

# Newsletter

## 4 December Term 4 Week 8

### **Upcoming Events**

Wednesday 5 December	P & C Meeting in staff room <b>7pm</b>			
Thursday 6 December	Music End of Year Performance school hall – Sausage Sizzle 5.30pm-6.15pm Concert 6.30pm-			
	8.30pm			
Tuesday 11 December	Solo Strings Recital school hall 3.30pm-5.30pm			
Thursday 13 December	DEPS Teacher & Staff Appreciation Lunch school hall 1.15pm			
Friday 14 December	K-6 Gold Badge Assembly school hall <b>9am</b>			
	Year 6 Farewell Dinner North Ryde Golf Club 5.45pm			
Monday 17 December	K-6 Presentation Day Assembly 9.45am			
	Concert Band Perfomance at Presentation Day Assembly 9.45am			
Tuesday 18 December	Year 6 Fun Day Out Archie Brother Cirque Electriq students need to be at school by 9am			
Wednesday 19 December	Kindergarten Excursion – Wannabees Family Playtown Frenches Forest students need to be			
	at school <b>9am</b> buses leaving <b>9.15am</b>			
	Year 1 Excursion – Wannabees Family Playtown Hornsby students need to be at school			
	8.45am buses leaving 9.00am			
	Year 2 Excursion – Jungle Buddies Five Dock students need to be at school 9.00am buses			
	leaving 9.30am (Students need to bring crunch and sip to school to be eaten before getting on			
	the bus)			
	Year 3-5 Excursion – Movie Day Top Ryde students need to be at school 9.25am			
	Year 6 Graduation Assembly school hall 9.45am			
	Year 6 Tunnel Year 1 & 2 Cola 3.10pm			
	Students Last Day of school			
Tuesday 29 January	Staff return to school			
	School Uniform Shop Open 10am-12am			
Wednesday 30 January	Year 1 – 6 Students start of Term 1 2019			
	New Students to our school are to meet at Library 10.30am			
	Kindergarten 2019 Best Start Interviews			
	School Uniform Shop Open 9am-11am			
Thursday 31 January	Kindergarten 2019 Best Start Interviews			
	School Uniform Shop Open 2pm-4pm			
Friday 1 February	Kindergarten 2019 Best Start Interviews			
	School Uniform Shop Open 8.30am-10.30am			
Monday 4 February	Kindergarten 2019 start school 9.25am			
Thursday 14 February	School Swimming Carnival			

# **School Initiatives**

#### **NSW Department of Education - School Infrastructure**



## Denistone East Public School Project update Nove

#### Investing in our schools

The NSW Government is spending \$6 billion over four years to deliver more than 170 new and upgraded schools. This includes an additional \$160 million in 2018/19 as part of the record \$747 million maintenance investment announced last year. This is the biggest investment in public school infrastructure in the history of NSW.

#### Denistone East Public School

A project is underway to upgrade Denistone East Public School. The project will include the provision of a new building featuring flexible learning spaces and special programs rooms, and a refurbishment of the existing administration building.

#### **Progress summary**

Early works have begun on site including the installation of fencing, commencement of excavation along with works on the administration building. Trucks will now be entering and exiting the site on a regular basis.

Work hours are as follows:

- 7am 5pm weekdays
- 7am 1pm Saturdays

We are here to make sure that work is completed safely and efficiently and we will minimise impacts on the community at every opportunity.

#### schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au

### November 2018

#### Next steps

Major works will commence in November, following approval of the development application.

The forecast project completion is in early 2020.

We will keep you updated and provide more information as the project progresses.

You can speak to us about this project using the contact details below.

#### For more information contact:

School Infrastructure NSW Email: schoolinfrastructure@det.nsw.edu.au Phone: 1300 482 651 www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au



## **School Initiatives**

### Ethics classes at Denistone East Public School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Could you be an ethics teacher for Denistone East Public School?

Some of our current ethics teachers who are parent volunteers are moving on at the end of the year and we are seeking volunteers so that classes can continue next year.

Ethics teachers receive full training by Primary Ethics, the not-for-profit organisation approved to design curriculum and training for the ethics program. Training consists of a two day workshop and short online modules. Lesson materials are provided. Suitable volunteers have an interest in children's education and development of critical thinking skills and must be available at 9.25 am or 9.55am on Tuesday each week.

In ethics classes, children learn how to think logically, disagree respectfully and support their arguments with evidence, rather than act according to blind habit or peer pressure.

Children discuss topic such as: -imagining how others feel -how do we treat living things? -what is laziness? -how do we disagree in a respectful way? -fairness

If you are looking for an opportunity to make a valuable contribution to our school, please visit <u>www.primaryethics.com.au</u> and/or contact Ms Swee Goh, Ryde Regional Manager via email <u>ryde-region@primaryethics.com.au</u> or phone 0418 480 833.

## **P&C** News

### P&C Meeting - Wednesday 5 December

We would like to invite all parents & caregivers to the last P&C meeting for this year. Please join us at 7pm Wednesday 5 December in the school staff room which is now located on the Brabyn Street side of the school next to the office.

### **Opportunities to be a part of 2019 P&C Committee**

We are looking for a parent volunteer to fill the following roles within our P&C in 2019 if you are interested please email <u>depssec@gmail.com</u>

### **Music Committee Coordinator**

- Liaise with parents and students, the school and the chosen external provider.
- Manage the hire of musical instruments owned by the P&C Association
- Provide communication to the school community regarding music program events.

#### **Traffic Committee Coordinator**

- Assist the school in arranging events such as Walk and Ride to School Days
- Provide communication to the school community regarding traffic safety.
- Liaise with parents and students, the school and local council with regard to traffic safety

### Save the date - Thursday 13 December - Teacher & Staff Appreciation Lunch



Thank you to all parents and caregivers that have sent in either monetary donations or offers to cook a dish for the Teacher & Staff Appreciation Lunch – it is greatly appreciated.

We will be hosting this lunch on Thursday 13 December from 1:15pm in the School Hall and welcome parents and caregivers to

### The Cottage (2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniform shop)

Wednesday 12 December 2018 is our *last day* of opening for this year so please do come in to get that uniform that you need for your children. We will be opening from 9.20am-10.15am.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Ming Cha for all her hard work in managing The Cottage for the P&C – she has done an amazing job & we are extremely appreciative for all her dedication.

From 2019 Ming will be handing over the management of The Cottage to Sal Piper, a lovely mother of 3. Please note that to accommodate this change in management the opening day will **no longer** be on fortnightly Wednesdays. At the moment, fortnightly Thursday mornings is the tentative day – however this will be confirmed in the first newsletter of 2019.

Sal is very much looking forward to next year and would like to encourage as many parents and caregivers to come along and volunteer to help her. More volunteers are needed for 2019 and all we ask is 30 mins of your time on Thursday mornings maybe once a month or more regularly if you can – whatever time you can offer will be appreciated.

Looking forward to seeing you on 12 December to close The Cottage trade for 2018 off with a bang!

## **P&C** News

### Canteen

The final days of the 2018 school year are fast approaching please remember:

Year 6 & all other departing families please remember to use up all your account dollars on munch monitor as you cannot take it with you unless your next school has 'munchmonitor'. Please also remember to 'Delete' your account details if you are the 'final' family member leaving Denistone East.

We will be doing lunch & recess orders until Friday 14 December 2018 ONLY. The following week Monday 17 December to Wednesday 19 December we will be open only for lunchtime snacks ONLY.

We are going to be depleting our stocks in the next 2 weeks as we turn off our fridge & freezers over the holidays. Please be aware that somedays your lunch order may not be available & will be replaced with something similar.

### Volunteers

A huge Thank You to all our lovely volunteers who have worked very hard throughout 2018 to make sure all your children's lunches are made & snacks are enjoyed. May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy & safe Christmas and New Year.

As this is my last year at 'Denistone Canteen' I would like to thank everyone who has helped in any way donating your time over the years that I have been here. Without your help & support this canteen would cease to exist. I hope you all continue to support the canteen & school in the coming years. PS: Don't forget to RSVP by this Friday 7 December for our annual canteen dinner.

### **Volunteer Roster**

If you are able to help at the Canteen please call phone 9858 5286 and thank you for all our wonderful helpers.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		5/12 Boaly Cheung	6/12 Rowena Henry	7/12 Amanda
				Kaharni
10/12 Terry Hulme	11/12 Dell Edwards	12/12 Help Needed	13/12 Help Needed	14/12 Help Needed





#### DEBASCA December 2018 & 2019 January | VACATION CARE

#### BOOKING INFORMATION How to Book: Please book online. Go to

https://debasca.wufoo.com/forms/debasca-2018-dec-2019-jan-vacationcare/ and complete the online booking form (one per child).

Booking Period: Weeks 7-9 (26th November - 12th December) MUST BE booked online by Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 5.00pm (AEST) \$10 late penalty will apply to forms submitted after the cut-off date.

NO Cancellations/Refunds will be processed after Wed 12<sup>th</sup> December IMPORTANT NOTE: When booking, please book under your child's current 2018 school grade.

\*NOTE\*\_ANY change to a booking once it has been submitted will incur a \$5 fee per change, per child.



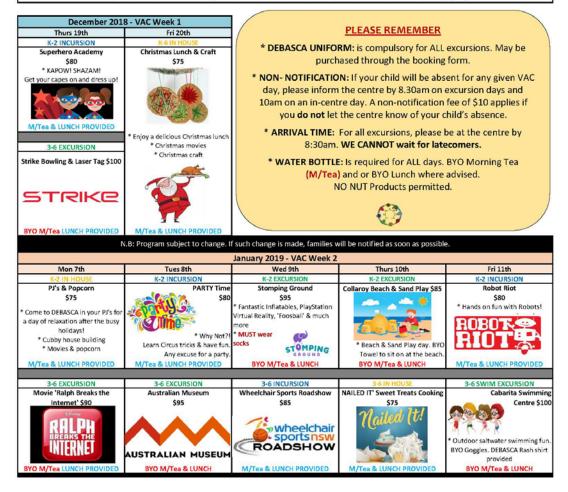
Email: admin@debasca.org.au Website: www.debasca.org.au

Vacation Care Opening Hours: 7am – 6pm

Government Subsidy is available for eligible families. ENSURE you have COMPLETED THE CCS ONLINE ASSESSMENT for the changes effective July 2nd 2018, atherwise FULL FEES will APPLY.

Please visit our website <u>www.debasca.org.au</u> for further information on MENU, LOCATION & REMINDERS and IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

KEY: In house days = yellow | Excursion day = green | Incursion days = navy | BYO (Bring Your Own) Morning Tea (M/Tea) /Lunch = red







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#### SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS AT MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY - mq.edu.au/about/holidays

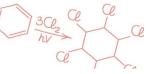
- · Children are introduced to science concepts and skills in a safe and supervised environment.
- Courses teach the concepts through experiments, art, drama, physical activity, craft and other hands-on activities.
- Students are provided with experiences and activities that help them to understand a concept or gain knowledge in an active way.
- Courses are added and rotated each school holidays, and drop off and pick-up times are designed for the working parent.
- The Junior Science Academy is for children in Years K-6 in primary school.





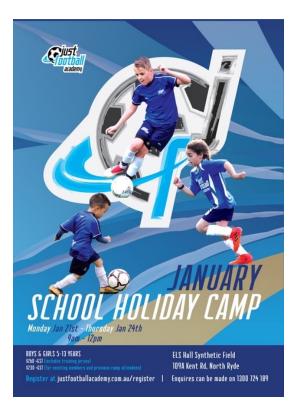
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City of Ryde

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL: Online cityofryde.eventbrite.com.au | Phone 9952 8352 | Visit Any Ryde Library branch



The Promenade, Cheltenham NSW 2119 Telephone: 9876 4481 Facsimile: 9869 8521 Email: Cheltenham-hischools.nsw.edu.au

#### YEAR 6 ORIENTATION DAY 2018

#### Tuesday December 11th, 2018



#### Information and activities include:

· A welcome assembly showcasing our Senior Choir, uniforms, and presentations from various student committees - beginning 10.00am

- Meet your teachers
- SRC activities
- Peer Support
- Recess and BBO lunch provided
- · Opportunity to purchase uniforms at the Uniform Shop
- · An opportunity for parents to pay financial contributions and complete forms relating to camp, medical and permission to publish - between 8.30am and 1pm

#### Parents are invited at remain behind after the assembly for important information about being a C.G.H.S. Parent - from 11-11:30am.

Enrolled Year 6 students will receive further information in their Orientation Package in the mail prior to the event.





December 17 to January 24 School Holidays - \$5/hr 7am to 6pm - FUN Days Contact Andrew on 044-7827788 or 0417-442334 - Team and Individual Sport

## BECOME A HOST FAMILY IN 2019!



#### REQUEST A FREE INFO PACK / SMS 'HOST' to 0428 246 633



## EVA (17) BELGIUM

I am lucky to be part of a large family. With four siblings, there is never a quiet moment! I enjoy looking after the younger two and I spoil them often with homemade pastries. Since the age of five, I have been part of a scout group. Every year I participate with the scouts in trips. Thank you in advance for welcoming me into your family.

MORE PROFILES: WEP.ORG.AU/HOST

### HOSTING AT A GLANCE:

- Hosting is voluntary
   You choose your students
- You choose your student
   Students attend high school full time
- 24/7 support provided
  Host families come from all over the state
  Students come from all over the world and
- stay for a short term (8-10 weeks), a semester or a year.

#### **HEAR FROM A HOST MUM**

Hosting has been one of the most rewarding and exciting experiences for our family. Romane. our student, was definitely one of the most kind and pleasant people we have met and right from the start was a perfect fit for our family. Being able to share this experience has had a positive effect on all of my young children." Host mum, Candice.



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## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS



