

CREEKSIDE NEWS

September 23, 2019

Final Day of Term Three this THURSDAY

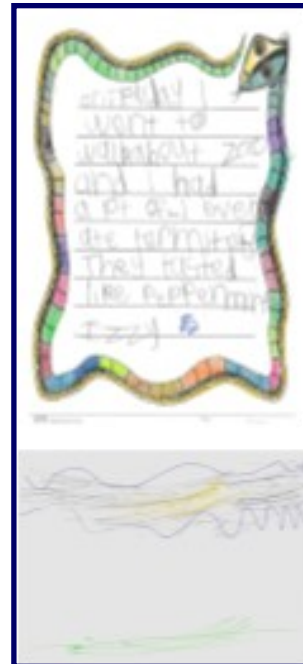
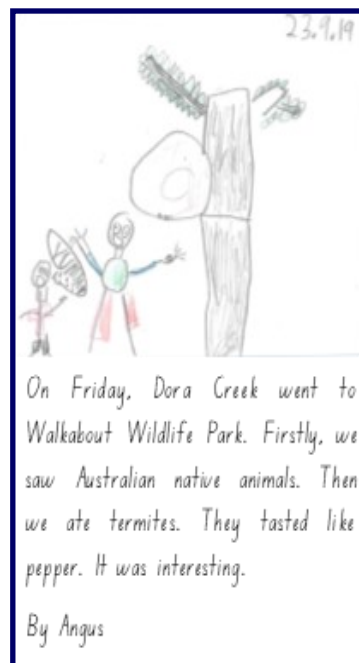
Please remember that this Thursday, 26th September, is the final day of Term 3 for our students. Friday is a Staff Development Day for our staff, when we will be undertaking professional learning that will assist us in implementing some new ways of teaching mathematics within the school. Students will begin Term 4 on Monday 14th October.

Save the Date

Dora Creek Public School is looking forward to seeing you all at our **Grandparents, Family and Friends Day** in Week 2 of Term 4, Friday, 25th October. All of our students and teachers are busy rehearsing special performances and creating beautiful pieces of art and craft that will be for sale on the day; and we look forward to what promises to be a great event. All here hope that you take the opportunity to make your way into the school to be a part of this fantastic celebration. The day will begin at 11.30am, when our students will perform a number of special creative arts items and, following this, student artworks and craft pieces will be available for purchase. There will also be a pop-up book store operating. At lunch, the school will provide a FREE sausage sizzle for all students and their guests and we look forward to welcoming you and your families on this very special day.

Walkabout Park Excursion

On Friday 20th September, students from years K-4 attended Walkabout Park on the lower end of the Central Coast to get up close and personal with a range of native flora and fauna. I am reliably informed that the majority of the students who attended had an absolute ball and really enjoyed a tiring, but fulfilling, wander through the wilderness to learn about our native animals and the traditional practices of our First Nations people. Students from Kindergarten and Year One have constructed some recounts about the day and they hope you enjoy them. Also, overleaf, are some of the great photos taken while on the excursion.



End of Term MUFTI

For a gold coin donation, and if they wish, students may come to school out of uniform wearing their favourite colours this Thursday, the final day of Term 3.

Due to WHS reasons, students need to keep in mind that they need to wear covered shoes and a hat; along with a shirt that covers their shoulders and midriff. No singlet tops or sleeveless shirts, please. Any student found to be wearing inappropriate clothing, or clothing that does not fit the above criteria, will have their parents/ carers contacted and replacement clothing will be required. We look forward to your support of this fundraising event.

All proceeds will go towards Year 6 fundraising.

Reptile Show

On Wednesday 11th September, Dora Creek Public School students were visited by RESTA, who presented a stimulating reptile display that aimed to raise awareness of the range of ways in which we can co-exist in peace with some of our most dangerous animals. This show was beautifully delivered and highly entertaining for our students, who were absolutely spellbound for nearly the whole session. In fact, they were so spellbound that most didn't even think twice when given the opportunity to experience handling some of these creatures, given they were made feel that they would not be harmed, as long as they treated the crocodiles, lizards and snakes on display with care and respect. We would like to thank our P and C for providing our school with this great opportunity. It was an interesting and informative experience for all involved.

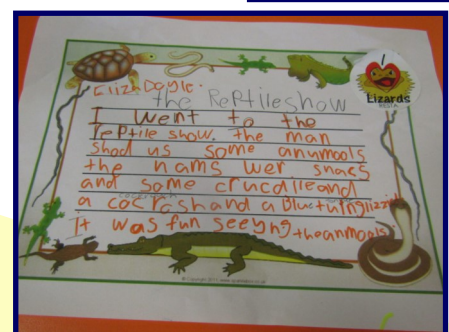
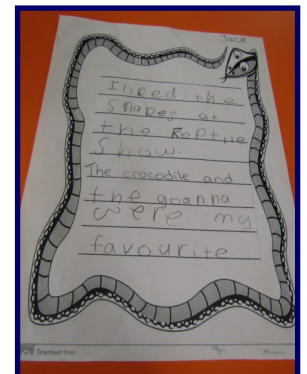
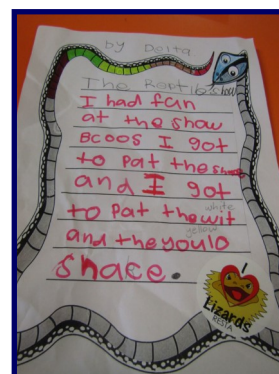
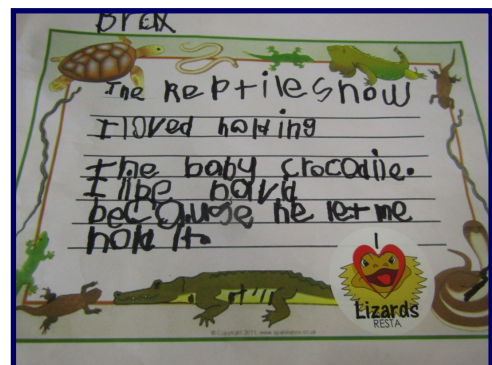
Check out some of the great shots from the day, along with some fantastic samples of our Kindergarten students' writing about the visit.



WALKABOUT PARK EXCURSION PHOTOS



KG Work Samples





Next Meeting- 7pm, Tuesday 30th October, 2019 in the School Library.

Canteen

A reminder that the canteen has closed for term three and will re-open on Wednesday 16th October (Week 1, Term 4). We are still short of canteen helpers, so if you can help out in any way, please advise either Kiri in the canteen, or the school office. We really need your support in making this happen so that we can continue to provide our students with this fantastic service.

Senior Netball Gala Day

On Friday, September 20, it was our Senior Netball teams' turn to participate in the Westlakes PSSA Gala Day at beautiful Wangi Wangi. We were divided into two separate teams, white and blue, and both teams won two games each. In total, Dora Creek won 4 games and it was an amazing but hot day. In the end, we shot lots of goals, had lots of laughs along the way and it was a great experience for all. We played against some very competitive teams but had a great run through all of it. Mel, Teneika's mum, bought us some hot chips and creaming soda, and we'd like to say thanks for that amazing treat. Thank you, also, Mrs Dilley, for organising this day and to the families who helped out with transport. We had lots of fun (# best day ever!). :)

Written by Shaylie, Grace and Charlotte



Tell Them From Me

We wish to advise that the *Tell Them From Me 2019* survey window is now OPEN and would like to invite our community to participate in the survey, which has been designed for parents and carers to provide our school with worthwhile feedback regarding our practice. This process is extremely valuable for our school and we use information gleaned from your opinions and points of view to work even harder to provide a meaningful, supportive learning environment for your child.

Why you should participate:

Parents and carers are an important and valued part of our school community. We will use survey outcomes to make practical improvements and inform school planning. Drama, Dance, Rock Band and Ukelele groups were this year introduced into the school as a direct result of survey outcomes from 2017 and 2018 and we're sure that you will agree with us when we say that these initiatives have been widely enjoyed in 2019, and demonstrate the value that we place on the feedback of our students and community.

What it involves:

This online survey takes about 10 minutes to complete and is anonymous and voluntary. If you have more than one child at our school, and you feel that your children's experiences differ, you can complete the survey more than once. Importantly, we know your time is valuable, so you can access the survey in your own time until October 25, 2019. Please type/ copy this link into your web browser bar – it should open at the Parent Survey page.

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/2zy66>



Southlakes Athletics Centre

Thompson Oval, Dora Creek
(behind Dora Creek Workers Club)



Welcome to Southlakes Athletics Centre - a friendly local club, focussing on everyone having fun while learning the correct athletic techniques, & striving to improve performance & PBs.

Our season starts **THURSDAY 3rd OCT 2019** (5.15pm- approx 7.30pm; events start 5.30pm) & continues Thursday evenings until **MID-MARCH 2020**, with a small break over Xmas. Optional training is on Monday afternoons.

Online Rego - via Little Athletics NSW website (link below)

<https://memberdesq.sportstg.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=main&OrgID=914&orgreset=1>

For **RETURNING MEMBERS** go to above link, click "Renew", enter your username & password.

For **NEW MEMBERS** go to above link, click "Join", select Southlakes as your centre, & follow prompts.

Our **SOUTHLAKES ATHLETICS CENTRE Facebook page** has regular posts, please LIKE our fb page to keep up to date.

Registration days (**once online rego is done**) - at Dora Creek WC to verify proof of age (new members) & to collect information including rego numbers & patches: **THURS 22nd AUG & THURS 19th SEPT both 5.30pm - 7.30pm**

We cater for children from **Tots (3 years of age) through to 17 years of age**. Older children may compete as adults. **Rego Costs for the season** - \$160 for U6 to U17 & \$110 for Tots. Seniors costs TBA.

Questions: southlakesathletics@gmail.com www.facebook.com/SouthlakesAthleticscentre/

UPCOMING EVENTS

26/ 09 Final Day of Term 3 for students

Responsible Pet Visit, K-2

End of Term MUFTI

27/ 09 Staff Development Day

14/ 10 Students Return for Term 4

18/ 10 Year 6 Sports Gala at MHS

K-2 Cricket Mascot Challenge

25/ 10 Grandparents Day

06/ 11 K Orientation Visit 1

08/ 11 Jarjum Soar

11/ 11 Remembrance Day

13/ 11 K Orientation Visit 2

20/ 11 K Orientation Visit 3

27/ 11 K Orientation Picnic Day

02/ 12 Swim School begins

16/ 12 Presentation Day- 11.15am

Year 6 Farewell

17/ 12 Sapphire Reward Day

18/ 12 Students' Final Day of 2019

NOTES HOME

Swim School

MUFTI

Chicken Pox
Alert