

# DURI PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEEK 8, TERM 4, 2014 26th November, 2014

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, 27th November - Last Kinder Orientation Day 11.00 am-3.00 pm

- Junior Tennis Championships after Hot Shots

Friday, 28th November - 4/5/6 students arrive home from Sydney Excursion

Thursday, 4th December - Craft Groups 1-2 pm

- Senior Tennis Championships

Friday, 5th December - Craft Groups 1.30-2.30 pm

- School Disco 6-8 pm

Monday, 8th December - K/1/2 Excursion to Tamworth

Wednesday, 10th December - Presentation Night

Friday, 12th December - Carols by Candlelight - Duri Anglican Church

Monday, 15th December - Nursing Home Visit and Movies

Tuesday, 16th December - Year 6 Farewell and Staff Dinner - 6.00 pm

Wednesday, 17th December - Games Day

- Student's last day for 2014

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### Oz Tag Draw

Congratulations to the Under 8's team of Molly Ison, Blake Christie, William Ramsden, Angus Urquhart and Ben Crittle who made it through to the semi-finals.

Tamworth Junior Oz Tag draw for today, Wednesday, 26th November is:

Under 8's **Duri/West Demons** play St Nicholas Bolts on Mini Field 5 at 4.15 pm.

We wish you best of luck this afternoon.

#### School Disco - Friday, 5th December

The school disco will be held on **Friday**, **5th December** from 6.00 pm-8.00 pm. The theme for the night will be the letter "S" so you can come dressed as something beginning with "S", such as spider, snake, superman. Cost is \$2.00 and drinks and chips will be on sale during the night.

#### **Tennis Championships**

Students in Year 3 who are interested in competing in the junior school tennis champion-ships, will need to bring their tennis racquet, and appropriate shoes tomorrow, **Thursday**, **27th November.** The school does have some tennis racquets that can be borrowed if you do not own one. Mrs Cohen will be supervising the students as they try out tomorrow after Hot Shots Tennis. You should be able to serve over the net to be eligible to play. Good luck everyone.

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#### **Kinder Orientation Days**

Our last Orientation day is tomorrow, **Thursday, 27th November** from 11.00 am till 3.00 pm. We will have **Savannah Major and Logan Luckwell** joining us tomorrow.

#### **Excursion to Sydney**

Our senior students are having a wonderful time. They had a great time at Taronga Zoo and Madam Tussauds yesterday and they visited the Sydney Tower this morning and are off to explore the Rocks and Opera House this afternoon. Tomorrow they catch the ferry to Manly (God's Country) to visit Manly Sea Life and have lunch on the promenade.

Mr McDonald was going to send some photos through from his phone but had a few technical difficulties, so maybe next week.

#### Captain's Speeches

Both **Phoebe Reynolds** and **Charlotte Kesby** did a great job last Friday delivering their Captain's speeches and both girls will make excellent leaders for our school. The Captain and Vice-Captain for 2015 will be announced on Presentation Night.

#### Carols by Candlelight - Friday, 12th December

The school will be performing at Carols by Candlelight at the Duri Anglican Church on **Friday, 12th December** commencing at 7.30 pm. There will be a free sausage sizzle beforehand at 7.00 pm which everyone is invited to. We need to know numbers for our preparation of songs so if you are able to attend, please let the school know. Thank you.

#### Presentation Night - Wednesday, 10th December at 7.00 pm

At Presentation Night we have a Giving Tree where parents can send in toys and non-perishable food items, anything that you think may be useful for a hamper at Christmas which we donate to the Tamworth Women's Refuge. You can send in items from now on until Presentation Night.

#### Nursing Home Visit - Monday, 15th December

We would appreciate if you could send in gifts to give to the residents such as handkerchiefs, toiletries, note paper etc. On this day the students will also be going to the movies but we haven't finalised which movie yet. A permission note will be going home next week.

#### **Junior Excursion To Tamworth**

Students in K/1/2 will be travelling to Tamworth on **Monday, 8th December** and visiting the Fire Station after having recess in the park. They will then go to the Marigold Inn for lunch and while there they will learn about Chinese New Year celebrations. The class have been doing a unit on celebrations and this excursion will compliment that unit of work. A permission note will go out next week when final arrangements have been made.

#### **Library News**

This was the last week for borrowing from the Library as this is Week 8 and we only have a few weeks to get all the books back in the Library before the holidays. Mrs Pearson would like to do a library stocktake on the last two days of school. **Please return all your library books as soon as possible.** Thank you.

#### **School Reports**

School Reports will go home on Friday, 14th December.

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#### **Christmas Craft Groups**

Thank you to the people who have offered to run a group or offered to help on **Thursday**, **4th and Friday**, **5th December**. Your help is very much appreciated and without it we would not be able to offer the students such a great choice of crafts. The groups craft are on between 1.30 and 2.30 pm each day. The students are deciding next Monday which craft group they would like to be part of.

#### **Summer Reading Club**

At Tamworth and Branch Libraries the Summer Reading Club program will run from 1st December, 2014 until 31st January, 2015. The theme for this year's club is *Adventure*. Registration is FREE! Participants can register in person at any local library branch, where they will receive a Summer Reading Log to track their reading efforts. Alternatively they can also register through the library website at <a href="www.cnl.nsw.gov.au">www.cnl.nsw.gov.au</a> and download a copy of the Summer Reading Log to get started straight away.

National prizes are also up for grabs for those who participate in the online writing activities via the Summer Reading Club website www.summerreadingclub.org.au .

#### **Duri Progress Association Christmas Party**

On **Friday 19th December**, the Progress Association is organising a Christmas Party in the Duri Hall from 6.30 pm. There will be a free sausage sizzle and parents are asked to bring their own drinks and nibbles. Santa will be making an appearance at 7.30 pm. Parents are asked to provide a gift to the value of \$10.00, wrapped and with the child's name on it. For any enquiries, please contact Priscilla Collins on 67680118 or Darrin Alderson on 0418438106.

## MERIT AWARDS - Week 7, Term 4, 2014

Rylee Kiddle - helper during Kinder Orientation
Thomas MacAlpine - 150 home readers
Jacob Umback - organisation and dedication to work
Molly Ison - Maths improvement
Eden Walters - being a great helper
Captains Awards to Charlotte Poole for being kind other others and to
Breanna Barron for being quiet in the classroom

# **GOLD CERTIFICATES**

Charlotte Kesby Ben Crittle

BANNER
CHARLOTTE KESBY
RYLEE KIDDLE

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# PHOTO PAGE

Year 6 - 2014 Leisl and Eden



At the Wallabadah Horse Sports Day a few weeks ago, our team of Will and Charlotte Ramsden; Isabell and Charlotte Kesby all rode very well. Charlotte Ramsden was 10 yrs Champion Girl Rider and Isabell Kesby was 9 yrs Reserve Champion Girl Rider.



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