

DARLINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

SCHOOL HOURS

School commences: 8.45am
 Recess: 10.50-11.10am
 Lunch: Eating time 1.10-1.20pm
 Play time 1.20-1.50pm
 End of School: 3.00pm



"We are a crunch and sip school"

Newsletter No 18 – Week 6 - TERM 4

Tuesday 17 November, 2020

UPCOMING

SCHOOL EVENTS

18/19 November	PENINSULA FARM EXCURION Kindy & Pre-Primary Students
18 November	SCITECH EXCURISON Year 6 Students
20 November	ASSEMBLY - PP1/PP2 STUDENT COUNCIL "ALOPECIA" FUNDRAISER - Crazy Hair Day
21 November	
24 November	SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING 7pm
26 November	2021 Kindergarten Parent Information Evening 7pm Held in the Undercover Area (Change)
27 November	UNIFORM SHOP OPEN 8.30 - 9.00
30 November	P&C MEETING 7pm
4 December	ASSEMBLY - ROOM 11  "YUMMY" CANTEEN FUNDRAISER More information in newsletter. *Order on Flexischools now
11 December	UNIFORM SHOP OPEN 8.30 - 9.00 YEAR 6 FORMAL GRADUATION
14 December	2021 Kindergarten Meet & Greet Day NO KINDY 2 GROUP TODAY SEMESTER 2 REPORTS - CONNECT
15 December	YEAR 6 - SENIOR DISCO



OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED

NEXT SCHOOL P&C Meeting: 7pm NOVEMBER 30
 President: Fiona Gordon New faces always welcome
 Email: president@dpspc.org.au

SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB COORDINATOR
 Alison Scott - darlingtonpsbookclub@gmail.com

UNIFORM SHOP - Open every second week -
 See Term Planner for dates Email - dpsuniform@gmail.com

ORDER UNIFORMS ANYTIME ON FLEXISCHOOLS
www.flexischools.com.au

CANTEEN DAYS - Monday, Wednesdays & Fridays
 Coordinator: Ros Tooth ph – 0425 807 166 / 9257 4008

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

SCHOOL DENTAL VAN - ph 0407 594 254 at Darlington PS

STUDENT SERVICES

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

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST ONSITE - Every Monday
 Psychologist: Lucy Poli

Dear Parents and Care Givers,

The Calendar

Friday 20 November - Assembly hosted by Preprimary

Update our School Phone Number

Please be advised that our school phone number is 9257 4000. It has been changed to this new number for over 12 months. If you still have our old phone number listed in your phone (9299 6888), it will no longer divert across to our new phone number so it is important to update your records.

Alopecia Awareness Week

This week is Alopecia Awareness Week. The word "alopecia" means hair loss. Alopecia Areata is an auto-immune disease that results in hair loss on the scalp and elsewhere on the body. It can range from small, individual smooth patches of hair loss, to total loss of all hair on the body – including ear and nose hair. Alopecia Areata is not uncommon, and current estimates suggest that 2% of the population will be affected by the condition at some point in their lifetime. It can effect people all ages, genders and ethnicity, but most commonly presents during childhood.

There is currently no cure.



There are three main types of Alopecia Areata. Alopecia Areata, which means one or more patches of hair loss on the scalp. Alopecia Areata Totalis refers to total loss of hair on the head. Alopecia Areata Universalis means complete hair loss of the entire body.

In all forms of alopecia areata, the hair follicles remain alive and are ready to resume normal hair production whenever they receive the appropriate signal. In all cases, hair regrowth may occur even without treatment and even after many years. It is not currently known exactly what causes Alopecia Areata. It is believed to be a complex combination of genetic and environmental factors.

Alopecia Areata... It's life changing.

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Alopecia Areata can be a lifelong condition, and can deeply affect self-image, self-esteem, confidence and even mental health. But there is hope. AAAF believe that through personal support, improved awareness, and ongoing research toward an acceptable treatment, we can help improve the lives of people living with Alopecia Areata and their families. You can help too. By registering, donating or volunteering with AAAF you can help achieve our mission.

Understanding what category of Alopecia Areata you may have can be very confusing. Many people shorten the classification due to the difficulties in pronouncing the full names.

- **ALOPECIA AREATA MONOLOCULARIS:** describes baldness in only one spot. It may occur anywhere on the head.
- **ALOPECIA AREATA MULTILOCULARIS:** describes baldness to multiple areas of the head.
- **ALOPECIA AREATA BARBAE:** describes hair loss limited only to the beard.
- **ALOPECIA AREATA TOTALIS:** explains the total loss of all the hair on the scalp.
- **ALOPECIA AREATA UNIVERSALIS:** explains all body hair
- **CICATRICAL ALOPECIA:** a diverse group of rare disorders that destroy the hair follicle, replace it with scar tissue, and cause permanent hair loss.
- **ALOPECIA AREATA OPHIASIS:** The bald area runs from ear to ear at the back of the scalp.
- **PERINAEVOID ALOPECIA AREATA:** is characterised by Pigmented nevi, these are spots of skin with colour different from surrounding skin – usually moles.
- **TRIANGULAR ALOPECIA AREATA:** a rare form of alopecia areata where the hair loss lesion presents in a triangular shape.
- **RETICULAR ALOPECIA AREATA:** is characterised by a net-like pattern of hair loss in which irregular areas without hair are interspersed with areas of hair on the scalp
- **DIFFUSE / ANDROGENETIC ALOPECIA AREATA:** has been attributed to a short anagen phase and subsequent inability of hair to grow resulting in a form of incomplete hair loss affecting the whole scalp without distinct patches.



ALOPECIA AREATA FACT SHEET ATTACHED

CRAZY HAIR DAY

The school has students and staff who live with Alopecia. The Student Council are supporting this worthy cause by holding a Crazy Hair Day fundraiser this Friday.

WIGS, TEMPORARY HAIR COLOUR OR A WACKY HAIRDO WILL BE ALL THE RAGE THIS FRIDAY.

Don't forget to bring in a gold coin donation (or more!) as well.



Booklists

The Darlington Post will be providing a booklist service to our parents by offering an ordering service with free delivery for next year's stationery requirements. This process is nearly ready to go. Parents and Carers will be informed shortly about instructions to make use of this new service. Orders will need to be made by 9 December 2020 so that all items are ready for collection in the new year.

Toilet Survey

Due to a technical glitch, the toilet survey did not go out to parents of students in Year 1 and 2. You are invited to respond to this survey with your child via this link:

<https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/GjJmsxXJ/LogIn>

Please do so by 27 November 2020.

Some parents are very passionate about this aspect of the school. If you would like to express interest in joining a working task force to assist the school in making some improvements over the next 6 months, please let me know.

Kindergarten Information Night



Next Week's Kindergarten Night will be held in the Covered Assembly Area (to be compliant with Covid19 requirements. Parents and Carers of students who are enrolled in Kindergarten 2021 at Darlington are invited and encouraged to attend.

The meeting will commence at 7pm and take about 90 minutes.

CAUTION

WATCH OUT



FOR SNAKES

REPORTED BY LOCAL RESIDENT

There was a rather large snake sighting near the trail between Glen and Glebe Roads at the Glebe Road end yesterday afternoon. Please be aware and take caution when using this trail.

SUNDOWNER

THIS SATURDAY
21 November 5 -8 pm

Be entertained by our
School Band, Choir &
Drumming Club.

Lots of yummy food
options available!

EDUCATION SECURITY

If you see any suspicious activity at the school.
Please report to Education Security
on 1800 177 777.



A sign for Neighbourhood Watch School Watch. It features a green silhouette of two faces in profile, one with a checkered pattern. To the left is the URL www.nhw.wa.gov.au. To the right is a blue and white 'WARNING SCHOOL WATCH' sign with the text 'THESE PREMISES ARE UNDER SURVEILLANCE'. Below the silhouette, the text reads 'Neighbourhood Watch' in green, followed by 'SCHOOL WATCH' in large white letters on a blue background. At the bottom, it says 'REPORT ALL SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY TO SCHOOL WATCH ON 1800 177 777 OR POLICE ON 131 444'.



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Suspected cases of chickenpox

Please be aware we have had suspected cases of chickenpox. If any concerns please seek medical advice.

More information can be found on the Department of Health website:

https://ww2.health.wa.gov.au/Articles/U_Z/Varicella-zoster-chickenpox-and-shingles



It's only
christmas
when we share it

Toy & Book Appeal



everyone's family



It is fast approaching the end of the year and we pleased to be able to again support the work of The Smith Family by hosting a **Toy and Book Appeal**.

If you would like to participate in this there will be a **collection box in the office from now until December 8.**

If you would like more information on The Smith Family or the Appeal please click on the link below.

<https://www.thsmithfamily.com.au/donate/give/toy-and-book-appeal>

What gifts are most needed?

Donations of new toys and books help us ensure that they are of good quality and usable when they are opened on Christmas morning. This year we have a shortage of main toys for boys and girls between the ages of 6 and 12 years.

This includes large quality gifts that can also be a family sharing gift. Examples include; Board games, Sports Equipment (quality soccer ball, cricket set) backpack with lunch box and drinks bottle.

Don't forget that your gift should be ready to play with as soon as it's opened on Christmas morning.



There are some *gifts we can't accept...*

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NO CLOTHES
Including shoes, pyjamas and costumes. We can't be sure of the size of a child. | 
NO FOOD PRODUCTS
This includes perishable and non-perishable items. We're unable to guarantee food safety or be aware of a child's special dietary needs. | 
NO GAME CONTROLLERS OR COMPUTER GAMES
We don't know if they'll be able to set up at home. | 
NO SECONDHAND OR DAMAGED GOODS
Something new will be greatly appreciated on Christmas morning. |
| 
NO GIFTS THAT REQUIRE BATTERIES
Unless you include the appropriate batteries with your gift. | 
NO BEAUTY PRODUCTS
Some children may be allergic to perfume, makeup and other toiletries. | 
NO TOY WEAPONS
Or any toys that suggest violence. | 
NO BREAKABLE ITEMS
They could be damaged during the packing and delivery process. |
| 
NO PRODUCTS THAT REQUIRE FLAMMABLE LIQUID OR GAS
This includes candles and lamps. | 
NO CALENDARS
Where possible, it's great if gifts can last for more than one year. | 
NO ITEMS OF A RELIGIOUS NATURE
We are not aware of the religion or beliefs of each family. | 
NO MERCHANDISING
We are unable to officially endorse another company or brand. |

thesmithfamily.com.au

Toy & Book
Appeal



everyone's family

DARLINGTON
PRIMARY SCHOOL

CHAPLAIN'S CHAT



Just wanted to let you know that I am here for the whole school community. I am here on Monday, Thursday and Fridays.

GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING AFTERNOON



The annual gingerbread house decorating afternoon is on again, on Thursday December 3. Please see permission form attached to the newsletter.

CRAFT GROUP

Craft Group is on every Thursday in the library. This is for students in year one to Year 6.

We meet during the second half of lunch. Come along and see what you can create.



DRUMMING CLUB



In Drumming Club, we are working towards a performance this Saturday for the P&C Sundowner. We finish drumming club on Thursday November 26. Looking forward to seeing you there.

GIRLS' GROUP



Girls Group is now meeting at lunchtime on Mondays this is for girls in year 3 to 6. We meet in the undercover area from 1.10pm to 1.45pm. Last week in Girls Group we looked at quotes, the girls then designed their own quotes.

QUOTES FROM GIRLS GROUP

Quotes written by some of the girls in girls group:

Storms come but kindness and sunshine comes more.

Try something new.

After a storm a rainbow comes through.

Storms do come but sunshine comes more.

Be your own rainbow.

Be your own person.

Tracey Buckley
School Chaplain

Darlington Primary Sports News



COLOUR RUN 2020

FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER

Planning is underway for this year's Colour Run at Darlington Primary School. Obstacles, water, bubbles and colour are part of the figure of 8 'lap club' route the children will take. They can run, walk, and skip and sometimes they will be crawling their way around!

The event is for all students from Preprimary to Year 6. It is a fun afternoon with families encouraged to come and watch.

All students will now have received their fundraising booklet, please try and 'sponsor' where you can. All the monies raised will go directly to the upgrade of the junior playground plus a few other sporting equipment additions. Sponsorship can be per lap or an overall contribution paid through the office or flexischools.

Students are also asked to wear a dark, plain t-shirt and have spare shorts ready to change into. The last hour on Friday will be when the whole school is 'on the run'.

Thank you already to those who have put their hand up. If you would like to help with the setting up of stations, or the running of the obstacles, please contact the school office.

We are also on the lookout for the following items for our obstacles to be fun yet challenging.

WE WILL NEED:

Rope
Pool Noodles
Large Tarps
Cargo Net

Buckets
Water Soakers/Guns
Garden Hose
Sponges

Please bring in what you can to the office by the end of next week as we need to create at least 10 stations. Everything will be useful.

Thank you in advance
Lisa Good





Darlington Primary's - Parents & Citizens Association

Email: darlingtonprimarypnc@gmail.com

NEXT P&C Meeting: 7pm 30 November (Staff Room) - Everyone is welcome

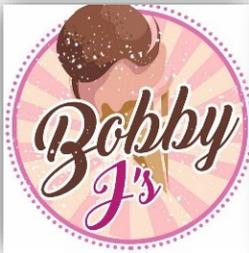


SUNDOWNER - SATURDAY 21 NOVEMBER 5-8 PM

ENTERTAINMENT: Drumming Club, Choir and Band with Mr Melrose.

FOOD:

- ◇ **Hoki Bao** - Taiwanese street food including Bao buns, fried chicken, bbq pork, rice dishes and bbq pork loaded chips.
- ◇ **Pizza Joe's** - Joe's delicious selection of Wood Fired pizza.
- ◇ **Lou's Kitchen** - **pre order** antipasto boxes from our very own Lou Knights from <https://www.facebook.com/louskitchen77/posts/193276852401534>
- ◇ **Bobby J's Icecream Van** - delicious treats.



BRING A PICNIC BLANKET AND SOME CHAIRS AND ENJOY
AN EVENING OF FOOD MUSIC AND FUN.

SCHOOL CANTEEN - YUMMY FUNDRAISER

AVAILABLE TO ORDER ON FLEXISCHOOLS NOW

- \$10 - Pork sausage rolls 40cm strip
- \$10 - Vegetarian sausage rolls 40cm strip
- \$20 - Beef party pies x 10
- \$20 - Creamy chicken party pies x 10
- \$20 - Pulled pork party pies x 10

Great time to stock up!

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SCHOLASTIC Book Club



It's our final issue for the year and it is loaded with incredible Christmas books and gift ideas for everyone! Book Club will have students' **summer reading sorted!**

You'll notice a brand new novel, *Code Name Bananas* by David Walliams below. Unfortunately it didn't make it into the catalogue, however it's available to order on LOOP for the Club price of \$18 using item order **#084**.

NEW ADDITION TO ISSUE 8

Code Name Bananas
David Walliams
RRP: \$22.99

CLUB PRICE
\$18

ORDER ON LOOP
ITEM #084

Please keep an eye out for the Scholastic Bookclub Issue 8 brochure which will come home this week. Don't forget to use your **VOUCHERS** if you won a Bookweek Character Dress Up prize earlier this term.

A huge thanks to those families that ordered from Issue 7. Even straight off the back of the Book Fair, your support earned another \$140 towards new books for the library!

A lovely big welcome to Melinda Reynolds who has kindly volunteered to take over the Bookclub Coordinator role in 2021.

If you ever require your order as a gift, please don't hesitate to contact me so the books can be withheld and arrangements made for pickup. Those ordering via 'The Loop' online can also choose the 'Gift' option. Either phone or text 0439910830, or email darlingtonpsbookclub@gmail.com

Please have orders completed either electronically via [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) or manually with order and cash to the School Office no later than **THURSDAY 26th NOVEMBER**.

Many thanks for supporting your P & C and School
Alison Scott

A huge thankyou to Alison Scott who has been our amazing Bookclub Co-ordinator for many years.

Thank you



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The P&C would like to acknowledge the tremendous effort of their volunteers at the recent busy bee. The group worked alongside Rico (our school gardener) weeding and mulching different areas of the school.

Thank you Michelle, Adrian, Kate, Harriot, Rico and Misako.

