



Newsletter

19 November , Term 4 Week 6

Upcoming Events

Friday 20 November	Sportspro – Kindergarten to Year 2 students are to wear sports uniform Summer PSSA Kindergarten 2021 Parents Meet and Greet at King's Park
Wednesday 25 November	Basketball Gala Day Sportspro – Year 3-6 students are to wear sports uniform
Friday 27 November	Sportspro – Kindergarten to Year 2 students are to wear sports uniform Summer PSSA
Monday 30 November	Year 6 BIG DAY IN – all day
Tuesday 1 December	Year 5 Leadership 9.15am to 11.00am - Hall
Wednesday 2 December	Sportspro – Year 3-6 students are to wear sports uniform
Friday 4 December	Sportspro – Kindergarten to Year 2 students are to wear sports uniform Summer PSSA Solo Strings Recital - 3pm to 5pm – Hall
Monday 7 December	All Day Presentation Day Stage 2 & Stage 3 Year 6 Graduation Kindy Graduation
Tuesday 8 December	All Day Presentation Day ES1 & Stage 1
Wednesday 9 December	Sportspro – Year 3-6 students are to wear sports uniform
Thursday 10 December	Staff Appreciation Lunch End of Year Music Concert – 6pm to 8pm – Hall
Friday 11 December	Sportspro – Kindergarten to Year 2 students are to wear sports uniform Summer PSSA School reports sent home
Monday 14 December	Movie Day Year 6 Farewell Dinner North Ryde Golf Club – 5pm to 7.30pm
Tuesday 15 December	Movie Day
Wednesday 16 December	Year 6 Pizza Day LAST DAY of SCHOOL for students

Principal Report



From the Principal's desk.

Kindergarten 2021 have completed their orientation and several have attended the playdates in Kings Park with their families. Dates for Best Start Assessment and starting Kindergarten will be communicated soon.

A reminder to students in years 1 to 6 that school commences on Friday 29 January. The school executive have been very busy arranging staffing and classes for the 2021 school year.

Teaching and Learning

Based on current enrolments, we will have 6 Kindergarten classes, 5 Year One classes, 5 Year 2 classes, 8 Stage Two classes, and 8 Stage Three classes. These classes will be supported by a large team of specialist teachers to enhance English language acquisition and target specific learning needs. The classes will be arranged to cluster children excelling in various curriculum areas to develop, broaden and enrich their creativity, problem solving, collaboration and knowledge.

Community Language Programs in Mandarin and Korean will continue as the school's release from face to face teaching programs. The Community Language teachers have been working closely with classroom teachers to revitalise and realign the programs to maximise student engagement, rigour and transference and reinforcement of concepts across other key curriculum areas.

The students have had some wonderful learning opportunities over the past few weeks. Stage One experiencing Spring in the Botanical Gardens, Kindergarten off to Calmsley Hill farm and experimenting at school with their Fizzics incursion. Stage Three visited Collaroy for a day camp. All these activities have reinforced classroom learning and provided the students the opportunity to learn with hands on experiences.

Congratulations to all the students selected to participate in the Soccer and Basketball Gala Days.

Presentation Assemblies

Presentation assemblies are not far away and it is exciting that the presentations can proceed but with COVID-19 provisions and adaptations in place.

Presentation Assemblies for all Stages and Grades will be hosted over two days and with a limited parent presence to meet the square metre and social distancing rules.

- Monday 7 December – 9.30 am – Stage 3. **Only 1 parent** for each award winner will be able to attend.
- Monday 7 December – Year 6 Graduation Assembly following the Stage 3 Assembly. **No parents will be able to attend.**
- Monday 7 December – 2.00 pm – Stage 2 Assembly. **Only 1 parent** for each award winner will be able to attend.
- Tuesday 8 December – 9.30 am – Kindergarten. **Only 1 parent** for each award winner will be able to attend.
- Tuesday 8 December – Kindergarten Graduation Assembly following the Kindergarten Assembly. **No parents will be able to attend.**

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- Tuesday 8 December – 12.00 noon – Stage 1 – Year 1 Assembly. **Only 1 parent** for each award winner will be able to attend.
- Tuesday 8 December – 2.00 pm – Stage 1 – Year 2 Assembly. **Only 1 parent** for each award winner will be able to attend.

A photo will be taken of all award winners and students from Kindergarten to Year 6 as a memento of the milestone event. These photos will be emailed to individual families. I acknowledge how important these events are and will endeavour to make them as special as possible.

Stage Three students this year have played a significant role in the selection of the recipient of the Beryl James – service to school award and the Goodness and Kindness award. The students were provided an opportunity to nominate suitable recipients and provide justification for the nomination. A great opportunity for students to recognise and acknowledge other students contributing to school life.

Stage 3 Leadership

Stage 3 Leadership Program for 2021 is underway. Within this process the students will be voting for the 20 nominees who will stand for School Leader in 2021. School Leaders are selected from our current Year 5 students.

Students will be presenting their speeches at school and will have them videoed. Each video will be made available to students within their classroom and they will then cast their votes on a ballot slip.

In 2021 we will have 8 School Leaders. Within those 8 School Leaders, the two leaders with the highest number of votes will be given the title of School Captains.

We are also selecting our House Leaders for 2021. These House Leaders are selected from our current Year 4 and Year 5 students. Students have nominated for these positions and they will be selected by student voting.

Health and Hygiene

Please remember to include a water bottle every day for your child, they are able to refill this from classroom taps.

Please keep up to date with changes to COVID responses via either the Department's website <https://education.nsw.gov.au/> or NSW Health www.health.nsw.gov.au . I will continue to provide regular feeds of information.

I think it is possible for ordinary people to choose to be extraordinary. Elon Musk

Michelle Collyer
Principal

School Initiatives

Stage 1 – Eddie Woo



On Tuesday 10 November S1 Wren had a very special visitor pop in to talk about maths. Eddie Woo met with our class via Zoom to talk about money and length, two topics we have been looking at this term. He answered some very tricky questions we had for him. A very inspiring and awesome chat with Eddie Woo. We definitely learned a lot !

Environmental Team update.



The veggies in our school garden beds are growing nicely! It has been amazing to see the veggies growing and thriving. It has been an interesting process for all students planting the seeds in the classroom and watching them grow and flower. We have been lucky enough to plant some eggplants, tomatoes, cucumbers, pumpkins, corn, beans and zucchini's for everyone. We have used the edible garden to help the children understand the concept of sustainability, which they are studying as part of the Mappen program. We are using the area to help the children think like scientists and mathematicians and to apply what they have learned in the classroom to an outdoors environment. We are looking forward to harvesting the produce and making it available to the children to taste the food that they are growing in their school garden! Mr Vargas, Mr Blasonato and the DEPS Environmental Team



School Initiatives

Library News

Overdue books

Students are encouraged to return overdue books to the Library by Friday 28 November.

Please encourage your child to pop in to the Library if they have queries or questions re: lost/misplaced books.

A note will later be sent home if money is required to replace a damaged or lost book. The end of year Library stocktake will commence in week 8.

Scholastic Book Club

Scholastic Book Club issue 8 orders have closed. Orders will be distributed to students once they arrive.

Ms Armstrong - Teacher Librarian

School Initiatives



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P&C News



President's Message Message from P&C Team

List of key dates for P&C events:

Date	Event
Wed, 2 nd Dec & Thu, 3 rd Dec	Family Portrait – Photo Viewing Day
Thu, 10 th Dec	Teachers & Staff Appreciation Lunch

We are already halfway past Term 4. Only less than 4 weeks left until school holidays. How time flies and before we know it, Christmas will be upon us. As for the remainder of the term, we shall be focusing on Road Safety Awareness, filling the P&C President position and our traditional Teachers and Staff Appreciation Lunch.

Portrait Weekend Fundraiser on Sat, 14th & Sun, 15th November

Thank you to all parents who booked the Portrait Weekend. We hope you enjoyed having your photos taken by the lovely Gina. The photos of your family and children will make beautiful and unique keepsakes.

Please remember – **Parents/guardians to view own portraits on Wed, 2nd & Thu, 3rd December** otherwise postage & handling applies.

All participants who booked and paid for Portrait Weekend will be eligible to enter a lucky draw to win 1 of these 3 great prizes - 1x \$248 photo pack and 2x \$50 grocery gift cards. The lucky draw will be conducted just before photo viewing and the winners will be notified via school newsletter and email.

P&C – *Be Involved!*

Opportunity to become part of P&C executive members

President position – VACANT

Calling for an enthusiastic parent to fill this position! It is currently still vacant. Don't be shy!!

The President is responsible for:

- The successful functioning of the P&C Association meetings
- The attainment of the P&C Association's objectives
- Ensuring that the P&C Association takes part in decision-making processes in the school
- Fostering fair participation of all members and ensuring that all new members are made to feel welcome
- Supporting volunteers
- Consistent adherence to the constitution
- Acting as the P&C Association's spokesperson when public statements or actions are needed
- Setting up lines of communication with the Principal



P&C News

- Being signatory on the Association's bank accounts
- Chairing meetings

Please email depssec@gmail.com if you are interested or would like to know more.

Athlete's Foot Program

An exciting news, something new to DEPS!! DEPS P&C has collaborated with Athlete's Foot in a fundraising program. Every time you buy a pair of school shoes from Athlete's Foot @Top Ryde City and @Macquarie Centre, don't forget to mention our school's name and \$5 from every pair of shoes purchased will go towards P&C who in turn will re-invest it back to the school.

For further information, please refer to the brochure.

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DENISTONE EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL

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APPROVED SCHOOL SHOES

GEL-540TR PS
Junior \$99⁹⁵

GEL-540TR GS
Junior \$119⁹⁵

APPROVE
Junior \$119⁹⁵

INDULGE
Junior \$139⁹⁵

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Junior \$114⁹⁵

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GT-1000 10 GS
Junior \$109⁹⁵

GEL-540TR GS
Junior \$119⁹⁵

GEL-540TR GS
Junior \$109⁹⁵

\$5 DONATED BACK TO YOUR SCHOOL


Every time you buy a pair of shoes.

P&C News

Digital Entertainment Book

This is all year around fundraiser program. By purchasing via P&C channel, 20% of your membership purchase comes directly to us! And the best part of this digital membership is allowing you 3 months to activate your membership.

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



20% of your Membership purchase comes directly to us!

<p>Single City</p> <p>\$69⁹⁹</p> <p>1 Year</p> <p>Discover all the best savings in your city</p> <p>\$14 to our fundraiser</p>	<p>Multi City</p> <p>\$119⁹⁹</p> <p>1 Year <small>MOST POPULAR</small></p> <p>Enjoy savings across Australia, New Zealand and Bali</p> <p>\$24 to our fundraiser</p>	<p>Multi Plus</p> <p>\$229⁹⁹</p> <p>2 Years <small>BEST VALUE</small></p> <p>2 years of savings across Australia, New Zealand and Bali</p> <p>\$46 to our fundraiser</p>
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P&C News

Teachers & Staff Appreciation Lunch on Thursday, 10 December

Each year the P&C will hold a Teachers & Staff Appreciation Lunch at the school. Everyone would agree that 2020 has been an interesting and challenging year.

This pandemic has revealed many everyday heroes with teachers being one of them.

Let us come together in showing our gratitude and appreciation in all the things the teachers and staff have done for us, the community and especially the children. Their selfless commitment has allowed parents to continue working, the children to lead a 'normal' life and much more. This year, due to Covid19 and social distancing guidelines still in place, the lunch will be fully catered and only for teachers and staff.

You can contribute \$20 to the to show your families' appreciation. Thank you very in advance to those families are able to contribute to show appreciation. All money received will used for catering purposes to show the DEPS community's appreciation of all teachers and school staff.

Payments can be made directly into the DEPS P&C account

***Do not pay to the school account**

Account Name: **Denistone P&C**

BSB: **032 289**

Account No: **470199**

Reference: **Type L-Insert eldest child's initial, surname & class name**

Please email depssec@gmail.com if you have any questions.

DEPS TEACHERS & STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCH
10TH DECEMBER 2020

2020 has been a remarkable year and all the more for parents to thank the teachers and staff for their hard work and dedication during this challenging time. For this special year DEPS P&C will host a fully-catered teacher-and-staff-only lunch due to Covid19 and social distancing guidelines still in place.

Parent(s), Grandparent(s) and Carer(s), please join us in thanking the teachers and staff for all they have done this year.

You can contribute \$20 to the lunch to show your families' appreciation.

Thank you very much in advance to those families that are able to contribute to show their appreciation. All money received will be used for catering purposes to show the DEPS community's appreciation of all our teachers and school staff.

Payments can be made directly into the DEPS P&C account before 9th December 2020

(DO NOT PAY TO THE SCHOOL ACCOUNT)

Account Name: **Denistone East P&C**
BSB: **032 289**
Account No: **470199**

Reference: **Type L-Insert your eldest child's initial, surname**
Please email depssec@gmail.com if you have any questions

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P&C News

Canteen News

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Amy as our new Canteen Coordinator and Pui Fong as a new Canteen Committee member.

Amy is a long-time parent volunteer at the canteen and will be assisting Elaine, as well as be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the canteen.

Pui Fong, together with Suzie, will be assisting Hayley (the P&C Treasurer) with the financial part of the canteen. We would like to thank both of them for putting their hands up for the roles and we couldn't be more grateful!!

Grounds Report

November is time to look into the distance and appreciate the large number of purple flowering Jacaranda trees we have in our local area.

It was once thought Jacaranda tree seedlings were given to new mothers leaving hospital, so they could watch the tree grow alongside their children. Jacaranda trees are not native to Australia. In the 1800's, Allan Cunningham, a botanist, who had developed a love of Jacarandas while visiting Brazil, managed to successfully plant a Jacaranda cutting in Sydney.

Jacarandas were very difficult to grow from cuttings and considered the most precious and rare of trees. However, Sydney's climate was favoured by the Jacaranda, with fresh seeds, from early cuttings, finding just the right conditions to propagate. Jacarandas became a common sight in Sydney during the 1900's.

Today we are fortunate to have Jacarandas with their beautiful purple flowers in so many of our streets around Sydney.

Read: <https://www.ellalist.com.au/articles/where-to-see-sydney-s-jacaranda-trees-in-full-bloom>

Litter reminders

Thank you to those students who are trying very hard to keep the playground looking well cared for and tidy, creating a more enjoyable place for work and play.

Please continue to remind your children to be good environmental stewards.

- Place lunch rubbish in the bins
- Bring home plastic wrappers for recycling
- If visiting the canteen, don't just drop the rubbish where you eat, use the bins.
- Create a plastic wrapper free lunchbox

Join us

Do you have suggestions about how to care for or improve the school grounds?

We would love to hear ideas from you or join us at the next P & C meeting.

Please email to grounds.deps@gmail.com



P&C News

The Cottage Second Hand Uniform Shop

The secondhand uniform shop will continue to open for appointments in term 4. Please email depscottage@gmail.com to be added to the waitlist and you will be offered the next available appointment time.

Donations of uniforms you no longer need can be dropped off at the office.

Music News

Learn to play an instrument!

We have fantastic music tutors at school teaching private lessons on many instruments:

- We have vacancies for **flute** lessons on Monday morning before and during school.
- We have vacancies for **trumpet** lessons on Friday morning before and during school.
- We also have room for **clarinet** and **saxophone** students on a Tuesday during the day and before school.
- We have room for **violin** students on a Thursday morning during class time.



Lessons are 30 minutes long and are one-on-one. Lessons are all COVID-safe with extra care taken to disinfect teaching spaces. If you would like to know more, please email Alex Bieri at alexbieri@musicpartnership.com.au

Community News



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DEC (FREE)
CHRISTMAS
BREAK
8 FEB - 29
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About the teacher: Ben is a drummer and a multi-instrumentalist in Year 11. He performs with Jazz Workshop Australia and is studying Music for HSC. His musical passions are Jazz, Rock and anything with a beat!

Contact Ben for more info!

Mobile: 0466 166 568

Email: benjago10@gmail.com

Community News



KOREAN KINDY PREPARATION WEBINAR



Are you a Korean parent with a child starting school in 2021?

Come along to this Free Community Online Seminar for Korean families to:

- Learn how to best support the child to ready for school
- Obtain the information about Australian education system
- Know about the information for children who need special education

All sessions will be delivered in Korean.

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NEW SOUTH WALES

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WEDNESDAY
9 DEC 2020
10 AM - 11:30 AM

To Register



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Via Zoom (link sent prior to the day)

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킨디 입학준비 웹세미나



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