

Newsletter



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Term 4 - Week 3

Friendship & Learning

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2019 Organisation

We are at the early stages of organising our class structures for 2019. Please note that these plans may change based on actual enrolments. We are currently expecting 8-10 local Kindergarten students for 2019.

Our Year 1/2 class would therefore have approximately 28 students. In an effort to keep our classes at optimal sizes, we may see the need to split the Year 1 class. This will be done in consultation with the Year One families.

Our likely plan for 2019 is:

K/1: Ms Tanya Collins and Mrs Kim Ward to teach this class (3 days/2 days).

Year 1/2: Mr Gavin Henderson

Year 3/4 : Ms Terry Currie

Year 5/6: Ms Heather Laverick.

Genevieve will be providing additional teaching support to classes, according to the needs of the teachers, as well as undertaking principal administrative work.

Towards the middle of this term we will be arranging meetings to discuss the likely split of the Year One class. In the meantime, if you have questions or concerns, please feel free to get in touch.

State Spelling Bee!

Good luck and have fun, Sam! We will all be thinking of Sam as he puts his spelling brain into gear at the State Spelling bee!

In Memory

This week, Peter Harrison, our wonderful bus driver and friend, passed away after a short illness. There will be a celebration of Pete's life at Dorrroughby Hall this Saturday, November 3rd, at 2pm. If attending, please bring a plate to share. Our thoughts are with Kerry and the family.

Swimming Permission Note sent home today

Kinder Orientation Mornings in Term 4 :

Thursday 1st Nov and 8 Nov 9.00 -11.30am

Sat 3 Nov Dunoon P&C Spring Fair 9-2pm

7 Nov Grandparents' Day

Sat 17 Nov LEGO League (selected students)

21-25 Nov Schools Spectacular (selected students)

6 Dec End-of-Year Concert

10 -14 Dec School Swimming Scheme K-6

14 Dec Reports home

19 Dec Last day of term: casual clothes

Wed 30 Jan 2019 Yr 1-6 students return

Mon 4 Feb Kindergarten students start

Grandparents' Day: Wed 7th Nov 9.10am

Grandparents' Day let's us celebrate the role our elders play within our family. Whether they are our biological grandparents or the ones we've welcomed into our family, we appreciate all that we do with them. To celebrate our day we will:

Arrive at school at 9.10am and have a welcome assembly, play a few marimba pieces and a ukulele piece. Then, whilst other students head into class, we will have a cup of tea or juice and find out more about our grandparents in 'Ask Gran, not Google'. This involves sitting down and asking some questions, whether it's 'what were you doing during the Dunoon tornado?' or 'what was the naughtiest thing mum did at school?' there are so many stories that can be shared. After this, students can take their 'grandparent' on a tour of their classroom before heading out to recess. We welcome all grandparents and elders to come along and enjoy the morning. **Please RSVP by Friday 2nd November so that the morning tea can be catered.**

Ms Currie

Dunoon Spring Fair This Saturday 9am-2pm @ Dunoon P/S

Marimbas at the Spring Fair

The following 11 students will be performing on marimbas on Saturday: Philippa, Indigo, Aishween, Hope, Leyla, Sunny, Grace, Hannah, Inda, Rosie and Freya.

Two identical sets will be played at: 10.30-11.00 and at 12.30 -1.00pm.

The playlist: Antigravity, Banuwa, Boris, Can Can, Canon, El Condor Pasa, Intombi Yami, Ranchera, Skokiaan and Swinging Safari.

Friendship and Learning

Each class in the upcoming weeks will be discussing ways that we can support each other in developing and maintaining positive relationships. We want to continually promote principles of inclusion, acceptance and celebrations of uniqueness, respect for cultures that may be different to our own, and making sure that we don't unintentionally exclude others.

There are many activities and scenarios which can be used to highlight these messages. Concert preparations, marimba performances, playground games, orientation days all provide opportunities for discussions and practical advice about awareness of how others may be feeling and making sure that we are 'includers.'

We have always taken pride in the way students at the school look out for each other and the way that they are encouraged to celebrate the achievements or successes of each other. Term 4 always provides us with many opportunities to further promote these messages and we ask families to help by discussing this with your child and reinforcing these messages at home.

Things to think about... Looking out for someone who may be feeling left out at playtime; making sure that we pass the ball around during soccer games; making others feel welcome during marimba tutoring times; keeping a close eye out for our terrific new Kinders on their Orientation mornings; supporting our classmates as they prepare for roles in concert items; being someone who stands up for others; and remembering our 'Stop, Walk, Talk' strategy when needed.

Swimming Scheme Information

This year our swimming scheme, K-6, will operate a little differently. Our program will be operating for one week (instead of two) and the children will have two swimming sessions per day, with a break in between. The cost for this program is \$35 per child which covers all costs (transport, admission, lessons). The lessons will be held in Week 9 (Monday 10th December – Friday 14 December). A permission note will be sent home next week.

Reimbursements, for student absences, will be available at the conclusion of the program.

Student assistance, for families in need of some financial support, will be available but must be submitted by FRIDAY 9th November to be considered. This is to ensure that any available funding can be distributed in a fair manner.

Families will be asked to pay for this program by FRIDAY 9th November. Thank you

Big Scrub Public Speaking Finals

Congratulations to Ben, Rosie, Alannah and Indigo who represented our school at the Big Scrub Public Speaking Semi-Final last week. Well done!

Congratulations!

Term 4 Week 2 Awards

Student of the Week

K/1 Olive 1/2 Wynn

3/4 Aishween 5/6 Freya

Merit Awards

K/1 Tom, Sonny, Mary

1/2 Sarina. Angus, Jasper

3/4 Ansh, Riley, Evie

5/6 Maddie, Sunny, Leyla

Gold Awards

Alia, Hannah, Charlie D



HAPPY BIRTHDAY
this week to Jemma,
Tess & Jasper



AFL

In Week 5, our AFL *Aus-kick* Program is “kicking off”. It will go for 6 weeks each Monday straight after school. Information flyers were sent home earlier this term.

Pick up another flyer from the office if you need more information.

Hack Schooling

Last term 3/4 hacked their own learning and found a variety of ways to meet their learning needs. Evie decided to learn to sew and created a dress to enter into the Shearwater Wearable Arts competition. When interviewing Evie, she noted how hard it was working to a timetable and how many late nights she and her mum, Jade, spent learning all that was necessary to put together her entry.



P & C NEWS:

Last call out for Spring Fair assistance...

We are hoping for lots of donations of cakes/baked goods. Please bring to school on Saturday morning and leave with Julia at the cake stall under the COLA.

Seeking donations of fresh produce to sell at our produce stall. Items need to be brought to school on the morning of the fair (Saturday) and given to Valerie or Suz. Any excess produce and goods from home are appreciated.

We are still hoping for donations from home for our tombola stall. Any unused kitchen or bathroom items, unwanted gifts, kids toys etc. drop off to the music/OOSHC room during this week.

People able to volunteer on the day, get in touch with Trent 0405843354 or Kate 0437117478.

Looking forward to spending a great day together in support of our beautiful school.

Happiness is a sunflower :)



Amphitheatre/ Outdoor Learning

Thanks must go to Jeremy and his team of excellent excavators. After much fundraising from the P & C over the last few years, our amphitheatre has been completed and looks amazing! If you have a chance to drop in to the school, make sure you head down the back and have a look, take a seat, read a book or perform a play.

