Dear Parents/Carers,

SAS Staff Recognition Week
The school community is made up of many different people, all of whom play a part in the running of schools and the provision of quality education to students. School Administrative and Support Staff, whether they work in the office, the library, on the school grounds or in a classroom setting, are important contributors to the success of the school and children's education. SAS Staff recognition week is an opportunity for the school community to acknowledge the vital role that SAS Staff play in education. We recognise and appreciate the work of all our SASS team. Many thanks to you all.

Planning for 2016
This is well underway and as always, it is critical that we receive information to assist us in this process. If you are planning on withdrawing your child/ren from the school at the end of this year, please let us know in writing as soon as possible. Also, if you have a child beginning Kindergarten next year or know of a neighbour with a child starting school, please ensure the school office is contacted regarding enrolment.

School Counsellor
Our school counsellor, Gabriel Wong, works in our school every Wednesday and half a day on a Friday. He is a part of the Learning Support Team (LST). All students referred to the Learning Support Team by teachers or parents are considered for support. The LST decides the level and method of support. If a student requires support from the school counsellor, this is prioritised depending on individual circumstances.

Mr Wong can be contacted on 9638-2813.

School Crossing Supervisors
As a driver, when you approach a pedestrian crossing or children's crossing where a school crossing supervisor is displaying a ‘STOP’ children crossing sign, you must slow down and stop. You may only proceed when the school crossing supervisor no longer displays the sign in your direction or has indicated it is safe for you to proceed. The ‘STOP’ sign is a red light in this instance and must be obeyed. As a pedestrian, you also have a responsibility to follow the instructions of the crossing supervisor. Children and adults must stop and wait to be summoned to cross. We all have a responsibility to follow the rules which are designed to protect us.
Permission Notes

Parents are reminded that we require your written permission to allow children to participate in school activities. Your payment is not permission. Please remind your children that they must hand their notes in to teachers, so as not to miss out.

FUDGE Stall

Many thanks to Mrs Kondoulis for her coordination of the FUDGE stall on Tuesday. We also appreciate the support of the mums who gave up their time to help out. As always, our students were so keen to shop!

School Security

Please be reminded that our school grounds are ‘Inclosed Lands’. This means that unless you have authorisation to be on site you are trespassing and are subject to prosecution. Parents are encouraged to remind friends and neighbours that our school is not to be used after hours as a public park. Please save the 24 hr security number (1300 880 021) to your phone and help us protect our school.

'Woolworths - Earn & Learn'

Just a reminder we are participating in the 'Woolworths - Earn & Learn' programme. If you shop at Woolworths, please don’t forget to collect the stickers. Please deposit them in the collection bin at the school office.

Relieving Principal

Mrs O’Connor
Celebrating the Arts

On Wednesday, 2nd September, Dundas Public School’s choir and dance troupes participated in the local arts festival, Celebrating the Arts at Parramatta Riverside Theatre. Students rehearsed throughout the day and performed in front of a large audience that night. After months of rehearsing and commitment, their performances were met with roaring approval from the extensive audience and impressed teachers. Congratulations students! You’ve made your school community extremely proud!

Mr Dean, Miss Edwards, Mrs Neasmith, Miss Tellis and Mrs Zalaf
Celebrating the Arts Committee

MultiLit

Reinforced Reading Information Session

We would like to invite parents/caregivers to attend our information session on how to effectively support your child’s home reading through the Reinforced Reading approach. Reading with your child at home using the Reinforced Reading approach is a great way to help them practise the reading skills they are learning. This will benefit all students through Kindergarten to year 6 and is aimed at assisting you with helping your child consolidate their skills and become confident readers.

Date: Thursday, 17th September, 2015
Time: 5:00pm to 6:00pm
Venue: School Hall

If you are interested in attending the Reinforced Reading information session, please return the slip on the note to your child's class teacher by the 11th September, 2015.

Mrs Luu and Mrs Zalaf

Swim Scheme

On Monday, 7th September, students will participate in their first swimming scheme lesson at Parramatta Pool. Students attending are to wear their swimmers to school under their uniform. Students are welcome to wear their summer uniform and must ensure all articles of clothing are clearly labelled with their name and class. It is vital students bring sunscreen, a towel and a plastic bag to place their wet swimwear in.

We are looking forward to another successful swimming scheme program!

Mr Curmi and Miss Tellis
Whooping Cough (Pertussis)

Last updated: 30 March 2015

What is whooping cough?

Whooping cough can be a life threatening infection in babies. Whooping cough in babies can lead to apnoea (pauses in normal breathing), pneumonia, feeding problems and weight loss, seizures, brain damage and, in some cases, death. Older children and adults can get whooping cough too and pass it on to babies.

What are the symptoms?

- Whooping cough usually begins like a cold with a blocked or runny nose, tiredness, mild fever and a cough.
- The cough gets worse and severe bouts of uncontrollable coughing can develop. Coughing bouts can be followed by vomiting, choking or taking a big gasping breath which causes a “whooping” sound. The cough can last for many weeks and can be worse at night.
- Some newborns may not cough at all but they can stop breathing and turn blue. Some babies have difficulties feeding and can choke or gag.
- Older children and adults may just have a cough that lasts for many weeks. They may not have the whoop.

How is it spread?

- Whooping cough is spread when an infectious person coughs bacteria into the air which can be inhaled by people nearby. If they are not treated early, people with whooping cough are infectious in the first three weeks of their illness.
- Whooping cough spreads easily through families, childcare centres and at school.

Who is at risk?

- Anyone can get whooping cough. People living in the same household as someone with whooping cough are especially at risk.
- Immunisation reduces the risk of infection but immunity fades over time. You can still get whooping cough even if you’ve been immunised.

How is it prevented?

Whooping cough vaccines provide good protection from infection but immunity fades which means that boosters are needed.

Immunisation for babies

- Babies need to be immunised at 2 months, 4 months and 6 months. The first dose can be given as early as 6 weeks of age.
- Getting your baby vaccinated on time gives them some protection when they are most at risk of severe illness.
- If your baby’s vaccines are overdue, see your GP now to catch up.
Immunisation for older children

- A whooping cough booster is needed at 4 years of age.
- Check if your child has been vaccinated. Look at their Blue Book, speak to your GP or ring the Australian Childhood Immunisation Register on 1800 653 809.
- A second whooping cough booster is given in high school through the NSW School-based Vaccination Program.

Immunisation for adults

A booster for adults is recommended for:

- Women who are in the third trimester of pregnancy, preferably at 28 weeks. Free vaccine is provided in NSW through GPs and hospital antenatal clinics.
- Other adult household members, grandparents and carers of infants under 12 months of age.
- Adults working with young children, especially health care and child care workers.

If you are a close contact of someone with whooping cough:

- If you have been exposed to someone with whooping cough early in their illness while they are infectious, watch out for symptoms and see your doctor if you get a new cough.
- Some babies and some pregnant women need antibiotics to prevent whooping cough infection if they have had significant contact with an infectious person.

How is it diagnosed?

Your doctor may ask about your symptoms and whether you’ve had any contact with whooping cough. If your doctor thinks you have whooping cough, a swab from the back of the nose or throat can confirm the diagnosis.

How is it treated?

- Some babies may need treatment in hospital or in intensive care.
- Antibiotics are used to treat whooping cough in the early stages and can help prevent spreading whooping cough to others. People who are not treated early with the right antibiotics can spread the infection in the first 3 weeks of their illness. After 5 days of antibiotics, you are normally no longer infectious.
- The cough often continues for many weeks, despite antibiotics.

What is the public health response?

Doctors and laboratories must confidentially notify cases of pertussis to the local Public Health Unit. Public Health Unit staff can advise on the best way to stop further spread.

Infectious children are restricted from going to pre-school and school. Unimmunised contacts may be excluded from child care unless they take the special antibiotics.

Identify - Protect – Prevent


For further information please call your local Public Health Unit on 1300 066 055 or visit the New South Wales Health website www.health.nsw.gov.au
## 2015 Award Winners
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Canteen Greetings

The Canteen is open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

Could all parents and students please make sure lunch orders are placed **BEFORE** the 8.55am bell.

Sydney Markets – Fresh for Kids Promotion is still running. For every fresh fruit or vegetable item purchased a sticker will be given. These can be collected and traded for prizes.

Hot Dog orders are due next Wednesday September 9\textsuperscript{th}. Please return to the canteen or the box in the office. There will be a chicken (Halal) option available.

Canteen Hot Dog Day

**Tuesday 15\textsuperscript{th} September 2015**

For $4.00 you can order a Hot Dog for your lunch.

We will have Tomato sauce and mustard available when you pick up your hot dog. Orders and money need to be returned to the canteen by **Wednesday 9\textsuperscript{th} September**. Please complete and return to the canteen or the box in the office with your payment (correct money please).

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**PHONE:** Jackie Mobile: 0410434203  **CANTEEN:** 96383959

CLOSED IN SHOES MUST BE WORN WHILST IN THE CANTENE AND LONG HAIR TIED BACK

More Help is needed to ensure the Canteen can service our children well. Please consider helping out it only has to be a few hours per month and your Child / Children really love seeing Mum or Dad helping out at School.

If you are rostered on and unable to do you shift please notify the canteen.
SCHOOL BANKING NEWS

Hello again from your School Banking co-ordinators.

***AN IMPORTANT NOTE FROM THE COMMONWEALTH BANK**

A note from School Banking

Concerns have been raised regarding the ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ reward item due to the inclusion of four button batteries that can be accessed by unscrewing the back of the torch. Whilst this reward has been independently tested and deemed to meet relevant product standards the Commonwealth Bank have made the decision to proactively withdraw this item from the School Banking Rewards Program. Parents/Guardians are requested to dispose of any ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torches’ their child may have already received as part of the Rewards Program. Students who have previously received a ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ are welcome to redeem an alternative reward item.

The alternative reward item selection is:


Your Dundas School Banking co-ordinators will be endeavouring to send a note home to all those that have received a ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’. The note will allow your child to select an alternate reward. If you don’t receive a note from us please feel free to contact us so we can arrange an alternate reward.

COMPETITION NEWS

There is a competition happening for just Term 3. See below for details.

**Prize Portal Competition launches in Term 3**

A Prize Portal from another dimension has appeared on Planet Savings, giving students who demonstrate good savings behaviour the chance to win one of hundreds of astronomical prizes.

**More prizes and chances to win**

To activate the Prize Portal, students must simply make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 3. They will then automatically be entered into the competition for a chance to win one of these prizes:

- 75 x iPad minis Wi-Fi 16GB
- 125 x Beats by Dr. Dre Solo²™ Headphones
- 200 x $30 Booktopia Gift Certificates
Students can also complete a Money Mission at [commbank.com.au/prizeportal](http://commbank.com.au/prizeportal) to double their chance of winning a prize. Students can complete the Money Mission at any time during Term 3, but are required to make three deposits by the end of Term 3 to double their chance of winning.

**REWARD ITEM AVAILABLE IN TERM 3**

Don’t forget once you have 10 silver tokens you can exchange them for a reward. The reward available during Term 3 is:

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If you don’t already have an order form, please let us know.

**COMPLETING THE DEPOSIT SLIP**

Just a reminder to students/parents to ensure their deposit slips are completed with a minimum of the date, name (bank account name) and amount. If you are making your first deposit with us please ensure your full account details are supplied. We only need these for the first deposit.

**REQUEST FOR HELP**

We are looking for some help with school banking. It only takes 1 hour on a Thursday morning (9-10am). It would be greatly appreciated if you would consider helping us.

If you have any questions about school banking please feel free to ask us Thursday morning (we are located in the office building).

Thank you for supporting school banking at Dundas Public School.

Regards,

Megan and Karen
VACATION CARE SURVEYS

- Surveys to consider Vacation Care at OOSH have been collated
- As a result the OOSH Management Committee along with the P and C have decided to begin Vacation Care commencing 2016
- Vacation Care will only be open to children attending Dundas Public School
- COMMENCEMENT DATE WILL BE-
  Monday 18th January 2016 until Wednesday 27th January 2016
- The Centre will be open for School Staff Development Days Thursday 17th December 2015 and Friday 18th December 2015

Thank you to those families who returned surveys. The Centre values your feedback and will always take the opportunity to include families in major decisions.

Dundas Public School P and C Assoc. Inc.
Dundas Public School OOSH-Management Committee
OOSH Centre Educators
**KIDS FOR KIDS DAY!**

Saturday 19th September 2015 at Featherdale Wildlife Park

**TICKETS:**

- $35 adult
- $20 child (ages 3-15)
- $99 Family Pass for 2 adults & 2 children (ages 3-15)

**INCLUSIONS:**

- Return transfers to Featherdale by AAT Kings coach
- Entry to Featherdale Wildlife Park
- Family-friendly activities and entertainment
- Sausage sizzle lunch
- Showbag for each guest
- Daniel Morcombe education pack
- Event T-shirt for each child

A charity event to raise funds for the Daniel Morcombe Foundation

Over $5000 in prizes to be won!

Call AAT Kings on 1300 228 546 to book or visit aatkings.com/kids

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Saturday 19th September 2015 at Featherdale Wildlife Park

Kids For Kids Day presented by AAT Kings is a family day out to raise much needed funds for our charity partner the Daniel Morcombe Foundation. Saturday 19th September marks the end of Child Protection Week and we hope to help spread the important message educating children, families and the community about child protection and the value of empowering our kids. Important child safety messages and educational demonstrations will be presented throughout the day.

Held at Featherdale Wildlife Park, you’ll get a hands-on wildlife experience, hand feed a kangaroo or meet a friendly koala. Plus there will be lots of special activities, face-painting fun, raffles and prizes to be won and entertainment for the kids and adults too!

For more information please visit aatkings.com/kids

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- 24 hour supervision
- Instructor led activities
- Accommodation
- Meals
- Supervised transport

Family Camps include:
- Instructor led activities
- Meals
- Accommodation
- Use of all facilities i.e. BBQ area, pool, tennis courts etc.

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Tennis promotes health and wellbeing, improves fitness and strength, positivity and an overall healthy mind and body.

Group Lessons
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45minutes Monday 3.00-3.45/3.45-4.30
$15 per lesson Thursday 3.00-3.45/3.45-4.30
Saturday 9.00-9.45/9.45-10.30
10.30-11.15/11.15-12.00

Tennis racquets are provided and can be purchased at lesson.
Beginners, intermediate and advanced students all welcome.

Court Location: Dundas Public School, Calder Road Dundas 2117
For bookings & enquiries, call Lauren any time on
0410439943