



Dural Public School Newsletter



10th December 2020 ~ TERM 4, WEEK 9

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DATES TO REMEMBER

THIS
WEEK
AT DURAL

FRI 11 DEC

Luna Park Yr 6
Bathurst Yr 5

MON 14 DEC

Year 6 Farewell

TUE 15 DEC

Yrs 3-6 Pool
Party
Yrs K-2 Movie

WED 16 DEC

Last Day of
Term 4

Yr 6

Graduation
and Tunnel

No Canteen

REMINDER

**Please
wash
hands and
sanitise at
all times!**

Principal's Report ~ Milly Stone

Annual Presentation Assembly

Yesterday we held our Annual presentation in a very different format. We had the 3 sessions professionally videoed and this will be available as soon as possible. Instructions as to how to access this will be sent home via ClassDojo when it is available. Some photos will be posted via ClassDojo as well.

Leadership Team for 2021

School Captains: Alice H and Zain A. **Vice Captains:** Alanna D and Blake B.
Leaders: David P; Callum L; Lachlan Z; Harry K; James K; Misha H.

House Captains for 2021.

Columba: Captains: Evelyn J; Evie O-M. **Vice Captains:** Charles H; Kiana T.
Lepus: Captains: Santino G; Eva E. **Vice Captains:** Harper S; Josh McD.
Aquila: Captains: Lewis W; Max C. **Vice Captains:** Leilani B; Jayden X.
Dorado: Captains: Natalie M; Johnny M. **Vice Captains:** Quinn C-W; Joseph G.

Up Coming Events.

In the next week of school, we have quite a few activities that the children are involved in. Please ensure that you have children at school on time as buses cannot wait.

Friday 11 December

Bathurst: Year 5: This bus is leaving early so students MUST be here by 6.00am as the bus leaves promptly at 6.15am. Bus is expected to return by 6.15pm.

Luna Park: Year 6. Students must be at school by 8.00am as the bus leaves promptly at 8.15am. Bus will be returning before the end of the school day.

Monday 14

Year 6 Dinner. Children may arrive between 5.30pm and 6.00pm. It finishes at 9.30pm. Please refer to the detailed note on page 2 of this newsletter.

Tuesday 15 December

All activities for the day are during normal school times.

Wednesday 16 December

Last day of 2020 school year for students.

Dates for the start of the 2021 school year:

27 and 28 January: Staff Development Days. Teachers only at school.

Friday 29 January: Years 1-6 return to school in their summer uniform.



- Strive for Success -



The Dural Diamonds

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Congratulations
to our Diamond Pin Students

BLUE		RED		GREEN	
Louis G	2C	Jasmine H	1H	Zayan S	3A
		William W	1H		
		Cong Minh N	5B		
PINK		ORANGE		YELLOW	
Eline F	2C	Angus S	4F	Holly A	4F
Alexander P	3A	Emmanuel M	4F		
		Lotus G	4F		
WHITE		DOUBLE BLUE		DOUBLE RED	
Ryan S	5L	Matthew W	4F	Tom L	5L
Brosnan L	6A			Oliver Y	6A
DOUBLE GREEN		DOUBLE PINK			



Year 6 Formal

The Year 6 formal is on this Monday night in the school hall. Students can arrive between 5:30 and 6pm and enter via the top gate and then walk down the ramp. If weather permits, parents may take photos of their child with their friends in the gardens at the top of the school, providing the parents sign in on the QR code and stay for only 10 minutes and social distance. Parents may watch their child walk down to the hall but are not permitted in the hall, cola or carpark area.

At the conclusion of the evening at 9:30pm, students will walk back up to the top gate entrance with their teachers. Students must be collected from the top of the school not the hall/cola/carpark.

The photos of the night will be put on the Year 6 DVD.

Sabina Heinrichson
Assistant Principal

Uniform Shop

The last day for uniform deliveries will be Tuesday 15th December. Please place any online orders before then to have them delivered this year.

We will update you on the uniform shop opening times early next year via the school app but if you have any questions or are after second hand items or an exchange/refund, please email the uniform shop at

duraluniformshop@hotmail.com.au

Thank you and I hope you all have a wonderful holiday break,
Claire Halbert

P and C News

I would like to thank the following P and C volunteers for all their hard work during 2020.

Claire Halbert for volunteering to run our uniform shop, Natalie O'Brien for assisting Claire, and Clancy Cotterill-Smith and Shelley Conasch as our talented canteen supervisors.

Sadly, we will farewell Karen Liddell as her son moves on to high school. Karen has volunteered in the canteen for many years and has also been a P and C secretary for several years. Shelley Conasch will also finish as Friday canteen supervisor as her son also heads off to high school.

And after 17 years volunteering for our school, we will bid farewell to Rod and Narelle Dearden as their last child finishes at Dural Public School. Rod and Narelle have been invaluable members of the P and C community volunteering in roles that include P and C President, P and C Vice President, P and C Treasurer, working bee helper, class coordinator, Country Fair coordinators, canteen and BBQ volunteers. In 2021 we will hang a plaque on the wall of the hall to honour their 17 years of volunteer work at our school.

I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a happy and safe new year.

2021 will be a new year, with a canteen refurbishment and hopefully our Country Fair in October.

Regards

Cara Miceli DPS P and C President.

Year 6 Graduation Ceremony

Wednesday 16th December, 2020.

Parents/Guests (limited to two people per family) are invited to attend the 2020 Graduation Ceremony for Year 6 students to be held on the bottom oval, **commencing at 2:30pm**. We have ventured to do an outdoor graduation so that our parents can be a part of this sentimental event in light of Covid restrictions. Parents are asked to enter the school via the staff carpark gate. There will be a table and QR code in which parents will register their attendance on the grounds. Parents will then walk down the ramp to the bottom oval. There will be crosses marked out on the grass, this specifies where parents may sit. Please bring a picnic blanket to sit on.

Events of the ceremony:

- Procession and presentation of graduation sashes
- Address from 2020 and 2021 School Captains
- Presentation of Year 6 Graduation Certificates and USB's
- Dance Performance

At the conclusion parents are asked to leave the same way they entered, back up the ramp and through the teacher's carpark. Parents may then wait at the front of the school for their child to come through the tunnel.

3.00pm - Yr 6 farewell tunnel by students and staff.

Unfortunately in the case of rain, this ceremony will be cancelled and the ceremony will take place in the hall. Parents won't be able to attend due to the limited space and Covid restrictions. We will advise about the cancellation on the day via the School App and Dojo.

Ms Milly Stone
Principal

Mrs Sabina Heinrichson.
Assistant Principal



CANTEEN

To all our volunteers THANK YOU - Your ongoing support is what makes the canteen function. Shelley and I cannot express enough how grateful we are that you give up your time to help prepare and serve the children at Dural Public.

Tomorrow is Shelley's final Friday in the canteen. For the last 3 years Shelley has run Fridays like a well-oiled machine and for the last year has taken over the running of the canteen seamlessly. Shelley has been an asset to both the school and the parent community. Thank you, Shelley, for your support, ideas, great humour, wisdom, commitment, and energy. You have been a pleasure to work with and I truly appreciate the time you spent training and mentoring me.

Thank you to our Canteen Monitors for this year: Angelique L, Marcus Y, Zac C, Cloris W, Amanda C, Melanie T, Andrew W, Mychelle K, Charlotte C, Ananya B, Anastasia D, Miley T, Tijana F, Charlotte W, Gabi K and Cecilia Y.

Thank you to Zoey, Ava and Megan who were always there to offer their assistance and kept the drink fridge and ice block freezer well stocked.

To the group of Year 6 girls who kept the lost property in order, the entire parent community thanks you!!!!

Reminders: Last day for ordering Monday 14th December. First day for 2021 is Monday 1st February.

2021 Week 1 Volunteers:

Monday 1st Feb: Vicky Webb

Wednesday 3rd Feb: Christine Barakat & Caroline Lynch

Friday 5th February: Monique Damon & Sarah Tooke

We hope everyone has a safe and relaxing break. Looking forward to a great 2021!!!!



This week has been so fantastic! We have been enjoying the lead up to Christmas so much, and we hope you have too. There has been Christmas craft, Christmas music, Christmas decorations and so much more! We have done some science experiments, made some banana bread, played group games, created some beautiful crafts and made fruit skewers. One of the highlights of the week was doing our volcano experiment. This experiment was really popular, and also sparked some very interesting conversations. We challenged the children to explain to us how they thought volcanoes worked in real life, and then we did some research and read about how they work and what makes them explode. This was such a fun experience overall and we will definitely need to do more experiments in the future.



We would also like to let everyone know that we are open for Vacation Care on the 17th and 18th of December, however we will be closed over the beginning of January (4th January – 15th January) due to low enrolment numbers. As a result of this, we will be returning on Monday 18th January for Vacation Care. We do have alternate options at other schools during the period that we are closed here at Dural, so if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the centre on 0477 720 237.

The end of the year is fast approaching and we would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year and we hope everyone stays safe over the break.

**Kind Regards,
Emily Phegan**



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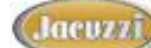
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