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Darlington Primary School

# NEWSLETTER DARLINGTON

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## From the Principal's Desk

Dear Families,

Welcome to the first newsletter for term 4. The end of the school year is fast approaching. Classes have begun to practise their items for the school concert. The presentation of the concert will be via a video stream for a week. We will begin videoing in 3 weeks time. All classes have been practising and I am sure we will see a very professional production.

Congratulations to MU03 for their production of the musical "Moana Jr." The students put on a great performance for their school community last Wednesday in the afternoon and also for families in the evening. School musicals are becoming a feature of Darlington Primary School and a wonderful extension of our Performing Arts program. Thank you to everyone involved. We will have a video produced and will let families know when this is available for viewing.

On Monday our 2022 receptions started their transition program to the junior primary school. It was wonderful to see the children enjoying the school space and to be able to meet our continuing and future families. The children will continue for a further 3 visits over the coming Mondays while increasing their time at school. Currently we have twenty one students who have enrolled for the coming year.

Thank you to all the families who completed the Parent Survey that was organised through the Education Department. We had a response from 52 parents, 80% of families were happy or very happy with the school. Thank you for the positive feedback. We will look more closely at this information and investigate which areas need improvement.

As we reach the middle of the last term of the year it is good to remember that reading is an essential skill that we all need. To get better at reading we all need to practice. In the age of electronic devices, we can forget about the pleasures of reading. So, I would just like to remind everyone to stop and take the time to read and share a book with your child. You have an important role to play in developing your child's love of reading. You sharing a book for fun and enjoyment will develop your child's love of reading. So, don't forget to share a book with your child on a regular basis.

Linda Fox

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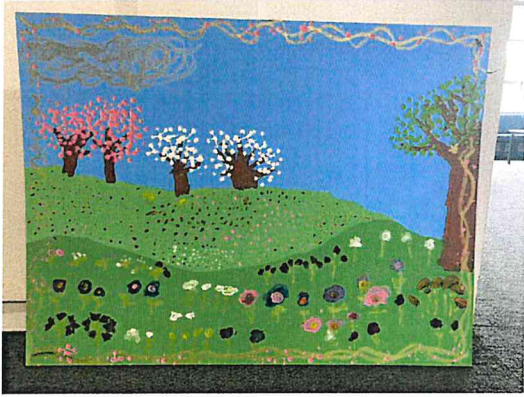
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# Spring Painting Competition



The students in C01 Miss Lucy's, C04 Ms Davids and WB5 Mrs Smith and Walkers classes entered the Marion Bunnings Spring Painting Competition. The students in Miss Lucys' Intensive English Language Class won 2nd prize: a boronia plant, a Bee and Insect house and a \$50 Bunnings voucher. Thank you to Bunnings Marion and Mr Nick for all his help in dropping the paintings and collecting for us.



# Spring Painting Competition



Armed with materials supplied by Bunnings, C01 set to work to do a collaborative piece of art for The Marion Bunnings Spring Painting Competition last term. They were delighted to come 2nd and their prize was some plants and a voucher to spend at Bunnings. We bought more plants and started to create a garden just outside our classroom. Since then, we have been busy planting and watering and hoping our new blooms will grow. Well done C01



# SAPSASA

SAPSASA Athletics Day, 2021.

On Tuesday, 24th August, 13 of our students travelled by bus to Santos Stadium, Mile End, to represent DPS in the South West Zone in athletics. Mrs Magarey, Nicky Clark and Alex came to support the students. Cooper Green came to support the team and help Mrs Magarey. SAPSASA means that our students competed against the strongest athletes from other schools.



First, we found a spot in the grandstand to watch our 800 metre runners who had 2 laps to run in front of the spectators. Ali, then Axel and then Emily S ran their races with about 20 other boys or girls from other schools.

These three students all ran their personal best times on the bouncy rubber track.

Then some students like Emilie C, Emma F, Yiannis A, Rory B and Kade M performed the long jump or high jump.

Emma Freeman won the age10 girls long jump.

Later the 100 metre and 200 metre sprints started.

Sadeq, Oscar, Kade, Yiannis and Saleh ran very well in these races and Emma F, Emilie C and Sierra B ran in the girls races.

Sadeq and Oscar ran so fast that they represented our school in the finals and later in the State Athletics day. Emma also went on to perform in the age10 girls long jump.

I would like to congratulate all the students for practising so hard at school to prepare for this day.

Also thanks to Alex and Nicky for time keeping the sprinters so well.

Mrs Magarey PE Teacher



# RECYCLING ★★☆☆☆

## Recycling in the White Building

White building children have been collecting mostly fruit boxes for 10c recycling and Miss B takes them to the recycling depot. In term 1 we bought three hand tennis balls for each class for \$7.50.

In term 2 we bought UNO sets

for each class with \$21. With the term 3 money \$21, we would like to help some poor people. Our idea is to use this money to buy some toiletries and give them to the "TREASURE BOX" charity at Edwardstown. Miss B and I rang the charity and spoke to Sue. She said we could donate shampoos or packaged soaps etc. You are very welcome to donate a gold coin also. You can bring this to WB3 and maybe we can buy more toiletries.

In term 4 we are thinking about buying some IKEA ice-block moulds to use in cooking lessons in the White Building.

By Talwasa WB3



## Pupil Free Day (NO SCHOOL)



**Friday**

**5<sup>th</sup> November**

## SCHOOL FEES 2022

Keep an eye out for information regarding school fees for next year this will be sent out soon.



# Stepping Up to Gaming

## Parent and Adolescent Therapeutic Group

### Is your family having issues with online gaming?

Stepping Up to Gaming is a therapeutic group for young people (11 to 17 years) and their parents/caregivers. It helps parents and their kids establish a balanced approach to online gaming.

Join us for four weekly sessions, with a light dinner provided.

**When:** Thursdays, 4, 11, 18 and 25 November 2021 | 5.30pm - 7.30pm

**Where:** Relationships Australia SA  
Level 5, Westfield Marion Shopping Centre,  
297 Diagonal Road, Oaklands Park

**Cost:** Free

To register your interest, please email [rasas@rasa.org.au](mailto:rasas@rasa.org.au)



Come and join us for a  
**FREE BREAKFAST!**

Every

**TUESDAY & THURSDAY MORNING**

8.10am to 8.40am  
in the Hall



Please check the lost  
property bins for any  
items of clothing etc.



**SCHOOL FEES  
ARE DUE  
NOW  
FOR 2021**

## DIARY DATES TERM 4

Thursday 11th November

Remembrance Day Assembly

Tues 30th Nov & Wed 1st Dec

High School Transition Visits Year 6's

Thurs 2nd Dec & Fri 3rd Dec

High School Transition Visits Year 7's

Monday 6th December

Students to Visit 2022 Classes

Thursday 9th December

Christmas Stall

Early years Fun Day

Senior Graduation

Friday 10th December

Assembly

Last day of Term

Early Dismissal at 2:05pm



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