the staff can celebrate with their colleagues, family and friends without distraction.

The following new and returning teachers will be joining us at Duncraig in 2018.

- Staff Returning
 - Ms Angela Coombes
 - Ms Cath Locke
- New Appointments
 - Miss Malinda Lyons
Miss Lyons is currently teaching at Bertram Primary School.
 - Mr Mathew Zanatta
Mr Zanatta is currently teaching at Alinjarra Primary School.

2018 Student Class Placement

Many families have indicated that they appreciate having information about their child’s future class placement prior to the end of the school year. Please be advised that we anticipate class lists will be available on our website on Wednesday 13 December. This will occur in the afternoon, once the graduation assembly and morning tea has concluded.

I personally enjoy this time of the school year very much as we celebrate the achievements of your children through the myriad of activities that occur. I look forward to catching up with many parents over the next few weeks at our end of year events.

Lisa Tucker
Principal

Assembly 23 November Room 18

Merit Certificates



<i>Olivia, Ayden and Alice</i> Rm 15 PP - Mrs Sutherland/Mrs Waters	<i>Charlie and Keira</i> Rm 7 Yr 3 – Mrs Stewart/Mrs Watkinson
<i>Remy and Keishi</i> Rm 13 PP/Yr 1 - Mrs Firman	<i>Sundy and Luka</i> Rm 6 Yr 3 – Mr Miller
<i>Joshie, Anneara and Amelia</i> Rm 17 Yr 1 – Mrs Parramore	<i>Jack, Finbar and Oliver</i> Rm 5 Yr 4- Mrs Cox/Mrs Adams

Samira and Navyakshi Rm 18 Yr 1 – Mrs Spiers	Atli, Dylan and Zachary Rm 4 Yr 4 - Mrs Wylde/Mrs Adams
Juliet and Chloe Rm 12 Yr 2 – Mrs Plummer/Miss Collett	Dylan and Brodie Rm 3 Yr 5 – Miss Oldroyd
Luna Rm 11 Year 2 Mrs Cole/Mrs Calton	Isaac, Livingston and Emma Rm 2 Yr 5/6 - Mrs Jones/Mrs Gordon
Ruby and Mackenzie Rm 8 Yr 2 – Miss di Martino	Ben and Cody Rm 1 Yr 5/6 - Mrs Garcia/Mrs Gordon
Amelae French award Mme Wilderspin	

The Room 18 cake stall raised total of \$181.00. Thanks to all who cooked or purchased from the stall. A huge thank you to the volunteer parents who have coordinated the stalls this year

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Virtue: Leadership

Madeleine Rm 15 PP - Mrs Sutherland/Mrs Waters	Una Rm 7 Yr 3 – Mrs Stewart/Mrs Watkinson
Summer Rm 13 PP/Yr 1 - Mrs Firman	Olivia Rm 6 Yr 3 – Mr Miller
Sacha Rm 17 Yr 1 – Mrs Parramore	Zizou Rm 5 Yr 4- Mrs Cox/Mrs Adams
Jack Rm 18 Yr 1 – Mrs Spiers	Jessica Rm 4 Yr 4 - Mrs Wylde/Mrs Adams
Leo Rm 12 Yr 2 – Mrs Plummer/Miss Collett	Mollie and Ben Rm 3 Yr 5 – Miss Oldroyd
Jenna Rm 11 Year 2 Mrs Cole/Mrs Calton	Lili Rm 2 Yr 5/6 - Mrs Jones/Mrs Gordon
Anthony Rm 8 Yr 2 – Miss di Martino	Bea Rm 1 Yr 5/6 - Mrs Garcia/Mrs Gordon

FINAL EDU DANCE PERFORMANCES

We are looking forward to our final student performances, which will be held in the assembly area. We would invite as many parents as possible to come and watch, as the students are so keen and have learnt a lot. Pass the word around, we hope to see you there!

Date	Time	Class	Teacher
Week 9 6th Dec	2.00- 2.50pm	Room 1, 8, 6, 15, 4, 17, 12	Mrs Garcia Miss Di Martino Mr Miller Mrs Waters/Sutherland Mrs Adams Mrs Parramore Mrs Plummer
Week 10 12th Dec	2.00- 2.50pm	Room 18, 2, 13, 5, 11, 3, 7	Mrs Spiers Mrs Cox Mrs Firman Mrs Jones Mrs Calton/Cole Miss Oldroyd Mrs Watkinson

Year/Class	Costume
PP Rm 15 & PP/1 Rm 13	Fluoro or bright coloured top/t-shirt and school shorts/skirt Any colour tie (adult size is ok)
Yr 1 Rm 17 & Rm 18	Black or white clothing Crazy/spiked hair optional (girls must wear hair tied up)
Yr 2 Rm 12	Plain white T-shirt with black bottoms or school shorts A, B or C onto each shirt using school provided wide coloured tape Each letter in different colours – for example A's in Red, B's in Blue & C's in Green (Teacher to do on the day)
Yr 2 Rm 11	Black or school shorts, white t-shirt, green hair spray optional
Yr 3 Rm 6 and Rm 7	Yellow t-shirt, black shorts and small blocks of school provided white cloth tape to be placed randomly on front of shirt (Teacher to do on the day). Yellow hair spray optional
Yr 4 Rm 4 & 5	Red T-shirt with black bottoms or school shorts, bandana provided
Yr 5 Rm 3	White t-shirt, black pants/shorts and jumper tied around waist
Yr 5/6 Rm 1 & 2	Red, black and white Hip-Hop style clothing

**All students are to wear SNEAKERS & girls must have HAIR tied up unless stated otherwise.
We appreciate everyone's contribution to making this all happen – Thank you
Please ask classroom teacher for further clarification if required**



Kmart Wishing Tree

Dear parents and guardians, In week 8 Dun Craig Primary School will be involved in a project named the Kmart Wishing Tree. The Kmart Wishing Tree is about giving a small gift to a child that won't be receiving a Christmas gift this year. We request that the gifts are new and the value to be approximately \$5. Your child can collect a little paper tree from their teacher. The general age group and gender of the child receiving the gift can be written on the tree and placed on the gift. The councillors will be collecting gifts from Monday 27 November through to Friday 8 December in the old undercover area between 8.20am and 8.40am. Some examples of gifts are; toy car, little doll, etc. Children need to bring their present **unwrapped!**

Parents of the kids that are receiving gift will choose a gift that they think their child would love and care for. It is about children helping other children who are less fortunate.

Yours sincerely

2017 student councillors



Thank You Volunteer Morning Tea

If you have volunteered at school this year in any capacity
you are invited to morning tea
on Thursday 7 December
at 9am
in the library
to acknowledge your support of our students in 2017
We would love to see you there!



Library News

All books need to be returned to the library by Thursday 30 November. Please check at home and make sure that all your books come back to the library. There will be no more borrowing for students until 2018 but don't stop reading.



Check out your local City of Joondalup libraries and keep on reading during the holidays! You can borrow e-books and lots of other exciting things. It's great to read inside when it's hot outside.

There are also fun holiday activities at the libraries – have a look on the City of Joondalup libraries website for the events list!

Christmas Stall

The Christmas Stall will be held on Tuesday 5 December and Wednesday 6 December. Gifts are priced at or below \$5 per gift. Please send some money with your child if you would like them to purchase from the stall. Classes will visit the stall at the times below.

Donations of gifts for sale will be greatly appreciated. There is a box in the office to collect these items.

Time	Tuesday 5 December	Wednesday 6 December
9.00am	Rm 15	Rm 11
9.20 am	Rm 4	Rm 7
9.40am	Rm 5	Rm 18
10.00am	Rm 17	Rm 12
10.20am	Rm 8	Rm 6
	Recess	Recess
11.00am	Rm 1	Rm 3
11.20am	Rm 2	Room 13
11.40am	Kindy B	Kindy A



Semester Two Report Information

The information contained in your child's report provides a summary of their achievement, effort, attitude, behaviour and progress in school this year. An area of interest for many parents is their child's academic achievement. This information is reported using grades in years 3-6 (A – E) or grade descriptions in Pre-primary to year 2. These grade descriptions are:

- Excellent
- High
- Satisfactory
- Limited
- Very Low

Your child's grade is determined using the West Australian Curriculum achievement standards. These standards describe the expected knowledge and skills for students who have been taught the curriculum content for the full year of schooling. Therefore, in semester two reports, teachers are required to make a professional judgement regarding the level of achievement that your child is demonstrating.

For example, students performing above the expected standard will receive an A grade (excellent) or a B grade (high). Students demonstrating satisfactory achievement will be allocated a C grade (satisfactory). Students performing below the expected standard will receive a D grade (limited) or E grade (very low).

It is important that all aspects of your child's report are taken into consideration when considering their achievements, areas of strength and where further development is required. Parents should also be aware that children progress at different rates throughout their schooling. This can be reflected in their achievement grades. It is therefore not unusual for a child to fluctuate between different grades both within and across the years.

Information about the West Australian Curriculum, including year level achievement standards is available through the School Curriculum and Standards website.

From Mr Webb

Safe on Social Media information

Further information has been added to the growing library on the school website. Well worth a visit!

Integrating ICT into the classroom

We have a growing pool of devices that all students have access to at the school. We have over 100 iPads and 36 laptops that students use regularly to enhance their learning. At Duncraig Primary, we use Apple iPads and will continue to use them going into the future. We are fortunate enough to have a very supportive P&C who have allocated a lot of their previous fundraising towards upgrading our ICT resources. Early next year, we aim to form an ICT subcommittee to help plan for future expenditure in this area.

NAPLAN Online 2018

Next year, our year 3 and 5 students will be completing the NAPLAN testing in term two, online. However, the year 3 cohort will still complete the writing component by pen and paper until 2020. We have trialled the testing online this year using iPads and wireless keyboards, with our current year 3 and 5 students. It went successfully and staff are working on ensuring all students have the necessary ICT skills to complete the testing online. Our ICT coach- Jo Watkinson is working with all staff on a weekly basis to integrate the necessary skills and activities into classroom activities. More information and parent workshops will occur next year. There is a parent demonstration video which you can find by clicking [here](#).

Year 6 Enrichment Program at Duncraig Senior High School

All year 6 students have been attending the high school for two hours a week over the last 4 weeks, to work with Science and Digital Technologies staff. It has been highly rewarding and a program that we hope to continue again next year. Here are some photos of students participating.



End of Term Pizza Day

It is on **Wednesday 13 December**.

\$5.50 includes 1/4 large pizza and a juice box or water. This term you can upgrade your drink to a flavoured milk for an additional \$0.50

You can order at ouronlinecanteen.com.au.

Please make your pizza & drink choice when you order. Gluten Free Hawaiian will be available.

Orders close Friday 8/12/17 @ 2pm

Please note: Recess and normal lunch menu will not be available on the day.



Safe Swimming Message to all our Families

As summer approaches, we want students and families to enjoy our beautiful waterways; remembering to swim between the flags when at the beach and stay safe around the water.

Royal Life Saving's recently released *National Drowning Report* shows that 280 people drowned in Australian waterways in 2015-16. This is a five per cent increase from the previous year. Each drowning death is a personal story, affecting families, rescuers and communities.

The Department of Education, Royal Life Saving WA and Surf Life Saving WA wish everyone a safe and fun summer holiday.

To find out more information about how you can be safe over the Christmas break visit:

- [RLSSWA Summer Holidays Drowning Prevention Tips](#)
- [RLSSWA Water Safety on Summer Holidays Tips](#)

With beach weather now here, Surf Life Saving WA is asking you to help your kids find the fun Between The Flags and stay beach safe by downloading their [free Safety Beach game](#) to ensure you know all the tips for staying safe between the flags this summer!



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.

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Keyboard lessons
On School Campus!



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



City of Joondalup
LIBRARIES

Disability Awareness Week

In honour of Disability Awareness Week 3 - 9 December 2017, the City is hosting the following events:

Storytime

Storytime with books that will teach children about people's differences in a positive way.

City of Joondalup Libraries - Joondalup
Wednesday 29 and Thursday
30 November 10.00am

Lego Club

During Disability Awareness Week, Therapy Focus will be running Lego Club in a Lego Therapy style at all four libraries. Come together to join in the fun of creative Lego play.

City of Joondalup Libraries - Whitford
Tuesday 28 November, 4.00pm
City of Joondalup Libraries - Woodvale
Wednesday 29 November, 4.00pm
City of Joondalup Libraries - Joondalup
Thursday 30 November, 4.00pm
City of Joondalup Libraries - Duncraig
Friday 1 December, 4.00pm



For further information, contact the City on
9400 4503 or visit joondalup.wa.gov.au

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EDITH COWAN UNIVERSITY
Joondalup Community Clinical School



OT@ECU

Occupational Therapy Clinic for Children

Maximising School Participation and Performance



Are you worried about your child's school performance?

Does your child have any of the following difficulties?

- Poor drawing, coloring and/or cutting skills
- Doesn't enjoy being at school
- Moves or slow handwriting
- Becomes distressed in the classroom
- Delayed verbal skills
- Can't keep up with work in class
- Can't concentrate in class
- Teacher has concerns with child's learning or behaviour
- Has difficulty interacting with peers

OT @ ECU may be able to help your child

At the beginning of each school year, Occupational Therapy at ECU run groups at the Joondalup Community Clinical School (located on site at Joondalup Health Campus). These student run groups are currently [free of charge](#) and aim to improve school participation and performance for children who are in the early years of primary school.

Your School is on Holiday and we would like your help.

If you see suspicious activity or criminal acts then give us a call.

Police 131 444 or

School Watch 1800 177 777



Western Australia Police
Working in Partnership
with you our Community.

Call - Community Engagement
Coordinator on 9345 9461
for more information

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1800 333 000



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