ADMINISTRATION  
Principal  
Lisa Tucker  
Deputy Principal  
Taylor Webb  

STUDENT COUNCIL  
Owen  
Max  
Joseph  
Jericho  
Olivia  
Siama  

COMING EVENTS  
Thursday 7 May  
*Rm 13/15 Landsdale farm excursion  
*P&C meeting  

Friday 8 May  
*Uniform Shop 8.15-8.45am  
Interschool sport  
*Duncraig v Sorrento  
*Dancesport PP-4  
*P&C Roller Skating night  

Monday 11 May  
*Rm 17/18 Landsdale farm excursion  

Wednesday 13 May – Friday 15 May  
*Year 6 camp  

Friday 15 May  
*Interschool BYE  
*Dancesport PP-4  

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Newsletter 6 Monday 4 May 2015  

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL  
NAPLAN Tests (Years 3 and 5)  
The 2015 National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) commences next week (12 – 14 May) for all students in years 3 and 5. As this is an Australia wide assessment, schools must conduct the tests at designated times. Therefore, the tests will be administered on Tuesday 12 May, Wednesday 13 May and Thursday 14 May in the morning. Parents should ensure their child attends school during these sessions unless they are unwell. Catch-up testing opportunities will be offered where possible however, given that the test materials must be returned by Friday 15 May, there will be a limited timeframe where this can occur.  

At Duncraig Primary, we acknowledge that this is a valuable assessment however it is only one way in which students demonstrate their understanding of functional literacy and numeracy skills. For most children, it is one of the first times they have participated in ‘exam’ style assessments. Teachers and education assistants are therefore conscious of creating a testing environment that is positive. Parents can also assist in preparing their children in the assessment week. Useful strategies include:  
- Avoid late nights where possible  
- Ensure your child eats breakfast and has a water bottle and morning tea snack  
- Create a calm home environment, especially in the morning prior to coming to school  
- Advise your child’s teacher if something has occurred that may impact on your child’s concentration or emotional well-being.  

All parents with students in years 3 and 5 should have received a brochure with further information about the assessments last week. Please contact the school office if you did not receive this brochure or your child’s teacher with any queries.  

Annual Report  
The 2014 Duncraig Primary School Annual Report will be uploaded onto our school website this week. This report includes information about the school’s progress against the priorities listed in our Business Plan 2014 – 2016. It also provides an overview of the school’s academic performance, including the 2014 NAPLAN results. All parents are encouraged to read this report and are welcome to contact me directly with any queries.  

Staff Car Park  
Parents are reminded that the staff car park should not be used during the peak times from 8am – 9am and 2.45pm – 3.45pm. Unfortunately, the space in this car park is limited as it is used by staff from both Duncraig Primary and the North Metropolitan Region Primary Behaviour Centre. At times, staff have been unable to park due to parents delivering their students to school. Your cooperation with parking in designated areas would be appreciated.  

KEY DATES  
- School reports will be sent home in the final week of school (Wed 1 July)  
- School Development Day – Friday 29 May
### Merit Certificate Winners

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### ROOM 1 AND 2 ASSEMBLY

Australian Poetry was the subject of the assembly presented by Rooms 1 and 2 on Thursday 30 April. Thanks to the students and teachers who prepared the items. The audience enjoyed them immensely.
CAKE STALL
Thank you to parents of students from Rooms 1 and 2 for supplying goodies to the cake stall. An amazing total of $270.50 was raised. These funds will be used to purchase resources for the use of students in these rooms.

Australian Early Development Census

Playing our part to build a national picture of child health
In early 2015, our school, along with thousands of others across the country will begin preparations for the third Australian Early Development Census (AEDC).
The AEDC measures five key areas of development in children during their first year of full-time school to build a national picture of health and wellbeing. Since 2009, the census results have helped communities, schools and governments plan services and target support for children and families.
Teachers are trained to assess each child and answer questions. Children don’t need to be present so no class time is missed, and parents/carers don’t need to supply schools with any new information for the census.
Teachers’ individual assessments are then analysed by the AEDC and reported as anonymous groups of children in the final report.
In communities across the country, census results have helped communities to plan new playgrounds and parental services; schools are seeing improved student performance through new literacy programmes; and governments are using the results as evidence to develop better policies for children.
Teachers have also noticed practical benefits in the classroom. Some said in previous years that completing the assessments made them more aware of the needs of individual children and the class as a whole. Others reported that the census results are useful in planning for transitions to school and for developing class programmes.
Participation in the AEDC is voluntary. Parents/carers don’t need to take any action unless they choose not to include their children in the census.
To find out more about the census and how communities are using the data to help children and families visit the AEDC website.

KINDERGARTEN AND PRE- PRIMARY 2016 – APPLICATIONS
Please contact the office for Part A Enrolment forms to apply for Kindergarten or Pre-Primary enrolment for 2016. Part A Enrolment forms can also be downloaded from the school website. A copy of your child’s birth certificate, ACIR (Australian Childhood Immunisation Register) immunisation record, proof of current address and copies of Family Court orders if applicable, need to accompany the Enrolment application.

Please note:
- K students need to be 4 yrs old by 30 June 2016.
- PP students need to be 5 yrs old by 30 June 2016.
Current Kindergarten students, who live in the Local Intake Area, are not required to re-apply for Pre Primary enrolment.
If you are aware that your child will not be attending Duncraig Primary School in 2016 please let the office know as soon as you can. This will help us with our planning for 2016.
If you know of any young families in the Duncraig Primary School area please share this information with them. Applications close Friday 24 July 2015.

P & C ASSOCIATION NEWS

UNIFORM SHOP
The Uniform Shop will be open on Friday 8 May from 8.15 - 8.45am and then fortnightly on Friday mornings from 8.15am – 8.45am. See the term calendar on the school website or the newsletter for opening times.
Duncraig P&C News

Mothers' Day Stall

Our Mothers' Day stall will be held this week. Students will come down as a class according to the times below. Gifts are typically $5.00 and under.

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Family Roller Skating Night

Join us for a night of family fun at Rollerzone Malaga!

When: This Friday, May 8th, 6pm-8pm
Location: Rollerzone Malaga, 299 Victoria Road, Malaga
Entry: $10.00, Skate Rental: $2.00 Pay at the Door
50% of the entry fee is donated to the P&C!

No need to RSVP. Turn up & mention you’re with Duncraig Primary School.
Rollerzone will kindly donate 50% of the entry fee ($5.00) to the P&C.
Don’t forget to mention Duncraig Primary School & bring a friend!

Easter Raffle

Congratulations to all of our Easter Raffle winners! Thank you for all that participated this year. This event has raised $1770. A special thanks to Duncraig IGA for their generous donation of prizes this year.
Entertainment Books

The 2015/16 Entertainment Books & Digital Memberships are available for purchase!

Books can be purchased for any region in Australia and NZ
A perfect gift for family or for vacations!


$13 from every membership sold comes back to our School!

Next P&C Meeting

This Thursday, May 7th @ 7pm in the School Library
New members always welcome!
To become a P&C member, please contact us at [duncraigpc@gmail.com](mailto:duncraigpc@gmail.com)

Volunteer Opportunities

Can you help our school shine?
We are looking for volunteers this term for P&C Association Projects & Events.

**School Disco:** To ensure a safe event, we require volunteers for 30 minute shifts to supervise and run snack sales.

**Canteen:** Please check outside your class for your week's roster.

**School Photos:** We are looking for 1-2 parents to assist the photographers prepare the kids for their photos. The photos are being taken on June 16th & 18th.

Please contact us at [duncraigpc@gmail.com](mailto:duncraigpc@gmail.com) for more info.

Keep up to date with all of our events!
Page Name: Duncraig Primary School P&C
FETE NEWS
A very big thank you to all who have recently joined the fete committee. We now have a team of over 20 members working together to plan our 40th Anniversary Fete. If you are interested in helping with the planning and running of the day, there will be many opportunities to offer your time and services over the coming months. Our fortnightly news page in the school newsletter will keep you updated with what is happening and various ways in which you can help.

SPONSORSHIP & GRANTS
This is our key area of focus at the moment. An event such as the fete requires significant funds to cover deposits for attractions, marketing, logistics and so on. We are awaiting response on our application to the City of Joondalup for a grant and we thank Michael Harris for his work in preparing a submission for a Lotterywest grant.

The committee has a number of sponsorship packages on offer that provide potential sponsors with invaluable, widespread promotion of their business in the months and weeks leading up to the fete as well as on the day. If you have your own business or are involved with business development and marketing at your place of employment and would like to find out more about the packages on offer, please email us to request information. If you have a prospect you believe would be interested or could benefit as a sponsor of the fete, please contact us also.

For businesses or individuals who would like to contribute without taking up one of the sponsorship packages, we greatly welcome the donation of all goods, services and monetary amounts.

Email duncraigpsfete@gmail.com for information.

CLASSROOM STALLS
Stall allocation is nearly complete. Thank you class reps and others who have responded so promptly and positively. Preliminary planning guidelines and information will be distributed shortly to stall co-ordinators. The final remaining classes who did not indicate a preference for stall allocation will be contacted this week.

ENTERTAINMENT
Vanessa Moopanar has kindly taken on the role as Stage Entertainment Co-ordinator and we would like to provide her with at least one more helper, so she is able to also enjoy the fete with her family on the day. If you would like more information about what this role will involve, please contact us for more information.

40TH ANNIVERSARY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS
You can help us out right now by spreading the word! We would like to contact as many former members of the school community as we can and bring everyone together on the day for the party. Information on the Duncraig Primary P&C Facebook page is available to share.

Our next Fete Committee meeting will be held on Thursday May 21, 2015.

All enquiries regarding the fete can be emailed to duncraigpsfete@gmail.com

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR HELP TO MAKE OUR 40TH ANNIVERSARY FETE A DAY TO REMEMBER!
COMMUNITY NEWS

Disclaimer: These notices are provided as a community service only. We do not have any connection with these providers and we do not endorse these programs.

GUIDED TOURS OF DUNCRAIG SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

An Independent Public School
See your local high school in operation during the school day.
Prospective parents and students are invited to participate in guided tours of the working school throughout 2015.
Tours will be commence at 11.45am and conclude at 12.45pm on the following days:
TERM 2: Tuesday 19th May

Please contact Wendy Hartmann, School Liaison Officer on 6241 5016 or email wendy.hartmann@education.wa.edu.au for further information.

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Willetton Senior High School
A Leading School Celebrating Achievement
Specialist Basketball Program 2016
Willetton SHS is offering current Year 6 to Year 11 students with proven basketball talent the opportunity to develop their potential through expert coaching and intensive tuition. Selection will be based on students having academic record, good personal character references, athletic talent and a commitment to basketball. The Prospectus and application forms can be found on our website: www.willettonshs.wa.edu.au

The closing date for application is Wednesday, 24 June 2015.
The program is available to any eligible student throughout Western Australia.

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