PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome to Term 3.
All students and staff have begun engaging learning programs that cater for the needs of all students at our school. This morning our Senior School children arrived at school in the dark to begin their excursion to Canberra. This is an excellent learning experience and I thank all parents who have supported this event and our very special thanks are offered to our wonderful staff members who are escorting our children to Canberra.

Last Thursday we held our first Wattle Award Assembly for 2011. It was our great honour to have our new local member of parliament the Hon. Geoff Lee attend our assembly and present our Wattle Awards. He later mingled at our special morning tea actively engaging in conversation with students, parents and staff. Mr. Lee was very impressed by our school community and its commitment to our school. A former horticulturalist, Mr. Lee expressed his appreciation of our school grounds.

NSW SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to our students who participated in the NSW Cross Country State Championships— your achievements were outstanding! Jasmyn McDonald 12th
Bradley Wright 10th
Rebecca Wright 18th

EDUCATION WEEK

Monday 1st August – Friday 5th August
NSW Public Schools – creating the future
Dundas Public School Open Day-
Wednesday 3rd August 9:40am – 2:00pm

Education Week provides an opportunity for all community members to visit our school and view students and teachers engaged in enjoyable learning activities. Parents, friends and relatives of our students will have two opportunities to share time with our students. On Wednesday 3rd August our classrooms will be open 9:40am – 11:00am for our guests (parents, friends and relatives). Our students will greet their guests and then proceed to inform their visitors about the many learning activities that they have experienced this year. This sharing of experiences is called Student Led Reporting, it enables students to not only show the products of their learning but it also allows students to show how they learn and to display their self assessment strategies. It is a very enlightening activity and I hope that many of you will be able to join us in our classrooms. From 11:30am there will also be an outdoor assembly where our students will entertain the assembled audience. Visitors will be encouraged to enjoy Morning Tea and/or a picnic lunch with our students. If you are unable to join us on Wednesday, we hope that you may be able to come and cheer on our students at our Athletics Carnival on Thursday.

Jan Thurgar
Principal
KINDERGARTEN 2012 ENROLMENTS
Kindergarten 2012 enrolments are currently being processed. Many completed enrolment applications have been received by the office however, some forms that were distributed have not yet been returned. If you would like your child to attend our school in 2012 and you have not completed an enrolment application could you please contact the school as soon as possible. If you have a neighbour whose child will be starting school in 2012 could you please encourage them to contact our school for an enrolment application. The Department of Education and Communities requires schools to complete anticipated enrolment numbers for 2012 in early August so it is vital that we receive as many 2012 new enrolment application forms by the end of July.

Important information from the Department of Education and Training

Resources for kids

New student portals
Four new student portals have been developed to support the different needs of students: Kindergarten to Year 2, Years 3-6, Years 7-12 and TAFE.

With the success of the Year 7 to 10 rollout, the Years 11 and 12 portal will be available on 25th July, with KIDSPACE (K-2) to follow on 1st Aug and finally Student Portal (Years 3-6) on 8th August.

The portals will be accessible from both home and school. The new URL is: http://student.det.nsw.edu.au so please change all bookmarks and links for the student portal to this new URL.

Enhanced features include being able to search, access and organise information for school tasks via the student portal on computers used at home or at school, at any time. Dates can be added into a calendar portlet as reminders for assessment tasks, homework and other important events and colours can also be customised.

Website News
Our website is live!!!
All information about what is happening at our school is on our website.

Important Dates to Remember:

Monday 25th July - Wednesday 27th July
Senior School students in Canberra

Wednesday 27th July
OC Testing

Thursday 28th July
Auditions for the Australian Youth Choir

Friday 29th July
PSSA

Monday 1st August – Friday 5th August
Education Week & Book Fair

Tuesday 2nd August
UNSW English Competition

P & C Meeting – 7.00pm Staffroom

Wednesday 3rd August
Open Day

Thursday 4th August
School Athletics Carnival

Friday 5th August
PSSA

Thursday 11th August
Eddie Webb – Piano solo at the Opera House

Friday 12th August
PSSA

Tuesday 16th August
UNSW Mathematics Competition

Peer Support Picnic Lunch Celebration

Wednesday 17th August
Book Week Performer Yrs 3 – 6

Thursday 18th August
Celebrating the Arts Rehearsal

Friday 19th August
PSSA

Monday 22nd August – Friday 26th August
Book Week – A Galaxy of Books

Thursday 25th August
Book Parade

Friday 26th August
PSSA Semi finals

Tuesday 30th August
Father’s Day Stall

Thursday 1st September
Book Week Performer K – 2

Friday 2nd September
PSSA Finals

Tuesday 6th September
P & C Meeting – 7.00pm Staffroom

Wednesday 7th September
Hambledon Cottage History Week Celebration

Monday 12th – Friday 23rd September
School Swimming Scheme

Monday 12th September
Celebrating The Arts (CTA)

Friday 16th September
Kindergarten excursion to Taronga Park Zoo

Friday 23rd September
Last day of Term 3

Dundas Public School Newsletter
Library News

Premiers Reading Challenge

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have supported their children in completing the PRC this year. We have 302 children who have finished and we are working towards getting the remaining registered children completed before the finish date. It is a credit to the parents who have taken the time to read with their children and encourage them with their reading. I greatly appreciate the support and interest shown and would like to congratulate all the children who have worked so hard towards this fantastic achievement. I am very proud of all their efforts and they should be commended.

Book Fair 2011

This year the Book Fair will run from Friday 29th July until Wednesday 3rd August. The Book Fair will be open 8.30am – 9.00am and 3pm – 4pm each day, as well as all day on Open Day (Wednesday 3rd August). In addition to this all classes will be given time to view and purchase books during their Week 3 library lessons. All purchases made support our school library and funds raised will be put towards purchasing new books for the children. Cash and credit cards will be accepted and any books that sell out quickly can be ordered. Please come along and take this opportunity to purchase some fantastic books at bargain prices. All welcome!

Dundas Uniform Shop
5¢ Fundraiser

Begins on Tuesday 2nd August

Start collecting your 5¢ pieces now!

Money will be collected from each class on Tuesdays during August, please give your coins to your class teacher.

A big surprise for the class with the biggest total at the end of August!

All monies raised will go to the Dundas Public School P & C

Mobile phone recycling fundraiser

Our school collects mobile phones for recycling as a school fundraiser.
Phones recycled to highest standard.
All unwanted mobile phones collected no matter what size, age or condition, working or not.
Collection box in school office.

Thanks for your support

Every phone collected helps

We’ve raised over $1050 since 2007 with your help. Thank you!!
## DUNDAS CANTEEN ROSTER FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

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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.
Why not try?....

Warm, winter soup
Chicken lasagna
Spinach ricotta rolls
Sushi on Wednesdays

Jelly Cups on sale from 17th August
for 2 weeks—
house colours
celebrating our school athletes

Canteen Greetings
Canteen CLOSED on school athletics
carnival day Thursday 3rd August

New volunteers and committee members always welcomed

Any queries please see Jackie in the canteen

Thank you to our volunteers
Please check your roster
Coles and Woolworths Community Programs

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Once again our school will be participating in the Coles Sports for Schools program. This year we will also be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn community program. If you receive any docketes or vouchers from either store please place them in the boxes located in the office.

Below is more information about both programs.

Yours sincerely,

Kathleen Keegan
Coordinating Teacher.
We’re giving our students a sporting chance!

We have registered for the Coles Sports for Schools program where Coles is giving all primary and secondary schools in Australia the chance to get brand new sporting equipment – and we need your help!

Every $10 spent at Coles Supermarkets, Coles Online, Bi-Lo or Pick ‘n’ Pay up until Sunday 19 October 2011, will earn a Coles Sports for Schools voucher worth 1 point.

We’re asking our local school community to collect these vouchers from family, friends and neighbours to drop into the collection box we have at school. The more vouchers we collect, the more sports gear we can get! Just remember to ask for the vouchers when you pay during your normal weekly shop.

Woolworths Earn & Learn program.

From July 18th to September 18th 2011, we’ll give you one Woolworths Earn & Learn point for every $10 you spend in store (excluding the purchase of cigarettes, alcohol and gift cards or purchases made through Woolworths online or at Caltex Woolworths co-branded fuel outlets).

Points will automatically appear on your shopping dockets, which you simply take to your school. Schools can then collect and upload their points.

When the 9-week program ends, schools redeem points against a choice of more than 7,000 educational resources including library books, classroom equipment, art & craft materials and much, much more.
Chinese Classes, (Mandarin and Cantonese), for Children at Dundas Public School!

Enrol now to start term three!

Classes are from beginners to High School level covering speaking, writing and Chinese culture.

Primary and High School students from all schools and backgrounds are welcome.

When: Thursdays during school term time. 3.30-5.30pm is the class time for all students

Where: Dundas Public School, 85 Kissing Point Rd, Dundas

How much: $160/Half Year.

Contact the Dundas Chinese School Principal Phillip Ng on 9876 2900 for more details.