

# DARLINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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*This school will be closed on days of forecast Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating*

Newsletter No 19 – Week 8 - TERM 4 Tuesday 19th of November 2018

## SCHOOL HOURS

School commences	8.45 am
Crunch and Sip	10.45 am
Recess	10.50 - 11.10 am
Lunch Eating time	1.10 - 1.20 pm
Lunch Play time	1.20 - 1.50 pm
End of School	3.00 pm



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**13th Dec** FAREWELL ASSEMBLY - Last day of Term 4  
WATER FUN DAY

*School holidays are here!*

**School Holidays: 14th December to 3rd of February**



<b>31st Jan, 1st Feb</b>	<b>SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS</b> Students do not attend
<b>1st Feb</b>	<b>CLASS LISTS up from 1pm outside RM 1</b> <b>UNIFORM SHOP Deliveries from 1.00pm</b>
<b>4th February</b>	<b>2019 - First Day of Term 1 for Students</b>

## OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED

**NEXT SCHOOL P&C Meeting: Monday 8th February 7pm**  
**New faces always welcome**  
**President:** Fiona Gordon  
Email: [darlingtonprimarypnc@gmail.com](mailto:darlingtonprimarypnc@gmail.com)

**SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB CO-ORDINATOR**  
Alison Scott - [darlingtonpsbookclub@gmail.com](mailto:darlingtonpsbookclub@gmail.com)

**UNIFORM SHOP** - Open Friday twice a term (1st, 2nd last)  
**See school calendar for opening dates 8.30 - 9.00am**  
Email - [dpsuniform@gmail.com](mailto:dpsuniform@gmail.com)

**ORDER ANYTIME ON FLEXISCHOOLS FOR CLASSROOM DELIVERY:** [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au)

**CANTEEN DAYS** - Monday, Wednesdays & Fridays  
Ros Tooth ph – 0425 807 166 / School 9299 6888

**LIBRARY DAYS** - Monday, Tuesday & Wednesdays  
Library Officer: Mrs Karen Diaz

**SCHOOL DENTAL VAN** - ph 0407 594 254

## STUDENT SERVICES

**SCHOOL CHAPLAIN ONSITE** - Monday, Thursday & Fridays  
**Chaplain:** Tracey Buckley

**SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST ONSITE** - Every Thursday  
**Psychologist:** Melissa Morgan

Dear Parents and Care Givers

Here we are at the end of another school year. This, of course will be the final newsletter for 2018. I wish to thank the school community - students, parents and staff, for their contributions to, what has been, another busy and successful year at Darlington Primary School.

### Graduation

Last Friday, we celebrated the graduation of 47 Year 6 students. The ceremony was a happy, but somewhat nostalgic occasion, as we farewelled yet another cohort of students, many of whom have spent all, or the majority, of their primary school years here at Darlington. Sincere thanks go to Mr Scott, Ms Beeson and Mr Smith for their wonderful planning and co-ordination of proceedings.

Congratulations to the following students who received special awards on the day:

Matthew Hughes Dux Award	Emily S
Bendigo Bank Endeavour Awards	Evie O
Shire of Mundaring Shire Citizenship Award	Brooke H
Graeme Devitt Award	Elle K
North Metropolitan Education Region Medal of Excellence	Cormack B
Donna Faragher Art Award	Mika P
Music Award	Gabriel S
Slater Gartrell Sportsmanship Award	Ella K
Phoenix Award	Ava R
Woodside Scitech Science Awards	Emily S
P & C Award Room 1	Mika P
P & C Class Award Room 2	Ruby N
	Finlay M

Gabriel S delivered the Valedictory Address on behalf of her classmates.

It was wonderful to see so many family members in attendance to celebrate this special occasion with our valedictorians. I acknowledge their support and also the departure of some of these families who have been supporters of the school in many ways for many years.

Special commendation goes to all of the students from Years 4 and 5 whose conduct and attention were impeccable throughout the hour and half long proceedings

Following the graduation ceremony, the students and their teachers headed off to the Atrium at Crown, for a sumptuous lunch. Their conduct was impeccable and the etiquette lesson from camp came in very handy!

### The Smith Family Toy and Book Appeal

Thank you to all of the families that so generously donated toys and books to this annual appeal. Last Tuesday, I delivered a ute load of gifts to The Smith Family. There will be many happy boys and girls who might otherwise have gone without, this Christmas.

Special commendation goes to Charlie and Jack D who spent a weekend busking and then used \$500 dollars of their earnings to buy books and toys. This certainly supplemented the collection and was a wonderfully self-less gesture. The boys are a shining example of the calibre of citizens that we have here at Darlington and a credit to their family. An article featuring Charlie and Jack and their generosity was published in The West Australian newspaper, last Friday.

*Initiative, Trust, Tolerance*

### End of Year Reports

As you are no doubt aware, student reports were made available, via Connect, at 3.00 pm yesterday. It would seem that the process ran very smoothly, with only a small number of parents experiencing temporary difficulties in accessing their child's reports. Thank you all for your co-operation. There is also a forest out there, somewhere, which also thanks you.

### Exit Survey

This year, the School Council is seeking feedback from parents of students who are leaving the school, about their experience. This will take the form of an online National Schools Opinion Survey.

All parents who fall into this category will have received an email inviting them to participate. We are very eager to see what advice they have to offer us.

The survey will be available online until the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

### Final Assembly

The final assembly for the year will be held in the amphitheatre, commencing at 9.00 am on Thursday. It will feature performances by the School Choir, the Rock Bands and several mystery guests.

Any students from Kindergarten to Year 5 who will be leaving the school at the end of the year will receive a special Leaving Certificate.

Parents are welcome to attend.

### WATER FUN DAY

The much anticipated Water Fun Day is only two days away. This is the final celebration that marks the end of another year for the whole school. Students are reminded that they should have bathers (or other suitable clothing), thongs or water tolerant footwear, a hat and sunscreen for the activities. They are also able to bring water pistols to use during the fun!

It is an opportunity for fun and a touch of good hearted revenge. It is the one day in the year when students are able to wet their teachers and, naturally teachers are able to reciprocate! I might also take advantage of the occasion to drench a few people!

### CLASSES 2019

As yet, not all staffing arrangements for 2019 have been confirmed. Nonetheless, last Wednesday, teachers met to allocate students to their classes for next year. These Class Placement Meetings involved the teachers who taught the students this year as well as those (if known) who will be taking the classes next year. Considerable thought and planning goes into this process. It is quite a complex matter, with class sizes, the needs of individuals and groups of students and social factors, all being taken into account.

Provisional class lists will be displayed on the noticeboard adjacent to Room 1 on the afternoon of Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019. No information will be available prior to then.

All that remains now is for me to wish you all a an enjoyable Festive Season, a Happy New Year and a very restful holiday. I look forward to seeing most of you back on the 4th February 2019, for the start of the new school year.

Lorna Woodley  
Principal





# Darlington Primary School

## 2019 Contributions, Charges & Personal Items

Approved by School Council





A list of Charges & Contributions, Subscriptions, Extra Cost Options and Booklists for 2019 are now available on our website <http://www.darlingtonps.wa.edu.au/correspondence.html> - Please look on our Home screen under Latest Correspondence (These were also emailed out to all families on the 3rd of December)

2019 Booklists and Uniform trading days can be found on our school website

### PAYMENT OPTIONS





**Payments can be made at the office, we except credit card payments over the phone or paid on Flexischools**

#### REGISTER

-  1 Go to [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au) and select the **REGISTER** option and enter your email address.
-  2 You will be sent a registration email. Click on the link in the email to complete the registration.
-  3 Fill in your details on the Registration Form and click "submit".
-  4 Add your students, select their school and class.

#### ORDER

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-  1 Go to [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au) and select the **LOGIN** option. Click on "Start an order" for your student.
-  2 Select the service you wish to purchase from. You can also set up orders in advance.
-  3 Add each of your items. Extras and options will appear where relevant to the item.
-  4 Select your payment option. Pay for the one order or "top up" your account. Complete payment to place order.

### SWIMMING LESSONS WEEKS 2/3 TERM 1 11 - 22 February

Please note we have swimming lessons for all students from Pre-Primary to Year 6 in weeks 2 and 3 of first term.

**The cost per student is \$53.00**  
(Payment option is available on Flexischools)

**Payment due February 11th**

*Permission slips will be sent home early next year*







Thankyou for being  
part of our wonderful  
school community.

We hope you have a  
wonderful, safe and  
relaxing holiday!

Enjoy this festive  
Season



**STUDENT REPORTS**  
ARE NOW AVAILABLE  
ON CONNECT

ENTER YOUR LOGIN  
DETAILS to ACCESS

*Students reports  
online NOW*

**ARE YOU MISSING ITEMS?  
COME IN AND HAVE A LOOK IN OUR LOST PROPERTY BOX**





**A big  
thank  
you**  
for all your  
support.



*Thank you  
very much for  
your kind  
donations*





## Chaplains Chat

I just wanted to say a huge thank you to everyone who has been involved in:

- \* Girl's Group
- \* Drumming Club
- \* Drumbeat
- \* Craft Group
- \* Zumba Kids®
- \* Boys Drama Group
- \* and the annual Gingerbread house decorating afternoon.



It has been an amazing year and I am so privileged to be at such a caring and supportive school.

There have been so many lovely highlights and memories along the way.



## To the Year 6's

To all the year 6's that will be leaving at the end of the year, I will miss you. Have an amazing adventure next year. You are all world changers and I have loved seeing your journey at this school.



Hope that you have a lovely holiday.

Sharing with you my favourite quote of this year-



Tracey Buckley



## *P&C News*

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the P&C.  
Wishing everyone has safe holidays and looking forward to  
some exciting times next year.*

*Fiona Gordon  
[president@dpspc.org.au](mailto:president@dpspc.org.au)*



First P&C Meeting for 2019:

Monday 18th February 7pm  
Held in the Staff room

Please join us, new faces are  
always welcome!







## Grounds Project News



It has been an exciting few months. The **Nature Play Installation** near room 12 and then the **Volleyball & Court line markings** were completed as well as a few markings on the basketball courts. Next the **New Funky Monkey Bar** installation was completed near the school entrance. The kids are making good use of the **lower bars, rope and grips**. Its always very rewarding when a project is completed with much thanks to Harriet D'Emden for her coordination efforts and to everyone who helped to plan.

Seeking assistance with weekly Tree & new plant watering – please contact Kym 0402 774 088.



### SEEKING 2019 CHAMPIONS FOR :

- Colourful Poles & Junior height Hoops on volleyball court
- Yarn Bombing tops of new nature play cubby structures or tyre puzzle pole
- Mural on Hit-up Wall on lower basketball court for target practice
- Support teachers with vegetable growing beds- potential to supply the canteen
- Gardening Club to mulch and weed, maybe an afterschool group with kids
- Support teachers with Waste Reduction projects

Discussions for 2019 will start at the February P & C meeting if you would like to come along.

Please join us next year to create more places to inspire and challenge our children.

Happy Holidays

- The Grounds Project Team



**Reminder to label your items:**

**[www.mynamelabel.com.au](http://www.mynamelabel.com.au) will donate 15% to the school**

**when the reference number: 3d67852f is quoted**





Darlington Primary's - Parents & Citizens Association  
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# UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Due to overwhelming success with Uniform Shop orders filled last week, we are offering a special "Uniform Shop Pre-order for Back to School" through Flexischools prior to our next official opening date of the shop in Term 1.

Parents/Guardians, please log on through Flexischools [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au) and place your orders by 4.00pm Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019



Uniform Shop open from 1:00pm – 2:00pm  
for special collection on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019  
(same day Class Lists go up)





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**CASH FREE,  
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**PAY ANYWHERE,  
ANYTIME**



**SAFE &  
SECURE**





*So very*  
**THANKFUL**

*For our Wonderful P & C members  
and volunteers that give such  
valuable support to our school*

**Thank You!**