

#### DEEBING HEIGHTS STATE SCHOOL

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#### Principal - Andrew McDonald

Fortnight ending Thursday, 29th October 2020

Priority 1: Excellence in Teaching

Consistently implement evidence based, high impact teaching strategies

Priority 2: Excellence in Learning Enhance systems and processes for making student growth visible in an inclusive environment

Priority 3: Excellence in **Partnerships** 

Implement a dispersed leadership model that supports the sustainability of effective systems and processes







Prep A	Declan M	Prep A	Peter A
Prep B	Alicia M	Prep B	Adain R
Prep C	Prudence B	Prep C	Ryan P
Prep D	Elaina P	Prep D	Daniel H
1A	Sophie K	1A	Pennie L
1B	Brody P	1B	Ruby B
1C	Lucas W & Khloe B	1C	Yash A
2A	Ruby S	2A	Preston D
2C	Matthew L	2C	Isla M & Lynkon K
2D	Rose M	2D	Caspian M
3A	Harrison B	3A	Miguel S
3B	Kohen A	3B	Rayan L
4A	Mija W	4A	Samuel P
4B	Aiden R	4B	Jason H
5A	Isabella H	5A	Lilly C & Eloise W
5/6A	Lorelei A & Gowri M	5/6A	Jack H
6A	Nick M	6A	Rudainah K

Student Absence Line: 3280 3266

#### Term 4

6th October-9th December

#### 2021 Term Dates

#### Term 1

27th January—1st April

Term 2

19th April—25th June

Term 3

12th July—17th September

Pupil Free Day September 3rd

Term 4

5th October—10th December

#### P&C Meetings

1st Wednesday of the Month at 6:30pm in the Resource Centre.

#### **Date Claimers**

30 October—Day for Daniel—WEAR RED 2-6 November-Book Fair 25-27 November-Year 5&6 School Camp 7 December— Year 6 Graduation 8 December—Academic & Industry Awards 9 December—Rewards Day 9 December—Term 4 Finishes



# FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### World Teachers' Day Qld FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER 2020

#### Let's celebrate World Teachers' Day on Friday 30 October

We are thanking our amazing Queensland teachers this World Teachers' Day on Friday 30 October. Students and parents can get involved in the celebrations. Perhaps send your teacher a certificate or thank you card or maybe make your own celebratory paper bunting. Take a photo of one of the many local landmarks that are being lit up to thank our teachers.

There are lots of ideas to get involved on the website www.worldteachersday.com.au

#### **Prep Transition**

With our prep students growing, and to support them to get ready for year 1, they will be able to play in the junior playground from mid term (week 6) onwards at second break. Prep teachers will show them around and help identify out of bounds areas during week 5. They will still have the option of staying in the prep play area. This will allow our prep students to venture out when they are confident and ready.

#### **2021 Student Leaders Recruitment Process**

Recruitment for our 2021 School Captains, Sports Captains and Gotcha Gang has now commenced and is open to all year 5 students. The process is a four part process with equal weighting to each part of the process:

A written application;

Student profile review (checking behaviour, attendance, effort);

A speech;

Year 3-6 students will vote after hearing the speeches.

Students applying for school captain will also be interviewed. Our Captains will be chosen based on overall performance across each stage of the process. Our Student Leaders will be informed by the end of the year and officially presented with their badges at a leadership parade early in 2021.

As usual, other leadership opportunities will be available in 2021 including Student Councillors. Recruitment for these other positions will occur in 2021.

#### **Book Week**

Thank you to staff and students for dressing up for book week. It was great to see the reading displays and book week activities. It was a great way to celebrate and reinforce the importance of reading. Thank you to Mrs Banks, Miss Sellers, Miss Cuskelly, Mrs Keidge, Mrs Strow, Mr Woods, Mrs Van Der Westen, Mrs Roser, Mrs Harrison and all their staff helpers for the organisation around and involvement in book week.

#### Stand by us to stop cyberbullying

Young Queenslanders have said they want parents and carers to "<u>Stand by us</u>" and help stop cyberbullying together rather than trying to fix the problem for them. The <u>Stand by us</u> campaign directs parents and carers to the <u>Stop cyberbullying</u> portal for advice and links to support services.

The Queensland Government also provides free cyberbullying seminars run by <u>Triple P – Positive Parenting Program</u> and training and resources from <u>Parentline</u>. Visit <u>Stop</u> cyberbullying to find out how you can stand by young Queenslanders experiencing cyberbullying.





#### We the Differents — The importance of building self-esteem

Building self-esteem is important for long-term resilience and happiness of students. It helps them navigate tricky situations and gives them courage to pursue their dreams and goals. If your student or child could use support in this area, encourage them to check out this article on <a href="What">What</a> you think matters.

#### **Reminder: Class Formation**

Please notify the school as soon as possible if your child is leaving at the end of the year. It assists the school to organise the right number of classes and have the right resources available if we have a good indication regarding numbers.

#### Andrew McDonald

Principal

## From The Deputy Principal

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#### 2020 Academic and Industry Awards

Our annual Academic and Industry Awards Assembly for all year 1-5 students will take place on Tuesday 8 December. Academic and Industry Awards for Year 6 students will be presented at their graduation ceremony on Monday 7 December. Awards will be presented to students who meet the explicit and transparent criteria as identified below. Awards are based on the current Semester Two reporting period.

Academic Awards (Yrs 3-6 only) will be presented to students who achieve:	<ul> <li>A or B in English and Mathematics</li> <li>Four additional A's or B's awarded in other Learning Areas.*</li> </ul>	
Industry Awards (Yrs 1-6) will be presented to students who achieve:	A minimum of three 'A's and at least a 'B' awarded for effort in all remaining subject areas  (One key learning area may be omitted from the criteria)  'A' received for overall behaviour  Enrolled prior to T4 W6	

<sup>\*</sup> Please note that The Australian Curriculum is organised into learning areas and subjects. Some learning areas bring a number of subjects together such as The Arts; which includes subjects such as Dance, Drama, and Music. Therefore, students must receive an A or B for each subject within a Learning Area to meet the criteria for an Academic Award.



#### **Day For Daniel**

Day for Daniel is Australia's largest day of action to raise awareness of child safety, protection, and harm prevention. Held annually on the last Friday of October, Day for Daniel honours the memory of Daniel Morcombe. The Daniel Morcombe Foundation's belief and vision is one that incorporates a future where all children and young people are provided with education, protection and support to be safe from abuse and risk of harm. The Foundation has delivered education to over 260 000 students across Queensland and additionally have visited over 1000 schools and

communities across Australia. Every year the Foundation provides at no cost thousands of resources to children, young people, parents and carers, and professionals across Australia.

Tomorrow, Friday 30 October, students are encouraged to participate in the Day for Daniel fundraiser. The theme is Wear Red, Educate and Donate. Parents, carers, and educators are encouraged to start a conversation with children and young people about personal safety. The key messages are **Recognise**, **React** and **Report**.

- The **Recognise** message encourages students to be aware of their surroundings and to recognise warning clues.
- The **React** message helps students to consider choices that may keep them safe or help make them safe again as quickly as possible.
- The Report message encourages students to report unsafe incidents to an adult.

Further information and Parent resources to promote this essential child safety message can be found via the links below.

Education Queensland website: <a href="http://education.qld.gov.au/parents/school-life/child-safety-curriculum.html">http://education.qld.gov.au/parents/school-life/child-safety-curriculum.html</a>
Daniel Morcombe Foundation website: <a href="http://www.danielmorcombe.com.au/">http://www.danielmorcombe.com.au/</a>

Jason Ball Deputy Principal



The following students have reached 100 Gotchas this fortnight and received an ice block!

Emerson B	Rayan K	Hayley P
Charlie C	Azaan K	Madison P
Catherine C	Madison K	Harry R
Hannah C	Lafaele L	Rubi S
Destiny D	Caspian M	Senuk S
Alfie G	Connor M	Addi S
Bridget G	Caitlin M	Jake S
Abbigail H	Cooper N	Max S
Joanna J	Oscar O	Jacob T

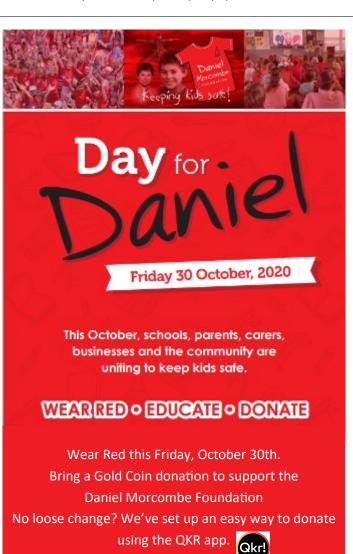


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**Upcoming Payments Due Soon** 

- Year 5 & 6 Camp
  - ⇒ Final Payment due 8 November
- Year 2, 3 & 4 Swimming
  - ⇒ Due 13 November

Payments can be made via QKR, BPOINT and QPARENTS

If you're unable to pay online, you can pay over the counter with EFTPOS on Wednesday Mornings only from 8:30—9:15 am.

## Student Reporters

### Rewards Day!

By Eva M + Hunta S

At the end of term, if you've behaved, we have an awesome rewards day! We are rewarded with fun activities. Term 3's was rotations (activities that you can go freely too).

Don't get stuck in line! (1st term: Easter egg hunt, 2nd term: Movie, 3rd term Rotations/free-play and 4th term is water play!)

Lewis from 6A said "I enjoyed Rewards Day, and my favourite game was Bin Ball. My best moment while playing was when I dodged a throw!"

Dinara T from 6A said "Well, in my opinion, rewards day was really fun! My favourite activity was getting my arm painted!!"

In the end, rewards day is really fun! You've got to behave so you can participate in the activities, and have fun with your friends! Every term, we've got different rewards! Just because you didn't get to term 3, doesn't mean you can't try for the next term!

While we have a covid-safe plan in place for our book fair, we do encourage families to use the new online aspect of the fair or the wishlist provided to students to reduce gatherings. Students will be visiting the fair with their class to create a wishlist – the opposite side of this can be used to provide details for credit card payment or cash can be sent in an envelope. If you are attending the book fair in the library, we ask that you please ensure you sign in using the provided sign-in sheet or QR code, maintain social distancing and stick to the "5 adults maximum". Thank you for your help in keeping our community healthy!







WHEN At School: Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> – Fri 6<sup>th</sup> November 2020

> (If visiting in person, all adults must use the COVID-19 check in points, practice social distancing, use hand sanitiser and follow all directions from staff. Please stay home and order online if you are unwell)

Online: Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sun 8<sup>th</sup> November 2020

**TIMES** Before school: 8:00am - 8:45am

After school: 3:00pm - 3:45pm

**Online: any time!** 

In the back room of the library WHERE

If you can't make it to the Book Fair, you can also jump online! https://www.thebookwarehouse.com.au/

ALL shipping costs are reduced to ZERO when you add the following details at the bottom of the checkout page:

- 1. Book Fair ID 4820
- 2. Student Name
- 3. Student Class

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Online orders will be delivered FREE to the school at the completion of the fair. **Every book** sold during the online Book Fair will earn our school in commission