



# DURI PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WEEK 10, TERM 4, 2014

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, 10th December	- Presentation Night - 7.00 pm
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
Wednesday, 28th January, 2015	- First day back for students in 2015

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### Farewell Mr Hadden

This year we have been fortunate to have Mr Hadden as our Learning and Support Teacher for one day a fortnight. Mr Hadden is taking a class at Peel High School in 2015 and will not be able to continue in his present position. We have enjoyed having him visit once a fortnight and I am sure the students are going to miss him. We wish him all the best in 2015.

### Tennis Championships

Thank you to Mrs Cohen for running the Duri School Tennis Championships. The 2014 tennis champions are:-

Senior Champion	- <b>Leisl Cooper</b>
Senior Runner-up	- <b>Charlotte Kesby</b>
Junior Champion	- <b>Jacob Umback</b>
Junior Runner-up	- <b>Isabell Kesby</b>

Congratulations to these students and the other students who competed.

### Christmas Craft Groups

Christmas Craft Groups were great and the students enjoyed doing something a bit different. We had candle making, cooking, Christmas decorations, beading, hair-clips and snowmen. Thank you to **Charmaine Kesby, Di Cooper, Miss Rogers and Janelle Rimmer** for running a group and to **Natalie Crittle, Billie-Jane Wood and Anne Donaldson** for helping with a group. Your assistance was very much appreciated.

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

Students are expected to wear their full summer school uniform and should be at school by 6.45 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. Our special guest for the evening is **Mr Kevin Anderson MP**. **Parents please bring a plate of food to share for supper.**

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

The school will be performing at Carols by Candlelight at the Duri Anglican Church this **Friday, 12th December** commencing at 7.30 pm. There will be a free sausage sizzle beforehand at 7.00 pm. We need to know numbers for our preparation of songs so if you are able to attend, please let the school know. Thank you to the parents who have already let us know of their intentions.

### **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.

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

We would appreciate if you could send in gifts (wrapped if possible) to give to the residents such as handkerchiefs, toiletries, note paper etc. On this day the students will also be going to the movies to see "Penguins of Madagascar" after having lunch at Centrepoint Food Court. After we did some investigating of the Centrepoint food outlets, we have decided to limit the food orders to Bucking Bull and the students will be asked tomorrow to choose what they wish to order for lunch.

### **Library News**

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**

Hopefully the School Reports will go home this **Friday, 12th December**. If you would like an interview with your child's teacher before the end of the year, please ring the school to organise a time.

### **2015 Duri School Calendar**

A Duri School 2015 Calendar is available to be purchased from Friday 12th December. This calendar has been mainly compiled by **Eden Walters**. The cost of the calendar is \$5.00. Please contact Wendy before the **12th December**, if you wish to order one.

### **Year 6 Farewell and Staff Christmas Party - Tuesday, 16th December**

Year 6 students, their parents and staff are going to the movies next Tuesday night at 6.10 pm to see "Paddington" and then having dinner at the Family Restaurant at Ex-Services Club, Marius Street at 7.30 pm. The two girls have a permission note included in their newsletter.

**Congratulations to:**  
**CHARLOTTE KESBY for getting 5 banners**  
**Charlotte received an individual trophy and a book voucher.**

### End of School Year

The students have their last day at school for 2014 on **Wednesday, 17th December** and do not return to school until **Wednesday, 28th January, 2015**. Staff will return to school on Tuesday, 27th January.

### University Test Results

#### ENGLISH

**Eden Walters** - Distinction; **Leisl Cooper** - Participation; **Alexander Urquhart** - Participation; **Fiona Rivera** - Participation

#### MATHEMATICS

**Eden Walters** - Credit; **Leisl Cooper** - Participation; **Alexander Urquhart** - Participation

#### SCIENCE

**Alexander Urquhart** - Participation

#### SPELLING

**Eden Walters** - Credit; **Leisl Cooper** - Participation; **Alexander Urquhart** - Participation

#### WRITING

**Eden Walters** - Distinction; **Leisl Cooper** - Participation; **Alexander Urquhart** - Participation

## **MERIT AWARDS - Week 9, Term 4, 2014**

**Thomas MacAlpine** - 175 readers

**Ben Crittle** - beautiful singing

**Ebonie Wood** - improved attitude and responsible behaviour

**Genie Stokes** - work on her holiday journal

**Isabell Kesby** - improvement in Spelling

**Eden Walters** - enthusiasm and effort

**Phoebe Reynolds** - improvement in Spelling

Captain's Awards to **Sarah Frazer** for doing her work quietly and

**Breanna Barron** for waiting patiently for the teacher and **Genie Stokes**  
for joining in games

Civic Award to **Sarah Frazer** for trying hard in class

### GOLD CERTIFICATES

**Charlotte Poole**

**Jacob Umback**

**Leisl Cooper (2)**

**Ollie Steele**

**Thomas MacAlpine (2)**

### BANNERS

**OLLIE STEELE**

**THOMAS MACALPINE**

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