

CREEKSIDE NEWS

April 27, 2021

Welcome Back

We are pleased to welcome you all back to what promises to be a very busy term. We look forward to another successful 10 weeks and thank you in advance for your support in making this happen. For those of you unaware, our school participates in *Check-In* assessments for students in years 4 and 6; and NAPLAN online assessments for our Year 3 and 5 students. These tests will be held over the coming weeks; Years 4 and 6 will be sitting their assessments during week 2 and 3 of this term, while Years 3 and 5 will be sitting NAPLAN between May 11 and May 21, with the writing test for these year groups occurring on May 11. All aspects of this assessment program will be conducted online, with the exception of Year 3 Writing. I'm sure that Mrs Harris and Miss Tod have prepared our students well, and will be tying up any loose ends as we prepare our students for participation in these assessments.

ANZAC Day

Thank you to our amazing Dora Creek students and families, who attended the ANZAC service at Dora Creek Workers Club on ANZAC Day. On a very warm day, around 20 of our students gave up their own time to show their respect for all of those who have lost their lives in war and to commemorate the 106th year since the World War 1 Gallipoli landings at ANZAC Cove. Our students looked fantastic in their striking uniforms during the service and it was a privilege to mark this event with them, as we shared the commemoration of the occasion. We also supported our student leaders as they took the opportunity to remember the lives that have been lost in all wars before; within, and since, World War 1, by laying a tribute wreath. I would like to express my gratitude to each of our students who attended this solemn, extremely important occasion. Congratulations, we are very proud of you, and also grateful to you and your families for giving up your weekend time to represent our school community.

The school also held its own service within our school grounds last Thursday, 22nd April, and I wish to congratulate our entire school for the way in which they marked the occasion by using tremendous manners and showing great respect during the service. Our school leaders did a fantastic job and should feel very proud of their efforts in conducting readings, reciting poetry and by leading the commemoration itself. Thank you, also, to those classes and students who created and laid wreaths. Well done!



Hatching Chickens

26.4.21
Dear Mr Borrow,
I feel that we should
get some more chickens
because we have the space
for more. I believe that if
we have more chickens then
we will get more eggs. We
can sell the eggs to
raise money for our
School.
From 1MC



Kinder and Stage One are hatching chickens as part of their Science and English units. We started by writing a persuasive letter to Mr Borrow to convince him to let us have the chickens. Then Mrs Clark from the office sourced our fertilized eggs and allowed us to borrow her incubator, so now we are patiently waiting for 21 days until they hatch!

P & C News

**** IMPORTANT ****

Next P and C Meeting– 6.30pm, Monday 3rd May, in the School Library

Athletics Carnival News

Please be advised that we are aiming to run our annual athletics carnival next week, Week 3, Wednesday, May 5, with a back up date for Wednesday of Week 8.

Date: Wednesday May 5, 2021

Venue : Dora Creek WORKERS Club Oval , Dora Creek

Time : 9:00am (Whole School)

Return Year 2-6 by Approx 2.15pm

7 Years and Under by Approx 12.00–12.30 pm

Students who returned permission to participate in the 800m and High Jump, via the previous carnival note, do not need to re-submit a permission note for these events.

Further advice regarding athletics will come home Tuesday 27th April.

Permission notes only need to be returned if you are advising the school that your child will be leaving with you, or another carer, after they have finished competing; or if your child now wishes to participate in the high jump and/ or 800m events at the carnival, after not wanting to previously.



Thursday 9.30am–10.30am

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOTES HOME

29/04/2021 Playgroup
03/05/2021 P&C Meeting
03/05/2021 Year 6 GRIP Leadership
05/05/2021 Athletics Carnival
14/05/2021 Walk to school day
04/05/2021 Jolly Bob Show
11/05/2021-21/5/2021 NAPLAN
19/05/2021 National Simultaneous Story Time
26/05/2021 Interrelate Year 5 & 6
18/06/2021 Reports Home
WEEK 10 Student-Led Conferences

Athletics Carnival
Stage 2-3 Camp
Year 6 Leadership Day

Dora Creek Public School is holding a

low waste lunch day

on the 13th of May 2021

We are encouraging all families to participate in a low waste lunch day by bringing a packed lunch to school that has no packaging or waste.

Ideas for a low waste lunch include: Reusable lunch boxes and containers, Reusable drink bottles, Appropriate portion size

Please try to avoid: Foods that are pre-packed as individual servings such as chips, muesli bars and squeeze yoghurts

Cling wrap, foil or snap lock bags

Poppers or juice cartons

Packing a low waste lunch can save money.

Here are a few tips to get you started: Ensure you have lunch boxes that have different compartments and tight fitting containers for sandwiches and items that would traditionally use foil or cling wrap.

Preparation is important. Plan and prepare in advance and store in the refrigerator overnight. Involve the

children and only pack what they will eat.

Use leftovers from previous night

Buy or make your child's favourite snack foods in bulk or larger packets and portion into individual containers for example;

- chips, biscuits or crackers
- fruits and yoghurt
- whole cake, slices, (stored in the freezer)
- dried fruits e.g. sultanas and dates
- cheese – cut into blocks

Buy 1-2 litre bottles of drink and pour into reusable drink bottles.

Take note of what is not being eaten.



Good for Kids good for life

GET ACTIVE WITH YOUR 'DISCOVER NSW' VOUCHERS!

Have you heard about the recent NSW Government "Dine and Discover NSW" initiative? Every adult in NSW is eligible to receive 2 x \$25 vouchers to spend on registered entertainment and recreation venues.

Why not consider using your vouchers to get active with your kids? Here are a few ideas:

- Indoor Rock Climbing
- Ten Pin Bowling
- Putt Putt/Mini Golf
- Ice Skating
- Lawn Bowls
- Trampoline Park
- Sport and Recreation Centre



To see a full list of registered businesses near you and to apply for your vouchers, head to the ServiceNSW website.

Get in quick – vouchers expire 30th June 2021!



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2022 Enrolments Now Being Taken

If you are aware of any students in the community who are intending to enrol for Kindergarten, or any other grade in 2022, please advise their parents to contact the school office as soon as possible. We still have "out of area" spaces available, subject to successful application, although these places are filling fast.



MEDICATION UPDATE

If your child has been prescribed medication that needs to be administered in school hours, please contact the office and fill out the required official medical forms.