Dear Darlington Families

Here we are half way through the term – time is flying by. This week sees another busy week on our school calendar with our school involved in two events with our neighbouring schools in the Hills Education Community (HEC).

Our Year 4-6 students who have qualified will be participating in the HEC Inter-school Swimming carnival at Mt Helena on Thursday. Congratulations to all students for their contribution to our recent successful Faction Swimming Carnival. The behaviour and sportsmanship was excellent and the support of our parent community was outstanding, as always. Thank you everyone! Please see results elsewhere in the newsletter. Thanks again to Mr McCormack for his coordination and also to Mr Scott for his support. Darlington Primary are hosts for the HEC event this week. If you are available to assist with any aspect of the day, please contact the office and/or see Mr McCormack. Good luck to all students involved.

Congratulations to our Junior and Senior representatives, Jack D and Jonathon B, who will be participating in the HEC Public Speaking event at Gidgegannup on Wednesday. Thank you to all the Yr 1-6 students for their preparation for this annual competition. The standard of the presentations last week was particularly high. Congratulations to all students who took part. Thank you to our in-school judges, Mr Melrose, Mrs Bycroft and Mrs Diaz, and to Chaplain Tracey who has volunteered to assist with the interschool judging on Wednesday.

Thank you to everyone who was able to join in the fun at the recent Sundowner. It was wonderful to see so many families enjoying the local entertainment and delicious food from our P & C. Thanks to our P & C, and staff who contributed to make this annual event such a great success. I hope you are able to support our hardworking P & C at the Fund Raising Event planned for this weekend on voting day. Please see details elsewhere in the newsletter.

Parents are asked to ensure that children are aware of collection arrangements in the morning prior to drop off. We will always endeavour to pass on any “changes” to such arrangements, but in the busyness of daily office operations, undue pressure is sometimes placed on office staff to deliver information in a timely manner. Please remind your children to report to the office if you are not at your collection point at the time you indicated. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

The annual National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence is Friday 17 March. Teachers will discuss and revise with students the definition of “bullying” and the importance of asking for help when incidents occur, so that we can help them deal with situations as they arise, be resilient and resolve any ongoing conflict and / or social conflict issues they may be having.

Parents are encouraged to visit the following websites:
- [https://esafety.gov.au/](https://esafety.gov.au/)

There is some excellent information for students and parents relating to appropriate actions of being a good bystander and also social media matters such as:
- considering the impact of their actions when posting photos and comments
- being ‘good’ bystanders if they witness any type of bullying, particularly cyberbullying;

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**OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED**

**NEXT SCHOOL P&C Meeting:** 21st of March 2017
President: Rowena MacKinnon

**SCHOOL BANKING:** Fridays in the Library 8.15 - 8.45am
Co-Ordinators: Anke & Fiona

**SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB CO-ORDINATOR**
Alison Scott - darlingtonpsbookclub@gmail.com

**UNIFORM SHOP** - Fri 8.30-9.00am + First Wed/Month
Jasmine - dpsuniform@gmail.com 3.00-3.30pm

**CANTEEN DAYS** - Monday, Wednesday & Fridays
Ros Tooth ph – 0425 807 166 / School 9299 6888

**LIBRARY DAYS** - Monday, Tuesday & Wednesdays
Library Officer; Mrs Karen Diaz

**SCHOOL CHAPLAIN ONSITE** - Thursdays and Fridays
Chaplain; Tracey Buckley

**SCHOOL DENTAL VAN** - ph 0407 594 254
On site at Helena Valley Primary School

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**In Initiative, Trust, Tolerance**
In closing, I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank Belinda Foster, for the fantastic work she has done during her time as Chair of our School Council, in particular, her work relating to the audit of School Council members and the consultation proves undertaken during the Independent Public School training last year. The School Council Report, prepared by Belinda, will be tabled at the next Council meeting in Term 2, on Monday of Week 5. An open meeting will be held prior to this Council meeting – everyone is welcome to attend. Further information will be provided in coming newsletters. Congratulations to Mr Craig Manton, who was elected as our new School Chair at the recent School Council meeting.

Have a wonderful fortnight

Maree James
Principal

FACTION SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS

BLUE:  453
GREEN:  389
RED:  333
GOLD:  272

YEAR 4
GIRLS: CHAMPION – Chevelle B
RUNNER UP – Amy W-F

BOYS: CHAMPION – William H
RUNNER UP – Lockie d J

YEAR 5
GIRLS: CHAMPION – Luca W
RUNNER UP – Nicki F

BOYS: CHAMPION – Charlie D
RUNNER UP – Jye S

YEAR 6
GIRLS: CHAMPION – Annakah d J
RUNNER UP – Taliah H

BOYS: CHAMPION – Xavier M
RUNNER UP – Jonathan R

INITIATIVE, TRUST, TOLERANCE

Year 4 - 6 Parent Information Evening

Wednesday 15 March 2017 at 6.30pm
in School Cafeteria

A Year 4-6 Parent Information Evening has been organised to provide an insight into how Kalamunda Senior High School operates including information about:

- School History
- Facilities
- Pedagogy and Values
- How the Year 7 team works
- Specialist Programs
- Academic Achievement of Kalamunda Senior High School

Opportunity for discussion and questions will be an integral part of the evening and members of the Learning teams will be present.

We look forward to your attendance and meeting you at this information evening. To reserve your place please call the office on 9293 6400 if you will be attending.
Bonjour!

All students in Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 11 and 12 are enrolled to use Language Perfect for all subjects and all languages for 2017.

Children will be provided with login details in the next languages class.

Information regarding the Languages Program at Darlington Primary School is available at the office.

À bientôt
Madame Teti
Chaplains Chat
Just a reminder that, I have a letter box which is located in admin. Students can be referred to see the Chaplain through their teachers, admin and the Students Services Team. Students can also self-refer (request to see me).
Just a reminder of what is happening this term-

Craft Group
Craft Group is on Thursday’s the second half of lunch out the front of my office. Craft Group is for years one to six. Children can just attend as they like. There is a selection of items for children to create with. Come along and see what you can create.

Girls Group
Girls Group is on every second Monday (even weeks) in the library afterschool. It is on from 3.10pm-4.15pm. (Please note the new finishing time).
The next girls group is on 20th of March
Girls Group is for girls in Year 4-6 and will focus on self-esteem, identity, friendships and embracing who they are.
Students will need permission to attend. Forms will be in the newsletter and near the Chaplains letterbox in admin. There is no cost for this program.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Drumbeat has started this term with 8, year four boys.
There is so much happening this term.

My thought for the next fortnight

Tracey Buckley

Put some CRUNCH into your day!
Western Australian children are not eating enough vegetables. Primary school aged children need between 4 ½ and 5 ½ serves every day. Eating vegetables will benefit:
- bones and joints
- brain and nervous system
- digestive system
- energy and metabolism
- heart and circulation
- hydration
- immunity
- skin
- vision
AND they taste great!
Why not pack some fresh vegetables for Crunch&Sip®? Try carrot sticks, cherry tomatoes, snow peas, broccoli and cauliflower pieces, celery or cucumber.
www.crunchandsip.com.au

Initiative, Trust, Tolerance
Not long to go now until our Sausage Sizzle and Cake Stall on election day: Saturday 11th March.

We would really love to have your cake/slice/muffins/cupcakes to sell on the day. Please drop off baked goodies at the school canteen from 2.30pm-4pm on Friday 10 March.

Please note the cakes may not be refrigerated overnight so please no cream. Health regulations require that each cake displays its ingredients, handy labels will be at reception from Wednesday afternoon, please complete and bring along with your goodies.

For any further information, please contact:
Sally Jackson - sally.jackson@uwa.edu.au or 0459 164 730
Roz Lipscombe - rozlipscombe@bigpond.com or 0432 369 141

Crunch&Sip

**ZUCCHINI AND CORN FRITTERS**

**Ingredients**
- 1 medium zucchini, grated
- 2 small red capsicums, seeded and diced
- 1 x 400 g can reduced-salt corn kernels, drained
- 2 spring onions (including green tops), chopped
- ½ cup basil leaves, chopped
- 1 cup reduced-fat cheddar cheese
- freshly ground or cracked black pepper
- ¼ cup self-raising flour
- 3 eggs
- ½ cup low-fat milk
- olive or canola oil spray
- 2 avocados, diced
- 1 large tomato, diced
- juice of 1 lime
- ¼ cup basil leaves, chopped

**Method**
1. Squeeze zucchini of excess liquid and place in a large bowl with ½ of the capsicum and the corn, spring onions, basil and cheese. Season with pepper.
2. Sift flour over vegetables then mix to combine.
3. Pour milk into a jug, add eggs and whisk together with a fork. Add to vegetables and stir well.
4. Heat a large non-stick frypan over medium heat and spray liberally with oil. Drop heaped tablespoons of mixture evenly spread around the pan and spread using the back of a spoon to 8cm diameter. Cook for 2 minutes or firm and golden. Flip and brown on reverse side for 2 minutes.
5. Transfer to a plate, keep warm and repeat with remaining mixture.
6. To make salsa, combine remaining capsicum with avocado, tomato, basil and lime in a medium-sized bowl.
7. Divide salsa between plates and serve with a stack of 3 fritters each.