

# DARLINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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*This school will be closed on days of forecast Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating*

Newsletter No 16 – Week 2 - TERM 4

Tuesday 19 October, 2021

## SCHOOL HOURS

**School commences:** 8.45am  
**Recess:** 10.50 - 11.10am  
**Lunch:** Eating time 1.10 - 1.50pm  
**End of School:** 3.00pm

"We are a crunch and sip school"



## Upcoming Events

WHAT'S ON AT D.P.S.



### See Term Planner for Upcoming Events

19 Oct	<b>7pm SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING</b>
22 Oct	<b>ASSEMBLY: PP1</b>
23 Oct	<b>BUSY BEE 10am THIS SATURDAY</b>
25 Oct	<b>7pm P&amp;C MEETING</b> <i>All Welcome</i>
26 Oct	<b>UNIFORM SHOP OPEN 8.45 - 9.15</b>
27 Oct	<b>HESCA Interschool Athletics</b> Jumps and Throws
29 Oct	<b>WORLD TEACHERS' DAY</b> <b>HESCA Interschool Athletics</b> Track and Team
1 Nov	<b>ATTENDANCE MESSAGING SERVICE</b> Commences at DPS
2 Nov	<b>LEGAL AID VISIT</b> Years 5 - 6 (Undercover Area 2-3pm)
3 Nov	<b>SPELLING BEE - DPS</b>
5 Nov	<b>ASSEMBLY: ROOM 9</b>
6 & 7 Nov	<b>DARLINGTON ARTS FESTIVAL</b> <b>2pm School Band Performs</b>
9 Nov	<b>UNIFORM SHOP OPEN 8.45 - 9.15</b>
10 Nov	<b>HEC SPELLING BEE</b>
11 Nov	<b>REMEMBRANCE DAY - Lest we forget</b> <b>T20 CRICKET - Year 5/6 girls</b>
16 Nov	<b>PARLIAMENT HOUSE</b> Student Councillors
19 Nov	<b>GRANDPARENTS ASSEMBLY: ROOM 7</b>

### OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED

**DARLINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C**  
**NEXT SCHOOL P&C Meeting: 7pm 25 OCTOBER**  
**President:** Adrian Woodley **Email:** [president@dpspc.org.au](mailto:president@dpspc.org.au)  
*New faces always welcome*

**SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB**  
**Coordinator:** Melinda Reynolds  
[darlingtonpsbookclub@gmail.com](mailto:darlingtonpsbookclub@gmail.com)

**UNIFORM SHOP OPEN every second TUESDAY 8.45-9.15**  
 See Term Planner for dates  
**Coordinator:** Linnea Seiler **Email:** [dpsuniform@gmail.com](mailto:dpsuniform@gmail.com)

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[www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au)

**CANTEEN DAYS** - Monday, Wednesdays & Fridays  
**Coordinator:** Ros Tooth ph - 0425 807 166 / 9257 4008

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

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

### STUDENT SERVICES

**SCHOOL CHAPLAIN ONSITE** Monday, Thursday & Fridays  
**Chaplain:** Tracey Buckley

**SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST ONSITE** - Every Wednesday  
**Psychologist:** Melita Silvasi

## Principal's Report

ANDREW NEWHOUSE

### Messaging Service

Comment was made in the survey about the school considering a messaging service so that parents can be confident that their child is at school. Some students walk or ride to school. I am happy to announce that the school will put a messaging service in place. We are working towards launching it on 1 November (Week 4 or Term 4). For this system to be efficient, parents and carers will need to let us know that their child will not be at school if they are unwell. This system will apply to all students in Years 1 – 6.

### Assembly

The PP1 are hosting this week's assembly. After the assembly, the Year 3 - 6 students will remain to hear a presentation from Talitha Huston, author and photographer.

### Bushfire Safety

Last Friday, the school practised its Bushfire Response Plan. It was good to see that everyone responded well and knew what to do. At the beginning of the bushfire season, it is a timely reminder that families should also have a bushfire response plan and your children should know what to do in response to these situations. It is also a good idea to go over your plan annually and to practise or rehearse certain parts of your plan.

**PREPARE.**

**ACT.**

**SURVIVE.**

### World Teachers' Day

World Teachers' Day is an opportunity to recognise the commitment that teachers have to their students. Teachers often work at home preparing for their units of work to be delivered. They often spend their own money to resource motivational extras for their class. Teachers care a lot about the well-being of each student in their class. You may want to send an email or craft a note to your child's teacher expressing something that you appreciate about them.



### Planning for 2022 (Year 6 excepted)

Please notify the office if your child/ren will not be returning to Darlington Primary in 2022.

**Email:** [darlington.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:darlington.ps@education.wa.edu.au)



*Initiative, Trust, Tolerance*

## Busy Bee

The Sustainability team has called for a Busy Bee for 10am Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> October for whatever time you can share.

### Tasks to focus on:

- Levelling of the base for the shade house enclosure-shovels, rakes, wheelbarrows.
- Paving the area for the propagation bench-pavers supplied.
- Transportation and construction of the enclosure from southern side of school to the Kitchen Garden site-gloves and muscles.
- Construction and installation of Propagation Bench-materials supplied.
- Installation of automatic watering system for propagation bench-materials supplied.
- Installation of 4 wicking beds-to be delivered.
- Spreading of mulch heap-rakes, shovels, forks, wheelbarrows.



BYO-Food and Drinks.

Please bring appropriate tools for the task you are able to do.



## Darlington Spelling Bee

The Darlington Spelling Bee is to be held on 3 November in the Covered Assembly Area. Students have been issued with lists of words to practise so that they are well positioned to be able to orally spell a lot of words. Each class (from Year 3 – 6) will run their own selection process to identify their best spellers.

The best two spellers from each class will compete. The two finalists from the juniors and seniors will compete in the HEC Spelling Bee, on Wednesday 10 November.



## The Calendar

- Friday 22 October - PP1 Assembly
- Saturday 23 October - Busy Bee at School
- Wednesday 27 October - HECSA Interschool Athletics Carnival (Jumps and Throws)
- Friday 29 October HECSA Interschool Athletics Carnival (Track and Team)
- Friday 29 October World Teachers' Day

## You Can Do It

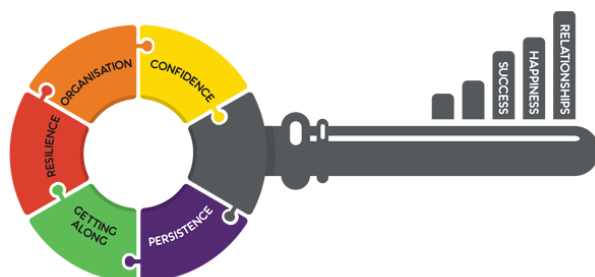
*You Can Do It* is our Social and Emotional Health program. The program was developed by Professor Michael Bernard from the University of Melbourne and is an evidence-based program.

Five main Keys are developed through the program: Confidence, Persistence, Organisation, Resilience and Getting Along.

The third key is **Organisation**.

Organisation is revealed when young people keep track of their assignments, schedule their time effectively, break down long-term assignments into small steps and set goals for how well they want to do in specific areas of their school work and in other endeavours. Organisation also means having all supplies ready to do school work and a good system for storing previously learned material.

Students at Darlington Primary School work through four *You Can Do It* lessons each term as part of their Health curriculum.



Andrew Newhouse, Principal

DARLINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

## BOOK FAIR

**LAST DAY TODAY**

POP INTO THE LIBRARY

**EFTPOS  
AVAILABLE**



**DON'T MISS OUT !**



# Chaplain's chat

TRACEY BUCKLEY

## Drumming Club

Drumming Club is on every Thursday from 3.00 pm to 3.30 pm. This is for students in pre-primary to year six.

Students attending this program need to be collected by an adult. We are working towards a performance at the end of the year.



## Girls' Group



Girls' Group starts on Monday 1 November – 6 December, this is for girls in years 3 to 6. This will be at lunchtime.

The girls will work through a journal. We will be looking at friendships, how to make a difference in the community and some craft projects. Permission forms will be in the office.

## Craft Group



Craft Group is on Thursday during lunchtime in the library. This is for students in year one to six. Come along and see what you can create.

## Boys' Group

We are starting a boys' group for years 3 and 4. They will be working through a journal and activities.

We will meet in the art room on Friday lunchtimes. Boys' group will start on 5 November to 26 November.

Permission forms will be in the office.



## My quote



I am here on Monday, Thursday and Friday.

Tracey Buckley

## Community News

AND EVENTS

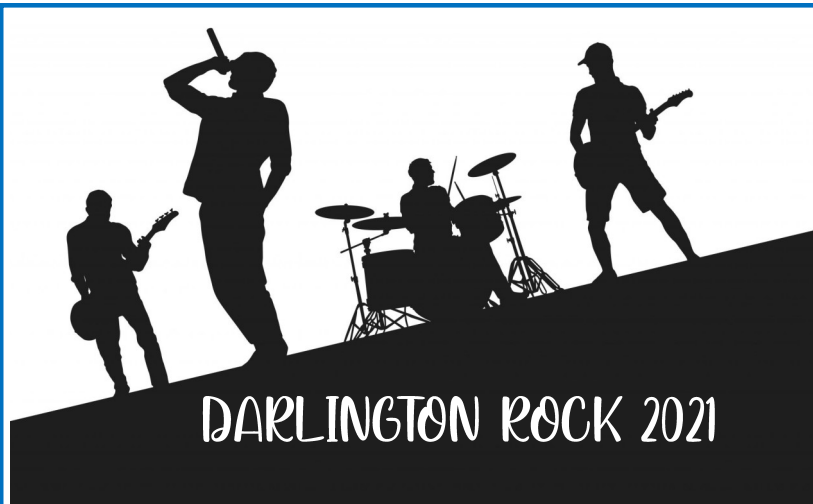


**BUSY BEE**

**THIS SATURDAY**

OCTOBER 23rd - 10am





# Music News

STEWART MELROSE

Well another Darlington Rock is over - from memory it is the 18<sup>th</sup> consecutive year our talented musicians have performed and entertained our school community. This year was an outstanding success as the band traversed the musical highway from the 1970's right through to today's music.

Who would have thought that ABBA would still be getting us up dancing 50 years on? Both songs (Mama Mia and Dancing Queen) provided a musical flashback to our parents and grandparents halcyon music days.

Norwegian synth-pop band Aha took us through the 1980's as our band performed their smash hit "Take On Me" to tremendous audience reception.

Fast forward to 1995 and our band performed the number one hit by British band Oasis. "Wonderwall" is timeless in its acoustic guitar led Britpop sound.

Into the 2000's, we had songs from One Republic (Counting Stars), Nea (Some Say), Cavetown (Lemon Boy) and finished with "Blinding Lights" by the world's number one pop sensation The Weeknd.

I continue to be amazed at the musical talent that is produced by Darlington PS students – I am very proud of them. A big shout out to our school choir who sang "Riptide" by Vance Joy beautifully, complete with some soaring harmonies over the top.

Finally, a huge thanks to our amazing school community who clapped, sang and danced their way through the concert – your participation inspires our band students to great heights.

Well done everyone!!!

Mr Melrose

