

## Dural Public School Newsletter



#### 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020 ~ TERM 3, WEEK 7

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THIS WEEK

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MON 7 SEP Year 2 Brewongle

TUE 8 SEP

WED 9 SEP

THU 10 SEP

FRI 11 SEP

### **Principal's Report ~ Milly Stone**

### Arrival and Departures at Dural Public School

There are many students arriving well before school commences at 8.50am when the teacher goes on duty. I understand 5 or 10 minutes before, however, some children are arriving an hour before school commences. It is very unsafe to leave students on school grounds for that amount of time unsupervised.

At the end of the school day, students are taken to the silver seats where the teacher on bus duty remains till 3.50pm. After that children will remain on the silver seats to wait for their parents.

For the safety of children, please ensure that you follow these guidelines in regards to times when teachers are supervising children before and after school.

### Father's Day Stall

Thank you to the very hard working parents who helped with the packing of gifts for the Father's Day stall. It was great that we were able to give this purchasing opportunity to all the children at Dural Public School. A huge thank you to Mrs Korb and Mrs Miceli.

### Year 3 Excursion to Brewongle

On Monday, Year 3 attended Brewongle Environmental Education Centre. From the story and photos, you can see that they had a brilliant learning Day. Please refer to page 4 for more information.

### Warmer Weather

This is a great reminder that students should be wearing their school hat every day and that they must be bringing their water bottles from home. They can be refilled at school but they are not to use the bubblers.

### **School Photos**

The school photos will be taken 16<sup>th</sup> September (Week 9). Children are to wear full school winter uniform. Further information is available on page 3 of this newsletter.

### Soft Toys

It is important that children DO NOT bring in soft toys to school. This is very much a health issue and we appreciate your support in this matter.

### **Lost Property**

There are several items of lost property in the Canteen area. We also have several items which are more valuable, watches, purses, wallets etc. in the Front Office. If your child is missing any of these please speak to Mrs Stuart or Mrs Baker. Please ensure that EVERYTHING which comes to school is marked with your children's names.



# - Strive for Success -



### <u>The Dural Diamonds</u> Respect Responsibility Success **Congratulations** to our Diamond Pin Students

BLUE		RED		GREEN	
Alexis H	KN	Jade L	5D		
Buddy S	KC	Annika F	1P		
-		Ava Z	1P		
PINK		ORANGE		YELLOW	
Georgia P	3A	Siara W	4S	Jordan S	5D
WHITE		DOUBLE BLUE		DOUBLE RED	
Kieran C	4S				
Grace M	4S				
Rhylie H	5D				
Angelique L	6H				
Melanie T	6H				
Jordan S	5D				
DOUBLE GREEN		DOUBLE F	'INK	DOUBLE OR	ANGE
		Charlotte C	6A		
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# Book Week Parade 2020

#### Dear Parents,

Dural Public School will be holding a K-6 Book Week Character Parade on Tuesday 13 October, Week 1, Term 4. Sadly, this year parents will not be able to attend but photos will be published on Class Dojo.

Students will come dressed in their costumes and stay in them for the remainder of the day. Children need to be comfortable. For safety reasons, they need to wear sports shoes, school shoes or enclosed foot ware. An option for those children who do not wish to dress up is to wear mufti and create sandwich board depicting а а picture/drawing/painting/image of their favourite book character or book.

Costumes do not need to be lavish and we don't expect you to spend a lot of money on them. It is meant to be a fun activity where children can share their favourite books with each other. It would be great if the children brought their favourite book with them. Many thanks, Mrs Moore Librarian





## Enrol Now for Kindergarten 2021

Please phone the office on 9651 1164 to make appointment with our school principal. Enrolments can be completed online on our school website.





# **Dural Public School 2020**

School Photo Day is on

### Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September (Term 3 Week 9)

### Students are to wear their full school winter uniform.

To order school photos please click here: https://store.theschoolphotographer.com.au/

Please note: If you paid for school photos in Term 1 before photo day was postponed, then it will be automatically transferred to this photo day. If you are unsure if you paid in Term 1 please go back through your emails for confirmation of payment.



## Brewongle Excursion: Year 3

By Hongyu, Elena, Leon and Jimmy.

On Monday, Year 3 went to Brewongle Environmental Education Centre (BEEC). We played spotto on the bus ride there and it was as fun as going to Canberra. When we got there, we were split into two groups, 3A had Steve and 3R had Kate. We started with recess (a good time to cool down after the hot bus). Then we explored the area around the school.



One of the activities we completed was forming groups to find the Dharug names of plants and the ways Aboriginal people used them. A name we found out was a game many students had played...Bull Rush.

We walked into a little classroom, the foyer was filled with stuffed native animals. After that, we were shown a cance that Steve had made with some high school students out of stringy bark. It was as useful as a car to get to school – the students that went to the school lived very far away and used the river for transport. The cance was a car on water.

We also went on a bushwalk. We were introduced to some figs, such as the Sandpaper Fig (which felt like sandpaper) and the Port Jackson Fig. Later we hiked up to a lookout over the Hawkesbury River. We could see how people from Sackville North came across the river to the school. We fiddled around, learning how to use a compass to find North. Then we did a line sketch of the landscape – breaking the sketch into background, mid ground and foreground. A boat came along as we were sketching, it was calming looking at the waves. We calmed ourselves further by trying to identify as many different birds as we could.



We walked into a gully, the shadow blocked the sunlight. Mosquitoes swarmed the place and bit you, it made you itch like mites were laying eggs every second of the way. We got mirrors, light detectors and on a tree was a thermometer. We used these geographical tools to measure how much light came down in the gully, the temperature and how dense the canopy was. Following this, we went to the ridge top, where it was 5 degrees hotter – the sun turned us into a crisp. We measured again and compared the similarities and differences.

It was a fun day, in a beautiful location. We hopped on the bus for a long trip back to school.











### CANTEEN

The Canteen provides a vital service to not only the students and the parents of the School, but also provides funds to help with the purchase of school resources etc. We have a very busy canteen, which cannot operate without the valued support of parents and family who volunteer. Especially with stricter current health guidelines in place, our regular volunteers have had to prioritise their personal commitments which impacts their availability.

If anyone could give up one day a term, or year we offer you lunch and an endless supply of tea, coffee and conversation. This is a great way of meeting other new families to the school and the students really enjoy seeing their loved ones help out in the canteen. The canteen can only run with the help of our wonderful volunteers, without whom, the canteen would have to close. Please consider if you can help out in any way.

Volunteers for the coming week are as follows:

Fri 4 Sep - Carmen Osmond, 1 more helper needed! (Canteen Monitors Zac & Marcus) Mon 7 Sep - <u>1 helper needed!</u> Wed 9 Sep - Ashley Cassidy, 1 more helper needed! Fri 11 Sep - Sarah Mellon, Nikki Patten-Dillury (Canteen Monitors Andrew & Mychelle)

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers for their ongoing support.

Shelley & Clancy



Wow – Spring is upon us and how wonderful is the weather! The children have been taking advantage of lovely afternoons by playing outdoors every day. Please remember that all children should wear a hat and bring a drink bottle to OOSH as part of the new COVID 19 safety plan. Also, please note that soft toys cannot come to OOSH as they cannot be washed by staff.

You should have received our vacation care programme by now and you can book via My Family Lounge. If you are a first timer and would like to use vacation care, then you can register by visiting the Jigsaw OOSH website or by coming to the centre where we can help you register.

Our sign in is still at the gate until further notice but this has been working well.

For any further information, you can contact us on 0477 720 237











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