Diary Dates

Week 2
Tuesday 21/7  K-6 Assembly, 2pm  Dee Why Delights
Wednesday 22/7  OC Placement Test  Dee Why Delights
Thursday 23/7  Dee Why Delights

Week 3
Tuesday 28/7  Education Week:
Open Classrooms – 12.30pm
Family Picnic – 1.00pm
Assembly - 1.45pm
Dee Why Delights

Week 4
Tuesday 4/8  Dee Why Delights
2015 Festival of Instrumental Music - Combined Recorder Ensemble, 7pm

Wednesday 5/8  Dee Why Delights

Thursday 6/8  "Jean for Genes" Day
Opera Australia Visit, 1.30pm
Dee Why Delights

Week 5
Monday 10/8  Carnivale: Tickets go on sale!
Tuesday 11/8  Dee Why Delights
Wednesday 12/8  3/6H Sailability
Thursday 6/8  Dee Why Delights

Principal's Message

Education Week
All parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles are invited to join us for our ‘Open Day’ on Tuesday, 28 July to celebrate Education Week. All classrooms will be open between 12.30pm and 1.00pm, followed by our family picnic and then special assembly at 1.45pm. Please come and visit your children’s classrooms and see all the great work they’ve been doing.

Carnivale “Footsteps”
Carnivale is nearly here! In preparation for this important event and as a mandatory component of the PD Health & PE Curriculum, all students are participating in the “Footsteps” dance program.

This professional company is assisting the school in delivering the explicit instruction required to participate in the whole-school Carnivale event. Thank you to those families who have already paid for their child to participate. If you have overlooked paying for this essential program, please do so at your earliest convenience. If you are having difficulties in paying at this time, please contact the school to discuss.

Super Sporting Fundraiser
Congratulations to Jordan Wolfgramm on his selection in the NSW Primary Schools Sports Association team to compete at the School Sport Australia Championship in Darwin in early August. Look out for next week’s fundraising activity (Thursday 30th July) to assist Jordan in meeting his costs to attend this prestigious event…

‘Light Up with Learning’
TERM 3 FOCUS

Carnivale 2015
WEDNESDAY 9 September
∞ Whole School, Whole day celebration ∞
See back page for more details.
Our professionally taught whole school dance classes started last week
∞ Dance money is now due - $27 per child ∞
∞ Please discuss payment options at the office ∞
Woolies Earn & Learn

Woolworths Earn & Learn is back and it is now easier than ever to earn valuable resources for Dee Why Primary School. Last year more than 14,500 schools and Early Learning Centres benefited from the program, boosting supplies in classrooms, libraries, music rooms, gymnasiums and science labs. It’s simple to participate. From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September 2015, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There’ll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box, either at Dee Why Primary School or at our local Woolworths, Dee Why and Warringah Mall Shopping Centre.

SRC: Jeans for Genes Day

The SRC is organising a fundraiser for Thursday 6 August to support Jeans for Genes Day where children can wear denim to school and bring in a gold coin donation. Money raised for this worthwhile cause helps scientists at the Children’s Medical Research Institute discover treatments and cures for childhood diseases. If the school community would like to make additional donations and help us get to our goal of raising $300, please go to the website: http://www.jeansforgenes.org.au/fundraiser/dee-why-public-school and follow the instructions. Thank you for your support!

UNSW Global Educational Assessment Australia

Students from Dee Why Public School achieved outstanding results in the Science and Digital Technologies ICAS (International Competitions and Assessments for Schools) this year. Those students whose achievements were outstanding were rewarded with Certificates of Merit, Credit and Distinction. The ICAS suite is developed by Educational Assessment Australia (EAA), an educational assessment organisation specialising in large-scale measurement and assessment programs in Australia and 21 countries globally. EAA has been involved in educational measurement in Australia since 1967, with almost one million entries received each year.

‘The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools are independent evaluations of students’ skills and knowledge in core learning areas and provide insight into students’ understanding. The skills and understandings tested are important indicators of success in school and beyond,’ said Nick Connolly, Senior Manager Test Development at Educational Assessment Australia, UNSW Global. ‘I would like to recognise the participation of students from Dee Why Public School with certificates and congratulate them on their efforts and achievements.’

We have received the results of both the Science and Digital Technologies competitions for this year and are very pleased to announce that the following three students were awarded with Distinctions in Science:

Himani Sharma Year 3
Maksim Korac Year 4
Madison Maloy Year 4.

We are also extremely pleased to announce that this year four students were awarded with Distinctions in Digital Technologies:

Himani Sharma Year 3
Blossom Dhillon Year 4
Maksim Korac Year 4
Madison Maloy Year 4.

Jacob Wragg in Year 4 was awarded a credit and Tenzin Choezin was awarded a Merit in Digital Technologies.

Our whole school community is particularly proud of the efforts of all students who entered these competitions this year. Next week students from Year 3 to Year 6 will participate in the English competition and later this year the Mathematics competition. We’ll keep you posted on those results as they come in!

Wendy Ross
ICAS Co-ordinator

Student of the Week

Congratulations to the following students:

KB Taya Shaw, Jarrah Hunter
KS Dexi Mitchell, Sarah Dwelly
KM Karishma Singh, Brahm Singh
1/KR Basil Eldho, Tiger Li
1B Ashar Nanda, Abbie Cribb
2K Aron Radhama, Tenzin Gawa
3/2W Tenzin Pema, Sandy Sharma
3/6H Dylan Brennan, Samuel Marchione
4/3S Lorenzo Ainuu, Diya Koonholi Prakasan
4W Thomas Dwelly, Tenzin Zomkyi
5L Tenzin Youten, Manasvi Javaji
6W Robert Manu, Joseph Paese
Library Kush Patel, Laura Starr
EALD Dmytro Rozhko, Sasha Rozhko
Dear Parents/Carers,

Our whole school, biannual Carnivale event will be held on Wednesday 9 September.

At Carnivale we celebrate the wonderful diversity of cultural backgrounds in our school community which make up our fabulous modern Australian identity.

The celebration starts at 10 am with a Parade of Nations. All students parade behind a flag representing their cultural background. The parade is followed by song and dance performances. Finally, everybody is invited to join in a multicultural lunch with food donated by each family in the school.

All students are learning dances which are being taught in class groups by the FOOTSTEPS dance teachers over the next 8 weeks. Some smaller groups will be performing additional cultural dances on the day.

Costs:
A reminder that the professional dance classes are $3 per weekly session = $27 for each child.
This payment is due now - Please contact the office staff if you would like to pay in instalments.

Tickets for Carnivale:
Tickets are $5 per person (over the age of 13) including lunch and will be available closer to the day.

How can parents help with Carnivale?

• Invite family and friends for Carnivale on Wednesday 9 September!
• Start thinking about what cultural food you will provide on the day.
• Let your child’s teacher know if you can help out on the day – We will be needing help with costumes, setting up, and food serving.

Thank you,

2015 Carnivale Committee