



Durrumbul Public School NEWSLETTER

Term Four Week One



Principal: Mrs Lauren Hankinson

PBL JEWEL REWARD DAY

For the past eighteen months, our school has been actively promoting positive behaviour by enabling students to develop a clear understanding of required expectations, becoming responsible for their own behaviour and working together to create a positive, productive and respectful learning environment. Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) is systematic and evidence-based and is designed to support all students to achieve their best academically, socially and behaviourally.

At Durrumbul PS, our school-wide rewards system acknowledges both the whole school and individual students who have made positive progress towards displaying our school-wide behavioural expectations. The rewards system includes a PBL Jewels Reward Day when students have all earned 15 Jewel cards and reached an accumulative line on the "Jewels Box".

On Friday 25th September, students enjoyed their PBL Jewels Reward Day by using metal detectors to search for hidden treasure and watching a Drive-In Movie in cars that they created themselves!!! Students snacked on fresh fruit and popcorn while enjoying the movie Free Birds. We are so very proud of all our Caring Respectful Learners at Durrumbul PS.



WELCOME BACK!

Welcome back to Term 4. It has been wonderful to see students happily back to learning and trying their best. It is also with much relief that the Queensland border restrictions have been extended to include the Byron Shire so that all staff can return to work as normal. A huge thank you to Mrs. Nicole Power who joined our staff team for Term 3 when the borders were closed. She is an experienced and highly competent School Learning Support Officer who was a tremendous asset to our school. Nicole threw herself with much enthusiasm into many extra projects to not only improve our school environment for staff and students but assist teachers greatly in sharing the workload while we had less staff at school. Thank you so much Nicole.

COVID-19 UPDATE

While restrictions are slowly easing, schools are still unable to have non-essential adults on site. If you wish to speak to a member of staff, please just call the school office and leave a message and they will get back to you as soon as possible. We look forward to welcoming you all back into the school as soon as possible and we will continue to keep you posted on changes to restrictions as they occur.

2021 KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION

We are so excited to be able to welcome our 2021 Kindergarten students to 'Big School' for their Kindergarten Transition sessions this term. All children starting school next year are welcome to come along for a morning of fun and learning. If you know of any local families still considering options for their child, please encourage them to ring and book in for a school tour to see all that we have to offer at our beautiful school.

Kindergarten transition days are a great way for children to experience a brief but engaging and fun session at school. It is a small taster for what classroom life will be in the coming year. It is also a great opportunity for children to get to know their future classmates, meet their teachers and participate in some introductory kindergarten activities. Students are welcome to attend all or any of the four sessions.

Dates for Kindergarten Transition are:

THURSDAY 12th NOVEMBER 9am - 11am Theme: Dinosaur

FRIDAY 13th NOVEMBER 9am - 11am Theme: Australian Animals

THURSDAY 19th NOVEMBER 9am - 11am Theme: Space

FRIDAY 20th NOVEMBER 9am - 11am Theme: Santa's Workshop

Any Durrumbul Preschool children can be accompanied by school staff back to the preschool following their transition morning session if needed.

PATAKA MOVEMENT

From next Monday 19th October, we will be hosting a Pataka Kai - Community Pantry at our front gate. There are many families in our community (and across Australia and the world!) who are struggling lately and we believe that we can offer some love and help to those in our school community. If you or someone you know is in need of food, please come to our community pantry and take whatever you need at no cost. Alternatively, if you have a little extra food that is unopened, unused, non-perishable and would like to donate it, please place it inside our pantry. It is hoped that people will take what they need or leave what they can. Thank you for supporting this new ongoing school initiative in any way that you can. Please do not leave any cash.

AWARD WINNERS



BOOK FAIR

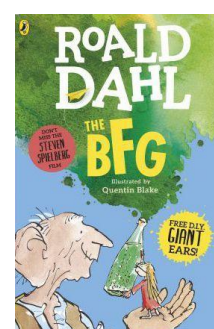
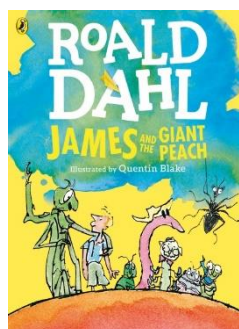
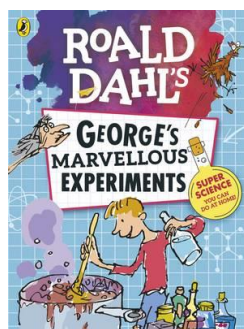
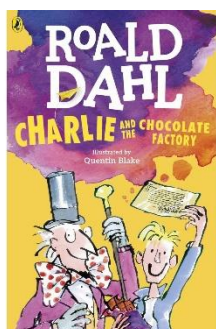
Each day in Week 2, our Scholastic Book Fair will be open for students only to enjoy. Students will have the opportunity to write a “wish list” to bring home for consideration. Book Fairs are a fun opportunity for children to see, touch and connect with books they want to read. Perhaps students might be able to do a job or two around the house to earn some pocket money to buy a book? There is a wide range of books at affordable prices along with some other small fun goodies that can be purchased for just \$1 or \$2. All purchases can be done online from home and if this is not possible, please don't hesitate to call the school office for assistance with purchasing if needed.

Online Payment instructions for Book Fair purchases:

www.scholastic.com.au/payment

BOOK WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Over the next two weeks, students will be enjoying Book Week festivities and celebrating books. Students will be focusing on some of Roald Dahl's books and enjoying books that have been shortlisted for awards by the Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA). We are so proud of our students who are now regularly exchanging home readers and utilising our brand-new library. Next Thursday 22nd October, students are welcome to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we are unable to open up our book parade to parents but be assured we will post plenty of stories and photos on our Instagram page for you to enjoy on the day.



WORLD TEACHERS' DAY 2020

At Durrumbul Public School we will celebrate World Teachers' Day on Friday 30th October. This day gives us a chance to acknowledge and show our appreciation to the dedicated, caring and professional teachers at our school. Through discussions with our children, newsletter updates and daily Instagram posts, you hear all about the wonderful, diverse and challenging learning activities our students experience in and out of the classroom.

The education we offer at Durrumbul PS focuses on the learning and social needs of students as individuals and it is our incredible staff team that make this a reality for our students by combining subject knowledge with effective teaching strategies whilst creating a nurturing, supportive school culture.

2020 has been a challenging year in many ways for everyone. World Teachers' Day allows us to show our gratitude to the teachers at our school who have ensured that students' learning both while learning at home and while at school as their top priority. Please chat to your children about this special day and perhaps you would like to make a small gesture; a short note, an apple, a drawing or a flower to say thank you for all that they do. I'm so very proud of our entire staff team at Durrumbul PS and the enthusiasm, dedication and joy they all bring to our school each and every day.

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

TERM 4 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
WEEK ONE	English, Fitness, Maths, Mindfulness, Sport and Assembly. CT: Ms. Jankovic	English, Fitness, Maths, Mindfulness, Library and Creative Arts. CT: Ms. Jankovic & Mrs. Campbell	English, Fitness, Maths, Mindfulness and Geography. CT: Ms. Jankovic	English, Fitness, Maths, Mindfulness, Environmental Science and Sustainability. CT: Mr. Roberts	English, Fitness, Maths, Mindfulness, Health and STEM. Newsletter home. CT: Mr. Roberts	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
WEEK TWO	English, Fitness, Maths, Mindfulness, Sport and Assembly. CT: Ms. Jankovic	English, Fitness, Maths, Mindfulness, Library and Creative Arts. CT: Ms. Jankovic & Mrs. Campbell	English, Fitness, Maths, Mindfulness and History. CT: Ms. Jankovic	Book Week Celebrations	English, Fitness, Maths, Mindfulness, Health and STEM. CT: Mr. Roberts	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
WEEK THREE	English, Fitness, Maths, Mindfulness, Sport and Assembly. CT: Ms. Jankovic	English, Fitness, Maths, Mindfulness, Library and Creative Arts. CT: Ms. Jankovic & Mrs. Campbell	English, Fitness, Maths, Mindfulness and Geography. CT: Ms. Jankovic	English, Fitness, Maths, Mindfulness, Environmental Science and Sustainability. CT: Mr. Roberts	English, Fitness, Maths, Mindfulness, Health and STEM. Newsletter home. CT: Mr. Roberts	
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CT: Classroom Teacher

Please continue to practice social distancing and safe hygiene practices to protect us all.

We would like to acknowledge the Arakwal Bumberlin people of Bundjalung Nation who are the Traditional Custodians of this land on which we live, learn and work