

Every day in every classroom every student is learning and achieving

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DIARY DATES

Tuesday 30 Oct
P&C meeting 7pm

Thursday 1 Nov
Assembly Rm 4

Newsletter 17 Term 4 29 October 2018 From the Principal

Visual Art Showcase

Thank you to the many families who came to our visual art showcase this year. This event occurs every two years and was once again, very well supported by our school community. Parents had the opportunity to purchase their child's artwork for a gold coin donation, with over \$700 raised throughout the evening. This money will be used to create a school mosaic that will be installed in our junior play area, behind the newly installed friendship bench. As I am sure you are aware, these events would not occur without the hard work of both staff and community members. The P&C once again offered a sausage sizzle throughout the evening that, as indicated by the amount of people eating, was very popular. Thank you to our visual art specialist teacher, Ms Angela Coombes for the energy she put into ensuring the creative talents of our children was showcased on the evening. The displays and set-up at the showcase was the work of one of our education assistants, Mrs Jenny Martin who once again, produced a wonderful environment to enjoy the student's art. Jenny is Duncraig's volunteer event organiser and it is her work you see in most of our significant school occasions, including the ANZAC ceremony and year 6 graduation assembly.

Public Speaking Showcase

This year we will be trialling a new format for our annual public speaking event. All students from years one to six will present a speech to their class. The format of the speech will be linked to the West Australian curriculum, including English (speaking) and in many classes, another learning area. For example; science, HASS (humanities and social sciences) or technology. Students are being encouraged to think outside of the box and present a creative speech using props, digital media and/or costumes. Each class will choose one student to perform their public speaking presentation in front of the school at our public speaking showcase assembly. This will be on Thursday 29 November, commencing at 9am. The public speaking showcase is not a competition, and therefore, unlike other years, there will not be a showcase winner.

Retirement

Mrs Ginette Williams (education assistant) has announced her retirement from Duncraig. Ginette has been part of the Duncraig team for close to 20 years, working predominantly in the early years. The staff will hold an afternoon team to acknowledge Ginette's wonderful contributions to our school on Friday 7 December in the school conference room.

In conclusion, good luck to our choir students who will perform this Friday at the City of Joondalup's Kaleidoscope Festival.

Lisa Tucker

Principal

Term 4 Key Dates

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| • Thursday 29 November | Public Speaking Showcase assembly |
| • Wednesday 5 December | Edu-dance concert - group 1 |
| • Friday 7 September | Edu-dance concert – group 2 |
| • Wednesday 12 December | 2018 awards ceremony |
| • Wednesday 12 December | year 6 graduation social |

ASSEMBLY ROOM 17 THURSDAY 18 October



Mihaela and Joshua Rm 14 PP - Mrs Waters/Ms Phillips	Leo and Mackenzie Rm 7 Yr 3 – Mrs Adams
Marta and Max Rm 16 PP – Miss Lyons	Jye and Hermione Rm 6 Yr 4 Mrs Wylde/Ms Locke
Summer and Judd Rm 17 Yr 1 Miss Collett	Lucy and Samuel Rm 5 Yr 4/5 Mr Miller –
Lawson and Andy Rm 18 Yr 1/2 – Mrs Spiers	Tristan and Toby Rm 4 Yr 5- Miss Oldroyd
Remy and Jack Rm 13 Yr 2 –Mrs Firman	Zane and Ava Rm 3 Yr 5 - Mr Zanatta
James and Anneara Rm 11 Yr 2 – Mrs Cole/Mrs Calton	Jayda and Dylan Rm 2 Yr 5 - Mrs Jones/Mrs Gordon
Leah and Chloe Rm 12 Year 3 Mrs Watkinson/Mrs Locke	Denis and Isaac Rm 1 Yr 6 - Mrs Garcia/Mrs Gordon
Jay and Finlay Rm 8 Yr 3 – Miss di Martino	Abby French Mme Wilderspin

CAKE STALL

The cake stall for Room 17 raised a total of \$136.55. Thank you to all who contributed to the stall by making or purchasing the goodies.

National School Opinion Survey (NSOS)

Families should have received an email last Tuesday with a link to a parent opinion survey. This Australia-wide survey is administered every two years and provides parents with the opportunity to provide feedback on your child's school. All parents are encouraged to complete this survey to assist the school in our self-assessment process. Results from this survey are shared with the school board and will also form part of our Department of Education external school review that will occur next year. The survey closes on Tuesday 6 November.



STEM News

Australian Mathematics Competition

Congratulations to all our students who competed in the Australian Mathematics Competition last term. All students who participated will receive a certificate for their efforts. We had over 60 students participate and a number of those students received outstanding results. Sean from Year 6 received a high distinction with a number of students receiving a distinction; Jay (Year 3), Maciek and Una (Year 4), Luke and Griffin (year 5) and Kai and Elizabete from Year 6. Well done Duncraig Primary!

Mathletics

Congratulations to three Super Mathletes Toulia Stewart (Year 5), Kaitlin Hutchinson (Year 3) and Leah Henry (Year 3) who were our top Mathletics students for the 2018 academic year. They received Achievement Certificates for their efforts at our last assembly. To give you an idea of just how popular mathletics is, students at Duncraig have answered over 167,000 questions set by their teachers, completed 236,000 quick-fire questions on Live Mathletics and received in excess of 650 certificates (Gold, Silver and Bronze). Mathletics is a great resource that supports students to reach mastery across a range of maths concepts as well as improve mental arithmetic and mathematical fluency. Well done to all our fabulous students.



Maths Factor Week 2 winners Rooms 13 and Room 6 (pictured)

Inside the classroom.

The year 6 students have been making interactive maps using the school's STEM resources, specifically the Makey Makey controllers.

Students independently researched countries in Asia and recorded their findings on Scratch. In groups they wrote code to control the Makey Makeys and connected these to a world map. The result? An interactive map of Asia; simply touch the country and listen.

This learning sequence integrates HaSS knowledge and skills with digital systems; part of the design and technologies learning area.

Scan the QR code to see the Makey Makeys in action.



Class Placement 2019

At Duncraig, our class placement process for 2019 is listed below for your information.

Class placement procedures follow a three-stage process where the academic, health and social/emotional needs of every student are considered. The process that Duncraig Primary will use is detailed below for your information:

1. Class teachers, specialist teachers and education assistants work collaboratively to place all students into proposed 2019 class structures. Teachers may not be assigned to all individual classes at this stage.
2. Amendments to initial class placements occur based on the needs of students at educational risk. This could include consideration of health, social, emotional and academic requirements. These amendments occur at administration level.
3. Parent requests are considered.

Please be aware that although every parent request is considered, it is not always possible to fulfil these. We consider each placement request based upon the overall gender, academic and social balance of students in the class, alongside individual student needs. Please also be aware that requests relating to your child's friendship groups or staff member preferences will not be considered.

All class placement requests must be submitted in writing to the principal by Friday 16 November.

Message from the Library

The library will be **closing** for the year at the end of **Week 8** (Thursday, 29th November).

Last week of borrowing will be WEEK 7 – Tuesday 20th November – Thursday 22nd November

In the lead up to the last week of borrowing I am requesting that all students please return any over-due library books so they can be taken off their name and returned to the library shelves ready for the start of next year.

If your child comes home with an overdue notice from the library would you please assist them in locating the book/s. Students can return their library books at any time on the days listed below. It does not need to be during their library session. Parents are also more than welcome to drop by the library to return books.

Library Hours
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday – 8.15am-3pm

If you simply cannot find the overdue book after searching in all the usual 'lost item' hiding places in your home, please send a note so I can make the necessary amendments to the Oliver Library Management System. Include your child's name, Room Number and the Title of the lost book or alternatively feel free to simply jot a note on the overdue notice and return it.

The Christmas holidays are a wonderful time for children to unwind with a great book.

The latest Kids Reading Guide has just been released and is a fabulous resource to help you find just the right book for your child. You can access it online here

<https://www.kidsreadingguide.com.au/>

Get reading, Duncraig Primary!
Linda Key
Library Officer

KIDSMATTER

What kind of mental health problems do children experience?

In school-aged children, mental health problems are often broken down into two groups: internalising and externalising difficulties. Children with internalising difficulties show behaviours, thoughts and feelings that are inhibited and overcontrolled such as nervousness, excessive worry, pessimistic thoughts and friendship difficulties such as isolation and withdrawal. Children with externalising difficulties tend to show behaviours, thoughts and feelings such as a challenging temperament, hyperactivity, aggressive behaviours and problem-solving difficulties.

If your child is experiencing either internalising or externalising problems or even a combination of both that concerns either you and/or their teacher, seeing a mental health professional for diagnosis can be helpful. The diagnosis helps a mental health professional develop a plan for your child that will suit their needs. Most often those will be strategies you, your child's teacher and your child can use to help improve their mental health and coping.

TERM 4 2018

4	29 Newsletter	30	31 Edu-dance	1 November Assembly Rm 4	2 Yr 6 dancesport Edu-dance Kindergarten attend Kaleidoscope Festival - choir
5	5	6	7 Edu-dance	8	9 Uniform Shop 8.15- 8.45am Yr 6 dancesport Edu-dance
6	12 Newsletter	13	14 Edu-dance	15 Assembly Rm 11	16 Yr 6 dancesport Edu-dance Kindergarten attend
7	19	20	21 Edu-dance	22	23 Uniform Shop 8.15- 8.45am Yr 6 dancesport Edu-dance
8	26 Newsletter	27 <i>KB visit PP</i> 9.30am – 10.30am Year 7 – 2019 orientation day DSHS	28 <i>KA visit PP</i> 9.30am – 10.30am PP 2019 Parent meeting 6.30pm – 7.30pm Edu-dance	29 Public Speaking showcase	30 Yr 6 dancesport Edu-dance Kindergarten attend
9	3 December Christmas stalls this week	4	5 Edu-dance	6 Volunteers morning tea	7 Uniform Shop 8.15- 8.45am <i>K 2019 parent meeting 1.30pm</i> Yr 6 dancesport Edu-dance
10	10 Newsletter Reports home – except Year 6	11	12 Graduation/award ceremony Yr 6 reports Yr 6 dancesport social	13 Last day of school	14 School Development Day

P&C's Christmas Stall

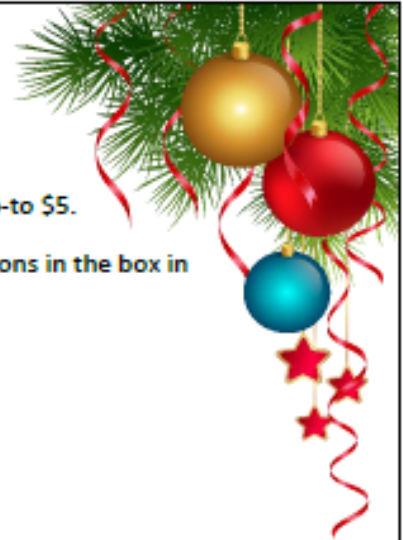
The P&C will be holding the annual Christmas Stall later in Term 4.

A variety of gifts will be available for students to purchase, at prices up-to \$5.

Donations of items for sale are very welcome. Please leave any donations in the box in the school office.

More details will be available nearer the time.

Thank you!



RUNNING CLUB

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. Students sign in on their faction sheets at the beginning of each session. Laps are tallied and accumulate each week to achieve distance reward certificates. Attendance is also rewarded with coloured logo wristbands for each 20 attendances.

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!

An advertisement for Zigzags Onsite at DunCraig Primary School. The background is a grayscale photo of a young girl smiling. Overlaid on the photo are several text boxes: a yellow box at the top with the text 'ONSITE AT DUNCRAIG PRIMARY SCHOOL', a large blue box in the center with the text 'BEFORE SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL VACATION CARE', and a red box at the bottom with the phone number '0421 369 516' and the website 'WWW.ZIGZAGSOSHC.COM.AU'. The Zigzags logo, which includes the text 'zigzags' in a colorful font and 'OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE' in smaller text below it, is located in the bottom right corner.



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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VACSWIM 2018-19

Enrol your children in
swimming lessons during the
summer school holidays.

Choose from four VacSwim programs:

<p>Country early start program Every day from Saturday 15 December to Friday 21 December 2018 Enrolments close Sunday 4 November 2018</p>	<p>Program 1 Every weekday from Wednesday 2 January to Friday 11 January 2019 Enrolments close Sunday 11 November 2018</p>
<p>Short program Every day from Monday 7 January to Friday 11 January 2019 Enrolments close Sunday 11 November 2018</p>	<p>Program 2 Every weekday from Monday 14 January to Friday 25 January 2019 Enrolments close Sunday 18 November 2018</p>

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