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## **Dundurrabin Public School Newsletter Term 3, Week 10, 2023**

### **Principal's Message**



Welcome to the final week of school for Term 3.

We will welcome parents and friends to school on Thursday afternoon for our term assembly. Each class will share some of their writing work and wow the audience with a skipping show. Please join us from 2pm for assembly and a game of parent Vs student Oz tag to follow.

We have some staff changes for the end of term. Mrs Sangster will continue her long service leave this week with Miss Jones teaching the K-2 class. Miss McNeill has commenced sick leave today for her long-awaited knee surgery. Ms Cunningham is in for Miss McNeill.

Our final newsletter for the term is jam packed with our recent learning highlights below. Enjoy!

I wish all families a safe and relaxing spring holiday. School resumes for students and teachers on Monday 9 October 2023. Please note there is no school development day at the beginning of Term 4.

**Leah Keough**

### **Every Day Counts**



### **What's on for Term 3 and Term 4**

- Thursday 21 September - Kindergarten Transition - 11.20am to 3.15pm
- Thursday 21 September - Term 3 Assembly & Adults 'v' Students Sport - 2pm
- Friday 22 September - last Day for Term 3

### **TERM 4**

- Monday 9 October - Staff and Students return to Shcool for Term 4
- Tuesday 10 October - School Photos
- Tuesday 17 October - Crazy Hair Day
- Thursday 19 October - Kindergarten Transition - 11.20am to 3.15pm
- Tuesday 31 October - Year 6 DHS Transition - 12noon to 3.15pm  
& Kindergarten Transition - 11.20am to 3.15pm
- Wednesday 1 November - Preschoolers Afternoon - 1.30pm to 3.15pm

- Monday 6 November to Friday 17 November - 10 Days of Intensive Swimming Scheme

at Dorrig Pool from 10am to 11.30am

Daily

- Wednesday 15 November - Year 6 DHS Transition - 8.55am to 12noon
- Wednesday 22 November - Life Education at Ebor PS
- Thursday 23 November - Kindergarten Transition - All Day
- Tuesday 28 November - Year 6 DHS Transition - All Day
- Wednesday 29 November - Preschoolers Afternoon - 1.30pm to 3.15pm
- Thursday 23 November - Kindergarten Transition - All Day
- Friday 1 December - Kindergarten Transition - All Day
- Tuesday 5 December - Kindergarten Transition - All Day
- Tuesday 12 December - Presentation Night - 5.30pm
- Thursday 14 December - Clean Up and Water Fun Day
- Friday 15 December - Sawtell Surf Beach Excursion & last day of Term 4

## Consent Notes to be Returned

- \$2.00 NAIDOC Day Bus Cost - if your child has not already paid
- School Photos Order Forms

## Term 3 Holidays



This Friday 22 September is the last day of Term 3. Staff and students will return together to school on Monday 9 October. We wish everyone a safe and

enjoyable spring break.

## Term 3 Assembly

Please join us on Thursday 21 September at 2pm for our Term 3 Assembly. Students will present some of their learning from the term and a skipping extravaganza. Parents are encouraged to stick around for the parents V students Oz Tag game.



## Special Lunch - Today

Thank you to Gigi, Midi and Leonie for organising the special lunch order today. We had Chinese style pork belly with vegetables and rice and jelly cups. Thank you to everyone for returning your orders promptly. If you have not yet paid, please send the money in tomorrow with your child/ren.

## Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden News

### Week 8

In the kitchen we cooked Tandoori style cauliflower, vegetable pilaf, egg curry, samosas, cucumber raita and jalebi for dessert.

**Cooking Award:** Congratulations to **Jaxon Bennett** for enthusiasm in the kitchen.

### Week 9

In the kitchen we cooked vegetable sushi with soy braised carrot filling, fried vegetable noodles with egg, mushroom dumplings and fruit for dessert.

**Cooking Award:** Congratulations to **Quill Pankhurst** for amazing leadership.

## Kindergarten Transition Program



Beth and Lachie joined the K-2 class for another afternoon at big school on 7 September.

They are both enjoying participating in all our classroom learning and activities, especially our classroom dancing. Last visit they learnt about patterns and made

fantastic patterned giraffes.

**Our next transition day is this Thursday, 21 September from 11.20am to 3.15pm.**



**Dundurrabin Public School**

**2023 KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION PROGRAM**

**Term 4 Dates**

- Thurs 19 Oct- 11:20am-3:15pm
- Tues 31 Oct 11:20am-3:15pm
- Thurs 23 Nov- all day
- Fri 1 Dec- all day
- Tues 5 Dec-all day

**What to bring...**

- Lunch box
- Water bottle
- Hat

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## Haiku Poetry

Year 4 has been learning about Haiku poetry. Haiku poems are written in present tense, using a three line and less than 17 syllable structure, and include sensory language and specific verbs.

We have been taking nature walks to draw inspiration for our poems because Haiku are always written about nature and a 'Kigo'.

We look forward to sharing our favourite Haiku poems with you at our assembly on Thursday.







## Gumbaynggirr Language

Students are learning all about "Where I am from" with Lesley in Gumbaynggirr language lessons.





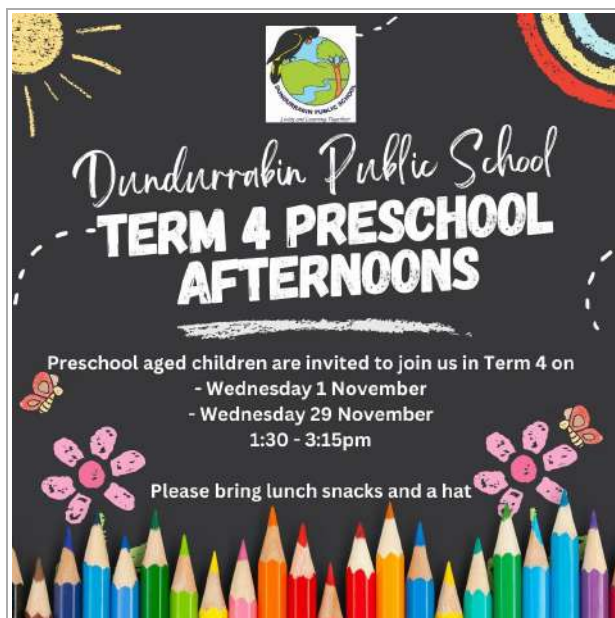
## Preschool Afternoons

We had Beth, Maisie, Chase, Harvey, Lachie and Tahn-Lui join us for a fun Preschoolers afternoon on Wednesday 6 September.

We listened to the story about "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" and then had fun making some caterpillar and butterfly artworks.

**Our Preschoolers afternoons for Term 4 will be Wednesday 1 November and Wednesday 29 November from 1.30pm to 3.15pm.**

Bring along a packed lunch/snack to join in with lunch and play with our students. Then there will be educational activities to help develop gross and fine motor skills as well as art and craft. All preschool children aged 1-5 welcome.



## School Photos



**Our 2023 school photos have been rescheduled to Tuesday 10 October.** This is the first Tuesday back after the Term 3 holidays. All students will need to wear their best school uniform and a big smile for our school photos. So that everyone looks their best, we are asking that students please wear their sports shirts and full uniform (navy shorts or trousers).

We also ask that students refrain from wearing long, multicoloured socks on that day. Short, dark or white socks would be preferred. **Individual order forms were sent home with your child/ren two weeks ago. Please do not lose them as each student is only provided with one which will have a unique code.** Envelopes must be returned by this Thursday with payment either enclosed or paid online to the photographer. Thank you to those families that have returned theirs already. Remember that Flood Funding can be used for purchasing photos. Please let Melissa know if you would like to use these funds.

## Share our Space

Share Our Space is a program that runs during school holidays when we open schoolgrounds to the public. Through Share Our Space, we are able to meet our commitment to ensure that everyone has access to quality outdoor facilities during school holidays.

The outdoor facilities at your school will be open from **Monday 25 September to Sunday 8 October 2023**, from 8 am to 5 pm every day during the school holidays, including public holidays.

Our school is designed to be welcoming and inclusive and the Share Our Space program helps us go even further by ensuring that everyone can benefit from these facilities.



## Year 6 – Dorrigo High School Transition Dates



Next term Year 6 will begin their High School orientation. During these days, they will orient themselves with the staff, students and routines of Dorrigo High. Consent notes will be sent home next term.

The dates are as follows:

**Tuesday 31 October – 12 noon – 3.15pm**

**Wednesday 15 November – 8.55am – 12.00 noon**

**Tuesday 28 November – 8.55am – 3.15pm – Official Statewide Yr6 High School Orientation Day**

## Crazy Hair Day



Ready to go crazy! On Tuesday 17 October we will have a Crazy Hair Day gold coin fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis.

Cystic fibrosis (also called CF) is the most common, life limiting genetic condition affecting Australians. 3,500 people are living with CF in Australia and 1 in 25 people carry the recessive CF gene change. 1 in 2,500 babies in Australia are born with CF, both parents must carry the recessive gene. There is no cure for this mortal disease which affects the lungs and digestive system. Cystic Fibrosis NSW is there to support children and young adults with CF.

Students may come to school dressed in red clothes (official CF colour) and with the craziest hair they can think of: teased, coloured, gelled, twisted, wigs and scarves, punk or just plain messy!

## North Coast Flood Recovery Support Package.

Last year our school received Education Hardship funds as part of the North Coast Flood Recovery Support Package. Each student enrolled at Dundurrabin Public School at the beginning of the 2022 school year received \$500 available in 'Fees In Advance' to help with educational costs. The grant aims to help families with school related costs and must be spent by the end of the year. This money remains with the school and cannot be given out as cash. A balance of what families have remaining was sent home yesterday with your child/ren. Maybe consider stocking up on uniforms for future use!



## Daylight Saving—Starts in the Holidays



Daylight Saving will begin again in NSW on **Sunday 1 October 2023**, when clocks will go forward one hour at 2:00am. This is during our holiday break.

So, don't forget to reset your clocks before students return

for term 4.

## P&C News and Community News

### ENJO Afternoon Tea & Zero Waste Cleaning Demonstration



Join us for our next P&C fundraising event, an "ENJO Afternoon Tea and Zero Waste Cleaning Demonstration" at

Dundurrabin Public School on this **Wednesday 20 September at 2pm**.

10% of sales will go to our P&C. **School and wider community invited to attend.** Parents please bring a plate to share.

You are invited to our Fundraiser for Dundurrabin Public School  
**Afternoon Tea Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm**  
Jenni McLennan has kindly offered to help us raise funds for our school while raising awareness for allergies and asthma in our children.  
Jenni will show the benefits of eliminating chemicals from your home.  
ENJO is 100% chemical free & zero waste system – the gloves & cloths last 3-4 years  
Imagine the landfill you'd prevent - Imagine the pollution you'd prevent  
**There are loads of fabulous Spring-Cleaning Bargains and Skincare Specials**  
Jenni is donating 10% of the total ENJO sales plus the Host Rewards to the School  
WOW – that is so generous - let's all support this and have fun doing our bit for the environment and for the future of our kids.  
Call Jenni on 0458552094 to place orders or watch for the unique link closer to the date

of predators (goanna, snakes and birds of prey) through the landscape by listening to bird language. The ranger-guided session will introduce them to understanding bird language through sensory and hands-on activities and a short guided walk, to connect with the fascinating bird life flourishing in Dorrig National Park. Sessions are running each Tuesday in the school holidays at 10:30am and 12pm for children (ages 5-12), at only \$10 per child - places are limited. The early bird catches the worm, so book your spot book at Kids Gondwana nature play: 5 to 12 years | NSW National Parks.

**This season's Nature Play**  
**Gondwana Birdsong**

World Heritage Gondwana Rainforests

Photo by A Turbill

These spring school holidays, we'll take your curious young explorers under our wing for this season's Nature Play 'Gondwana Birdsong' activity, informed by Ranger Andrew, our very own bird expert.

When: **Tuesday 26 Sept and Tuesday 3rd Oct**  
2 sessions: **10:30am -11:30am and 12pm -1pm**  
Cost: Child (5-12 years) \$10 per person  
Adults not required to attend

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL** Scan QR code  
**Ph 1300 072 757** or at the rainforest centre front  
desk 15 minutes before start time

Meet at the two giant leech installations at the entrance to the rainforest centre

## Upcoming Community Events

### Nature Play "Gondwana Birdsong"


As the days get longer, the air feels warmer and the sounds of incredible birdsong fill the rainforest at Dorrig National Park. These spring school holidays, we'll take your curious young explorers under our wing for this season's Nature Play 'Gondwana Birdsong' activity, informed by Ranger Andrew Turbill, our very own bird expert. Learn to find bird nests and to track the movement

**BSC Libraries**

# Legends in the Library

**Free Event**

Wednesday 27th September




The Young Actors Studio will present a live theatre production

Ignite the imagination

Characters from story books

A platform for young actors to deliver a unique performance.

**Dorrigo - 10:30am**  
**Bellingen - 1:30pm**  
**Urunga - 3:30pm**



Bellingen Shire Libraries | [www.crl.nsw.gov.au](http://www.crl.nsw.gov.au) | (02) 6655 1744

**BSC Libraries**

# Make your own Hand Puppet

all events at your library are FREE

**Bellingen**  
 Wednesday  
 October 4th  
 10.30am




**Dorrigo**  
 Wednesday  
 October 4th  
 10.30am



**Urunga**  
 Tuesday  
 October 3rd  
 10.30am



Bellingen Shire Libraries | [www.crl.nsw.gov.au](http://www.crl.nsw.gov.au) | (02) 6655 1744

# Local Youth

EXPRESSIONS of INTEREST from young people in this area who would like to go on a weekend fishing trip.

**Preliminary Plans include;**


- 2 nights in cabins on river at Stuarts Point
- Estuary Fishing Charter- Macleay River at South West Rocks
- Local First Nations cultural knowledge activity
- Tour historic Trial Bay Goal

**Further information and to assist in planning please contact;**

**Leonie Pankhurst 0413158466**

Funding initiative of Fire to Flourish in Co-operation with

**Blacks Inc.** 13th-15th Oct



**Arts BUZZ**

Spring 2023

Upcoming arts and culture programs from Grafton Regional Gallery!

**Term 4 Program**

**Art After School - Term 4**  
 Digital Holograms with Kade Valja

Join talented street artist Kade Valja to create your own digital artwork using painting and hologram technology. In these lessons, you will paint your own artworks and make them digital by video recording in a black background and building a smartphone display prism to animate your art.

Tuesdays weekly from 3:30pm - 5:00pm  
 17th October - 21st November 2023

For bookings visit [www.graftongallery.nsw.gov.au/young-creatives](http://www.graftongallery.nsw.gov.au/young-creatives)

**Current Exhibitions / 16th September - 12th November**

Clarence Valley Indigenous Art Award 2023

School of the Living and the Dead Or BB Place

Relative Terrors Karma Barnes & Robert Franken

**ART @ HOME**  
 Exciting art activities for all ages

Bringing you ways to learn, be inspired and get creative at home and online. Visit <https://craftongallery.nsw.gov.au/art-home-53> to find exciting artists masterclasses and art activities created just for you.

**FREE activities**

**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**  
 River Flow: Art/Science Workshop

Learn about river ecology through art and experimentation, with visual ecologist Aviva Reed. In this workshop you will be painting with watercolours to create an ecological portrait of rivers, using river water to create our artwork story.

Group 1 (5 - 8 years): Tuesday 3 October, 10.30am - 1.00pm  
 Group 2 (10-17 years): Wednesday 4 October, 10.30am - 1.00pm  
 Cost \$40  
 BOOK NOW on GRC Eventbrite

**GRAFTON REGIONAL GALLERY**  
 on Macleay Street  
 Open Tuesday - Sunday 10am to 5pm (Closed Public holidays)  
[gallery@graffongallery.nsw.gov.au](mailto:gallery@graffongallery.nsw.gov.au) or 02 6655 1744  
 GRC is made inclusive, and offering accessible art is welcome





# CLARENCE YOUTH

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

FREE ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE 12-18!

### WEEK 1

**CVYH DROP-IN & SMOOTHIE BIKE**  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September, 3:30pm to 5pm  
Courtis Crossing, Skate Park  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

**OUT OF THE BOX YOUTH SESSION**  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September, 12pm to 5pm  
Out of the Box, Wherrett Park, Maclean  
Just turn up!

**LASER SKIRMISH & MOBILE LIBRARY**  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2pm to 4pm  
Minnie Water Headland, Minnie Water  
Just turn up!

**OUT OF THE BOX YOUTH SESSION**  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September, 12pm to 5pm  
Out of the Box, Yamba Skate Park, Yamba  
Just turn up!

**MOBILE LIBRARY & HEADSPACE SPORTS ARVO**  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2pm to 4pm  
Glenreagh Hall, Glenreagh  
Just turn up!

**ART WITH JIMMY WAGS**  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2pm to 4pm  
Iluka Skate Park, Iluka  
Just turn up!

**WHERE ARE WE WEDNESDAY DROP-IN**  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September, 3:30pm to 5pm  
Out of the Box, Wherrett Park, Maclean  
Bookings essential – 6640 3600

**LASER SKIRMISH & MOBILE LIBRARY**  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2pm to 4pm  
Tucabia rural fire station, Tucabia  
Just turn up!

**COOKING CLUB**  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September, 3:30pm to 5pm  
Headspace Grafton  
Bookings essential – 6642 1520

**WOODBURNING WORKSHOP**  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September, 11am to 1pm  
Lawrence Hall, Lawrence  
Bookings essential – [chbreck@hotmail.com](mailto:chbreck@hotmail.com)

**SURF LESSONS**  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September, 9am to 12noon  
Turners Beach, Yamba  
Bookings essential – 0447 693 863

For more information and updates, check out our Facebook page 'Clarence Valley Youth'.  
Please call 0428 420 909 if more details are required.  
Outdoor activities will be postponed in the case of wet weather.  
Programs proudly sponsored by:

# headspace DAY

**PCYC GRAFTON**  
WEDNESDAY 4 OCTOBER  
10AM TO 2PM

SLUSHIES  
SAUSAGE SIZZLE  
ZORB BALLS  
LASER TAG  
GAMES  
INCLUSION  
LUCKY DOOR PRIZES  
**FREE COMMUNITY EVENT**

**PCYC** POLICE CITIZENS YOUTH CLUBS NSW

## NERAM School Holiday Workshops The Home Program

Join us at NERAM during these school holidays to be inspired and create art in one of our fantastic workshops run by skilled and experienced facilitators. From making Kokedama's to creating stitched artworks, we have something for everyone. There are workshops available for the entire family and different age groups. There is something for everyone. Head to our website [www.neram.com.au](http://www.neram.com.au) or contact us on 6772 5255 to find out more.

# CLARENCE YOUTH

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

FREE ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE 12-18!

### WEEK 2

**LASER SKIRMISH**  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2pm to 4pm  
Bailey Park, Ullmarra  
Just turn up!

**OUT OF THE BOX YOUTH SESSION**  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 12pm to 5pm  
Yamba Skate Park, Yamba  
Just turn up!

**ART WITH JIMMY WAGS**  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 10am to 12pm  
Copmanhurst Hall, Copmanhurst  
Just turn up!

**WEARABLE ART WORKSHOP & MOBILE LIBRARY**  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October, 10am to 12pm  
Nymboida Hall, Nymboida  
Booking essential – 0414 284 150

**LASER SKIRMISH & MOBILE LIBRARY**  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2pm to 4pm  
Courtis Crossing Skate Park  
Just Turn up!

**HEADSPACE DAY**  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October, 10am to 2pm  
PCYC, Grafton  
Just turn up!

**COMMUNITY CULTURAL CONNECTIONS DAY**  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October, 10am to 1pm  
Iluka Skate Park, Iluka  
Just turn up!

**COOKING CLUB**  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October, 3:30pm to 5pm  
Headspace Grafton  
Bookings essential – 6642 1520

**GRAFFITI WORKSHOP & MOBILE LIBRARY**  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2pm to 4pm  
Lawrence Memorial Park, Lawrence  
Bookings essential – Text 0423 134 173

**GRAFFITI ARTSHOP**  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2pm to 4pm  
Wooli Skate Park, Wooli  
Bookings essential – Text 0423 134 173

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## The Dorrigo Folk & Bluegrass Festival



The Dorrigo Folk & Bluegrass Festival is a three day celebration of local, national and international acoustic folk, bluegrass and old-time music. The festival is a boutique, family friendly event with concerts, workshops, dance and jam sessions. Patrons have opportunities to perform and learn from the best traditional, contemporary and exploratory acoustic music exponents of these genres.

With the festival now recognised across the globe, it attracts artists from the USA, Canada, UK and NZ and Australia, presenting a full program from 6pm Friday evening through to 5pm Sunday. It is the longest running folk festival on the Mid North Coast. All venues are alcohol, drug and smoke free zones. Environmental sustainability is actively promoted. There are workshops across the weekend to cater for young and old, including a full program of children's workshops and activities including the much loved Pitts Family Circus.

You can book tickets and camping or find out more at: <https://www.dorrigofolkbluegrass.com.au/>

The Dorrigo Old-Time Music School takes place before the festival. Three full days of workshops emphasize the cultural heritage that informs the music and how it sounds. Tutors in 2023 are Foghorn Stringband (USA/CAN), Erynn Marshall & Carl Jones (USA), and Ian Alexander (AUS),

collectively representing a wealth of knowledge, tradition and exceptional skills as acknowledged exponents of the genre. This year's Old-Time Music School is currently fully booked and we are accepting prospective participants to our waitlist.

