

DARLINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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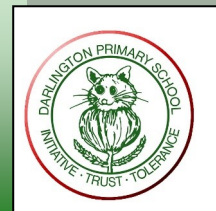
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This school will be closed on days of forecast Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating

SCHOOL HOURS

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

"We are a crunch and sip school"



Newsletter No 2 – Week 4 - TERM 1

Tuesday 23 February, 2021

Upcoming Events

WHAT'S ON AT D.P.S.



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| 23 Feb | SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING: 7pm |
| 25 Feb | FACTION SWIMMING CARNIVAL <i>Darlington Primary School</i> SWIMMING CARNIVAL |
| 1 March | LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY |
| 2 March | SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY Students DO NOT attend |
| 5 March | UNIFORM SHOP OPEN 8.30 - 9.00am |
| 5 March | ASSEMBLY - ROOM 6 8.55am |
| 9 March | DARLINGTON PUBLIC SPEAKING |
| 12 March | T20 CRICKET |
| 16 March | SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING: 7pm |
| 26 March | INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL |
| 1 April | ASSEMBLY - TRACEY'S TEAM 8.55am |
| 2 April | GOOD FRIDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY |

OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED

DARLINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C

NEXT SCHOOL P&C Meeting: **7pm MARCH 22, 2021**

President: Fiona Gordon

NEW FACES ALWAYS WELCOME

Email: president@dpspc.org.au



SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB COORDINATOR

Melinda Reynolds - 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
 Currently at Glen Forrest P.S.

STUDENT SERVICES

SCHOOL CHAPLAIN ONSITE - Monday, Thursday & Fridays

Chaplain: Tracey Buckley

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST ONSITE - Every Wednesday

Psychologist: Melita Silvasi

Principal's Report

ANDREW NEWHOUSE

Dear Parents and Care Givers,

Traffic

Parents are concerned about the traffic on Amherst Ave from 2:55 to 3:15pm. What are their concerns?

1. Lots of families come at this time!
2. Some cars park on the southern verge, which is dangerous regarding opening doors onto the street and children crossing the road to the car.
3. Some drivers overtake multiple cars to bypass the queue to go to the Early Learning Centre. This is an accident waiting to happen.

Thanks to the majority who are very patient and safe in using Amherst Avenue in the afternoons. Well done to those who come at 3:10 onwards to enjoy no congestion.

Stationery for Fire-affected Families

I received this email from host school, Sawyers Valley Primary School:

On behalf of our school community I would like to thank you and your wonderful school community for your donations of school stationery and supplies.

These items were made available to our immediate school community through our onsite P&C drive and were able to assist several families affected by the bushfires. We also took supplies over to the Giddegannup Rec Centre to support those in need from our wider community. We have received some feedback that many people have gratefully received these donations and are very appreciative of your support.

Thank you again.
 Kind regards

Fiona Collopy
 Principal, Sawyers Valley
 Primary School



Parent Information Night

I trust that our recent Parent Information Night was useful and informative for you. Please send feedback to me about the evening. In particular, did the timeslot and day work for you? Was there information that you didn't receive that you were expecting or needing?

Remember, parents who take the time to give me feedback help shape the school to be even better than it is!

Assembly

The first assembly for 2021 was last Friday. The new Student Council ran the assembly (with assistance from some Faction Captains) and chose to focus on the 2021 Swimming Carnival. With such little time to prepare, they did a great job. Thanks to Mrs Staples for her input the help put some polish on the production.

Initiative, Trust, Tolerance

Booklist and Stationery Items

This year the local Post Office became our preferred supplier of items for the school booklist. I am keen to know how this experience was from your point of view. Please email me with your feedback. In particular, would you like this local service to continue again for next year?

Thanks to the parents who used this service, the Post Office has forwarded to the school a generous commission. We are thankful for this and will put this amount to very good use.

Photographs

The school has followed up on a parent concern about the use of staff devices to take photos of students. As a result, the school has enacted a new policy which requires staff to only use school devices to capture and store photos of students. The school has resourced staff with a number of devices – both iPads and phones without SIM cards. Parents and Carers can now be confident that when staff photograph students at school, only school devices are used.

Consent Form

You may remember that you have previously been asked for your permission regarding Media Consent, Internet Access, Viewing Consent and Local Excursions. These permissions remain in place until you change them. If you want to review your consent to any of the above, please contact the school via email to make the changes.

Long Weekend

A reminder to parents and carers that this weekend is a very long weekend for students. Next Monday is a public holiday and next Tuesday is a student free day. Students are due back to school next Wednesday 3 March. The student-free day was placed after the long weekend in response to parent feedback last year. Lots of families appreciated the extra-long weekend for family activities.

Darlington Primary School SWIMMING CARNIVAL



Please see the Junior and Senior Programs attached to this email.

DARLINGTON PRIMARY
SCHOOL



SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2021

YEARS 4-6

THURSDAY 25th FEBRUARY
11.15 til 2.30 (approx)



DARLINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL



SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2021

YEARS 1-3

THURSDAY 25th FEBRUARY
9.15 til 11.30 (approx)

DARLINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

YEAR 6 SCHOOL CAMP

AUGUST 9 - 13TH 2021
POINT PERRON



Where great memories are made

Year 6 School Camp (date change)

9 to 13th August (Week 4 Term 3)



Darlington Primary School (DPS) is a Containers for Change drop off location.

When you drop off your eligible containers to DPS we receive a 10c refund for each container. This money will go towards funding further sustainability projects within our school.

There is a **RED BIN** near the front office where you can bring your cleaned eligible containers.

Another way to donate your containers to the DPS Containers for Change, without physically bringing them to school is to bag your own containers in a biodegradable bin bag and drop them off directly to a bag drop location. Our closest bag drop locations are The Shire of Mundaring and Recyclers for Change Midland.

To donate your containers to DPS using this method your bag will need to be tagged with our scheme.
ID – C10323779.

Acceptable items are: Most aluminium, glass, plastic, steel and liquid paperboard drink containers between 150ml & 3L.

For a comprehensive list of eligible products see link below
https://www.containersforchange.com.au/wa/#block_reference-90

Chaplain's Chat

TRACEY BUCKLEY



I am here on Monday, Thursday and Fridays. I am here for the whole school community.

Programs this Term

Girls Group



Girls Group started on Monday February 22, this is for girls in years 3 to 6. We meet at lunchtime in the undercover area.

There is still time to attend.

Craft Group



Craft Group is for students in years one to six. We meet in the library during the second half of lunch.

Come along and see what you can create.

Drumming Group



Drumming Group starts Thursday March 4. This is for students in pre-primary to year 6. We meet Thursday from 3.00pm to 3.30pm.

Students need to commit to the 4-week program.

Please find permission forms attached, there is space for 24 students.

Quote

always REMEMBER
YOU ARE BRAVER
THAN YOU BELIEVE
STRONGER
THAN YOU SEEM
SMARTER
THAN YOU THINK
AND LOVED
-MORE THAN YOU KNOW-

Tracey Buckley
School Chaplain

LOCAL HONEY FOR SALE

CASH SALES ONLY
\$10 – 1kg

All proceeds support the P&C

AVAILABLE FROM THE OFFICE

Thank you!

Back in stock

Community News



AND EVENTS



SUPPORT OUR SCHOOLS PROGRAM

Support Our Schools - SOS Program

Gilbert's Fresh Market will donate 1% of the money spent by you to your nominated school every time you shop with us.

Don't delay! Join our SOS Program today!

- Sign up in store
- Present your SOS Card for scanning at the checkout each time you shop
- Start to earn the benefits for your school straightaway

Get your entire school community involved and earn more funds for your school.



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Monday 15 February, 2021



Eastern Hills and Districts' Junior Concert Band

Calling all Year 6 BRASS, PERCUSSION and WOODWIND (Flute, Clarinet, saxophone) students!!!!

The Eastern Hills and Districts Junior Concert Band will be commencing rehearsals on

WEDNESDAY February 24 (WEEK 4)

in the Eastern Hills S.H.S. Music Centre

The rehearsal will start at 4:45pm and finish at 5:45pm (students should arrive around 4:30pm and be picked up before 6.00pm. Parking is available at the front of the school, near the Music Centre)

PLEASE REGISTER by following the link to the EHSWS website here: <https://www.ehshs.wa.edu.au/registration2021>

Or PLEASE REGISTER by scanning this QR Code:



Please bring:

- instrument and maintenance equipment (spare reeds, slide/cork grease, valve oil etc.)
- water bottle filled with water - not cordial or fizzy drink
- LABEL ALL ITEMS WITH YOUR NAME AND SCHOOL!!!

An information pack will be handed out at the first rehearsal explaining the aims of the program and the performance calendar for the year.

We are looking forward to meeting and working with the talented Year 6 Musicians in the Hills and making some excellent sounds in 2021!

Yours sincerely,

Justin Lynam
Teacher in Charge of Music
Eastern Hills S.H.S.

Elizabeth Lyon
Junior Band Director
Instrumental Music School Services Teacher

Please email justin.lynam@education.wa.edu.au or call the Eastern Hills S.H.S. Music Department on 9573 0300 for any questions that you have in regard to your child's musical development.



APPROVED SPECIALIST PROGRAM IN MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE

Thriving in a nurturing environment

LEAP

Lesmurdie Enrichment and Acceleration Program
Mathematics and Science



APPLY NOW FOR YEAR 7, 2022

The Lesmurdie Enrichment and Acceleration Program (LEAP), an Approved Specialist Program in Science and Mathematics for Year 7 to 10 students at Lesmurdie Senior High School, gives your child the opportunity to explore their talents and extend their learning at an advanced level. If your child is entering Year 7 in 2022, they are eligible for selection. Testing will take place at Lesmurdie Senior High School on

Saturday, 27 March 2021:

- 9.00 - 10.30am, or
- 11.30 - 1.00pm

Only students who have completed and returned the LEAP 2022 application form are eligible to sit the test. Information and application forms are available at lesmurdie.wa.edu.au. Applications open on Monday 22 February and close on Monday 15 March.

LEAP Information Evening Tuesday 23 February 5.00 - 6.00PM

For more information, go to the website lesmurdie.wa.edu.au or contact Samantha Sharman at Lesmurdie Senior High School on 9291 1200 or samantha.sharman@education.wa.edu.au.

WHILE WE WAIT FOR THE OFFICIAL POSTER.....

WOOROLOO PRIMARY SCHOOL INVITES YOU

THIS SATURDAY FEB 27TH FROM 4PM

SHARE A SAUSAGE SIZZLE OR BYO PICNIC & CHAIR
ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL AGES

MEET SOME OF THE AMAZING LOCAL HEROS FROM
THE LOCAL FIRIES!!!!
MARSUPIALS MAMMAS AND & PAPAS
GIDGIE VIBE
STONEVILLE FRESH

TOUR A MINDEROO HOUSING POD

BUILD A NESTING BOX AND CHAT ALL THINGS ENVIRO

FOLLOW UP WITH THE TEAM FROM PERCY CULLEN OVAL
BLAZEAD - LEGAL AID - RED CROSS
ANGLICARE - CWA
CITY OF SWAN & SHIRE OF MUNDARING
MEMBERS FROM STATE & FEDERAL PARTIES



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Darlington Primary School P&C

Email: darlingtonprimarypnc@gmail.com

NEXT P&C Meeting: 7pm 22 March 2021 (Staff Room) - **Everyone is welcome**



Our first P&C meeting of the year was held on February 15, it was fantastic to see some new people there. If you are interested in getting involved in the P&C, sign up to be a P&C Member, come along to the meetings and have your input into what the P&C is doing around our school. Our next meeting is Monday 22 March at 7pm in the staff room.

Even if you can't make it to the meetings as a P&C Member you will receive the agendas and minutes for our meetings and be abreast of what is going on.

Remember, children of parents who are involved in their school in some capacity do better in a whole range of areas.

President Position – vacancy coming up.

I will be resigning from the P&C President position in Term 2. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time in this position, but it is time to hand over the baton. Without a full executive committee, it makes it extremely difficult for many of the things the P&C does to continue – think Canteen!

If you are relatively organised, a team person and you want to help out the school, please consider being our next P&C President.

I'll be on hand to help!



Saturday 13 March – WA State Election – Cake Stall at the Darlington Hall Polling Station

Help needed to bake cakes and help sell them on the day. Detailed information on what is needed will be distributed shortly. Thank you to everyone who has already volunteered their time or baking skills.

Saturday 20 March – Welcome Sundowner 5-8pm at the school

This is a relaxed evening to come along and have a meal, play some games and get to know each other outside of the rushed school drop off and pick up.

Food vans are being organised and if you have some ideas for some entertainment on the evening contact me ASAP.

Projects around the School

Our vegetable garden plan is well underway, we are funding this with a Matching Grant from the Shire of Mundaring. You may have noticed that the tyre maze outside the canteen has been dismantled – this is because this location is the best for our new vegetable garden. Denise and Rico our gardeners have created a fabulous plan that incorporates wicking beds, herb gardens, bush tucker and fruit trees and bushes.

Don't panic the tyre maze will be reincarnated at another location.

We always need help with these projects so keep an eye out for busy bees or let us know if you have any skills that can help us with this project.

The P&C will also be funding a visit from Simon Cherriman around World Environment Day to talk to our community about birds, conservation of natural habitat, and the importance of nesting boxes.

Find more about Simon here: <https://www.simoncherriman.com.au/>

Fiona Gordon

president@dpspc.org.au