CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, 19th February  - Intensive Swimming Lesson - 1.00-2.00 pm
Friday, 26th February  - Zone Swimming Carnival
                      - Intensive Swimming Lesson - 1.00-2.00 pm
Friday, 4th March    - Intensive Swimming Lesson - 1.00-2.00 pm
Wednesday, 9th March- P & C Meeting - 7.00 pm
Friday, 11th March   - Intensive Swimming Lesson - 1.00-2.00 pm
Friday, 25th March   - Good Friday
Monday, 28th March   - Easter Monday

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Morning Exercise
Our morning K-6 walk/run has seen many positive results. In addition to the benefits of daily exercise, the students are settled and ready to begin their lessons.

Parent/Teacher Information Evening
The parent/teacher evening went very well and it was great to see our new parents attending. Thank you to Mrs Purdy and Mrs McDonald for supervising the students during the P & C meeting.

Captain and Kinder Photos
On Thursday, 11th February the Northern Daily Leader took photos of the 2016 Captains and Kindergarten students. The Captains photo will appear in the Northern Daily Leader on Tuesday, 8th March and the Kinder photo on Thursday, 10th March, 2016.

Illnesses
There are a few different illnesses going around at the moment. If your child is unwell, please keep them at home so they do not infect the whole school.

Bective Swimming Carnival
We had a great day last Friday at Werris Creek for the Bective Swimming Carnival. Our Duri Champions on the day were:-
Isabella Kesby - Junior Girl Champion
Will Ramsden - Junior Boy Champion
Charlotte Ramsden - Senior Girl Champion
They will receive their medallions on Friday at assembly.
Most of the champions from the Bective points scores went to Curraububula School, however we did manage to get Junior Boy Champion - Will Ramsden.
Congratulations everyone!
Thank you to all the parents who helped out with timing and novelties.
Thank you to Gabrielle Purdy, Lynn McDonald and Wendy Pearson for all your assistance at the Bective Swimming Carnival.

Intensive Swimming
Our second week of Intensive Swimming will be this Friday, 19th February. Transport will be by Mrs Rimmer and Mr Johnston’s bus leaving the school at 12.30 pm for a lesson from 1.00-2.00 pm.
We will be having an early recess at 10.30 am and an early lunch at 12.00 noon and leaving school at 12.30 pm.
Duri school is a Nut-free School
One of our students has a severe allergy to peanuts and as a consequence, no peanut food items are to brought to school. Please check the labels on food items before sending them to school.

Oral Hygiene Talks
Today, Wednesday, 17th February, Fiona Robinson from HEALTHWISE in Narrabri visited our school to speak to the students about oral hygiene.

Change of Library Days
Library day has changed this year. The K/1/2 class will have Library on Monday afternoons and the 3/4/5/6 class will have library on Wednesday afternoons.

Bakers Delight Dough Raiser
Last year our school participated in the Bakers Delight Dough Raiser for Duri School and we received at cheque for $24.10 for our efforts during the year. We are participating in the program again this year and Duri School has bee registered with Bakers Delight City Plaza and Bakers Delight Shopping world. Duri School gets a 5% of sales. All you have to do is nominate Duri School when you make any purchase or even start to purchase your bread from Bakers Delight and let your family and friends know of this fantastic promotion to support our school.

Mr Bellis
Thursday, 18th February

Educational Assessment Australia
The students in the primary class will have received a letter and entry form regarding the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools in subjects ranging from Digital Technologies to English, Maths, Science, Spelling and Writing. If you are interested in your child competing in any of the assessments, please fill in the form and return it with the money by Monday, 28th March, 2016.

The twins, Saxten and Hayley Hughes celebrated their birthday last week.
Tamworth Zone Swimming Carnival will be held on **Friday, 26th February** at Scully park Pool. The students entered from Duri Public School are:-

- **Charlotte Ramsden** - 12 yrs 50m freestyle, Senior girls’ Breaststroke and Peter Dobson Relay team
- **William Ramsden** - 10 yrs 50m freestyle, Junior boys’ Backstroke
- **Charlotte Poole** - 11 yrs 50m freestyle, 11 yrs girls’ Breaststroke and Peter Dobson Relay team
- **Isabell Kesby** - 11 yrs 50m freestyle, 11 yrs Breaststroke and Backstroke and Peter Dobson Relay team
- **Jacob Umback** - 10 yrs 50m freestyle, Junior boys Backstroke and Peter Dobson Relay team
- **Charlotte Poole, Isabell Kesby, Breanna Barron, Bonnie Bielefeld, Molly Ison, Sarah Frazer, Jacob Umback and Brodie Hughes.**

**Friday Night Tennis**
Friday Night tennis has commenced at the Duri Tennis courts and everyone is welcome to attend. The Duri P & C are providing a barbecue tea for a small cost and everyone has a great time. For more information, please contact Alli Poole on 0428680252.

**Absentee Exemptions**
As part of the NSW Department of Education and Communities implementation of the National Standards, holidays taken by students outside of the school vacation periods will now be included as absences. A certificate of Exemption can no longer be granted for this purpose. Families are encouraged to holiday for travel during school vacations. If travel outside of school vacation periods is necessary, the following considerations apply:-

If the principal accepts the reason for the absence, the absence will be marked as “L” and a certificate of Extended Leave - Holiday is issued.

**Media Consent Form**
Please return this note to school as soon as possible.

**Horse Sports**
Willow Tree Horse Sports - 18/3/16
Blandford Horse Sports - 4/3/16
If you need entry information, please see Wendy and she will send it in an email, as there are numerous pages (over 20) for each entry.

**Zone Swimming Carnival**

_Duri Public School - Tolerance, Self Discipline, Independence_
Bective Swimming Carnival - 12/2/2016