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Term 1 Week 4 Thursday, 28 February

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Coming Events

1 March	* Year 4 return from camp (around 3pm) * School Assembly 2pm start this week
7 March	* LSUAS to MathsAlive
12 March	* Year 6 to Parliament House
13 March	* Swimming Carnival (ages 8+) * P-2 Water Fun Play Day



Notes & Payments due

Swimming Carnival (ages 8+)
LSUAS - MathsAlive excursion notes & payment
Year 6 - Parliament House



Principal Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Congratulations Year 6 Leadership— Congratulations to our Parliament Executive for 2019.

Prime Minister: Eddie Deputy Prime Minister: Charlotte Speaker: Jayden

School Board Election are now opened—We have had two nominees for our vacant parent and citizen member position for our School Board. An election process began **Monday 25 February 2019, 9:00am** and will go through to **Monday 4 March 2019, 9:00am**. Ballot papers have been sent home and are also be available at the front office. Please drop your ballot paper in the box at the front office between the voting period.

Staffing Update—Mrs Jayne Holmes is currently unwell & will be taking extended personal leave. Once Mrs Holmes is well enough to return to work she will fulfil another teaching role within our school. The plan moving forward for the remainder of 2019 for students in 3H: Monday - Thursday: Mrs Leah Nicholls and Friday: Mrs Katrina Sinclair. A separate communication note has been communicated to all 3H students.

Year 3 Long Day Excursion and Year 4 Camp—Thank you to our staff who facilitated these two exciting experiences for our students at Birrigai. Special mentioned to our staff who supported students to stay overnight, we appreciate the time you have had to send away from your own families.

School Swimming Carnival Wednesday 13 March 2019 for students turning 8yrs olds and older—The Duffy Primary School swimming carnival will be held at the Canberra International Sports & Aquatics Centre (CISAC), Belconnen. In order to comply with ACT Education Directorate procedures this will be a structured event with a mixture of competitive races, novelty and house relays. There will be NO free play at any stage during the day. Students **turning 8 years and older** are invited to attend this carnival (**only if entering competitive races**). Children 8 and under (non-competitive swimmers) will be involved in a Preschool to Year 2 water play day at school (details will be provided in a separate note). Parents are welcome to attend the swimming carnival and will need to pay a spectator fee of \$2.50 at the pool. The teacher in charge of this event is Shelley Penyu (Executive Teacher 3-6). Children not attending the swimming carnival will have an alternate learning program at school.

Water Fun day for Preschool to Year 2

The children in Preschool to Year 2 will be involved in a water play day at school. Notes have been sent home giving information about these activities. Thank you to Mrs Langler for coordinating this event.

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School crossing supervisors—A School Crossing Supervisor program is being delivered in the ACT to help children to cross roads safely and to assist with pedestrian and traffic flow.

Crossing supervisors assist children to cross roads safely by directing traffic with a stop sign and providing instructions to pedestrians. They also monitor the area adjacent to the crossing to ensure children remain safe.

Crossing supervisors work for an hour in the morning and an hour in the afternoon around the school start and finish times.

Pedestrians using a crossing that is patrolled by a supervisor need to be aware of some minor differences to the way in which they use the crossing.

When approaching a supervised crossing, pedestrians are required to follow the instructions of the crossing supervisor. Supervisors will:

- Ask pedestrians to wait in a safe location beside the road
- Monitor traffic to see when it is appropriate to stop traffic
- Request the traffic to slow/stop (by raising the stop sign to a 45 degree angle as they enter the road)
- Completely stop traffic (by standing on the crossing with the stop sign in a vertical position)
- Instruct pedestrians to cross by blowing their whistle twice
- Check that all pedestrians have crossed safely
- Exit the road to allow traffic to pass over the crossing

Important: If a supervisor blows their whistle once and holds their hand up indicating stop, it is important pedestrians stop in a safe location and wait for further instructions.

Crossing supervisors will report any incidents that occur at their nominated crossing to HOBAN Recruitment.

Three things to remember when using a supervised crossing:

- STOP – in a safe location next to the crossing
- LOOK – for the crossing supervisor
- LISTEN – to the supervisor's instructions

Crossing supervisors form an important part of the school community and their instructions should be followed at all times.

Smiley Face Speed Detection sign—A smiley face speed detection sign has been installed on Burrinjuck Crescent (opposite 52, travelling towards Jindabyne St). The smiley face speed detection signs are being trialled across the ACT to encourage motorists to slow down at various locations. The portable smiley face sign will be periodically rotated to this location.

The default setting for the sign is blank.

As a motorist approaches the sign their speed is detected by the radar and the display shows:

- a 'smiley face' if they are travelling at or below the speed limit
- a 'SLOW DOWN' message if they are travelling above the speed limit.

The signs are not enforcement devices, they are a friendly reminder to motorists to watch their speeds, slow down and drive safely.

5 tips for Back-to-School Online Safety (from Office of the eSafety Commissioner)

Schools play an important role in partnering with community to support student safety and wellbeing.

Tuesday 5 February was Safer Internet Day which is an annual, worldwide event to help encourage a better internet. The beginning of the school year is a good time to review online safety and get ahead of any issues that may arise. A recent blog post published by the Office of the eSafety Commissioner provides parents and carers with 5 tips for back-to-school online safety : sharent responsibility, being mindful of sharing e.g. your child's first day of school and other milestones; know the signs for cyberbullying; set screen time limits; use tools such as parental controls and privacy and reporting tools; and stay engaged. The Office of the eSafety Commissioner website is a great place to visit to keep pace with the latest in online safety for children and young people all year round.



Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

In 2019, Duffy Primary School is continuing on our PBL journey. PBL is a whole school approach, designed to bring the school community together to develop a positive, safe and supportive learning culture.

You will have noticed our PBL signs across different environments throughout the school. These signs clearly explain our expected behaviours, which are linked to the school values of Respect, Responsible and Inclusive.

Each fortnight, the whole school focuses on one of our expectations. This fortnight, we are all working on being Inclusive by considering others.

Stay tuned to find out some exciting PBL developments planned for this year!

All Settings



Be Respectful

- We use respectful language
- We use our manners
- We use whole body listening

Be Responsible

- We engage in learning
- We follow staff instructions
- We keep our hands and our feet to ourselves
- We are in the right place at the right time

Be Inclusive

- We consider others
- We solve problems together

WAKAKIRRI

Australia's Largest Performing Arts Event for Schools

We are pleased to announce that Duffy Primary will be participating in Wakakirri 2019.

But what is Wakakirri???

Wakakirri is an Australia wide performance by students that theatrically tells a story using a combination of dancing, acting and creative movement. ACT schools will perform a 3-7 minute piece at the Canberra Theatre early August and possibly go on to perform at the awards night in September.

Involvement in Wakakirri at Duffy Primary is offered to students from Year 3-6 and can either be performing on stage or assisting backstage.

Participation notes have gone home in week 4 for students to read with their families about the commitment involved. If you need another copy, please see Tracey at the front office.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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katherine.wojcik@ed.act.edu.au

Mrs Russell (co-ordinator)

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Preschool

We met Bolt too! Our resident guinea pig. He is very sweet, We even fed him some treats from enviro!

We have well and truly settled into our new Preschool life now! We have been exploring the numerous big school experiences available to us including active play and library.



One of our favourite areas is the home corner.

The pre-schoolers were excited to show and tell everyone about what they've been getting up to there.

We care for our babies.



We're eating. I'm cooking.



I'm dressed up giving a baby a walk.



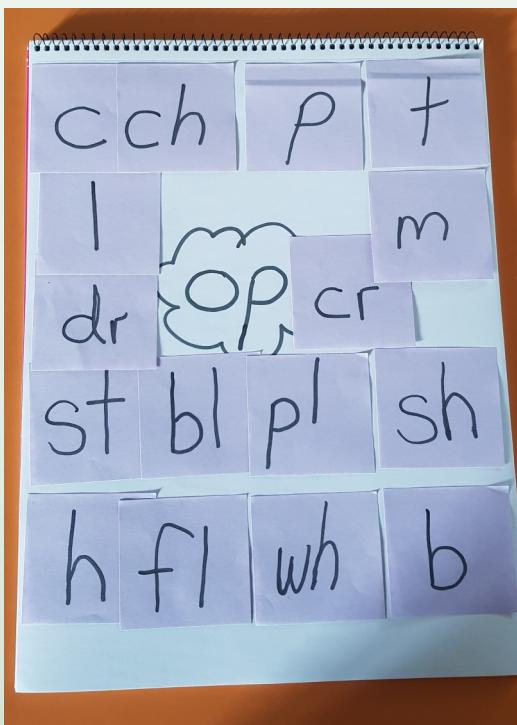
Yipee! We're in Kindy!

Kindergarten

Wow! We can't believe we have already had our first FOUR WEEKS of Kindergarten! We have had so much fun learning all about our school values, developing our fine motor skills and creating some amazing craft to display around our unit. It has been wonderful to get to know everyone around the school and we can't wait for the fun term ahead!



Year One



Year 1 has had a busy start to the year with lots of opportunities to learn about new Year 1 routines.

We have been doing a lot of work on revising letters and their sounds and how they can join together to create words.

One of our main focus' has been looking at onset and rime (yes we spelt that correctly!) Onset is the consonant (or consonant group) that comes before a vowel in a syllable eg 'w' in wall. Rime is the part of the syllable from the vowel onwards eg 'all' in wall. So far we have looked at 'op', 'it' and 'at' rimes.

You can practise onset and rime with your children at home by giving them a rime and asking them to change the beginning sound to create new words.

Once children realise that they can make whole banks of words with the same ending they have more confidence in trying to spell and write new words.

Year 2 have had a great first few weeks back at school. We have been discussing and practising all the ways we can be Respectful, Responsible and Inclusive in the classroom, hallways and outside on the playground. Our Social and Emotional learning has been focused on emotions and what we can do when we are feeling sad.

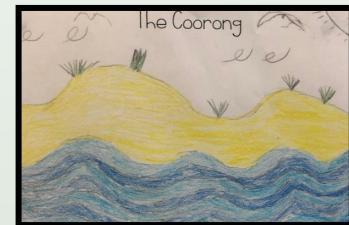
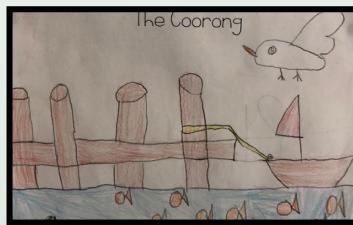
Year 2 have started a Science unit called "Watch It Grow". Students each bought in photos of themselves as babies and used these to identify and label similarities and differences between them now and them as a baby. We cannot wait to find out about how different animals grow and change!

We have also began our Geography unit called "Where in the World Are We?" Year 2 have loved looking at Duffy Primary School using Google Maps and even had a go at addressing an envelope to themselves! Year 2 drew their favourite room in their house.

A reminder that Friday Week 8 at 2:15pm will be 2R's assembly.

Year Two



Year Three**Year 4 have had a fantastic start to learning in 2019.**

This year we are lucky enough to have a chromebook for each student in our year. As we have been exploring how we can keep ourselves safe and learning physically, we are now building on this understanding and learning about cyber safety.

To stay safe online, we already know:

'You don't tell them where they live. Instead you might say that you live in NSW and that's okay.' Will, 4W

'You want to stay safe online so you don't get hacked.' Alex, 4W

An example of an online scam is 'Ebay—you may get one thing and it comes up as a different thing.' Rohan, 4S

For more information on staying safe online, visit <https://www.thinkuknow.org.au/>

Some questions you might like to talk to your child about this week are:

What challenges did you overcome at camp?

What information is okay to share online?

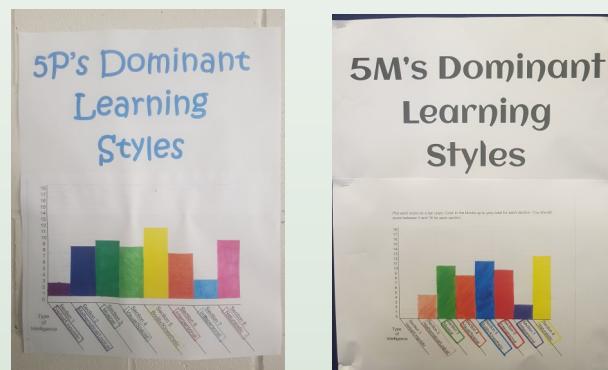
Year Four

Year Five

Welcome to Year 5!

We've had a great start to the year and everyone has settled in wonderfully!

Students began the year identifying their dominant learning styles so they can recognise how they best learn and to help us plan activities suited to their dominant styles. Year 5's dominant learning styles are bodily/kinaesthetic, naturalistic and musical.



As part of our social and emotional learning, we are having regular happiness lessons that involve yoga, meditation and positive affirmations. Every morning, students greet themselves in the mirror to start the day in a positive way.

Thoughts of happiness, Ms Plumb and Miss Moore

In Year 6 we have been learning about the roles and responsibilities of

Duffy Parliament. The main roles of Year 6 Parliament are the Prime Minister (Eddie M), the Deputy Prime Minister (Charlotte F) and the Speaker of the House (Jayden C). All these roles make up the Executive team.

There are also Ministers and Members for each year group who have meetings with other year levels to talk about Parliament and to collect ideas from the students.

House Captains are also an important role in Parliament because they help to organise different carnivals e.g. the swimming carnival which is coming up on 13 March.

The 2019 House Captains are: **Fleming - Red (Ben S and Tayah Z-S)**, **Freeman - Blue (Jaylon P and Soda E)**, and **Perkins - Green (Hugh T and Ella P)**. All of the House Captains make up the Sports Committee and organise house meetings and carnivals.

Art - In Year 6 we have also been doing an 'All about me' artwork. We created a silhouette of our faces with lots of detail. Inside we added pictures of all the things that mean a lot to us e.g. food, pets, if you are in the band and lots more. Year 6 had a great deal of fun creating these pieces. Here are some examples.

Year Six



LSUAD

Welcome back to Griffin Eagles LSUAD for 2019! We are looking forward to a focus in Integrated Inquiry on Forces and finding the forces that we use in our daily lives. We have also been practicing push and pull activities using the sports shed equipment, as well as different toys.

Students have been practicing relaxation and looking at emotional self regulation by thinking about things that help us to feel calm and peaceful. They are enjoying their weekly French, music and art activities and borrowing books on Wednesdays from the library.

We have been cooking as a life skill activity using visual recipes, so students have the opportunity to learn some easy and healthy meals and snacks that they can help prepare at home. We made cards and heart biscuits for Valentines Day for the special people in our lives - Mum and Dad!

Sean rolling out dough to make heart biscuits.



What haven't we been doing would be an easier question to ask! Our PBL lessons have been completed for this term and have consolidated our respectful, responsible and inclusive practises which has created a clam and safe space for everyone the learn.

We started our inquiry and science units on the first day of school and have been exploring all aspects of bee life. As you can see from the picture, we have really been getting our hands dirty with this one.

We have been exploring the how and why of sustainability and have found out some interesting facts on how much water goes into the production of our everyday items.

LSUAS



ENVIRO



We would like to introduce our 4 new guinea pigs Jedda (mum) Adina, Bindi and Tiddalick who are now apart of the Duffy family. They seem to enjoy pats from the student and love the kale and cabbage leaves they receive daily. It is pleasing to see how many classes are visiting the enviro centre and helping with all the jobs that need to been done. The enviro clubs have had a huge response and it is exciting to see so many students enjoying the animals as well as the abundant cherry tomatoes and zucchinis.



Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 February	4 First day for Preschool & Kindy New students Address & Tours 9-10am Uniform Shop will be open from 10:30am—11:30am	5 School for all students (except Joeys) 	6 	7 First day for Joeys 	8
Week 2 February	11 	12 	13 	14 	15 Assembly 2:15pm Yr6 presenting
Week 3 February	18 	19 	20 	21 	22
Week 4 February/ March	25 	26 	27 	28 Year 3 Long Day Camp Year 4 Overnight Camp 	1 Assembly 2:15pm 5P presenting
Week 5 March	4 	5 	6 	7 LSUAS - MathsAlive 	8
Week 6 March	11 	12 Yr6 to Parliament House 	13 Swimming Carnival yrs 2-6 	14 	15 Assembly 2:15pm 4W Harmony Day
Week 7 March	18 	19 	20 	21 	22
Week 8 March	25 	26 	27 	28 Cross Country Carnival 	29 Assembly 2:15pm 2R presenting
Week 9 April	1 	2 	3 	4 SW Swimming Carnival 	5
Week 10 April	8 	9 	10 	11 	12 Assembly 2:15pm 3R ANZAC Day



United Taekwondo Lunch Club— at lunch times

Taekwondo is an effective and fun martial art that can build children's confidence and improve their coordination, discipline and empathy experiences. The children who participate in the Duffy lunch club participate in anti-bullying exercises and are introduced to effective and practical self defence skills, in a safe and friendly environment.

And this is an ideal time for parents to expose their children to a wonderful physical activity without the hassle of after school clashes!!!

DUFFY LUNCH CLUB— THURSDAYS 11.20am – 12.00pm

If your child would like to give Taekwondo a try, please contact

Instructor Sharon on 0401 476 050 or email utkdcanberra@grapevine.com.au

First trial class is FREE! Training for the term is only \$90

Book before the end of 2018 to receive a \$10 discount!

School Banking has returned for 2019!

Thank you to Nina for facilitating this very important activity for the children each week.

Banking is done each Wednesday from 8:30am-9am down at the canteen.

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NO HAT, NO PLAY

<https://www.flexischools.com.au/>

We ask that student name and year is written on the hat for easy identification.

Slip Slop Slap Seek Slide



On the weekend of 22-24 February, Eden from 6J represented the ACT in the NSW State Cup for Touch Football held in Wagga Wagga NSW.

There were over 2000 players from across Southern NSW & the ACT including Parramatta, Wagga Wagga, Mudgee and Wollongong.

This is the 3rd sport Eden has now represented for the ACT (Rugby League & Oztag)



University Juniors Hockey Club

Join other Duffy Primary students playing for the Bunyips!

Encouraging kids aged 5-18 to enjoy the benefits of sport. Senior clubs ANU & UC for players 16+

Join us for SUMMER SKILLS sessions each Thursday afternoon.

For more information the **Club** and Skills Session Registration,
please go to: <http://unijuniorshockey.com.au/>

Acknowledging United Hockey Club being aligned with some inner South side schools.



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To register to play AFL in the ACT, follow the link [LINK](#) / <http://aflcanberra.com.au/>