Journey to Recognition

Last week Darlington Point Public School became a pit stop for the Recognition team on their journey around Australia. They are campaigning for the recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Australian Constitution and to ensure there is no place for discrimination in our founding legal document.

Book Parade

Again our Book Week Parade was a huge success with lots of the kids dressing up as book characters. Well done to everyone for their efforts.

Term 3 Week 9
Fri 11th Sept  Interest Electives
Fri 11th Sept  JRFH – Jump Off

Term 3 Week 10
Fri 18th Sept  Waddi Housing – NAIDOC Day

TTFM-PARENT SURVEY

Please complete our online survey before Friday 16th October 2015. Information and a link to the survey can be found on page 3 of this newsletter. If not viewing this newsletter online please look for the link on our Facebook page or school website. Your participation is appreciated.

!!SAVE THE DATE!!!
P&C Fete Friday 23rd October 5pm-8pm
More info coming soon
School Lunch Orders
Rivadestate will now be doing the school lunch orders on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The Coolibah Café will NO LONGER be delivering school lunches.

Homework Centre
The Homework Centre will continue this Wednesday 9th Sep 2015 (Term 3 Week 9). Parent volunteers are very welcome. This is the last week of homework centre for this term.

School App
Darlington Point Public School has an app which is designed to further streamline the communication between school and home. You can download the app onto any smartphone, just by searching Darlington Point in either the Apple Store or Google Play Store. The username and password are as follows.

Username: community
Password: darlingtonptps

Woolworths Earn & Learn
This week is the final week to collect your Earn & Learn stickers at Woolworths. Don’t forget to hand them in to the front office. We appreciate your support.
The Tell Them From Me student feedback survey
I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the Tell Them From Me student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.
The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the Tell Them From Me survey to help improve how they do things at school.
I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.
A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you do not want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by 28/08/2015. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from the website above.

The Partners in Learning parent feedback survey
Our school will also be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey, another part of the Tell Them From Me suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.
Running this survey will help our school understand parents’ and carers’ perspectives on their child’s experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school’s support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.
The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically takes 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, however, your responses are very much appreciated.

Parents and carers access the survey via this direct link: https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/j_acegi_security_check?j_username=parent18588&j_password=Darl1736
*Link may not work with some internet browsers.
**MERIT AWARDS**

**TERM 3 WEEK 8**

**Kinder**

Caitlin – her wonderful participation and creativity during Drama.

Amarni – always working hard to create well written and neat stories.

Jax – working hard to create and identify number patterns in Maths.

**1/2**

Colita – excellent effort during writing activities.

Dylan – outstanding reading. Keep up the good work.

Lachlan – creative ideas during our drama lesson in PD/Health.

**2/3**

Bryce – participating in class discussion with insightful answers.

Shanice – working hard in Maths with flip, slide and turn concept.

Kameron – being a super-star in Literacy groups using his literacy task card.

**3/4**

Abbey – wonderful improvements in her reading.

Elie – a great effort conducting research in her individual project.

Brayden – a great effort in all areas of English and improvements in Spelling and Creative Writing.

**4/5**

Nadeen – an excellent application in Mathematics.

Jai – demonstrating excellent throwing and catching skills when fielding in Fitness.

Bryce – a fabulous effort with recount and narrative writing.

Tanaiya – demonstrating excellent throwing and catching skills when fielding in Fitness.

**5/6**

Tanieka – a terrific commitment in all learning areas.

Todd – a wonderful effort completing a writing task.

Oliver – his consistent effort during Maths this week.

**Bidgee Bonus Awards**

**Term 3 Week 8**

Kinder – River

1/2 – Jett, Levi & Sye

2/3 – Brock, Joshua, Tom, Shania, Bryce & Kameron

3/4 – Darcy & Breeanna

4/5 – Gavin, Henry, Ashleigh & Bryce

5/6 – Zidaeyah & Oliver

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**Darlington Point Spring Festival**

19 September 2015

From 10am

- Entertainment
- Stalls
- Raffle
- Car Show
- Food, Refreshments & Wine Tastings

**Kids Activities:**

- Train Rides
- Merry-go-round
- Jumping Castle
- Roller Racers
- Face Painting

Stall Information please call or email: Murrumbidgee Shire Council

0800 5500 or post@murrumbidgee.nsw.gov.au

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