



# Newsletter

18 June 2020, Term 2 Week 8

## Upcoming Events

Week 8,9,10

### Drop Off

Monday to Thursday students can be dropped off from 9.05am and Friday 8.30am as there are teachers on duty in the playground

Circular Drive – Gate 5, Henderson Street – Gate 1 & 12, Brabyn Street – Gate 6 are open for drop off and Lovell Road – Gate 1 is open for pedestrian drop off and pick up

### Pick Up

Please make sure your child/children are aware of their pick up point each day

**Sibling Pick Up – Monday to Thursday 3pm to 3.25pm**

**Friday 2.30pm to 2.55pm**

Families with siblings in years K-2 and 3-6 can pick up from Brabyn Street School Office - gate 6, Brabyn Street Library gate, Lovell Road - gate 1 and Circular Drive – gate 5. Please make sure you are collecting at your eldest child's time younger children are to wait at the gate until eldest child's time and then pick up as a family.

**Kindergarten Pick Up – Monday to Thursday 3pm to 3.15pm**

**Friday 2.30pm to 2.45pm**

Students in Kindergarten are to be picked up from Brabyn Street School Office – gate 6, Lovell Road - gate 1 and Circular Drive – gate 5

**Year 1 Pick Up – Monday to Thursday 3.10pm to 3.20pm**

**Friday 2.40pm to 2.50pm**

Students in Year 1 are to be picked up from Brabyn Street Library gate, Lovell Road – gate 1 and Circular Drive – gate 5.

**Year 2 Pick Up – Monday to Thursday 3.10pm to 3.20pm**

**Friday 2.40pm to 2.50pm**

Students in Year 2 are to be picked up from Brabyn Street Office – gate 6, Lovell Road - gate 1 and Circular Drive – gate 5

**Stage 2 (Yr 3 & 4) Pick Up – Monday to Thursday 3.10pm to 3.20pm**

**Friday 2.40 to 2.50pm**

Stage 2 students are to be picked up from Henderson Street - gate 11, Lovell Road - gate 1 and Circular Drive – gate 5.

**Stage 3 (Yr 5 & 6) Pick Up – Monday to Thursday 3.20pm to 3.30pm**

**Friday 3.50pm to 3pm**

Stage 2 students are to be picked up from Henderson Street – lower gate 12, Lovell Road - gate 1 and Circular Drive – gate 5.

**Support Classes** – Stay the same as organised with teacher.

### DEBASCA

Students in Kindergarten to Year 2 will be collected from the school by DEBASCA. Students in Year 3 to Year 6 will walk to DEBASCA – gate 9 from their classroom.

Friday 26 June	2020 Opportunity class application closes for placement Year 5 2021
Saturday 27 June	Order pick up for Pie Drive at school hall 9am-11am
Friday 3 July	Last day of Term 2
Monday 20 July	Pupil Free Day
Tuesday 21 July	Term 3 students first day of school
Wednesday 22 July	Sport in Schools Social Skills – students are to wear sports uniform
Friday 24 July	PSSA winter resumes
Monday 3 August	School Photos Student Reports go home
Tuesday 4 August	School Photos

# Principal Report

From the Principal's desk.



Thank you to the parents who have returned their report on their child's learning from home. We have only a handful to still be returned- if you haven't completed please return this week, it is important to our reporting process. Teachers are currently reviewing the semesters learning both at school and home and beginning to collate information for reports. The reports will go home Monday week 3 term 3 and opportunities will be provided for our next set of three-way learning conversations and goal reviews.

There will be further lifting of restrictions in term 3 with additional activities recommencing within the school. This will include incursions such as Sport In School, Peer Support and School Religious Education (Scripture and Ethics).

## Activities allowed from Monday 15 June 2020 provided by NSW Government

- All Department of Community and Justice activities including:
  - external counselling services
  - domestic and family violence services
  - family support services
  - targeted early intervention programs
  - youth engagement support programs
  - Men's Sheds
  - supported playgroups
- School assemblies (limited to 15 minutes and no external visitors)
- [Choirs and performing arts](#) (within school setting only at this point, no inter-school activities)
- Incursions/external adult providers to support delivery of curriculum (e.g. music tutors, sport skills development programs, science demonstrations, drama tutors, Healthy Harold). Must maintain distancing and hygiene requirements.
- Students may attend other schools for essential curriculum related reasons or placements (e.g. auditions or placement tests)
- Activities using hydrotherapy pools (including external pools in line with the providers' guidelines)
- Day field trips to outdoor locations with no physical distancing requirements (e.g. DoE Environmental Education Centres and sport and recreation facilities, trips to local river to collect water samples)
- Face-to-face TAFE attendance in line with TAFE schedule
- Community use activities used by students such as dance classes, and student sport skills development related activities outside of school hours with limited adult attendance (curriculum and extra-curriculum purposes)
- Community use activities on weekends involving adult attendance (complying with relevant guidelines) not essential to continuity of education
- School photos (although no group staff photos).

## Activities allowed from beginning of Term 3

- All school sport and activities including competitions aligned with current health advice (including those activities run by external organisations)
- Inter-school student events and competitions (choirs, sport, debating, public speaking, performing arts, Selective Sports High School trials etc)

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- Incursions not already permitted involving external adult providers maintaining distancing and hygiene aligned with the health advice of the day (eg school banking talks, sport promotions etc – not directly curriculum related)
- SRE/SEE volunteers
- P&C meetings – strong preference for on-line where possible
- Parent/teacher meetings – where these need to take place – strong preference for on-line where possible unless involving serious matters that require face to face discussion
- Parent/carer school pick up and drop off – arrangements should continue at the school's discretion taking into consideration adult physical distancing requirements. Parents/carers should not be on school grounds or at school events without principal's permission.
- Share Our Space
- [Official visitors and dignitaries](#) (consistent with current protocols)
- Staff meetings can be held taking into account physical distancing and maximum numbers in a space according to current health guidelines, or use on-line technology
- Professional learning for teachers can recommence with preference for using on-line technology. Professional development at external venues can continue in line with the venue's requirements to abide by current guidelines. Professional development can occur on site as long as physical distancing is maintained.
- Work experience for students (with appropriate risk assessment)
- Practicum teaching for tertiary education students
- VET work placements can proceed subject to the availability of placement and appropriate risk assessments. For any that can't proceed, please see [the NESA website](#)[External link](#)
- School-based apprenticeships and traineeships can recommence once the relevant workplaces are back in operation
- Community use activities involving general adult attendance (such as community markets) at which the organiser remains responsible for compliance with distancing and hygiene requirements aligned with the health advice of the day.

## **Activities under consideration from Term 3**

- The following events will be reconsidered in Term 3. For now these events must remain on hold.
- School camps
- Excursions (other than field trips explained above)
- Parent attendance at assemblies and other school events (e.g. graduation ceremonies or student speech events)
- Group photos for staff
- Parent volunteers – e.g. parent reading helpers (note: canteen and uniform shop volunteers are permitted)
- Interstate excursions
- School-based activities that involve large gathering of adults are **not permitted** at this time. These include parent/community gatherings such as parent functions, working bees, fundraisers, school BBQs, large parent information evenings, and large on-site cultural events. These large gatherings and the following activities will continue to be reviewed and assessed based on AHPPC and NSW Health advice and may be permitted at a later date.

# Principal Report

## Community

The P&C met via Zoom last Thursday. It was a great way to catch up. The budget was finalised and approved which is a great thing as the school will be able to confidently progress with resource purchases in a number of areas. Many thanks for the support of our learning and wellbeing programs. The money allocated will support, English, maths and other curriculum programs and also our grounds and student wellbeing initiatives.

The P&C are conducting a short survey in relation to the introduction of coloured bag tags for students. These will allow teachers to quickly identify students accessing circular drive, walking home, attending DEBASCA or being collected at other gates. Many schools have found this a useful method of getting students to the right places quickly and safely.

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2021 are now being accepted. If you have a sibling needing to enrol please contact the office for enrolment forms or go to our website <https://denistonee-p.schools.nsw.gov.au> Kindergarten 2021. Also remind neighbours, friends and families that now is the time to commence the enrolment process.

## Teaching and Learning

Throughout this year teachers in kindergarten have continued their professional learning on the best strategies to support young learners to learn to read and begin writing with Janice Farmer Hailey, next term this program will be extended to year one teachers. The year one teachers will explore the what's needed and what's vital in year one. The school has re resourced both stage one and Kindergarten reviewing readers and quality text to enable the best possible exposure to text in the early years.

New and beginning teachers are also continuing their learning and orientation to the school with Jenny Bashinsky's program. This covers curriculum, wellbeing, reporting accreditation process and extra curricula involvement.

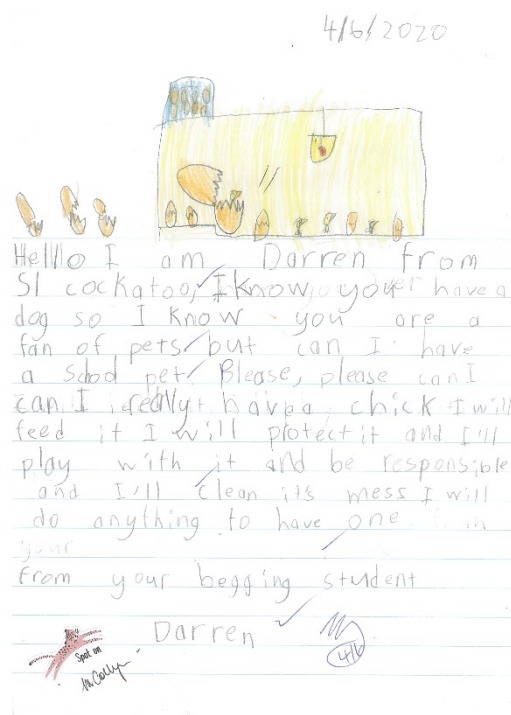
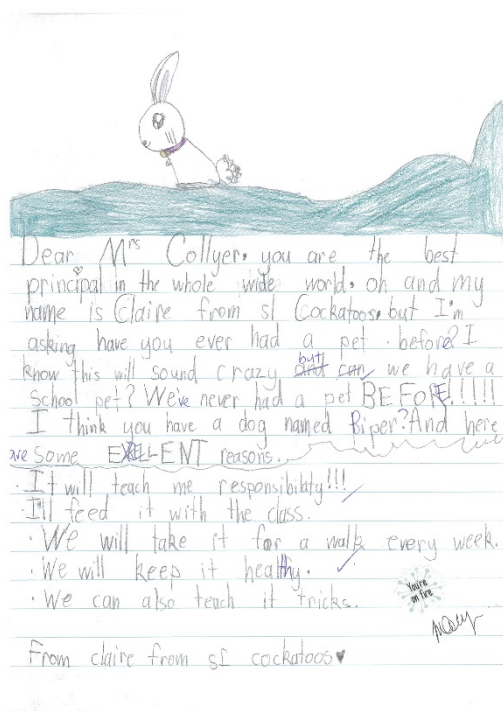
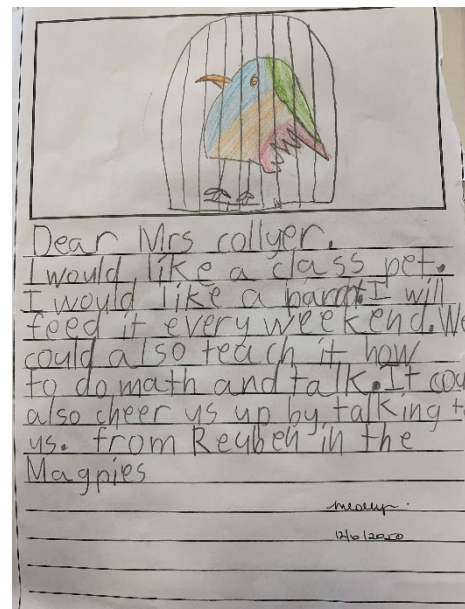
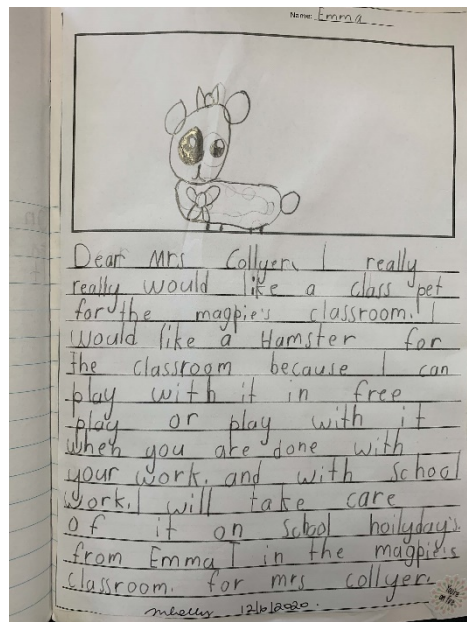
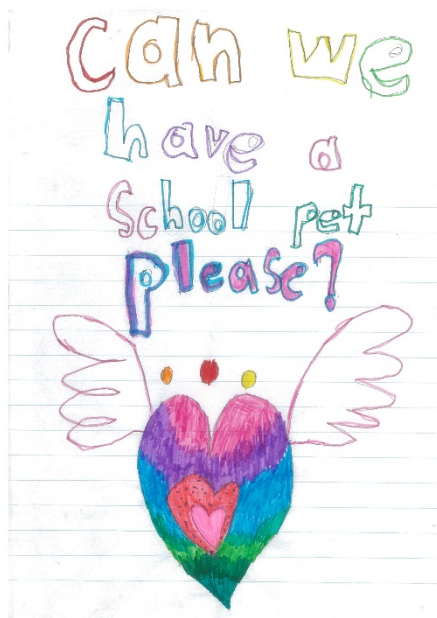
The last two weeks I have been visiting year one classrooms to look at their writing; they have been set the task of writing me a letter requesting a classroom pet. I have included a couple of their well thought out letters, persuading me that a class pet is needed!

I have also viewed the powerful writing in stage three that has been looking at the case for animals in circuses. The students have cast a critically eye on how images portray and persuade and what the viewer needs to consider when weighing up an argument for and against. Hoping to publish some of their finished work in the next newsletter.

## Building and Grounds

I was invited on site to view the pool progress last week. It was great to see the pool in and the beginnings of the next stages of the project. Delays have been related to material not being available and also the site required a lot of rubbish to be removed prior to the dig. The builder is still confident that October will see the pool swim ready.

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The school holidays will provide an opportunity for our arborist to do some tree trimming and checking. Ryde City Council have also agreed to remove a dead tree from Brabyn street and also trim trees on the nature strip. I have also applied to have a tree removed that is obstructing access to a vehicle gate on Brabyn Street. If this is approved an additional emergency access point will be created.

## Traffic and Road Safety

Thank you – traffic movement around the school has improved. The staggered hours and families dropping children closer to 9.00am has made the mornings in particular calmer.

The no stopping adjacent to circular drive is making the turning safer and quicker. I'm hoping approval is granted to continue the no stopping as far as King Street to ease the congestion and allow cars to pass safely.

The footpaths on Brabyn are scheduled for an upgrade during the holidays.

## Library

The school library has reopened for student borrowing. The library has implemented a number of practices to quarantine books after borrowing and before re circulating. Please ask you children to wash their hands before and after books are used at home.

## Hygiene

Additional cleaning of the school continues, with a cleaner on site all day. This allows toilets to be regularly cleaned and high traffic areas to be spot cleaned on an ongoing basis. Hand hygiene is being implemented in all classrooms both soap and water washes and hand sanitiser.

The school is being vigilant with unwell students and staff. If you arrive at school unwell or become unwell during the day you will be asked to go home. This may mean we have more teachers absent than usual but health and safety are paramount at the moment.

Please let the school office know if you are having your child tested for COVID-19. This will be managed confidentially and once your child has received the all clear they can return to school. If someone else in the household is being tested, please keep all school age children at home until the all clear is given.

Staff are following the same procedures. COVID -19 testing results take 24- 72 hours to be returned.

Please inform me immediately if anyone in family tests positive for COVID- 19, again the results will be kept confidential but the school will need to put into place a number of processes and procedures. Ryde Hospital is our nearest testing site.

*The desire  
to write  
grows with  
writing.*

*-Desiderius Erasmus*

**Michelle Collyer**  
**Principal**

# School Initiatives

## **Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition 2020**

We would like to congratulate all the students and their teachers for participating in this year's Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition on Wednesday 17 and Thursday 18 June.

The standard of the speeches given by our class finalists was outstanding and the judges had a very difficult task in choosing this year's finalists.

Our Stage 2 winners are Davynn in S2 Suess and Sivane S2 Gibbs.

Our Stage 3 finalists are Ella in S3 Chisholm and Shirley in S3 Flynn.

We would like to congratulate those finalists who will now be going onto Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition Local Finals which will be held in Term 3.

We would like to thank all of the students' parents and staff members for their ongoing support and encouragement.

The EAL/D Team



# School Initiatives

## GoZen! Month of Mindfulness A 4-week presence-awareness challenge

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Slowly stretch and notice tight muscles loosen. How do you feel?</p> 	<p>Count the number of times you hear laughter today.</p> 	<p>On a walk, try to find every color of the rainbow.</p> 	<p>Listen to a room with your eyes closed. Without peeking, picture what's happening.</p> 	<p>Name 5 reasons you have to be grateful.</p> 
<p>Stand balanced with your eyes closed. Raise your arms to the sky.</p> 	<p>Go for a silent walk outside. No talking! Only absorbing.</p> 	<p>Smell your meal. Can you guess the ingredients?</p> 	<p>Look in a mirror. Name 3 reasons you love yourself.</p> 	<p>Run fingers VERY slowly through your hair. What do you feel?</p> 
<p>Imagine you're in a snowy valley: how does your body feel?</p> 	<p>Lie on the floor and imagine slowly melting into it. Sink deeper and deeper.</p> 	<p>Taste a bite of food for one minute before swallowing. What do you notice?</p> 	<p>Imagine your thoughts are birds. For one minute, let them fly away until none remain.</p> 	<p>Listen to classical music. Identify the instruments you hear. How are they used?</p> 
<p>Think of 3 things you can feel on your body right now without moving.</p> 	<p>Watch any living thing for 2 minutes. If it doesn't have a name, give it one.</p> 	<p>Breathe in deeply for 4 seconds, out slowly for 7. Repeat.</p> 	<p>Wiggle each and every muscle, one at a time, starting with toes.</p> 	<p>Think about how you feel after this challenge. Invent a new emotion for it!</p> 

# P&C News



## **President's Message**

### **Message from P&C Team**

We are approaching to end of term 2 with school holiday is around the corner. Who would have thought that only a few weeks ago our focus was mainly centered on our children's homeschooling and wellbeing? It certainly has been a long wait to normality and hopefully things continue to improve in the coming weeks. In the meantime, look after yourself and

each other.

**#Normality #PostCOVID-19**

### **First virtual P&C Meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> June**

We have had a very productive Zoom meeting last Thursday and a couple of motions have been discussed and passed. Detailed information will be shared with communities in meeting minutes prior to next meeting in earlier Term 3 however, we would love to share some top line information to communities.

### **2020 P&C Voluntary Contribution Waived**

At Denistone East public school, P&C voluntary contribution is set as **\$100** per family per year and is usually requested during school term. This is main funding to P&C which enable us to support the school in various areas which will benefit our children and school communities. A few key areas listed below but not limited to:

- Supporting school by funding additional teaching resources
- Additions and improvements to school facilities
- Additions and improvements to school sporting and extra-curricular activities

2020 is a very challenging year to everyone and COVID-19 has deeply affected our lifestyle in terms of physique, emotions and finances. DEPS P&C believe it will be unfair to request for contribution and decided to waive it this year.

### **2020 P&C Budget and Financials**

Denistone P&C is very fortunate to hold strong cash balance towards the end of term 2, 2020. A big thank you to all parents for their generous contributions and support over many years. Our strong cash reserve is largely due to sound financial management over the years as well as the money saved up for our swimming pool. Now that the money is no longer needed for the pool, it will instead be used to support our school and in turn our children. COVID-19 has impacted on our school and wider community with varying degrees of hardships felt by each family. In lieu of this, we have decided to waive the P&C annual contribution of \$100 (per family) this year. Nevertheless, we will continue to fully support our school initiative.

The five major strategic envelop expenditures budgeted in 2020, are as outlined below:

# P&C News

## **1. School Facilities - \$70,000**

\$67,000 will be provided to the school to fund DEPS digital signage (\$34,000), Garden & Grounds projects (\$25,000), Air Conditioning upgrade (\$8,000) as well as a P&C initiative to improve light & sound system in the Hall (\$3,000)

## **2. Teaching & Learning Resources - \$30,000**

\$19,000 will be funded towards school IT system upgrades and English/Math/Enhancement resource as well as \$11,000 towards STEM programs and other learning resources initiated by P&C.

## **3. Community Events - \$25,000**

Unfortunately, this year we will not be able to organize DEPS community & fundraising money events such as Mother's Day Breakfast & stall, Moonlight Market and etc. due to the risks associated with mass gathering. However, we have allocated funds to support other alternative activities such as pie drive and other potential community events in 2nd half semester.

## **4. Creative Arts & Activities - \$22,000**

We will improve our music program by partnering with our music program provider (\$9,000) and reward outstanding young DEPS talents such as group or individuals achieved results at the national level.

## **5. Multi-Cultural Events - \$6,000**

We will continue support multicultural activities organized by the school and the P&C. Although the Lunar New Year celebration has been cancelled, we are seeking other similar opportunities to build an inclusive community towards the end of year if situation allows.

In 2020, DEPS P&C has also supported other projects such as the renovation of kitchen facilities (YTD circa \$16k) and the upgrade of school ground works (YTD circa \$12K), which was motioned back in late 2019.

Nine P&C executives have discussed the budget thoroughly and the final budget has been approved by majority of DEPS P&C financial members that attended the meeting on 11th Jun.

## **Have something to say? Want to know more about out P&C? Want to be part of team?**

DEPS P&C is contactable on [depssec@gmail.com](mailto:depssec@gmail.com) and as always you are more than welcomed to share your thoughts, fundraising ideas and suggestions with us. And if you do feel like to be part of P&C team and interested in any of P&C role, please do not hesitate to contact us too as It gives the opportunity to have your input and play part but important role that benefits our children and school communities eventually.

An **Annual General Meeting (AGM)** will be held each year around October and November which vacant all executive team positions and re-election will be in place so if that sounds like you, please do ask us for more details.

## **Current Community & Fundraising Events**

### **➤ PIE DRIVE**

Order Link: <https://forms.gle/yhCzYqWzB1FpEkRX7>

# P&C News

## 2020 Pie Drive ORDER Ends Today

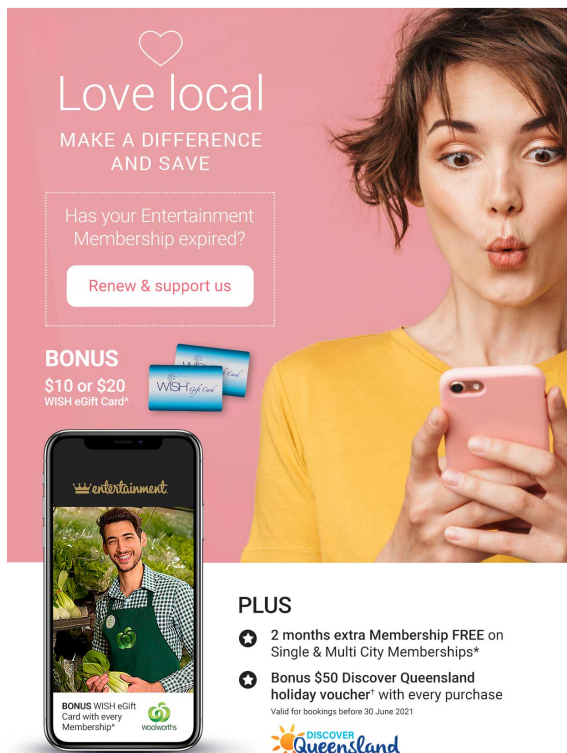
Don't forget to order your yummy scrumptious pies & cakes.

Order via <https://forms.gle/yhCzYqWzB1FpEkRX7>

**Last day TODAY so don't miss out!!**

### ➤ Entertainment Book Renewal

Order link: <http://www.entertainment.com.au/orderbooks/217d861>



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# P&C News

Canteen remains NO over-counter service till further instruction from school and for time being, please keep using Munch Monitor to place cashless order. Link below for instruction and tips of Munch Monitor:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1CZfwnGXCdQoU8nKytcoHZWxGkqUoJMY>

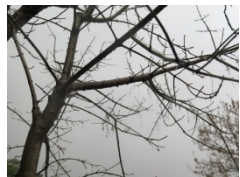
And here is the quick sign up snapshot if you wish to set up your Munch Monitor Account:

## **How to Set up your MunchMonitor Account**

Haven't signed up yet? Just go to [www.munchmonitor.com](http://www.munchmonitor.com) and enter the generic Username "Denistone" and Password "munch2122".

## **Grounds Report**

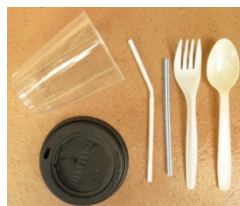
Welcome to the cool and bare days of winter! It is a fantastic time to warm up with outdoor exercise while enjoying the natural environment around us.



Well done to the students caring for the school grounds and not cluttering up play spaces by dropping bits of plastic rubbish. Keep making your lunchboxes free of plastic, taking soft plastic wrappers home for recycling, using the playground bins and encouraging others to do the same.

Did you know each year:

- On average, Australians use 130kg of plastic per person
- Only 12% of this plastic is recycled – that is about 1 in every 10 pieces used
- 130 000 tonnes of plastic will find its way into our waterways and the ocean, where it can kill marine life, including turtles, dolphins, seals and sea birds.
- When ocean plastic breaks into smaller micro pieces, it is eaten by fish and ends up on our dinner plates!



Find eco-friendly alternatives to single use plastics especially straws, plastic bags, balloons, cotton buds, coffee cups, cutlery, cups and plates.

Read:

[https://www.wwf.org.au/news/blogs/10-worst-single-use-plastics-and-eco-friendly-](https://www.wwf.org.au/news/blogs/10-worst-single-use-plastics-and-eco-friendly-alternatives#gs.7v35x7)

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<http://ocean crusaders.org/plastic-crusades/plastic-statistics/>

*Take home challenge - How many ways can you reduce, reuse or recycle plastics?*

*We would love to see photos of your litter free lunchboxes or soft plastic recycling!*

Thanks to all parents that sales for the second-hand uniform shop YTD so far are \$3,031. We are continuing to open by appointment for the foreseeable future. If you would like to be added to the wait-list, please email [depescottage@gmail.com](mailto:depescottage@gmail.com), and you will be offered the next available appointment time.

To the volunteers who have done extra openings to meet demand over the last few weeks, your big help is much appreciated.

Donations can be dropped off at the school office as normal. *Thank you.*

# P&C News

## Music News

### **Face-to-face rehearsals**

All our ensembles have now resumed face-to-face rehearsals in the Music Room. Parents are reminded that they are not permitted to enter school grounds when dropping off their children for rehearsals or music lessons.

### **Drum lessons available**

Luke Keanan-Brown is our fantastic drum tutor and he has vacancies for a one-on-one drum lesson on Friday mornings in the hall. If your child would like to learn the drums, here is their chance!

Drum lessons available: 7:45am and 8:15am Fridays

Tutor: Luke Keanan-Brown

Please contact: [alexbieri@musicpartnership.com.au](mailto:alexbieri@musicpartnership.com.au)

### **Join our strings ensemble**



The poster for the DEPS MUSIC PROGRAM features a dark red background. At the top left, there are colorful musical notes and symbols. To the right is a logo for 'THE music PARTNERSHIP' which includes a stylized 'm' and an illustration of a person playing a trumpet. The main title 'DEPS MUSIC PROGRAM' is in large, bold, dark blue letters. Below this, the text 'Join our Beginner strings program!' is followed by 'Wednesday morning 8am-9am in the music demountable.' and 'Students must already be having private violin or cello lessons. 6 months experience required. \$15+GST per weekly session'. Further down, it says 'Private Drum lessons are also available. Friday morning from 7.45am in the school hall. Lessons are 30 minutes long and are individual or paired. Cost is \$40/\$26.66+gst per half hour'. At the bottom, a yellow line is followed by the text 'TO FIND OUT MORE EMAIL: ALEXBIERI@MUSICPARTNERSHIP.COM.AU'.

The Beginner Strings group rehearses on Wednesday mornings 8:00am–9:00am in the Music Room. We are looking for violin and cello players to join. You must be having weekly private lessons with a tutor and have been playing for at least 6 months. For more details please email [alexbieri@musicpartnership.com.au](mailto:alexbieri@musicpartnership.com.au).



## Drive and park safely near schools



### ROAD SAFETY INFORMATION

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR CHILDREN'S SAFETY WHEN THEY ARE TRAVELLING TO AND FROM SCHOOL.

## Drive and park safely near schools

The beginning and end of the school day are busy times for pedestrians and drivers outside schools.

You can help keep children safe by remembering the following:

- drop off and pick up children on the school side of the road
- never call out to children from across the road – it is very dangerous
- always take extra care when driving in 40km school zones
- follow all parking signs – these help keep children as safe as possible
- park responsibly even if this means you have to walk further to the school gate
- never double park – it is illegal and puts children at risk
- never do a U-turn or three-point turn outside the school as it puts children at risk of harm
- model safe and considerate pedestrian and driver behaviours to your children.

#### For further support

Go to the department's Road Safety Education program at  
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/road-safety-education> or visit  
<https://education.nsw.gov.au> and search for road safety education.

When travelling in a car ensure your children:

- use a booster seat if they are aged between 4 and 7 years old – it's the law
- are correctly buckled up in their seatbelts
- always get in and out of the car through the 'safety door' – the rear door on the footpath side of the car
- are never left alone in the car.



**Up to 6 months**  
Approved rear-facing  
child car seat



**6 months to 4 years**  
Approved rear- or  
forward-facing child  
car seat



**4+ years**  
Approved forward-  
facing child car seat or  
booster seat



**145cm or taller**  
Suggested minimum  
height to use adult lap-  
sash seatbelt



# Community News



**RYDE  
RUGBY  
IS BACK  
FOR  
2020**

## COME & PLAY

### Rugby Is Back On!

Come and join one of Sydney's best Rugby Clubs, make new friends and learn new skills.

Minis (U4 to U9) and Juniors Rugby (U10 to Opens) starts again from July 18, Ryde Rugby is currently running non-contact COVID-19 Safe training sessions at our home ground in Ryde Park.

All new players receive free shorts, socks and a water bottle as part of their Rugby kit. Minis (U6-U9) players also get a free personalised backpack!



Registration starts from only \$110.00

ONLY \$10.00 when using the Active Kids Voucher (from 4 years old to under 17)

To register visit: [www.ryderugby.com.au/2020-registration](http://www.ryderugby.com.au/2020-registration)  
Contact 0474 498 775 | [register@ryderugby.com.au](mailto:register@ryderugby.com.au)


City of Ryde


**VOLUNTEER  
RECOGNITION  
AWARDS**

**CHANGING COMMUNITIES.  
CHANGING LIVES.**

[ryde.rocks/volunteers](https://ryde.rocks/volunteers)

**NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN**

Every year a committed and largely unseen army of volunteers give their time and skills to enhance and uplift the life of the community within the City of Ryde.

The annual Volunteer Recognition Awards aim to acknowledge the contribution made by these unsung heroes.

To nominate please visit [ryde.rocks/volunteers](https://ryde.rocks/volunteers)

**Nominations close Sunday 28 June 2020**

If you have any questions please contact the City of Ryde Events Team on 9952 8222 or email [events@ryde.nsw.gov.au](mailto:events@ryde.nsw.gov.au)



**Junior**  
SCIENCE ACADEMY

## BLAST OFF INTO THE WORLD OF STEM at MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY

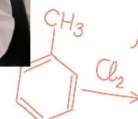
Join our exciting science, technology, engineering and maths programs for Years K- 7 during the July school holidays.

- Class topics include robotics, learning about dinosaurs, astronomy, DNA, and many, many more.
- Our classes are designed to teach concepts through experiments, art, drama, physical activity, craft & other hands-on activities.
- New courses are always added & all-time favourites are rotated each school holidays.
- Procedures for COVID-19 are in place and arrangements made for full refunds in the case of illness so parents don't lose money. Book with confidence.

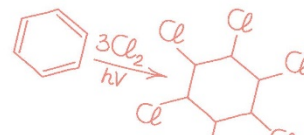
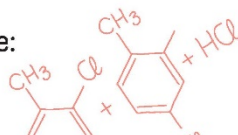


Creative Kids vouchers (value \$100) can be claimed for any robotics or coding class. Apply through ServiceNSW for your child's voucher.

Drop off	8.30am – 9.30am
Activities	9.30am – 4.30pm
Pick-up	4.30pm – 5.30pm
Cost	\$126.50



Want more information? Visit our website:  
[mq.edu.au/about/holidays](http://mq.edu.au/about/holidays)





# DEBASCA July 2020 | VACATION CARE

## BOOKING INFORMATION

**How to Book:** Please book online. Go to:  
<https://debasca.wufoo.com/forms/debasca-2020-july-vacation-care/>  
 and complete the online booking form (one per child).  
**Booking Period:** Weeks 6-10 (From 4th June - 1st July)  
**MUST BE** booked online by **Wednesday 1st July 5.00pm (AEST)**  
 \$10 late penalty will apply to forms submitted after the cut-off date.  
**NO Cancellations/Refunds** will be processed after Wed 1st July. **ANY** change to a booking once it has been submitted will incur a \$5 fee per change, per child.  
**IMPORTANT NOTE:** When booking, please book under your child's current 2020 school grade.






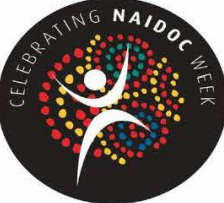
## CONTACT DETAILS

**Location:** 35a Brabyn Street Denistone East 2112  
**Phone:** 02 9874 6760  
**Email:** [admin@debasca.org.au](mailto:admin@debasca.org.au)  
**Website:** [www.debasca.org.au](http://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 otherwise FULL FEES will APPLY.**

Please visit our website [www.debasca.org.au](http://www.debasca.org.au) 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**

Monday 6th	Tuesday 7th	Wednesday 8th	Thursday 9th	Friday 10th
<b>K-6 IN HOUSE</b>	<b>K-6 IN HOUSE</b>	<b>K-6 IN HOUSE</b>	<b>K-6 IN HOUSE</b>	<b>K-2 IN HOUSE</b> <b>3-6 Walking EXCURSION</b>
Christmas in July \$80 	'Ice Age' \$80 * Everything Ice Age * Excavation Experiences * Educational Focus * Frozen Foam Wonderland * Finish off the day with 'Ice Age' Movie 	Battle of the Bands - Loose Parts Play! \$80 <b>MATERIALS, sounds and COLOURS.</b>  * Make your own instrument. * Join in Battle of the bands! 	Teamwork and Adventure \$80  * Tents, Outdoor Play and Inside Escape Rooms * Join us for some awesome Teamwork and Adventure <b>M/Tea &amp; LUNCH PROVIDED</b>	NAIDOC Week Celebrations \$80 * Learn the game Marngrook * Grass heads and Ganya making in our natural discovery space  * Paint Message Stones to be 'planted' at Jim Walsh park by years 3-6. <b>M/Tea &amp; LUNCH PROVIDED</b>
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July 2020 - VAC Week 2

Mon 13th	Tues 14th	Wed 15th	Thurs 16th	Fri 17th
<b>K-6 IN HOUSE</b>	<b>K-6 IN HOUSE</b>	<b>K-6 IN HOUSE</b>	<b>K-6 IN HOUSE</b>	<b>K-6 IN HOUSE</b>
Dungeons & Dragons & Mayhem \$80	Winter Harvest and Campfire Warmers \$80	Ye Olde Crafty Sewers \$80	Feudal Sorting Hat Challenge - Princesses & Vikings \$80	Medieval Games & Irish Dancing \$80



# July 2020 MEDIEVAL FAIR



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**Mon 20th**  
**Pupil Free Day**  
**K-6 IN HOUSE**  
**Magnificent Medieval Market \$80**  


**M/Tea & LUNCH PROVIDED**

## PLEASE REMEMBER



\* **NON- NOTIFICATION:** If your child will be absent for any given VAC day, please inform the centre by 10am on any given day. A non-notification fee of \$10 applies if you **do not** let the centre know of your child's absence.

\* **WIDE BRIMMED HAT:** is required for ALL days

\* **MEDIEVAL FAIR WEEK:** Week 2 of Vacation Care this year will be a **THEMED** week. Students are encouraged to get into the theme, dress up and share their ideas for our evolving Medieval Fair Week culminating in our Magnificent Medieval Market Day!

\* **WATER BOTTLE:** Is required for ALL days.

*N.B: Program subject to change. If such change is made, families will be notified as soon as possible.*