

NEWSLETTER

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**SCHOOL MAJOR FOCUS FOR 2015: -
“WRITING, NUMERACY AND READING”**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

As we venture in Week 8 of Term 3, I look back at the things we have accomplished, the places we've visited, the people we have met, the work we have completed, the triumphs, the awards, the 'Ah Ha' moments when the kids just 'get it' when learning a new concept. What a busy term we have had! There are still 3 weeks to go, including this week. It is vital that children attend school right up to and including the last day of term. Teachers will be very busy doing assessments with your children and the kids need to be at school, to complete these assessments.

Book Fair:

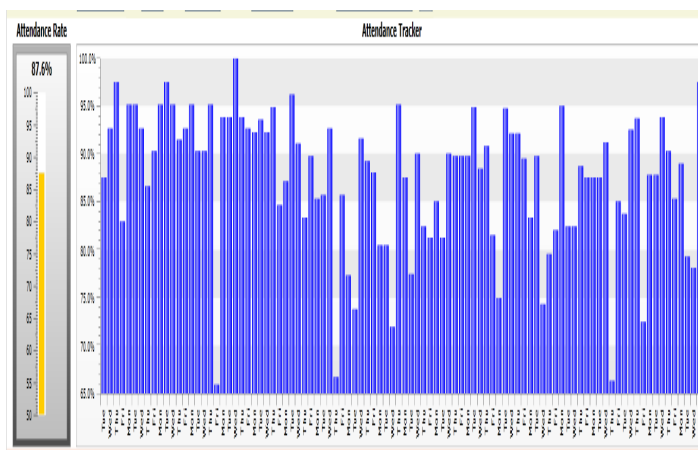
Our Book Fair was another huge success story with over \$1200 being spent on books throughout the week. A huge thankyou goes out to Mrs Hall for coordinating the book fair. The library will have in excess of \$350 in extra books as a result of these sales. Thank you for supporting this event each year. It is greatly appreciated.

Working Bee:

Thanks to the Tanti and Rudd families for your support at the working bee on Sunday. Your time and effort was greatly appreciated. Thanks, too, to the staff that attended on the day. With such a small working group, we did not manage to get all the way through our 'to do' list. So, if there are any mums and dads out there who have a few hours spare, please come and see Trudy if you would be willing to tackle a few of the incomplete jobs from the working bee list, so that these jobs are completed by the end of this term. A huge thank you to Mr Phil Hall for coordinating the working bee. ☺

ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Currently our **student attendance** for Semester Two is **87.6%**. This is below both our school and regional target. In saying that, Term 3 is often when the greatest number of illnesses occur due to the colder weather. Could I please remind everyone that it is important that your child is at school **every day**. I do understand, however, there is no point in a sick child attending school when they are not feeling well enough and have the capacity to be spreading germs. Please, always remember, to contact the school to inform us of any absence due to illness.



Tuckshop Menu:

I have asked the tuckshop to review the menu for Friday tuckshop. Watch this space for new



menu being offered for

Term 4.

Before and After School Hours care:

This week, a survey will be sent home to gauge the interest in starting an Outside School Hours Care service here at Dundula. Your responses are very valuable and I would appreciate you taking the time to complete the survey. Even families with children in Year 6 will provide an idea about who might/might not use the service.

Step Up 2 Prep:

All children attending the Step up 2 Prep, who are eligible to start prep year in 2016 are asked to return their enrolment forms to the school office to allow for the input of the data into our system. Please collect an enrolment package from the school office if you haven't already done so.

HOMEBAKE

Thank you to the families who have been sending in home bake each week. Money raised from

home bake goes towards the **A+ Day** at the end of each term. It has been a very worthwhile addition to our weekly calendar and the home bake is always yummy. The kids love it. So do the staff! Please see, below, for this week's roster.

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EARN & LEARN

Only a couple of weeks left to collect your Earn & Learn stickers. This weekend is **double points** too!! Please send along your completed sheets and place them in our collection box in the office. Tell your family and friends as well!! The promotion concludes on **8th September** so there is not a lot of time left!!!

Teacher Aide Day

Teacher Aide day is on **Friday 4th September**. This day is to recognise the wonderful work our teacher-aides do at our schools. Please take the time to talk to our teacher-aides on Friday and thank them of the great support they provide to your children and for the invaluable contribution they make to the teaching team here at Dundula.

Swimming:

Swimming classes at Pat Wright Swim School start on Tuesday 8th September and run through daily, until Friday 11th September. The cost for the swimming is \$51.00 per student.

MULTI-PURPOSE COURT HIRE:

The Dundula State School Tennis Courts are available to the community to use.

NEW HIRE ARRANGEMENTS & FEES:

\$30.00 per term

(\$20.00 Court Hire & \$10.00 key hire)

At the end of each term the keys are to be handed back and \$10.00 will be returned to the hirer.

CONTACT DETAILS:

Reminder to parents to keep the school office up to date with changes to address and phone contact numbers. Thank you.

PLEASE NOTE:

NEW SCHOOL & PREPARATORY FACILITY PHONE/FAX NUMBERS:

SCHOOL: Phone No: (07) 49528333
Fax No: (07) 49528300

SCHOOL MOBILE: 0408 820 025

FACEBOOK ADDRESS:www.facebook.com/pages/dundula-state-school**Woolworths Earn & Learn 2015**

Dear Parents,

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school/early learning centre – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From **Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September**, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it's complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you'd like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earn and learn.

**Conveyance Allowance Assistance:**

Conveyance Allowance is an assistance provided by the Department Transport and Main Roads to eligible parents/guardians who drive their students to school or to the route of a school bus.

There are several types of Conveyance Allowance available. These are determined by the type of school attended, distance driven to school or bus route and the type of school bus service (if any) provided in your area.

Application forms with further details are available by calling into the TransLink Division of the Department of Transport and Main Roads in Nelson Street Mackay or by telephoning 49518673

STUDENT OF THE WEEK:Presented on Parade on the 28th August 2015:

Prep/Year 2: Katie – for her bubbly and delightful nature
Riley – for his impressive work in Mathematics!
Tivanah-lee – for her exceptional work ethic and focus

Year 3 to Year 6: Kayce – Maths Whizz – working hard in class
Rebecca – Maths improvement
Montana – consistently doing homework
Summer – for amazing Writing – great language skills

GATE RAFFLE RESULTS: - TERM 3:

Week 6:
1st: Marilyn No 12
2nd: K Tanti No 49
3rd: Mick T No 33

Week 7:
1st: Mick T No 33
2nd: E Murray No 26
3rd: Barbara No 39

Week 8:
1st: J Smith-Knight No 37
2nd: R Satinie No 2
3rd: C Hill No 44

Week 9:
1st: N Cedar No 9
2nd: NGA No 30
3rd: J McCann No 41

Week 10:
1st: T Johns No 21
2nd: Mick T No 33
3rd: NGA No 30

SCHOOL COMING EVENTS:**TERM 3:**

08/9/2015 TO 11/9/2015: **SWIMMING** – Pat Wright Swim Centre

TERM 4:

05/10/2015: PUBLIC HOLIDAY

06/10/2015: Tuesday – School Resumes for Term 4.

29/10/2015: **SCHOOL FUN RUN**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:
HOY & MINI CENT SALE:

The next **Hoy & Mini Cent Sale** will be on **Saturday 19th September , 2015 UNDER B Block Teaching at the School starting at 1.30pm sharp.**

DATES TO FOLLOW:

24th October
21st November
5 December

For more information please call Coral Deakin 49521984 or Justine on 0487369322.

THANK YOU:

On behalf of the P & C Association we would like to thank Phil Colls and Carl Weir for helping putting our tables up for our Saturday Hoy on the 22nd August 2015.

COMMUNITY NEWS:



School Bus Assistance for Lower Income Families:

The Safety Net Scheme was developed by the State Government to assist students who do not receive other forms of School Transport Assistance and are members of lower income families.

Who May Be Eligible?

To be eligible for assistance under the Safety Net Scheme, students must be in one of the following categories:

- Students of families eligible for a Health Care Card;
- Students eligible for a Health Care Card;
- Students of families eligible for a Pensioner Concession card;
- Students of families receiving Veterans Affairs Pension; or
- Students placed under a Care and Protection Order.

Application forms with further details are available by calling into the TransLink Division of the Department of Transport and Main Roads in Nelson Street, Mackay or by telephoning 49518673.

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SCHOOL PHOTOS:

STUDENT OF THE WEEK: Presented on Parade on Friday 28th August 2015:



Back Row: Summer
Front Row: Left to Right: Rebecca, Kayce, Jaiden, Montana, Katie, Tivanah-lee, Riley

BIRTHDAY WISHES:



Front Row: Jayla, Tahlear, Jaiden

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