



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.



VALUE OF THE WEEK: Respect, honesty, caring & willing to learn.

THE END IS NEAR

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the whole school community for the huge amount of support that you have given me this semester. I have not regretted for one minute taking that leap out of my comfort zone to take up the Principal position here at DGPS. I have had such a positive experience and that is because of you all. I really appreciate the hard work of our School council, our two staff members—Jane and Simon, our two Education Support staff - Karen and Theresa, our Indonesian teacher Rina and our Business Manager Jeanette. Together, as a team, we have ensured that the learning and positive experiences for our students has been paramount. I would also like to acknowledge the work of all the families that have continuously contributed to our fundraising, working bees, extra curricula activities and more. The school would not be able to function the way it does without this support.

CLASS PARTY & CASUAL CLOTHES DAY

Tomorrow the students will be able to come to school in casual clothes. Please be mindful of the weather conditions and dress the students appropriately as they will be spending time outside. Please send along a SMALL plate of food to share with the other students (NO NUTS PLEASE)

EOY SWIMMING DAY @ GISBORNE AQUATIC CENTRE

What a splash—We all thoroughly enjoyed the day out and it was a great way to finish off the year. Thankyou to Karen and Peter who joined us for the day. Also a special thanks to Noel Petersen for being there and supporting Cassie on the day. You were such a good sport!!!

GRADUATION

Tonight we celebrate the end of the primary schooling years for three of our best—Chase Godfrey, Brooke Weedon and Gemma Senior will graduate tonight. I would like to say congratulations to these three students and wish them all every success in the future.

BUILDING WORKS

There will be some building works happening over the break. The upgrade of the kitchen will begin on the 3rd January and will be completed before the students return to school. We are also expecting the large shelter at the back of the school to be installed mid January.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

I think that you will agree that last Friday night's Christmas concert was a great success. It was wonderful to see the students performing and it was great to see the parents mingling and catching up. Thankyou everyone for contributing to the supper (yum yum). A special thanks to Justine and Dani for their part in the concert preparations—it just wouldn't have been the same with you two miracle workers.

ASSEMBLY

There will be a final assembly tomorrow afternoon @ 3.10 pm.

Carol Booker
Principal

TERM 4 CALENDAR

Gr6 Graduation— TONIGHT

Big Breakfast—8am Friday 22nd December

End of term 4— 12.30pm Friday, 22nd Dec

First day term 1 2018—Tues, 30th January

Lost Property

Last chance to find items in the lost property box. Please check the box before the last day of term.



We have one Big Breakfast order for a student without a name. It was in a clear plastic bag with the order form and \$6 in gold coins.

Please speak to Jeanette.

Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS to our raffle winners -

- 1st— Harry North
- 2nd— Yvonne Sayers
- 3rd— Yvonne Sayers
- 4th— Shelby Cuthbert
- 5th— Yvonne's Mum

PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:

We are having some difficulties printing the reports. They should be ready to be sent home tomorrow.