Darlington Point Public School



Education & Communities

Celebrating NAIDOC Week

NAIDOC Week is usually celebrated in July but this year due to COVID-19, we postponed it. NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia to celebrate the histories, cultures and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The NAIDOC 2021 theme was 'Heal Country!' - calls for all of us to continue to seek greater protections for our lands, our waters, our sacred sites and our cultural heritage from exploitation, desecration, and destruction.

We will be celebrating NAIDOC at our school next **Tuesday 30 November 2021**. The students will be working in groups and participating in many different activities throughout the day.

A BBQ lunch will be provided for students on the day. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 parents/carers and community members will NOT be able to attend.



Kindergarten Orientation

The timetable for the orientation program is as follows:

Week	Date	Time
Session 6	Tuesday 23 Nov	9:15 – 3:15
Session 7	Tuesday 30 Nov	9:15 – 3:15

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Term 4 – Week 8 Monday, 22 November 2021

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Tue 23 Nov	Kindy Orientation 9:30-3:15
Wed 24 Nov	Book Week - Dress Up
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Tue 30 Nov	Kindy Orientation 9:30-3:15
Tue 30 Nov	NAIDOC Day
Wed 1 Dec	School Photos
Term 4 W	/eek 10
Wed 8 Dec	Presentation
Fri 10 Dec	Reports home
Term 4 W	/eek 11
Thur 16 Dec	Last day of Term 4
Fri 17 Dec	Staff Development Day

Term 1 Week 1 2022

Fri 28 Jan	Staff Development Day	
Term 1 Week 2		
Mon 31 Jan	Staff Development Day	
Tue 1 Feb	Students Year 1-6 return	

Presentation Day

Our annual Presentation Day will be held on Wednesday 8 December. Due to COVID restrictions parents and visitors are not allowed to attend, therefore we will be holding our presentation through the day and streaming it live on our Facebook page, the recording will also be available after the day. This is very sad news for both the school and its community as we really enjoy sharing and celebrating our achievements with you all.

MERIT AWARDS TERM 4 WEEK 6

<u>K/1B</u>

Lila – fantastic contributions to our discussion about celebrations.

Liam – awesome efforts in Writing when trying to spell new words.

<u>1/2S</u>

Josh – trying hard in all areas of English. Duke – working hard in all areas and revising his thinking when solving problems.

<u>3/4W</u>

Kian – her wonderful improvement in Maths and her dancing to lead others in Dance for Kindness. Kiah – her excellent dramatization of her character in our class play.

<u>5/6G</u>

Clancy – his ability to research information, edit and produce clearly written response tasks. **Amarni** – showing great skill, agility and sportsmanship in 'Physical Education'.

Bidgee Bonus Awards



Term 4 Week 6

K/1B – None 1/2S – Jonah, Joshua & Hudson 3/4W – Kiah, Tahlia, Baxta & Isabella 5/6G – Zane, Starlette & Jed

Term 4 Week 7

<u>K/1B</u> – Tahlee, Haley, Penny, Logan, Lucy, Blake, Lila, Maysen, Erhard & Fred <u>1/2S</u> – Destiny <u>3/4W</u> – Tori, Kian & Dallas 5/6G – None

MERIT AWARDS TERM 4 WEEK 7 K/1B

Fred – awesome effort in Reading and Writing. **Maysen** – fantastic effort in Independent Writing.

1/25

Tyler S – wonderful improvement in his reading fluency.

Layhnee – working hard with producing and listening to different sounds in Science.

<u>3/4W</u>

Beni – his curious mind and wonderful contributions to class discussions.

Tinara – her fabulous writing skills that impressed the whole class.

<u>5/6G</u>

Kaileigh – a consistent effort with response tasks for our English unit on 'Communication'.

Jordan-James – showing a great understanding of angle types and being able to calculate unknown angles.

Book Week

We are going to finally hold our Book Week celebrations this Wednesday 24 November 2021 and this year ask your child to embrace the theme *"Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds".* This is an opportunity to escape into another world where your child can be anything they want to be! Darlington Point Public School will be celebrating by having a Dress Up Parade. Book prizes will be awarded to each class.





Star of the Week



Tyler Lugsdin - 1/25

Our Star of the Week is Tyler Lugsdin. Tyler brings a determined attitude to his learning. He loves a challenge and is able to take on feedback to improve. Tyler is a very sociable member of our class who is caring and helpful to his classmates. His cheeky smile and sense of humour is something that we all enjoy in 1/2S. Well don Tyler!

Semester 2 Reports

Semester 2 reports will go home on Friday 10 December.



Commonwealth School Banking

We're sad to announce that the CommBank School Banking program will not be returning to schools in 2022.

The last School Banking Day will be Friday 10 December 2021.

For further information regarding your child's banking please visit:

https://www.commbank.com.au/banking/scho ol-banking.html?ei=teach_SchoolBanking

Darlington Point Swimming Pool

The 2021/22 pool season began at the Darlington Point Pool last Tuesday. Hours are 9.30am – 7.30pm, earlier times are available for lap swimmers by appointment. Entry is **FREE** and there will be a canteen available.



School Photos

School Photo day will now take place on Wednesday 1 December 2021. Students will be given their own envelope. This envelope must be handed to the photographer on photo day (even if not buying photos). Payments can be made online before photo day.Envelopes will be sent home on Thursday.

If you wish to have sibling photos, a separate envelope will be available from the office.





Tell Them From Me - Parent Survey

This Term, our school will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online on smartphones, iPads, tablets, laptops or computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted over Term 3 and early Term 4. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated.

To access the survey for our school go to: <u>http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/dpps</u>

Survey closes Friday 26 November 2021



Vote Before Election Day

Did you know there are a number of early voting options available for the local council elections? From Monday we'll have our pre-poll centres open for those who want to vote in-person. Find your nearest pre-poll venue here: <u>https://bit.ly/3kt1Lpv</u>

Postal voting is also open with applications closing Monday, 29 November: https://bit.ly/3krrApP





