Term 4 Week 10

Diary Dates

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Reports go home
Family Picnic, 1pm & Honour Assembly, 1.45pm
Year 6 Graduation Dinner and Disco, 6pm
Talent Quest, 12.15pm
DYRSL Choral Concert, 10.00am
Dee Why PS Performing Arts Concert, 1.45pm
Presentation Assembly, 9.30am
Students’ Last Day of School
Staff Development Day 4
Staff Development Day 5
Staff Development Day 1
Students’ First Day of Term
Yrs 1-6
Kinder 2015 Best Start begins

Principal’s Message

Thank Yous…

Carols by Glowlight
Thank you the P&C, Annie Rika, Meron Waller and attending staff for a wonderful Carols by Glowlight evening last week. It was super to see so many from our school community share in this special time. Many carols were sung, sausages eaten and Christmas craft created. We did a fine job considering the wild weather about!

Gardening Bee
Thanks you to John Wylie, Marea Webster, attending staff, parents and students for the extra special work completed in the front garden area. The new path and plants have added that something special to our already beautiful school. Special thanks goes to The Starr family for their work in the garden and on the Sausage Sizzle!

Presentation Assembly
Tuesday, 16 December, 9.30am
Make sure you have our Presentation Assembly marked in your diary! It’s our last formal gathering for the year and will see the whole school community share in the educational success of our talented students. Come and join us!

Mark Chaffer – Principal

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EXPRESS YOURSELF

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

Latest Update: Gallery – Carols by Glowlight, Gardening Bee

Are you Leaving Dee Why PS in 2015?
If you know that your child will not be returning to Dee Why Public School next year, could you please inform the school office. I appreciate your cooperation and assistance in planning for 2015.
Promotion and New Staff Member
Congratulation to Diana Aitken who has been successfully appointed via Merit Selection to the position of Principal at Brooklyn Public School. Diana has been a wonderful member of the school community and executive teaching staff. We wish Diana all the best on her promotion. You will be missed, Diana! **Stop Press: Please see Diana's letter to the school community attached to this newsletter!**

We welcome new staff member, Kym Scollay to the EALD teaching position, next year. Kym was successfully appointed via Merit Selection, and will bring a wealth of knowledge and skills to our school.

News from The Music Department
What a fabulous year 2014 has been. We have had many opportunities to perform within and outside our school community with the highlight this year being performances by our pupils at the prestigious Primary Proms Concert at the Sydney Town Hall and Recorder Concert at the Opera House. We have also had a number of incursions including a visit by the Australian Opera Company. A huge thank you to Mrs Kean for teaching our recorder group and to all the children who have worked so hard this year in our Gifted and Talented Musical Program. The Carols by Glowlight that was organised by the school's P and C was great fun and we still have a number of end of year concerts and activities to perform. I am really looking forward to all the exciting activities planned for 2015 and would like to thank all the school community for supporting our great Music Program.

Keep singing
Keep happy and have a lovely holiday

Mrs Rika-Heke
Music Teacher

Illegal Parking
It has come to our attention that parent cars are parking illegally in the "No Stopping" Children's crossing Zone on Holborn Avenue. Not only is this illegal but it puts the lives of our students in danger because they have to step out from between parked cars in a zone that is meant to be safe for them. Please be aware that Council Parking Rangers will be called in should this unsafe practice continue. Our school is committed to the safety and welfare of our community.

Student of the Week
Congratulations to the following students:

- KB Blondie Ova, Utsab Ahmed
- 1/KA Sean Antony, Craig Dawson
- 1/2W Jenel Safar, Gaurav Bhalla
- 2K Emily Khaw, Faryan Kouchaki
- 2/3Q Jasmin Ragen-Nath, Diya Koonholil, Damdul Tenzin
- 3S Sreyas Oommen George, Morgan King
- 4W Phoenix Gerona, Tabatha Timmis
- 4/5C Tenzin Nyima, Tenzin Chosang
- 5L Thierry Kinahoi, Kalosipani Hopoate
- 6W Jibril Mohammed, Aisha Bassiony
- 3/6H Sam Heaton, Nathan Williams

Music: Utsab Ahmed, Tenzin Norzin
EALD: Dustine Rodriguez, Tanvi Sharma

Interested in being part of our exciting school canteen operations next year? Take a look at the latest Manly Daily for our advertisement for a paid supervisor position…

Dee Why Delights
We are seeking a paid supervisor for the school canteen.
• 2 days per week
• School terms

Applications close
Friday 12th December, 2014, 3pm.
Applications: mark.chaffer@det.nsw.edu.au
Enquires: Mark Chaffer 9971 8635
To the Dee Why school community,

It is with very mixed emotions that I share with you the news that I will be leaving Dee Why Public School at the end of the year. I have been successful in my application to take up the position of Principal at Brooklyn Public School, beginning 2015.

I arrived at Dee Why four years ago and since that time I have had the privilege of getting to know so many wonderful staff, children and families. My time here at the school has been extremely special and I have many memories I will treasure. It will be very sad to have to say goodbye to this fabulous school community. I have learned so much from my colleagues in this stage of my educational journey and I have much to thank them for.

It is with great excitement, though, that I look forward to the next phase of my learning journey. Brooklyn Public School is a small school located on the Hawkesbury River with only 120 students. Many of them come to school on boats and ferries!

It is my sincere hope that the staff, students and families I meet at Brooklyn will be equally as wonderful as those I leave behind here at Dee Why Public School.

My best wishes to you all for the future and farewell!

Diana Aitken

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January Holiday Program 😊

Dear Parents

The SaCC program (Schools as Community Centres) is a service based in Dee Why Public School to connect families to services and programs in the community.

This January holidays, SaCC is holding a holiday program including sports, craft and lots of other activities! 😊 It will be run by experienced child workers who love working with kids. There will be limited spaces and registration must be submitted.

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REGISTRATION:

Child’s name _________________________ Child’s name _________________________

Age ___________________ Allergies ____________________________________________

Parent’s name _______________________ Phone ________________________________

($10.00 attached) Parents Signature _________________________________________

Address _________________________________________________________________

Emergency contact name ____________________ Phone ______________________