

CREEKSIDE NEWS

November 15, 2019

Welcome Kindergarten

Wednesday 6th November will hopefully go down in the books as a very memorable day for 27 future students of Dora Creek Public School; since this day was the first orientation visit for our brand new Kindergarten cohort, who will begin the first step of their educational journey at Dora Creek Public School in 2020. This was a great opportunity for these students to get a feel for the classroom, develop partnerships with some of the teachers in our school; and also for them to take the chance to make some connections with some students close to their age who will join them next year. From all accounts, every student involved on the day was made feel comfortable and also felt very excited about their first step into the “big school” setting.



Save the Date– Presentation Day and Year 6 Farewell

Dora Creek Public School is looking forward to seeing you all at our annual **Presentation Day Assembly** on Monday, December 16, which is in Week 10, on the final Monday of the 2019 school year. The assembly will begin at approximately 11.15am, where we will celebrate the learning of *all* of our students in 2019, and witness some of the many talents that our students will have on display. It is important to remember that, whilst we award our high achieving students with prizes and accolades, we as teachers are proud of the achievements and progress of each and every child at our school who makes their way through our gates, on each and every day of school they attend. On this day, we will also announce our 2020 School Leaders; for which, the process that is undertaken for elections is available to all parents of year 5 students at any stage of the election upon request.

Another eagerly anticipated event that will occur this same day is the Year 6 Farewell. Families of Year 6 students should have already received the details of this event, along with an intention to attend. If you are the parent of a Year 6 student who *does not* have this advice, please see Mrs Harris or the office at your earliest convenience. We look forward to seeing all of our Year 6 families on this very auspicious occasion, as we celebrate the conclusion of your child's primary school education journey.

Damien Borrow
Principal





Next Meeting- 7pm, Tuesday 19th November, 2019 in the School Library.

Christmas Raffle tickets will soon be on sale. This year's raffle promises to be simply extraordinary, so brace yourselves for the **BUMPER** array of prizes that will be on offer :-).

Stage Three Mini Fete

In week 7 this term, Year 5/6B will be running a mini fete to raise funds for the students at Dora Creek Public School.

We are currently looking for small donations such as confectionery items or new small toys (handballs, stationary or match box toys etc.). If you can donate any items, please bring them to either the school office or the Year 5/6 classroom.

If you know of any businesses that may also be willing to donate any other items, we would appreciate it if you could let us know so we are able to contact them.

We would like to make this fete as successful as possible and any help with the above donations would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your support

Year 5/6B Students

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 20/ 11** K Orientation Visit 3
- 21/ 11** SRE Christmas Assembly
- 27/ 11** K Orientation Picnic Day
- 28/ 11** BOUNCE Finishes
- 29/ 11** Volunteers Morning Tea
- 02/ 12** Swim School begins
- 03/ 12** School Leadership Speeches
- 13/ 12** Swim School Finishes
- 16/ 12** Presentation Day– 11.15am
Year 6 Farewell
- 17/ 12** Sapphire Reward Day
- 18/ 12** Final Day of 2019 for students
- 29/ 01** First Day of 2020 (Yrs 1-6 only)
Kindergarten Best Start 1
- 30/ 01** Kindergarten Best Start 2
- 31/ 01** Kindergarten Best Start 3

NOTES HOME

- Swim School
- School Closure
(12/11/2019)
- Kinder Orientation
- Year 5/6 Fete
- Uniform Order

Volunteers Morning Tea

Dora Creek Public School would like to extend a warm welcome to our volunteers to attend our **Helpers Morning Tea**, which will be held in the school hall on **Friday, November 29, beginning at 10.40am**. If you have assisted our school or our students in any way this year, whether it be transporting students to events, volunteering in classrooms, or assisting our hard-working P and C in supporting key initiatives at our school; we invite you to come and share with our staff and students a cuppa and some sweet treats. As always, we are very grateful for all of your efforts in 2019 and we acknowledge that our school would not function as well as it does without your ongoing support.

Woolworths Cricket Gala

On Thursday, October 31, our junior and senior boys and girls cricket teams headed over to Ron Hill Oval at Toronto to participate in the Lake Macquarie West **Big Bash** Gala Day. Dora Creek entered two girls' teams in this event, along two boys' teams; and each of these teams tried their absolute best all day. It was a particularly good effort from our Junior Girls, who, due to a school pulling out of the event at the last minute, had to combine with (and play against) some very talented senior girls teams from a range of schools across lake Macquarie West. It was great to see the team spirit on display from our students, particularly given that a number of them would have been rather fatigued after playing back to back games for both girls' teams. Our students appeared to really enjoy themselves and even got to hang out with Sid, the Sydney Sixers mascot. Whilst everybody was tired, they were most definitely still smiling at the end of the day. Thank you to Mrs Harris who put the time and effort in to organise our teams for the day, and also to everyone who helped out with transport and support. We really appreciate it.



