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**What's on for TERM 4**

**Week 9**

Mon 2/12 Yr 4 – 6 Lake Ainsworth Small Schools Excursion to Wed 4/12

**Tues 3/12 Industrial Action 9am-11am**

Wed 4/12 Preschoolers Morning 10am -11.30am

Yr 6 Orientation at Dorrigo HS – All Day

& Parent Orientation 9.10am to 10.45am

Tues 5/12 Intensive Swimming Scheme at Dorrigo Pool

Play Dress Rehearsal

Fri 6/12 Kindergarten Transition - All Day

Supporters Christmas Thank you Lunch - 1.30pm

**Week 10**

Mon 9/12 Yr 6 Orientation at Dorrigo HS – All Day

Tues 10/12 Intensive Swimming Scheme at Dorrigo Pool

to Fri 13/12

Sat 14/12 Made in Dorrigo Market Day

**Week 11**

Mon 16/12 Kindergarten Transition 9.30am to 12noon

Mufti Day (Non Uniform)

End of Year Presentation – 5pm

Tues 17/12 End of Year Excursion to Coffs Harbour

Wed 18/12 Last Day of Term 4 for Students.

Christmas Carols at School – 6pm

**Notes and Money due: (notes sent home previously)**

- Swimming Helpers Note
- Supporters Lunch RSVP
- Term 4 SAKG Contribution
- \$21 Swimming Money Due Now

**FORTNIGHTLY AWARDS**

**Week 8- Term 4, 2013**

Student of the Week **Daniel Eibeck**

Sports / Value Person **Ronny Baff**

Mathlete of the Week **Izzy Duff**

Class Awards **Orli McKeivitt**

**Gracie Eibeck**



**Well Done!**

**Dundurrabin Public School Industrial Action  
 TOMORROW –Tuesday 3 December 2013**

Teaching staff at Dundurrabin Public School will be taking industrial action TOMORROW, Tuesday 3 December 2013 for 2 hours. **The school will be non-operational and there will be no teachers at school during this time.** School will resume as normal at 11am.

**SAKG Gardening & Cooking**

Instead of gardening this week, students worked on mudding up the cubby house again. From our gardens we harvested berries, spinach, lettuce, herbs, carrots, parsnips, broad beans, peas, beans, beetroot and frozen lemon juice from our freezer. In the kitchen we

cooked Gigi's sushi, fancy boiled egg salad, coleslaw, garden salad and self-saucing puddings with berry coulis. Thank you to our volunteers Gigi Pankhurst, Julie Connor and Sharon Field.





**Mudding Up the Cubby House** - Students had fun on Friday mudding up their cubby.



**AASC** – Enjoying Sport with Mr Kovacevic

**After School Arrangements – Reminder**

Please remember to inform the school when your child has a change of routine after school. This can be as simple as a phone call or a short note.

**Library Books to be Returned**

**Could all library books please be returned by next week**, there will be no more borrowing now until next year. If any Year 6 students have books borrowed, please return them before leaving us.

**Yr 6 Orientation – Dorrigo High School – This Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December – All Day**

This Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December, Year 6 will be heading to Dorrigo High School where they will participate in Peer support activities for periods 1-2, lessons for periods 3-4 and swimming for sport. They will need recess and lunch, as well as swimmers, towel, sunscreen and money for pool entry (\$2). Notes about swimming were sent home last Thursday with the students. Students can catch the High School bus to and from the High School for the day (cost \$2.00 to be paid to the bus driver on the day).

**Orientation for parents will also be on this day, Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December, from 9.05am to 10.45am in the DHS Hall.** All parents are invited and encouraged to attend the information morning.

**The last day for Year 6 Orientation at Dorrigo High School will be Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December for a full day of lessons.** Travel will be the same as above. **Please sign the consent note attached for both days as soon as possible.**

**Preschoolers Morning – This Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December – 10am to 11.30am**

**\*\*\*Please note the change of day\*\*\***

Due to the Industrial Action on Tuesday our Preschoolers morning will now be this Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December, from 10am to 11.30am. This will be a fun morning filled with Christmas craft activities. This will be our last one for 2013.

### **Dress Rehearsal – Play Costumes – this Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

A list was sent home previously stating what your child/ren will need for their play costume. We will be having a dress rehearsal this Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December, so could all students please make sure they have what they need to bring on this day.

### **Supporters Lunch for Parents and Community – this Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December – 1.30pm – RSVP**

This Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm we would like everyone to join us for a Christmas lunch so we can thank you for your support this year.

### **Transition into Kindergarten – this Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Full Day**

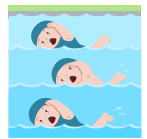
Our next transition day for preschool students coming into Kindergarten next year, 2014, will be this Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December for a full day. This will mean that if your child is turning 5 years of age before 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2014 they are eligible to enrol in Kindergarten at Dundurrabin P.S for 2014. Our transition days will provide your child with the experiences of school on a weekly basis to prepare them for the next year of Kindergarten. If you haven't already enrolled your child into our school for next year and would like to, please see Melissa and she will gladly help you with the enrolment forms. We look forward to seeing all our new preschool students for a fun filled time at Dundurrabin P.S. **Our last transition date for Kindergarten will be Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December.**

### **Small Schools 2013 'Learn to Swim' in Weeks 9 and 10 – Starts This Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

The School Swimming Scheme begins **this Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December** and finishes on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December (5 days in total - not including Friday 6<sup>th</sup> and Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December).

**Students \$21.00 is now due**, please pay as soon as possible. Thank you to those families that have already paid.

**Times and dates in table below.**



<b>Thursday 5/12/13</b>	<b>Tuesday 10/12/13</b>	<b>Wednesday 11/12/13</b>	<b>Thursday 12/12/13</b>	<b>Friday 13/12/13</b>
<b>12.30 to 3pm</b>	<b>9.30 to 12.15pm</b>	<b>9.30 to 12.15pm</b>	<b>9.30 to 12.15pm</b>	<b>9.30 to 12.15pm</b>

**Swimming Helper Volunteer roster form is attached**, please let us know if you are available to help out on any of these days. Thank you to those who have already volunteered days.

### **Bus Times will be as follows:**

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December – leave school at 12noon and return to school by 3.30pm – bus run as normal

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – bus run as normal – We will leave by 9am sharp each day

**On Thursday** students are to come to school in uniform and get changed at school prior to heading into the pool.

**For Tuesday and Friday** swimming students may come to school dressed in their swimmers (rash shirt and hat) and either sandals or thongs but must have a packed uniform (**2 towels**/shirt/shorts/trousers/jumper/underwear/socks & shoes) to change into, a towel to use during sessions as well as a towel to dry themselves with at the end of each day. The school will provide sunscreen throughout the day. Students will need to pack a big recess, lunch and plenty of water as swimming can make students extra hungry and thirsty. Students will only be able to buy from the shop on the last day of swimming, Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

### **Non- Uniform Day – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

Students may come to school on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December in non-uniform for the day, this way uniforms will be nice and clean for presentation night.

### **End of Year Presentation – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December – 5pm**

We will be holding our End of Year Presentation on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 5.30pm.

Students are to go home after school and then return with parents/carers at 5pm in full school uniform (sport shirt) ready for the presentation to begin at 5.30pm. Our students

will be performing a number of theatrical items and receiving awards for their ongoing efforts and achievements.

We are asking everyone to please bring a plate of finger food/salad/dessert to share after the presentation. Please be aware that we have students with nut/dairy/gluten allergies and will need to know ingredients in dishes to allow for no reactions. **Please indicate on the attached note what your family will bring on the night.** Thank you.





### **End of Year Excursion to Coffs Harbour – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

We will be travelling to Coffs Harbour on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December for our end of year excursion. We will be travelling to and from Coffs Harbour on Jim’s bus and will need to leave Tyringham Store at 8am. We will be 9 Pin Bowling first, then recess at the Jetty Beach (not swimming), where students can participate in sandcastle building followed by lunch and play at Brelsford Park prior to catching bus home. The P&C have kindly offered to pay for Jim’s bus for the day. The only cost to students will be \$12 each for Nine Pin Bowling.

**Students can catch the High School Bus run in the morning.**

**Those students who do not catch the bus will need to be at Tyringham Store by 8am.**

**Students will catch the High School Bus run home in the afternoon.**

**Those students who do not catch the bus will need to be collected at Tyringham Shop at 4pm.**

Students will need to wear full school uniform (sport shirts if possible) **and a hat** on the day. **They will need to bring a packed recess, lunch, afternoon snack and plenty of water to drink throughout the day.** Please sign and return the attached consent note and money if attached.



### **Community Christmas Carols – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – 6pm**

We will be holding an evening of Christmas Carols with our local community choir. This will be a wonderful night for all the community to get together in good spirits and enjoy each other’s company. The P&C will be catering for this event with sausage sandwiches, veggie patties, tea, coffee and cordial. Cans of soft drink will be available for purchase or bring along your own picnic. There will also be safe flame candles (battery operated) available to purchase at \$2 each. Please remember that the school is a smoke and alcohol free zone. **We will be hoping that we can have a few volunteers to help with the BBQ cooking on the night.**

### **P&C News & Community Notices**

#### **P&C Auction Catering – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November**

The P&C have been asked to cater for an auction in Dundurrabin on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December from 9am until finish. We will holding a BBQ, selling steak / sausage sandwiches, cold drinks, tea, coffee and hopefully cakes, slices and biscuits. **We are asking every family to please donate either a cake/slice/biscuits for the fundraiser.** These can be left at school on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November or delivered early Saturday morning to the auction. **We will also need volunteers on the day**, if possible it would great to have a few so that a roster can be made up with allocated timeslots. Please phone Melissa at school as soon as possible and let her know if you are available on the day. **Any time or cooking will be greatly appreciated.**



#### **P&C Christmas Raffle**

Our P&C is holding a Christmas raffle that will be drawn at our Carols night on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. The prize will be a homemade Christmas cake kindly cooked and donated by Marj Scott and a homemade Christmas pudding kindly cooked and donated by Rosie Keough. Tickets are \$1.00 each. Could all families have their tickets (sold or unsold) and money returned to school by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December please.

#### **Megan Christmas Children’s Party – Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December – 4pm**

Megan will holding a children’s party is on Saturday 7 December from 4pm. Come and enjoy the sausage sizzle, games, ice-cream, carols and of course the hoho man himself SANTA. A great day for all the family in the heart of Megan at the hall... you can’t miss it. \$10/family and please bring a plate to share (sausages, ice-cream provided) + a present for your own children. Enquiries Christine 66574186.



#### **Good News from Dorrigo Youth Clinic**

Dorrigo Youth Clinic Committee(DYCC) -have received a grant from Transport For NSW of \$8000 to fund transport for Dorrigo Plateau youth to attend social events. Called ‘Plateau Out’ , the grant will be used for transport to social (e.g. music, sporting ) events held outside Dorrigo Plateau area but also to bring youth to events held on the Plateau-(e.g. to events in Dundurrabin). The aim of the program is to reduce social isolation for our youth by providing access to a range of social activities they may otherwise not be able to attend. **DYCC would like to hear from parents and interested community members who are willing to be involved –either as helpers on trips or planning pickups, designing information posters. A combination of transport types will be used depending on numbers -Small buses with volunteer drivers, commercial bus services etc. We would also like to hear from any volunteer bus drivers out there who are willing to help.** Please contact:

Nicky McDonald	66578172	DYCC
Tamie Moodie	0429839473	Youth Worker
Ellie Luhr	66572896	Dorrigo Support Centre