



Building strong foundations for life.

Newsletter

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RESPECT – Build and maintain respectful relationships with students, staff and the school community.

HONESTY – Be a responsible and trustworthy school community member.

CARING – Be accepting, helpful and cooperative of others to create a safe and supportive learning environment.

WILLING TO LEARN – Have high expectations for academic learning, have positive involvement in all school activities and willingly take on challenges.

TERM 4 CALENDAR

Concert—Friday, 15th December

EOY Swimming—Monday, 18th December

Gr6 Graduation— Wed, 20th December

Big Breakfast—8am Friday 22nd December

End of term 4—Friday, 22nd December



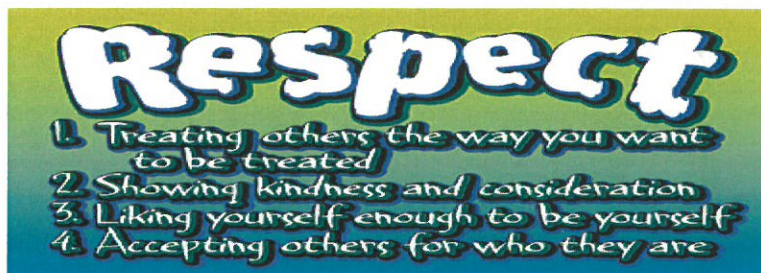
Jude: For always putting 100% into his writing.



You Can Do It! Champion

Confidence:

James: For confident singing during all our rehearsals.



Mr Boxall, Toby, Brooke, Gemma and Axel have arrived safely at Somers Camp. From all reports they have settled in, looking forward to the next ten days of fun. Camps should be a wonderful experience for students. The benefits include spending time being physically active, being challenged and experience success building confidence and self worth, gaining resilience, gaining more independence, developing social skills and unplugging from technology and reconnecting with nature.

We welcome Mrs. Karyn O'Donnell to the team for the next ten days. Please feel free to speak to Karyn if you have any queries or questions.

For those families that were here in 2015, you may remember the students being involved in a research project—'Investigating the dot's potential as a meaning-making tool in the primary school science classroom.' conducted by Claudia James through the University of Melbourne. We have just received the research report for the study and a thankyou for contributing . If you would like a copy of the report please contact the office.

Last Tuesday was our last transition day @ DGPS. The new students for 2018 enjoyed a whole day of activities at school. The new students are getting to know their way around and we look forward to seeing these beautiful new faces in the new year. A huge thankyou to Jane Nixon, Karen Ivory and Theresa Buffone who have implemented the transition program with dedication.

ST JOHN'S FIRST AID -

Yesterday afternoon we had a visit from Meghan, who is trained in first aid. She ran a very informative and inclusive session on Basic First Aid with all of our students. Meghan taught the students how to manage a blood nose, a burn and a deep cut to the hand and also what to do in case of an emergency. The students were actively engaged in this session.

THANK YOU -

I want to say a sincere thankyou to all the school community members who were on high alert last weekend ready to come to the school to help sand bag in case of floods. Apparently during the last floods in 2011, families were sand bagging at the school at 4 am. That's dedication.

I would also like to thank Peita Zaraffa for donating 'Zoooper Doopers' for every student to enjoy when the weather reached some high temperatures last week. Most appreciated.

There's only two and a half weeks to go but still a few big things to look forward to: Our annual school concert, end of year celebrations at Gisborne Aquatic centre, year six graduation and finally the last day breakfast. Have a great week everyone.

Carol

Cost: \$1-00 per ticket.
Drawn 15th December



Tickets have been sent home to families. Please return the ticket stubs to school as soon as possible with the correct money. If more tickets are required please speak to Dani Craig. Thank you.

SCHOOL CONCERT— 15TH DECEMBER @ 6-00PM

- Senior students should wear black or dark clothing.
- F-2 students should wear dark pants with a Christmas theme t-shirt.

After the concert there will be a shared supper. Families are asked to please bring along a plate to share. Tea, coffee and cordial will be provided.