



Newsletter

21 November Term 4 Week 6

Upcoming Events

Thursday 21 November	School Leaders to Parliament House
Friday 22 November	Stage 2 & 3 Assembly School Hall 9am PSSA Round 15 Wet Weather for Round 6 Meadowbank Park – Cricket, Newcombe Ball, Volleyball, Softball, Tball,
Tuesday 26 November	Hair with Heart Fundraiser - students are to wear red mufti and bring a gold coin donation. Music Information Night School Hall 6pm-8pm
Wednesday 27 November	NRMA Science & Road Safety Day School Hall
Thursday 28 November	Support Class, SRC, Inclusive Sport Day
Friday 29 November	Kindergarten & Stage 1 Assembly School Hall 9am PSSA Semi Finals
Monday 2 December	Kindergarten Excursion to Calmsley Hill Farm-students need to be at school by 8.30am
Tuesday 3 December	Parent Thank You Breakfast – School Hall 8am-9am Combined Christmas Service 9.25am
Wednesday 4 December	P & C Meeting 7pm
Thursday 5 December	The Cottage Second Hand Uniform Shop Open 9.15am
Friday 6 December	Stage 2 & 3 Assembly School Hall 9am PSSA Grand Finals
Thursday 12 December	Teachers & Staff Appreciation Lunch – School Administration Office Staffroom 1pm
Friday 13 December	Gold Badge Assembly School Hall 9.15am PSSA Grand Final Wash Out
Monday 16 December	Presentation Day Assembly - Stage 2 & 3 School Hall 9.30-11am Kindergarten & Stage 1 School Hall 11.30am-1pm Year 6 Farewell Dinner – 5.45pm arrival for 6pm Dinner (Students only for dinner) Parents are to arrive at 8.45pm for Parent Dance
Tuesday 17 December	Year 6 excursion to Archie Brothers Cirque Electriq – students need to be at school by 9.15am Year 3, 4 & 5 excursion to the Movies – students will leave school at 10am and return 1pm Stage 1 excursion to the Australian Reptile Park – students need to be at school by 8.15am Kindergarten Graduation – School Hall 2.15pm
Wednesday 18 December	Students last day of school Kindergarten excursion to Wannabees Frenches Forest – students need to be at school by 9.00am Year 6 Graduation Assembly School Hall 9.45am Year 6 Tunnel Stage One Cola near Hall 3.10pm

Principal Report

Cheers to our students:

Well done to the Ethan in Stage One Currawong for being part of the table tennis team that represented the school in the Bennelong Cup. Ethan shared the experience and some great photos with me this week. The students got to compete with neighbouring schools and some great friendships were forged!

Building Update

The school is currently reviewing our signage. With the new spaces and changes to the office entrance we have decided to upgrade and provide additional site signs and information. Fencing for the school boundaries is also being reviewed and quotes are being requested.

The roof on the old building that adjoins our new build is being replaced in the school holidays.

Plans are also being drafted for significant playground upgrades with vegetable gardens, a sensory garden and a chook yard being discussed as joint programs with students, DEBASCA and the community. The aim is to create a sustainable learning environment that provides students with opportunity to grow, recycle and understand vegetable production and living environments.

Community

The P&C AGM was held Wednesday 6 November and a new 2020 committee was elected. Thank you, to the parents who have taken on these roles. The contribution of our families is valued and appreciated.

The school benefits from an engaged and supportive community.

The School will host a Parent Thank you Breakfast for school and community helpers on 3 December. This is also the day of combined scripture service.

Our end of year music concert is Thursday 28 November.

Stage Three

Transition to high school program was held on Wednesday 20 November. On 21 November our school leaders are off to State Parliament. They will enjoy watching our State Leaders engage in debate and a conversation with the local member Minister Dominello.

The police youth liaison officer will address stage three 26 November focussing on issues affecting young people and safe online behaviours.

Staff News

Staff professional learning has included everyone refreshing their first aid and CPR training, and using technology effectively in teacher literacy.

Mrs Sarah Stuart is commencing her maternity leave on Friday 22. I thank her for her outstanding contribution to Stage Three and look forward to her return in 2021. I am also looking forward to meeting her baby early next year. Mrs Barbour will take her class for the remainder of the year.

The school executive has a whole day planning and finalising staffing and classes for 2020 on Thursday 28 November. Students will be allocated their new classes first day back 2020.

Michelle Collyer

Principal

School Initiatives



DENISTONE EAST MUSIC NIGHT

Music Information night

Tuesday 26th November 6pm-8pm in the school hall

Parents and students are invited to attend an information session to find out more about the music program at Denistone East

You'll be able to meet Alex Bieri from The Music Partnership, the tutors, try out different instruments and pick up an information booklet.

For more information before the session please click on the Denistone East schools page on our website:

<https://musicpartnership.com.au/school/denistone-east-primary-school/>

Or email us for more details:

alexbieri@musicpartnership.com.au

We look forward to seeing you on the **26th November, 2019** and meeting the up and coming musicians of Denistone East.



www.musicpartnership.com.au

www.facebook.com/MusicPartnership/

Student News

John Alexander MP Fundraisor

On Tuesday 20 November 2019 Hon. John Alexander MP, our federal member for Bennelong, dropped into Denistone East PS as part of his 100km Walk for Rare Voices Australia. He spent some time with some Stage 3 students discussing his fundraising effort - donations can be made at the school office. Further information can be found at <https://www.rarevoices.org.au/>

Library News

Overdue books

Overdue notices are being handed out this week. Please encourage your child to pop in to the Library if they have queries or questions re: lost/misplaced books. Another note will be sent home if money is required to replace a damaged or lost book.

Stocktake will commence week 8 so there will be no further borrowing from then.

Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge certificates will soon be distributed to students.

Teacher Librarian – Ms Armstrong

Teacher – Ms Diaco

P&C News



President's Message

Our new P&C team is formed for 2019/2020.

I would like to thank all the members that have dedicated their time and effort in the past year, and I am excitedly looking forward to working with the new team in coming years.

- Please find the President's Annual Report for more details via link below:
President's Annual Report
- Please find general DEPS P&C Information Sheet and member details via link below:
2019/2020 DEPS P&C Information Sheet

Canteen Update

It is an exciting time for Denistone East Public School Canteen! Thanks to all of the volunteers who are giving their valuable time and committed effort in supporting the canteen to deliver great food and service to our kids.

You may have noticed some changes to the canteen menu as we look to ensure that we are giving our kids great quality and healthy food options. Our planned menu for next year meets the new NSW Healthy School Canteen Guidelines, providing assurance that our school is offering a quality menu in line with schools around the state.

In the coming year, you will see new menu items being offered which will support parents and kids to make great choices for their school lunch & recess. We aim to offer great value, delicious and healthy options that adjust with the season. Remember to check Munch Monitor for the weekly specials and look out for new items.

Teachers & Staff Appreciation Lunch

We are very lucky to have such dedicated teachers, support staff and administrators that work countless hours and who are relentlessly committed to our children in the school. So what better way to recognize all their tireless work this year than to hold a special luncheon to express our appreciation! This is a great opportunity for you to get to know the staff as well as all the behind-the-scenes crew and to thank them for their efforts.

Therefore, we would like to invite all parents, grandparents and caregivers to a luncheon in honor of Teachers & Staff Appreciation

When: Thursday 12 December 2019, 1:00 pm

Where: School Admin Staff Room

Babies, toddlers and preschoolers are most welcome.

You can help us by contributing in 3 ways:

1. You would like to attend at a cost of \$20 per person OR
2. You would like to contribute by cooking a dish (to serve 8-10 people). Please label your dish and ingredients and bring to school office by 12:30pm OR
3. You cannot attend but would like to contribute \$20 to show your family's appreciation

Payment is due by Wednesday 28 November 2019 and can be made via 2 ways:

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1. Direct bank transfer into P&C account
Name of account: DEPS P&C
BSB: 032289
Account No: 470201

2. Cash: Please include the note from the DEPS Teachers & Staff Appreciation Lunch handed out early this week and cash in a sealed envelope and return to the school office.

Thank you in advance to all the families that are able to contribute to show their appreciation. All money received is used towards catering for the luncheon.

If you have any questions, please email depssec@gmail.com

Hair with Heart



Hair with Heart

As your P&C, we are passionate about supporting school and community initiatives; especially when the initiative comes from one of our very own students. On Tuesday 26th

November, **Katia from S3 Bennelong** has organized a fundraising initiative to support Variety Australia's 'Hair with Heart'. The purpose of the fundraising initiative is best explained by Katia:

"I have made the decision to make a difference by cutting and donating my hair to be made into a wig for someone who has lost their hair due to a medical condition. I'll be chopping off 35.5cm on the 26th of November at my school.

Wigs cost families up to \$6,000, lasting 1-2 years, meaning families can spend tens of thousands of dollars on the purchase of wigs throughout a child's youth. By making a donation to Variety - the Children's Charity, you can help provide a wig or other vital equipment to a child in need. Thank you for helping kids in need." – Katia

So for all students, on Tuesday the 26th of November, please support Katia by wearing red mufti and bring along a gold coins for donation. There will also be a 'spider stall' (ice cream soda) for \$2 each. Please get involved! For all parents, you can support Katia by making an online donation on her fundraising website: <https://hairwithheart.everydayhero.com/au/katia-s-cut-for-cancer>

Take the chop and change lives

[READ THE GUIDELINES >](#) [START FUNDRAISING >](#)

 111,712 Kids impacted by Variety last year	 200 Different medical conditions were supported	 4,202 Amazing people fundraising	 28,320 People have donated their hair
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Katia's goal is \$999.00 and so far she has made incredible progress by raising over \$720.00. Let's work together and help Katia achieve her goal (and beyond!). It's for a great cause. Please spread the message far and wide for all to be involved. Every little bit counts.

Congratulations to Katia for her efforts and for raising community awareness on something that affects many children and their families.

P&C News

The Cottage 2nd hand uniform shop

The final opening for 2019 will be Thursday 5th December at 9:15am. The Cottage will reopen in 2020, on fortnightly Thursdays (even weeks) from 9:15am.

Thank you to the wonderful volunteers who have helped this year. We are particularly keen to find any talented clothes sewers in the school community so we can repair some donated items. Please get in touch with Sally – salp@iinet.net.au if this is you!

Community News

FRESH CUT



Christmas TREES

8am – 4pm

7, 8, 14 December (or until sold out)

Scout Hall, 72 Agincourt Rd, Marsfield

EASTWOOD MARSFIELD SCOUT GROUP



Bennies

Festival of ARTS FOOD & DESIGN

Tuesday 26 November
6pm – 9pm

Free Entry!

RSVP: www.msb.nsw.edu.au/forms/bennies-festival

 Mount St Benedict
College

449C Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills



Retirement party

Honouring

Jill Kethel

After 30 years of caring,
nurturing and educating

Please join us on

Thursday 5th of December

2019

4pm-5pm

At

North Ryde Community

Preschool



Community News



**To the Riverside Community and Friends -You're Invited
to
The "Young Creators Showcase" Market and Fashion Parade
at
Riverside Girls High School Assembly Hall
from
3.15 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.
on
Wednesday November 27th, 2019**

This showcase presented by the TAS department will feature exhibits of students' design work in conjunction with the Year 7 Young Entrepreneurs \$20 BOSS Challenge.

Products from the Year 7 Entrepreneurs will be available to purchase.

A fashion parade of student's garments will take place in 45minute intervals from 3.15 - 6.00 p.m.

Year 10 Food Technology students will be serving refreshments during the afternoon.

All Welcome



A poster for The Cage Challenge. The top half features a circular logo with the text "THE CAGE" in a stylized, hand-drawn font, with "CHALLENGE" in red below it. The logo is set against a background of a chain-link fence. Below the logo is the Starlight children's foundation logo. The bottom half of the poster has a black background with a white circle containing the letters "T/C" and "3v3" below it. To the right of this, the text reads: "A SOCCER CHALLENGE LIKE YOU NEVER EXPERIENCED BEFORE". Below this, the details of the challenge are listed: "TEAMS OF 3/MEDALS/MVP U7S TO U14S 10AM-4PM/SATURDAY 7/12/19 VANESSA STREET - BEVERLY HILLS \$20 PER PLAYER/MUSIC & BBQ REGISTER NOW AT INFO@SOCCERDEBRAZIL.COM". At the bottom, it says "A RAISING EVENT FOR THE STARLIGHT FOUNDATION".