



Newsletter 2018

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Tuesday 25th September 2018

Just Strumming Away!

Dates to Note:

- Fri 28th Sep

Talent Quest (Yr 6 Fund-raiser)



Last Day of Term

Students return...

Monday 15th October

- Tues 16th Oct

P & C Meeting 7pm

- Thurs 25th Oct

Kindy Orientation Day

- Mon 29th Oct &

Mon 5th Nov

Kindy Early birds afternoon session 2:00-3:05pm

- Thurs 1st & 8th Nov

Kindy Early Birds morning session 10:00-11:30 (includes recess)

- Thurs 1st Nov

Assembly 2:30pm

Ukulele: (Please note the now correct spelling! I have no excuses!) I am absolutely delighted with the interest, enthusiasm and progress of all of our students. Congratulations children in your perseverance, concentration and involvement! Thank you Allison for your interest, guidance and tuition in supporting this project.

School Uniform: We make the switch to summer uniform with the commencement of Term 4. Students are required to wear full summer uniform each day, with Wednesdays and Fridays set aside for sports uniform. Thank you all for your support in ensuring your children are correctly attired.

Kindy Orientation: Our kindy orientation day has been arranged for Thursday 25th October Commencing at 9:30 for parents and students in the library, the session begins with a Principal's welcome and chat around expectations. This is followed up with talks from P&C members and a shared morning tea, while the "new Kindies" are escorted by the K/1/2 students to our classroom for some fun "Big School" activities. We would love some of our existing parents to also be in attendance to assist in welcoming our new parents and students. This Orientation Day is followed by four class sessions to familiarise the new kindies with life at school. Two Monday afternoons and two Thursday mornings. Times and dates have been distributed to these families.

New Students: We have received a number of new enquiries around enrolments for next year. Thank you to our wonderful parents for spreading supportive words within our community and to our students who do their best to show our visitors just what a friendly, happy and supportive learning environment we have in our school community.

P&C Meeting: Our next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 16th October at 7:00pm in the school library. We welcome your interest and input. Please come and join us.

Dooral Early Learning Centre: Mrs McLennan and I went to visit our neighbours last Friday to discuss the much-needed crossing that will enable our students to access before and afterschool care at Dooral Early Learning Centre. We were most impressed with their facilities but equally delighted to note that their Educational Leader was indeed Ysanne, who happens to be a past Middle Dural student. The connection is amazing and creates a strong bond between our two facilities. We have invited representatives from the centre to be a part of our Orientation Day.

With regards to the crossing... I have again emailed Matt Kean's office and we are attempting some other avenues. Anybody with any other ideas? Please let us know. We need to make it a safe area to cross, not just for access to before and after school care but also to allow our students the opportunity to "walk safely to school."

Term 4: Please note the commencement of Term 4 is on Monday 15th October. There is no Staff Development Day at the commencement of this term. I expect to see all of our students arriving before 9:00am on this day ready to commence their final term of Learning for 2018. My how the time has flown!

Presentation Evening: Please lock in the date for this year's Presentation Evening. It will be held on Tuesday 11th December commencing at 7:00pm. It is a night for all of our students and families where we recognise the many achievements at this beautiful school. The night usually concludes at around 9:00pm.

Our School Day:

The morning bell rings at **9:00am**, giving students time to prepare and assemble for a **9:05** start in the classroom.

Recess commences at **11:05am** and concludes at **11:30am**.

Lunch is from **1:05pm** to **1:55pm**. The school day concludes at **3:05pm**.



Kindy Orientation Day



Thursday 25th October
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End of Term TALENT QUEST

Yr 6 Fundraiser
Friday 28th September
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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.

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.

Courage doesn't mean you don't get afraid.

Courage means you don't let fear stop you.

An important 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 3 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
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