



Newsletter 2019

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Tuesday 13th August 2019

Every student, every voice!

Dates to Note:

- Tues 13th August
Chat with an Artist
P & C Meeting 7 pm
- Wed 14th August
Zone Athletics –Field
- Fri 16th August
PSSA & Canteen
- Mon 19th August
Learning to Lead Yr 5 & 6
- Wed 21st August
Longneck Lagoon Stage 3
Zone Athletics—Track
- Thurs 22nd August
Assembly 2:30pm
- Fri 23rd August
PSSA & Canteen
- Mon 26th August
Writer's Festival— at Annangrove P.S
- Fri 30th August
PSSA & Canteen
- Mon 2nd September
Longneck Lagoon Stage 2
- Thurs 5th September
Assembly 2:30pm

Education Week: This year's theme of *Every Student Every Voice* saw Middle Dural students demonstrating *voice* through performance at our special assembly. Students performed a whole school song entitled "We Are", the top Ukelele group performed "Miss Mary Mac" involving very smooth key changes, and every student had the opportunity to share and discuss their design task on *Change* with the school community. All of this was carried out most admirably by all of our students. A Book Fair was also held in the Library where families made personal purchases along with some donations to the school library. We thank everyone for your interest and support throughout education week and, indeed, all year.

Wizard of Oz: What a spectacular performance! Our students were treated to an amazing performance by students of Galston High. We congratulate Galston High and thank them for inviting us. Thank you also to everyone who was able to drop their children at Galston making access so much easier, and to our students who always seem to know how to behave so well. Well done students.

Athletics Carnival: A magnificent day once again and a big thank you to Mrs Urio from Annangrove PS for organising such an event. Our students performed extremely well giving their utmost in each event. Great work guys! You may have noticed our magnificent shade shelter. We thank Mr Driscoll from Pegasus Print Group (who is also Makayla and Korbin's dad) for arranging and organising this for our P&C to purchase.

Koala Incursion: Yesterday our students were involved in an environmental incursion about Koalas. Koala populations have diminished by around 80% since early settlement for many reasons. It has been noticed in very recent times that wild koala numbers in the Glenorie/Maroota area have started to increase. Students learned about becoming Citizen Scientists to assist in tracking and recording sightings of Koalas or evidence of their existence. Yrs 3-6 spent time identifying scats and trees that are in our own playground that may support Koalas. K/1/2 continued research within the classroom and will continue this throughout the week.

Chat With an Artist: This much-loved and worthwhile program continues with a visit from Emma who will share her approach to mixed media art today. Our students are prepared and excited for this event.

Writers' Festival: As part of the Small Schools Learning Alliance, our students will be travelling by bus to Annangrove PS to participate in workshops presented by three children's authors/illustrators— John Heffernan, Lesley Gibbes, David Legge. This promises to be an amazing day that should awaken the writer in all of us. Please read the note sent home yesterday, returning permission slips and notes promptly.

Preschool Visit: Next Tuesday Dooral ELC will be visiting our library. Because it is Book Week next week, our students will be reading stories to the pre-schoolers and organising activities for them, wearing their pre-designed capes: *Reading Super Power*

P&C: Our next meeting is TONIGHT!!!! See if you can join us at 7pm in the library.



Days to note:

Mondays = Library, Canteen

Tuesday = PE (sports uniform)

Wednesdays = Scripture

Thursdays = Assembly every 2nd week

Friday = Sports day



Monday 26th August 2019

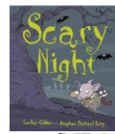
WRITERS FESTIVAL

2019

Venue: Annangrove PS

Travel: by bus

All day



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- OSHC - BSC/ASC - booking at the beginning of the term
 - Before School Care \$25.00 – per child/Session
 - After School Care \$27.00 – per child/Session
- OSHC - BSC/ASC - Casual
 - Before School Care \$33.00 – per child/Session
 - After School Care \$35.00 – per child/Session

Our P&C will be meeting on

Tuesday 13th August at 7:00pm

in the school library.

These meetings are short, fun and best of all

PRODUCTIVE!!!

We would love you to join us to help keep this school the amazing place it is and to ensure your children gain the benefits that previous years have been able to experience through the many efforts of P&C participation and guidance.

We have found that enormous tasks have fallen on but a few. It's time we all shared the load a little.

Why not come along to be a voice to be heard. Share your thoughts. Maybe offer some assistance in some small way. We would really enjoy your company.



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Teachers open the door, but you must enter by yourself.

Chinese proverb

A small reminder to parents that if you have any concerns at all regarding your child, their work or an issue with another child in the school, we ask that you please **speak to the class teacher** to clarify the situation. Sometimes things are not quite as they seem.

Do remember that in a small school, teachers are extremely busy, covering anything from 2 to 4 duties a day as well as preparation and marking. It may be, therefore, better to make an appointment to ensure satisfaction all round.

Ann Mills

Principal

Middle Dural PS