

# DURI PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, 8th December - Junior Excursion to Nundle

Friday, 9th December - Special Scripture Service 11.00 - 12.00

- Last Intensive Swimming 1.00 - 2.00 pm

- School reports go home

- Carols by Candlelight at Duri Anglican Church

Monday, 12th December - Visit to Nursing Homes and Movies
Wednesday, 14th December - Presentation Night - 7.00 pm
Thursday, 15th December - Vear 6 Farewell and Staff Dinner

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Friday, 16th December - Clean up day and Games Day - last day for students Friday, 27th January, 2017 - Staff return to school - Staff Development Day

Monday, 30th January, 2017 - Students return to school for Term 1, 2017

#### **SCHOOL REPORT**

#### Thanks Aleisha

Aleisha enjoyed her week which has strengthened her determination to become a primary school teacher. We wish her well in her move to Brisbane to continue her senior education.

#### **Intensive Swimming**

We will have our last swimming lesson this **Friday, 9th December.** 

If you wish to pick your child up from 360 Fitness Club, **please let the school know**.

#### P & C Christmas Pie Drive

Thank you to all the people who ordered pies, the venture was certainly worthwhile. Thank you to Samantha Stokes for organising and co-ordinating the pie drive. The delivery date will be this **Friday**, **9th December.** Please arrange to pick up your pies at **9.00 am** on Friday morning as we have no refrigeration room at school to store them.

## ORDERS ARE NOT TO BE TAKEN HOME ON BUSES.

#### Senior Choir Fees are Due

The senior students who have singing with Michael need to pay your Term 4 fees if you have not already done so. Michael came for music for eight weeks of Term 4, so the students need to pay \$64.00 for the term.

#### **Technology Grant**

Congratulations to Mr Bellis who has been successful in obtaining a \$6,799 technology grant to be able to purchase a portable interactive whiteboard for the senior classroom.

#### **STRIKE**

None of our teachers are taking part in the proposed strike tomorrow, **Thursday**, **8th December.** Duri Public School will be operating as usual.

#### **School Reports**

Hopefully school reports will be going home on **Friday**, **9th December**.

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#### MERIT AWARDS Week 8, Term 4, 2016

Hannah Brown - working hard in Maths Hayley Hughes - working hard in English Ashton Urquhart - working sensibly in class

Henry Crittle - working hard in Maths Alaanah Jerrett - consistent in all areas all year

**Alex Urquhart** - helping before, during and after the Disco

Sarah Frazer - sportsmanship Ben Crittle - sportsmanship Breanna Barron - sportsmanship

<u>Captain's Awards</u> to **Ashton Urquhart** and **Charlotte Ramsden** for showing sportsmanship

<u>Baker's Delight Awards</u> to **Molly Ison** for sportsmanship and to **Zara Kesby** for shaking hands after games

#### **GOLD CERTIFICATES**

.Ben Crittle Jessica Stokes Genie Stokes

### BANNER BEN CRITTLE

#### **Craft Groups**

Thank you to the parents and friends for preparing lessons, providing a fantastic art/ craft opportunity and being so generous with your time and resources - Mrs Cooper, Mrs Purdy, Mrs Kesby, Mrs McDonald, Mrs Rimmer, Mrs Crittle, Mrs Chiswell, Mrs Umback, Mrs Steele, Sophie Cooper and Mrs Stokes. This year we had groups such as beading, Christmas decorations, Christmas balls, gingerbread, sun catches, little wooden people and computer art. See photo of some finished items.

#### **Nursing Home Visit and Movies**

We will be entertaining the residents at Freedom Nursing home and Alblas Nursing Home on Monday 12th December and then going to the movies. The movie we are seeing at 12.45 pm is "Troll", rated PG. Students will need to bring their lunch, recess and water bottle with them. Students are to wear their full summer school uniform. Before the movie the students can purchase two items of food, such as an ice-cream and drink or popcorn and drink. (\$10.00 is suggested). School will cover the cost of the bus and entry to the movie.

We will need gifts for the elderly folk. If you have anything that is suitable, please send it to school. Please return your permission note if you have not already done so.

#### Carols by Candlelight - THIS FRIDAY

Carols by Candlelight will be held on **Friday, 9th December** commencing at 7.00 pm at All Saints Church, Duri. There is a free drink and sausage sizzle to be enjoyed before the carols commence. Our students will be singing a few Christmas Carols. It would be wonderful to have as many students there as possible. Students will dress in smart casual clothes.

#### Mrs Brazzill's Reply

Mrs Joy Brazill wrote a letter to Anne Donaldson to pass on to the school to thank the students for your caring letters to her. She said she will treasure them and she will always remember the lovely times she has spent at Duri School.

#### **School Disco**

A great time was had by all at the disco last Thursday night. There were so many interesting "C" costumes.

#### Friday Assembly

This Friday some sports awards will be given out at Friday's assembly as there are too many to be given out at Presentation Night.

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#### **Junior Excursion to Nundle**

Tomorrow, **Thursday, 8th December**, is our junior excursion to Nundle. The students will be travelling by bus and discovering the wonders of Nundle. The students will pan for gold and enjoy a barbecue lunch.

A reminder that students are to wear their sports uniform and bring their recess. Can your child also bring a spare pair of shoes or gumboots in a plastic bag. A sausage sandwich and fruit juice will be supplied for lunch.

#### **Presentation Night**

Our Presentation Night is next **Wednesday**, **14th December** from 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm followed by supper from 9.00 pm - 10.00 pm. Please bring a plate of food to share after the presentation.

Students are to wear their full summer uniform and to be at school by 6.45 pm.

We will be holding our annual Christmas tree donations of non-perishable food items or toys etc. and giving them to the Women's Refuge. These donations can be sent to school at any time.

#### **Library News**

There are 10 days until the end of term in which to return all library books to school. It is very important that we have all the books returned to the Library before the end of year. Thank you.

#### Year 6 Farewell

The Year 6 Farewell will be held on **Thursday, 15th December.** We will have dinner at Smokey's Restaurant at West Diggers from 6.00 pm before going the see "Rogue One, A Star Wars Story" at the movies at 8.30 pm.

#### **Upgrading Awards**

If you have awards to upgrade to gold etc. It would be good if you could bring them in shortly. Please do not leave them until the last week of school.

#### **Special Scripture Service**

This **Friday, 9th December,** there will be a Special Christmas Scripture Service with Michael Hutton and his family from 11.00 am to 12 noon in the new Library.

#### Games Day and Clean Up Day

Games Day will be the last day of the school for 2016. The morning will be taken up with cleaning up and then in the afternoon students can participate in a games afternoon. Students are allowed to bring in electronic games if they wish, however they are the student's responsibility.

This day is an "out of uniform day".



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**School Disco** 



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