Dee Why Newsletter

Excellence, Innovation, Opportunity and Harmony

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Term 4  Week 1  8 October 2014

Diary Dates

**Week 1**
- Monday 6/10  Public Holiday
- Tuesday 7/10  First Day of Term

**Week 2**
- Tuesday 14/10  Kinder 2015 Playgroup
- Wednesday 15/10  Kinder 2015 Playgroup

**Week 3**
- Tuesday 21/10  Kinder 2015 Getting Ready for School
- Wednesday 22/10  Kinder 2015 Getting Ready for School

**Week 4**
- Tuesday 28/10  Kinder 2015 Getting Ready for School
- Wednesday 29/10  Kinder 2015 Getting Ready for School

**Week 5**
- Tuesday 4/11  “Dee Why Delights” (Canteen Trial)
- Thursday 6/11  “Dee Why Delights” (Canteen Trial)

Principal’s Message

We have another busy this term on the way, with many new and exciting programs and initiatives taking place…

**New Classes for Term 4**

Dee Why Public School is pleased to announce two new classes for Term 4, 2014. A large number of new students have started at Dee Why Public School in the last two months, which has been wonderful. The Department of Education and Communities has allocated extra funding for these students. Our school has created two new classes to reduce the numbers of students in some classes.

We welcome Mrs Quinn to the teaching position of 2/3Q and Mrs Carrapetta and Mrs Adams to the teaching position of 4/5C!

**“Dee Why Delights” Canteen Trial**

We are pleased to announce that our canteen with be having a trial run this term! For 4 weeks beginning in Week 5, “Dee Why Delights” will open its doors for recess and lunch on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We will begin with over-the-counter lunches for the first two weeks, accompanied by lunch orders in the second two weeks. More details and menus are on their way. If you think you would be interested in being part of the canteen trial, either in a supervisor or volunteer role, please contact the school office.

**Dance at Dee Why!**

It’s b-a-a-a-c-k.. Miss Skelding and Mrs Langford are excited to announce that dance group will commence in week 2 this term. Selection for the group is open to any student from Year 2 to Year 6 who has a passion for dance and wants to come along to audition. Auditions and weekly rehearsals will be held in the school hall every Tuesday during the first half of lunch, with performances at school scheduled for the end of term. So get your dancing shoes ready and come along on Tuesday!

Mark Chaffer – Principal

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*‘Leap into Learning’
TERM 4 FOCUS
EXPRESS YOURSELF*

Our school website
www.deewhy-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

School Tours Wednesdays 9.30am – by arrangement
Are you new to the area or have a child beginning Kindergarten in 2015? Come and meet me and have a personalised tour of our fantastic school. Ring the school for a booking.

**Kindergarten for 2015**

Do you have another younger child intending to start school next year? We are currently communicating with parents of children who are new to the Dee Why PS school community, but also need to know of current students with younger siblings coming next year. Please pop into the office to complete your enrolment application.
Want new ways to manage your child’s behaviour?
This 3 week seminar series is for parents to increase their awareness of how to change unwanted behaviour and to encourage desirable behaviour. Seminars cover:

- **What time:** 9.00am – 10.30 am
- **Where:** SACC, Dee Why School, Regent Street, Dee Why
- **Cost:** Free (Light refreshments provided)

The power of positive parenting  Tues, 28th October 2014
Raising confident, competent children Tues, 4th November 2014
Raising resilient children Tues, 11th November 2014

Please advise if child care is required

**RSVP essential! Contact:**
Family Support Program, CatholicCare Brookvale,
Tel: 02 8968 5100 or E-mail
Brookvalefamilycentre@dbb.org.au

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**When lunch comes home ... again**

Almost nine out of 10 Australian parents say children's resistance is a major obstacle in their efforts to provide a healthy diet, and in many cases school lunches are one of the battlegrounds. But it's a battle families can do without and there are some simple steps to help avoid it.


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**How much screen time?**

'Screen time' used to mean how many hours you spent watching TV and playing on the computer. However, with the growing number of digital devices on offer today, the question of what screen time means now is far more complex.


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**YMCA Out of School Hours Care**

YMCA OSHC is here! The professional team from YMCA are ready to take your applications for before and after school care for your child. Drop in and have a chat with the friendly team about how best they can provide after-hours care for the children and families of the Dee Why Community.

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**“Getting To Know You” PLAYGROUP**

**PART OF YOUR ORIENTATION DAY PROGRAM**

We are very excited to be holding a “Getting to Know You Playgroup” for all our new Kindy students next term.

This will be a great opportunity for you to connect with other parents and also for your children to have an adventure play date with some new friends. We are preparing a very special morning with adventure, discovery and loads of fun!

You can choose from ONE of these Playgroup days:
Tuesday 14th October 9.30am – 11.00am
Wednesday 15th October 9.30am - 11.00am

AND ALSO ONE of these Playgroup days:
Tuesday 18th November 9.30am – 11.00am
Wednesday 19th November 9.30am – 11.00am

See you there! 😊
Meron Waller & Robbie Meakins,
Schools as Community Centres (SaCC)

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**Enrol Now for**

**Before and After School Care at the YMCA!**

YMCA provides quality care for your children which is convenient, affordable and fun!
For more information, visit our website or contact us on 0407 283 964.

When school’s out the Y is in!
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