



Newsletter

20 February 2020
Term 1 Week 4

Upcoming Events

Friday 21 February	SUMMER PSSA Round 2 – All teams to Morrison Bay Tennis School Sport Stage 2 & 3 – students selected for tennis to bring tennis racquet to school
Tuesday 25 February	Assembly Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 – School Hall 2.40pm
Wednesday 26 February	Stage 2 & Stage 3 – AFL Sport Skills Program students are to wear sports uniform
Friday 28 February	SUMMER PSSA Round 3 – All teams to Meadowbank Annual Grounds Clean Up
Monday 2 March	Three Way Learning Conversations – www.schoolinterviews.com.au code 6fd7n
Tuesday 3 March	Three Way Learning Conversations – www.schoolinterviews.com.au code 6fd7n SRC & Library Monitor Assembly whole school – School Hall 2.15pm
Wednesday 4 March	Stage 2 & Stage 3 – AFL Sport Skills Program students are to wear sports uniform
Friday 6 March	SUMMER PSSA Round 4 – All teams to Meadowbank

Principal Report



From the Principal's desk.

Thank you to all our families who attended the parent information sessions last week. It was great to see all year levels well attended and an excellent opportunity to meet your child's teacher and the other team members.

Bookings will open later this week for the three-way interviews for term one. These interviews provide an opportunity to look at learning goals for your child. It is really important that your child is present and can be a part of this process. For our new families, we do three-way interviews in terms one and three and provide a written report on learning in terms two and four.

Cheers to our students

A wonderful swimming carnival was held for our students in year 3 to 6 and eligible year 2 students last week. Thank you to Ms Hardy and Ms Stuart for their organisation of this big event. Thank you to all who competed and well done to our heat winners and finals winners. I look forward to your success at regional and zone events.

Many thanks to the Korean Dance Group for their outstanding performance at Dundas Public school last Tuesday. Ms Deb Kim, Ms Eun A Park and a group of very dedicated mums had the students step perfect and looking amazing. They were proud cultural ambassadors for the school.

Community

We are looking forward to everyone returning to school. Please do not hesitate to make contact if you have any concerns or require information.

A great turn out at the P&C last night, a warm welcome to our new families. The next meeting will be week 8 this term. Please save the date and encourage other families to attend.

A reminder as we start the year to be safe when dropping and picking up your children from school.

Changes have been made to Boronia Lane with double lines marked at the entry points to the lane. This is to mitigate traffic cutting the corner and travelling on the wrong side of the road.

Colin our crossing supervisor has settled in and is appreciative of the support shown to him in getting children safely across the road. He is also monitoring traffic behaviour and will advise of unsafe driver and pedestrian behaviour.

Ryde City Council will continue to work with the school to maximise safety measures, this may include visits by the rangers to enforce parking rules or contacting the local police to manage more significant breaches of road rules. The community needs to work as one to keep our children safe.

Staff participated in IT training to prepare our parent information portal earlier this week. I will keep you updated as we prepare to move across to a more user friendly and responsive method of providing information out to the community.

Three way Learning conversations will be held on Monday 2 March and Tuesday 3 March. Teachers will release their calendars with availability tomorrow.

Principal Report

Learning

Kindergarten are embarking on a targeted literacy program that aims to maximise their reading and writing outcomes. The teachers are being provided intensive professional learning and the support of literacy guru Janice Farmer- Hailey.

All teaching staff have been part of the development of a new scope and sequence for English. They have been guided in this process by the 2017 document from the Department of Education, *English Textual Concepts and Processes*. www.englishtextual.concepts.nsw.edu.au

Some Stage Two and Stage Three students are participating in an exciting new research project on teacher professional development. The research is being undertaken by the University of Newcastle, commencing in Term 1, 2020. Children will be invited to participate in this project if their teacher is involved. Invitations will be sent out to relevant classes in due course.

Participating students will complete some surveys and assessments as part of their usual school activities. All names will be removed and only student numbers will be given to the research team so that they can link survey and assessment results with NAPLAN and school attendance data.

If you do **not** want the research team to have access to these data, you can opt-out on your child's behalf. For further information about the research, please visit the research website at www.newcastle.edu.au/QTR or call the research team on (02) 49854300.

Teachers

Teacher learning has focussed on our English delivery and also looking at specialist needs in classrooms to provide differentiated learning to maximise outcomes. The teachers have shared information about their students and been provided additional support through the specialist teams within the school to enrich and supplement learning to targeted students.

Additionally, several staff have attended professional learning provided by the Department of Education in conjunction with the 21st Century Learning and innovation. This joint initiative presented Spirals of Inquiry – *System leaders create the conditions for transformation by encouraging leadership at all levels, imbued with the very attributes we are aiming to develop in young people- creativity, inquiry, collaboration, calculated risk taking, reasoned problem solving, and the capacity to learn from experience and face the next challenge.*

Michelle Collyer

Principal

4 February 2020

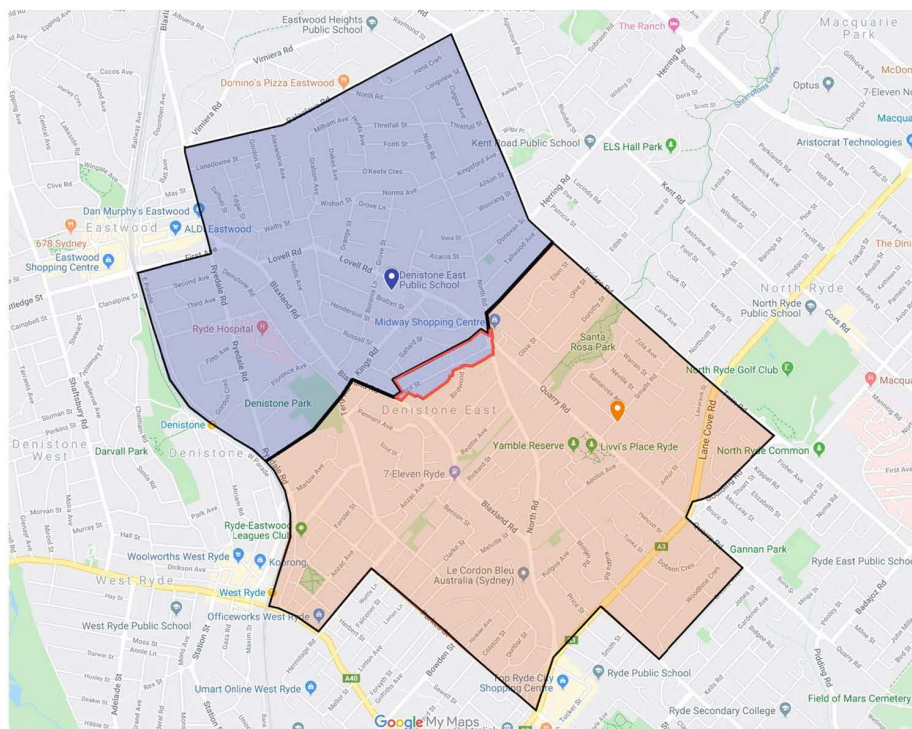
Smalls Road Public School catchment update – school newsletter announcement

Following community feedback regarding the implementation of the Smalls Road Public School catchment and the concern around the safety of students walking to and from school, the catchment area for Smalls Road Public School will be slightly amended.

Richmond Street and Cecil Street, Denistone East will remain in the catchment area for Denistone East Public School, to ensure a safer route to school for students residing in those streets. The boundary has been moved south to reallocate all houses of Cecil Street.

If you have any questions in relation to this change you are welcome to contact the Principal for clarification.

Proposed change to Smalls Road Public School catchment. The coloured shading shows the new catchment areas – Smalls Road PS in orange and Denistone East PS in purple.



School Initiatives



Denistone East Public School

Parents- YOU ARE INVITED

We're Going on a Bear Hunt
Michael Rosen Helen Oxenbury



Date:
Wednesday Afternoons
4.3.20- 8.4.20
(2 x 3 week sessions- please see roster)

Time:
2:15pm-3:15pm

Venue:
Your child's Kindergarten Class




KINDERGARTEN CONNECTIONS AFTERNOONS

Parents- please come along and join us.

Kindergarten activities:

- Scavenger hunt- language development and dramatic play
- The Frog who wouldn't laugh- An Aboriginal legend
- Down in the Jungle- A music and resilience activity



Denistone East Public School 1

Kindergarten Connections Afternoons

This year the Kindergarten Connections program will be run again through the *Ready for life, Ready for success* program organised through Relationships Australia.

This program will be implemented by trained facilitators for 6 weeks in Term 1 during a scheduled timeslots on Wednesday afternoons from 2:15 – 3:15pm in the Kindergarten classrooms. Parents and caregivers are welcome to attend these sessions. A session schedule and Program flyer will be displayed in all Kindergarten classroom windows and both have been included below for your information.

Families will be able to develop an understanding of how the dynamics of a Kindergarten classroom work during a range of varied activities both inside and outside the classroom environment.

If Kindergarten parents have any questions about this program please see your class teacher for further information.

Denistone East P.S Kindergarten Connection Rotating Roster 4th March-8th April

Wednesday afternoons 2.15- 3.15pm

	<u>Activity 1-The Frog who wouldn't laugh</u> An Indigenous activity and Dreamtime story which looks at the story of Tiddalik the frog- how he drank all the water in the land and what that meant for him and all the other animals.	<u>Activity 2-Scavenger Hunt and Story</u> A great finding and seeking activity to assist children in developing their English language skills and ability to work as part of a team.	<u>Activity 3-Down in the Jungle</u> This is a music and resilience activity to more greatly enhance children's ability to understand language and emotions and strategies to regulate those same emotions.
4.3.20	K Echidna	K Quokka	K Wombat
11.3.20	K Wombat	K Echidna	K Quokka
18.3.20	K Quokka	K Wombat	K Echidna
25.3.20	K Possum	K Dingo	K Bilby
1.3.20	K Bilby	K Possum	K Dingo
8.4.20	K Dingo	K Bilby	K Possum

Each Wednesday afternoon, when the lunch bell rings, we would ask that parents who wish to attend the session meet in the COLA in front of the kindergarten classrooms in order for them to forward off to their afternoon activity. We will finish the afternoon by 3.15pm, thus giving the class teacher enough time to go through any notes or messages for their class prior to the school bell.

The Kindergarten team

P&C News



List of key dates for P&C events:

Date	Event
Friday, 28 th Feb, 3pm	Annual Grounds Clean-Up Day
Wednesday, 18 th Mar, 8 – 9am	Harmony Day Breakfast
Wednesday, 18 th Mar, 7pm	2 nd P&C Meeting this year

President's Message

Thanks to everyone who came to our first P&C meeting of 2020. A lot of great initiatives and discussion from all people around the floor for the coming year! Once we have final budget motioned in next meeting, a separate 2020 P&C information pack will be shared with you outlining what P&C will bring in 2020. Please stay tuned!

Following on last newsletter regarding the vacant coordinator role, I am delighted to introduce (or reintroduce) to you our new music coordinator, Andrew Wong, to join the P&C family. Andrew has always been actively involved with music program, and was our music coordinator in the past when the music program was run by P&C; Andrew will be closely working with Jennifer (our music instrument hire coordinator), school, and music provider for all music program related matters. With the support and knowledge that Andrew brings, we are confident to see a prosperous year ahead for our school's music program. Welcome back Andrew on behalf of P&C and music parents! We are grateful for your return!

Please refer more details from Andrew in Music Section.

We are still looking for more volunteers to be part of our family. If you are interested any of available roles and are passionate in any of these areas, then we want YOU! No experience required, only a big heart that will take us far!

Available opportunities in 2020 P&C Committee

Events Coordinator(s) – multiple role available

- Liaise with school on any P&C run school events
- Organise and co-ordinate with parent volunteers
- Co-ordinate and communicate with external parties
- This focal point of this role is geared towards DEPS Moonlight Markets (held in Term 4 around Oct 2020)

Please email us on depssec@gmail.com to discuss further details.

Entertainment Book 2020

Entertainment Book Early Bird BONUS offers are here! Launching Saturday 8th February 2020. Hurry, as offers end 29th February!

<https://www.entertainment.com.au/orderbooks/217d861>

For the first time ever, supporters can choose from 3 NEW digital Memberships. The new Entertainment Memberships start anytime and are valid for 12 months from activation. Packed with thousands of substantial savings to delight and inspire supporters, an Entertainment Membership is your pass to exclusive offers and quality experiences, activities and benefits.

Early Bird BONUS offers include:

- Spend & Save with THE ICONIC, endota and rebel
- Up to 4 months extra membership when you buy in February
- A \$20 WISH eGift Card when Multi City & Multi Plus Memberships are purchased

P&C News

Harmony Day “Everyone Belongs”

Harmony Day will be held on week 8, Wednesday 18th March. The P&C and DEBASCA will host this event together to celebrate our school’s cultural diversity. There will be a whole school community breakfast of food from different cultures.

We would like to take this opportunity to invite parents/grandparents/carers to bring in a special dish of their culture that they would like to share with others.

Please keep an eye out for more Harmony Day information in the next newsletter!

Parents, grandparents and children please join us at for the annual grounds clean-up day of Denistone East Primary School

When: Friday 28th February 2020, 3pm

Where: We will
of the hall

What to bring:
your gloves along,
water bottle



meet in front

Please bring
a hat and a

P&C News

Music Update

Welcome to the music program

Our music program is off and running for 2020! A big welcome to all new families and welcome back to all continuing families. The music program comprises the following ensembles:

- **Senior Band** includes trumpets, euphoniums, clarinets, flutes, saxophones, bass guitar, keyboard, drums and percussion (trombones, French horns and baritone horns are currently vacant). Their conductor is Mr Hayden Dalton. Rehearsals are on Fridays at 7:35 am.
- **Training Band** includes the same instruments as Senior Band. It is open to students in Year 3 and above and will commence in Week 5. Their rehearsals will be on Tuesdays at 7:45 am.
- We currently have two string groups which include violins and cellos: **Mahler Ensemble** (advanced strings) and **Stravinsky Ensemble** (intermediate strings). Mr Shaun Ng is the conductor for both ensembles. Their rehearsals are on Thursdays at 7:20 am and 8:20 am respectively.
- A **beginner string ensemble** is also being formed and will start rehearsals later in the term. It is open to all students from K-6, so if you have a child who is learning or would like to learn the violin or cello, please join us!

There will be an exciting year ahead of performances and other events so watch this space!

It's not too late to join

We are still accepting new students into the music program, so if you are interested in enrolling, please contact Alex at The Music Partnership (contact details below).

Our new music room

A big thank you to the school for designating the demountable classroom D1 (next to The Cottage/2nd Hand Uniform Shop) as a permanent **Music Room**. All rehearsals will now take place in the Music Room, and over the coming weeks we plan to gradually move our instruments, sheet music and other equipment there.

Instrument hire

P&C provides various musical instruments for students to hire such as:

- Strings: violin and cellos (size 1/8, 1/4, 1/2, 3/4)
- Woodwind: flute, bent flute, clarinet, saxophone
- Brass: trumpet, trombone, euphonium, French horn

The aim of the rental program is to get students started on instruments, without the financial burden of buying an expensive instrument, or needing to buy a string instrument that they will outgrow in a few years.

Music contacts

- For our P&C music coordinator, please contact Andrew Wong at music.deps@gmail.com
- For instrument hire, please contact Jennifer at jennifer.deps@gmail.com
- Our school's music program is provided by **The Music Partnership**. Visit their website at <https://musicpartnership.com.au/school/denistone-east-primary-school> or you can contact the Director, Alex Bieri, by email at alexbieri@musicpartnership.com.au or phone 0404 494 487.

P&C News

Canteen Update

Great Weekly Specials

Check out the fantastic healthy food coming onto the menu. There are great weekly specials so remember to check out Munch Monitor for new items to order.

Check out the calendar below to see when your volunteer day is coming up.

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2	3/2/2020 Vani	4/2/2020 Amanda K	4/2/2020 Boaly C.	5/2/2020 Rowena H.	6/2/2020 Sunila
3	10/2/2020 Zoe	11/2/2020 Amy W.	12/2/2020 Sabrina	13/2/2020 Eunhee	14/2/2020 Nicole
4	17/02/2020 Suzanne H.	18/02/2020 Available	19/02/2020 Angela	20/02/2020 Tammy	21/02/2020 Zoe
5	24/02/2020 Eileena	25/02/2020 Viviane	26/02/2020 Iris	27/02/2020 Melissa	28/02/2020 Lesley L.

The Cottage 2nd hand uniform shop

The Cottage 2nd hand uniform shop sells donated second-hand uniforms, with all profits going to the P&C for allocation to school requirements for our kids.

In 2020 The Cottage shop will be open every fortnight (even weeks) on Thursday mornings from 9:15am – 10:15am. Term 1 opening dates are:

- Thursday 5th March
- Thursday 19th March
- Thursday 2nd April

We are located on the Henderson Rd side, in the small white weatherboard building near the COLA.

We welcome all new or returning parent volunteers – we always appreciate help in the shop, or with washing or mending donated items. Pop in during opening hours and speak to Sally if you are interested in helping out, or email salp@iinet.net.au.

Community News



**WEST RYDE
Easter
PARADE & FAIR**

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**SATURDAY
4 APRIL 2020**

**9.00AM – 3.30PM
WEST RYDE PLAZA**

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Animal Farm, Parade,
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WHAT IS THE WEST RYDE EASTER PARADE & FAIR?



The West Ryde Easter Parade & Fair started in 1993 by the West Ryde Chamber of Commerce is now regarded as the largest Easter event, a true community devotion to our Christian heritage in the City of Ryde. It attracts over 5,000 attendees each year and is supported by local churches, schools, businesses, sporting and service organizations, and the wider community.

The annual West Ryde Easter Parade and Fair celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, on the third day after His crucifixion and burial, at Calvary in the year 30AD.

EVENT DETAILS

The 2020 West Ryde Easter Parade & Fair will be held on Saturday 4 April in West Ryde.

9.00am Fair starts
9.15am Street Parade commences, and participants arrive to the main stage. The event starts with Easter blessing message followed by competitions.

Entertainment and stage performances will continue throughout the day until 3.30pm.



Does your child have a disability?

Make time for you at MyTime.

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Pre-school aged children are welcome to come along. They'll be engaged by a play helper while you relax and take time for yourself.

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Mondays during school term, 10:30am to 12:30pm
Starting 10 February 2020

At The Northern Centre Level 3, 3-5 Anthony Road
West Ryde (opposite Woolworths complex)

For more details about our West Ryde group

Email mytime@learninglinks.org.au

Call Rebecca on 0451 592 254



Learning Links is a partner agency in NSW, delivering MyTime with support from the Parenting Research Centre.



Supporting parents and carers of children and teens with ADHD, learning difficulties and co-existing conditions

Presentation: ADHD Research, Health Services & School Engagement

Thursday 12 March 2020, 6:45-9:00pm

Alex Latouche, Clinical Psychologist

This will be the first time Alex Latouche will present to the Macquarie ADHD Parent Support Group. Alex recently published research in the Journal of Attention Disorders, specifically evaluating a specialised ADHD training program for educators, which was a landmark study in Australia. He will present on the research findings, plus the implications for ongoing support. In addition, he will explain the difference between the professional health services available and how to navigate their services including Psychologists, Occupational Therapists, Neuropsychologists, Psychiatrists. Finally, Alex will provide some practical suggestions for engaging schools to achieve the best outcomes for your child.

Alex Latouche is a clinical psychologist with over ten years of experience working with children, adolescents, families and adults across neurodevelopmental disabilities, mild to severe mental health issues, complex developmental trauma, and parenting/family issues both in community and inpatient settings. Alex is the founder of 'thinkfree', a psychology practice based in Sydney providing clinic-based and at-home psychology services. Alex has experience facilitating ADHD workshops including training over 300 educators to better support children with ADHD in the classroom.

NEW VENUE: St Anne's Anglican Church Toorale, Hall Function Room

42 Church Street, Ryde, <http://www.stannes.org.au/>

TRANSPORT: 30 car spaces are available underneath the church, via Gowrie Street. Limited street parking. Alternatively Toorale Shopping Centre is a 5min walk.

RSVP: <https://www.trybooking.com/BICMA>

COST: \$20 online (or at door if places are available). Member discount applies to this event. Become a member: <https://www.macquarieadhd.org.au/membership-form/>

DETAILS: Please arrive for 6:45pm with the speaker commencing at 7pm sharp, for approximately one-hour presentation. After a short break, a Q&A session will follow with an opportunity to meet other parents. Maximum capacity 120px. Tea, coffee and biscuits provided.

**** This is a new venue for our group and the Committee appreciates any assistance from parents to help set up the room and pack down at the end of the night.**

ADHD Centre Helpline: 02 9889 5977
Email: info@macquarieadhd.org.au
Website: <http://www.macquarieadhd.org.au>
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/macquarieadhd.org.au>

Community News

City of Ryde

SATURDAY 21 MARCH 2020

RYDE PARK // 11AM-3PM

HARMONY DAY

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OPEN NIGHT 2020



TUESDAY 03 MARCH

4:00pm – Registration and Welcome BBQ
4:30pm – Presentation in John Hagan Hall
5:10–7:30pm – Guided School Tours

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Our new school is completed. Thank you to our local community for living through the building process. Smalls Road PS invites you to please come in and look at our school.



SMALLS ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL COMMUNITY OPEN MORNING



Saturday February 22nd 2020 | 9.00 - 11.00am

Entry via Smalls Road only

Staff car park open for additional parking



**RYDE PANTHERS
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Open Day

SUNDAY 08 MARCH 2020 11.00AM – 3.00PM



Principal's Address at 11.30am, 12.30pm and 1.30pm

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