

DURAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

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12th February 2021 ~ TERM 1, WEEK 3 Email: dural-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au Webpage: https

MARK THIS ON YOUR CALENDAR

FRI 13 FEB K-6 Sport Sports Uniform

MON 14 FEB

TUE 9 FEB

WED 15 FEB K-6 Sport Sports Uniform

THU 16 FEB Second Hand Uniform Sale 2-4pm

FRI 17 FEB K-6 Sport Sports Uniform

REMINDER

Please wash hands and sanitise at all times! Principal's Report ~ Milly Stone

We have had a wonderful start to our learning journey for 2021. Children and classes have settled into their new routines and learning is certainly underway. Over the next two weeks, you will have the opportunity to meet your child/children's teacher at the 'Meet the Teacher Sessions.' Please refer to the information below for dates and times.

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Meet the Teacher Sessions

As indicated in the last newsletter, 'Meet the Teacher' sessions will be held this week or next week. Please refer to the times and dates below. Meetings will be held in the teachers' classrooms. COVID protocols will be in place with scanning the QR Code for Dural PS and Services NSW also signing the Covid sheet. These will be available in the classrooms on the evening. Children do not attend these sessions.

Thursday 11 February

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5.00pm	5B						
Tuesday 16 F	ebruary						
4.00pm	Years 1 and 2	4.30pm	Year 3	5.00pm	Year 4		
Wednesday 17 February							
4.00pm	Kindergarten	4.30pm	Year 5	5.00pm	Year 6		

Congratulations Cindy

Cindy Z from 6S participated in the 'Golden Classical Music Awards' International Competition during the Christmas holidays. Cindy was chosen as a FIRST PRIZE winner in the 9-12 age category and has been selected to perform at the Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall New York. Cindy said that she hopes to do it next year. This is absolutely amazing and Dural is extremely proud of your wonderful achievement.

Congratulations to an ex-student of Dural.

Maggie Clifton who completed Year 12 at Galston High School last year achieved 6th in the state for Investigating Science. What an outstanding achievement. Congratulations Maggie!

Term 1 Invoice/Statement of Account

The Term 1 Invoice will be sent home today. Each student will take home a sheet to explain the items and amount for their class. A Statement of Account in an addressed envelope will also go home today so that you are aware of your current account before you make a payment. If you have any questions, please contact the office on 9651 2087 and ask to speak to Mrs Stuart (Tues-Fri).





<u>The Dural Diamonds</u> Respect Responsibility Success **Congratulations**

to our Diamond Pin Students

BLUE		RED		GREEN		
				Ethan H	6H	
PINK		ORANGI	£	YELLOW		
Ariana C	3C	Emily H	3C			
Sophia T	3F					
WHITE		DOUBLE BI	JUE	DOUBLE	RED	
DOUBLE GREEN		DOUBLE PI	NK			
Ella L	6A	Charles H	6S			

Parking

It is very important that you read the parking signs around the school to ensure that you are parking correctly. There was a parking officer checking vehicles this week and possibly issuing fines for parking infringements. Please contact 'The Hills Council' as I have no jurisdiction over parking fines and infringements.

New Staff Role

Miss Ridley will be focusing on student engagement in classes in her role as Instructional Leader. She will be supporting teachers in class with a focus on literacy and numeracy. Her role will include coaching and mentoring teachers, as well as collaborating with teachers across K-6 to plan, develop and refine teaching programs. Please read further information on page 3 for more information regarding this role.

P&C Meeting – AGM

The first P&C meeting for 2021 will be held on Monday 1st March. The reason the meeting has been put back is so that the accounts can be audited for the AGM.

Thursday Chess Classes 2021

Each Thursday, during lunchtime, a Sydney Academy of Chess tutor conducts a lesson to develop the chess skills of students who have some knowledge of the game. Details of the program are explained on the form which can be collected from the front office or library.

Classes commence next Thursday, 18th February, in the library.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE Tuesday 16th February 2-4pm Outside the uniform shop. Enter through the top gate and sign in using the QR Code 3 items for \$10 excluding dresses. Sizes 4-14 Eftpos Available

Beecroft Zone Basketball Trial

The Zone Convenor is asking for nominations from boys and girls in Year 5 and/or 6 who are **Representative basketball players** and have a very high knowledge and understanding of basketball.

The Zone Convenor is not asking for nominations from average or above average players.

If your child meets the above criteria they need to see Mr Field ASAP.

Beecroft Zone AFL Trial

The Zone Convenor is asking for nominations from boys and girls in Year 5 and/or 6 who are **Representative AFL players** and have a very high knowledge and understanding of AFL. The Zone Convenor is not asking for nominations from average or above average players.

Please note the trial is for ONE TEAM, there is not a separate team for boys and girls.

If your child meets the above criteria they need to see Mr Field ASAP.

Dural Public School Bands

Our first band rehearsals for beginner and Senior bands began this week with some excellent musicians joining us this year. We have already begun making some great music but it is certainly not too late to join us. Any student who plays a concert band instrument is very welcome.

Beginner band rehearses on Wednesday morning at 7:45 am and is for students who are in their first year of learning their instrument.

Senior Band rehearses on Thursday mornings at 7:45 am and is for all other musicians who play concert band instruments.

Looking forward to seeing you all next week



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Instructional Leader at Dural Public School

Instructional Leaders work with teachers to support student engagement during literacy and numeracy lessons. Professional learning for teachers is facilitated through an instructional coaching model, including peer observation, structured feedback, collaborative planning, and mentoring and coaching in specific aspects of pedagogy. The aim is to build teacher partnerships to support using evidencebased teaching practises in the classroom.

What will this look like at Dural Public School?

- Co-teaching and team-teaching opportunities with the classroom teacher
- In class support, including small group instruction
- Working flexibly with a range of students of diverse abilities in the classroom
- Demonstration lessons
- Working with teachers to analyse assessment data to monitor student progress and make teaching decisions based on data
- Collaborating with teachers across K-6 to plan, develop and refine teaching and learning programs
- Supporting teachers in using evidence-based teaching practices
- Providing induction and ongoing support for beginning and early career teachers
- Providing professional learning opportunities for staff that align with whole school goals
- Celebrating and sharing the learning activities, resources and teaching strategies that work well at Dural!

Miss Ridley will be working with class teachers to determine the best way to support their individual class as well as their own professional learning needs. We recognise that our dedicated and professional staff have a range of expertise and strengths in teaching areas that will also further support co-teaching and team teaching opportunities throughout the school.

This role is in addition to Miss Ridley's role as part of the COVID Intensive Learning Program, which will include small group withdrawal for 2 days a week.



Jolly Phonics at Dural Public School

This week we had a Jolly Phonics specialist visit Dural Public School to lead demonstration lessons for K-3 teachers. She also delivered a Kindergarten information session about the importance of synthetic phonics. Thank you to those parents who were able to attend. We hope that it was a useful insight into the wonderful workings of an evidence-based Kindergarten synthetic phonics program!

In the classroom, students and teachers participated in a Jolly Spelling lesson focusing on using the dots, dashes and dives method of identify sounds. Students will be using this strategy in their spelling toolkit throughout the year!









CANTEEN

Recess specials will start from next week - Make sure the kids keep an eye on the chalkboard for the daily specials.

PSSA will be starting soon, for those children participating there will be a special menu coming out next week for them to order from. Please make sure when ordering you select 'PSSA ORDER'. Without this, the order will be sent to the classroom as per normal.

Upcoming Canteen Monitors:

Friday 12th February: Claire L & Stephanie L Monday 15th February: Elaine L & Sienna P Wednesday 17th February: Abby W & Michelle W Friday 19th February: Isabella J & Blake B

Upcoming Helpers:

Friday 12th February: Maria Giuffre & Diem Moussa Monday 15th February: Lee Cherry Wednesday 17th February: Joanne Ince & Sharen Souter Friday 19th February: Linda Sammut & Carmen Osmond

Many thanks to all our wonderful volunteers. We cannot run the canteen for our children without you.

Thanks Clancy



We hope everyone has had a great start to the year. We would like to show off our Management team at OOSH, Miss Rachel who is our Nominated Supervisor and Miss Emily who is our Educational Leader.



This week has been an amazing at OOSH. As some of you are aware, we are going through some cosmetic changes at the moment and our stained-glass window is our newest addition. Some more changes are on the way and we would value any feedback from families. Miss Rachel has also gone on a shopping spree and bought some new toys for OOSH; the butterfly wings have been a hit.















