

# Newsletter

## Doonside Public School

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Term 1 – Week 10 Building strong learning partnerships for success

Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2019

Just a reminder to all Parents/Carers, please do not put nut products, such as Nutella or Peanut Butter on your child's sandwich. Thank you....

## Doonside Term 1 Dates



10/04/2019 Easter Hat Parade  
11/04/2019 School Cross Country  
12/04/2019 Last Day of Term 1

### Term 2

29/04/2019 Staff Development Day Term 2  
30/04/2019 Children Return for Term 2  
30/05/2019 Green Team Mufti Day  
01/05/2019 ANZAC DAY 11.30-Hall  
03/05/2019 Sydney Writers Festival  
07/05/2019 5-6 Rugby League Gala Day  
08/05/2019 3-6 Art Pathway excursion  
08/05/2019 P-K Wannabee Excursion  
09/05/2019 1-2 Wannabee Excursion  
09/05/2019 Mother's Day stall  
10/05/2019 Mother's Day stall  
14/05/2019 Naplan  
15/05/2019 Naplan  
16/05/2019 Naplan  
20/05/2019 Community Expo  
27/05/2019 Reconciliation Week  
06/06/2019 Athletics Carnival  
20/06/2019 Sport and Special Photos  
01/07/2019 Responsible Pets K-2  
04/07/2019 Naidoc Day

Parents/Carers on the 29/4/19 there will be no staff on site, as we will all be attending a cultural awareness training day off site. We will all be back to start Term 2 on Tuesday 30/4/19.....



Go on an adventure through reading during your holidays.

Parents/Carers it is very important for your child to be at school for the beginning of the school day. Mornings are your child's prime learning time. It not only impedes on your child but the whole class suffers the interruption of late comers.

### FRIDAY MORNING

If you need to see someone in the office on Fridays please wait until the bell at 8.55 am as during this time our staff are at our weekly meeting. Thank you.

Find us on Facebook or Twitter.



School Website: Our web address is:

[www.doonside-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](http://www.doonside-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

Whilst we endeavour to keep social media updated, please do not rely on them. Refer to your newsletter for your diary updates.

Thank You DPS Administration

Team.

### Permission notes

When returning notes, please ensure they are

**completed in pen and signed** before returning

them to the office. Just leave them in the letterbox



at the back window, in a sealed envelope.  
Thank you

### Remember.....

- \* No smoking on school grounds
- \* No adults in student toilets at any time!
- \* No alcohol on school grounds.
- \* No dogs on school grounds.

**Parents are reminded not to approach other parents about School issues. Any concerns need to be directed to our office. Thank you.**

## Excursions

### Full School uniform is to be worn please...

Attention parents if you have more than one child attending an excursion, can you please fill out a permission slip for each child. This would be a great assistance for class placements of excursions.

**Also the correct money should be enclosed in a sealed envelope. Please don't put loose money in the letterbox at the office it might get misplaced. Thank you.**

**Just a reminder the morning bell goes at 8:55am. Afternoon bell at 3p.m. Parents it is unsafe for your children to be school before 8.30am as there is no duty teacher until 8.30am.**

### *Yr 3-6 Dubbo Adventure Camp*

There are a limited number of places for students to participate in this year's camp. You are running out of time to register your child for our 2019 camp by paying a (non-refundable) **\$50:00** to the school office.



#### What's On at Penrith Observatory in April 2019

Date: Saturday 13 April 2019

Event name: Public Astronomy Night: Getting your head around the universe

Event details:

Speaker – Dr Luke Barnes

Just how big is the universe? We'll take our time to tour the universe, starting on Earth, and ending with the most distant places our telescopes can see. No maths – just imagination.

Includes presentation, short 3D movie, tour of the dome and viewing of the night sky through a range of telescopes (weather permitting).

\$18.00 Adult

\$12.00 Child/Concession

\$50.00 Family (2 adults + 2 children)

Children under 3 years of age free.

IMPORTANT: Parents/Carers are responsible for and must remain with their children at all times.

BOOKINGS VIA OUR WEBSITE ESSENTIAL

Time: 7pm – 9pm

Venue Address: Penrith Observatory (Building AO), Western Sydney University, Werrington North campus, Great Western Highway, Werrington 2747

Contact phone or website for public enquiries and bookings:

[https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/observatorypenrith/penrith\\_observatory/whats\\_on](https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/observatorypenrith/penrith_observatory/whats_on)

Facebook Event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/2644574188918206/>

Date: Thursday 18 April 2019

Event name: Hands On Workshop: Rockets

Event details:

Speaker – Ms Raelene Sommer

A workshop designed for children ages 4 - 12 but lots of fun for all ages.

Build and launch paper rockets using compressed air and watch a demonstration of a model rocket launch.

Includes presentation, short 3D movie and safe viewing of the Sun through a telescope (weather permitting).

PLEASE NOTE:

Parents/carers to remain with children at all times.

All attendees (parents/carers) require a workshop attendee ticket (\$12).

There is plenty to enjoy as part of the workshop, a presentation, 3D movie, and a chance to look at the Sun safely through a telescope.

We encourage any adults that wish to participate in building and launching a rocket to purchase additional rocket kits (\$5) to join in the fun.

All children must have a child ticket which includes the rocket kit (\$17).

All children are expected to participate in building and launching a paper rocket.

BOOKINGS VIA OUR WEBSITE ESSENTIAL

Time: 10am – 12pm

Venue Address: Penrith Observatory (Building AO), Western Sydney University, Werrington North campus, Great Western Highway, Werrington 2747

Contact phone or website for public enquiries and bookings:

[https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/observatorypenrith/penrith\\_observatory/whats\\_on](https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/observatorypenrith/penrith_observatory/whats_on)

Facebook Event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/2087752987998230/>

Let your child's learning journey grow with us, at:



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Early Learning Centre

**VACANCIES AVAILABLE**  
Contact us to secure a spot now!

**OPEN: 7am - 6pm | Monday - Friday**  
52 weeks a year (excl. Public Holidays)

Progressive & Structured Preschool Program (9am - 3pm)  
Comprehensive & Individualised Programs for All Ages  
School Readiness Program  
Experienced & Qualified Staff



We'd love to hear from you!

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## Carpark Safety

Staff are arriving and leaving at all different times in the morning and afternoon, it is not safe for yourself or your children to access the school through our carparks. Please ensure your child accesses our school grounds through the pedestrian gates.



## CAS Reward Afternoons

CAS coupons are given out during the week to children that have been following school rules, doing their best and having a go, within the classroom and school yard. All CAS coupons are placed into a box in the office, ready for the lucky draw. Every week a number of infants and primary students are lucky enough to have their name drawn out in the CAS rewards draw. This is a chance to acknowledge children that have been doing the right thing. Children will be listed below each fortnight if they have received a CAS award.

Congratulations to the following children....

**Infants:** Jack, Caleb, Jacob, Nylah, Lyam, Jasmine, Jazlyn, Wilhelmine, Gaige, Mia, July, Tijana, Lilly, Allaria.

**Primary:** Simran, Saxena, Nikita, Tammy, Bella, Samantha, Jabez, Hannah, Karianne, Seanga.

Well done, we hope you enjoy your rewards afternoon.



## Leadership Camp at Brewongle

Our School Leaders had an amazing time at Brewongle and once again made us proud.



## Pink Stumps Day

This year we had a very successful Pink Stumps Day, raising money for the McGrath Foundation. The staff sold cupcakes, jelly cups, ribbons, keyrings and all sorts of goodies!

- We are very proud to say we raised over \$630.00!!

The students also enjoyed a friendly game of cricket with their peers!

Thank you very much too all the staff, families and community members who helped us support this great day!



## Book of the Week!!!

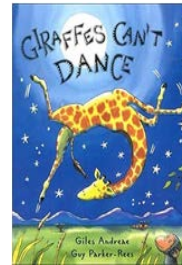
This week's book of the week has been chosen for both categories from the Premier's Reading Challenge list for 2019. The book lists are available online and we encourage your child to read or have a story read to them every day-a proven way to improve their skills and overall wellbeing.

**We hope you have a chance to read these yourselves!!**

### Challenge Level K-2

*Giraffes can't dance* by Giles Andreae and Guy Parker-Rees.

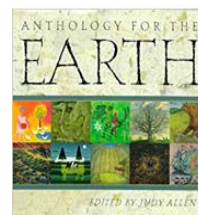
Gerald, the giraffe, desperately wants to be able to dance with all the animals at the Jungle Dance. But, the other jungle animals laugh at him because he can't dance. Perhaps Gerald is just dancing to a different tune.



### Challenge Level 3-4

*Anthology for the earth* edited by Judy Allen.

A collection of writings by people of many cultures and countries, including Sir David Attenborough, a Kapavo Indian chief and an eleven year old boy. All talk of the need to treat the earth with care to preserve it for future generations.



### Challenge Level 5-6

*Grimsdon* by Deborah Abela.

A group of children, led by the gutsy Isabella and inventive Griffin, are eking out a living in Grimsdon, a flooded city, abandoned due to rising sea levels. When newcomer Xavier arrives, events are set in motion from which none of them emerge unchanged.

