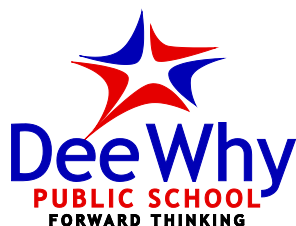


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Principal's Report – December, 2017

Term 4 Focus: Fantastic Phonics

Bushlink



Real Meaningful Work - Bushlink support people with disability, helping them to hold real jobs and become empowered. Jobs with Bushlink develop self-respect, a high degree of pride and a sense of self-worth. As a result, their employees have a fantastic work ethic and a high attendance rate.

Respect and Inclusion - Students from the many schools with which they work develop pride in their school grounds, reflecting the reputation and values of their school... but that's not all.

Working with Bushlink reinforces an amazing culture of inclusion that nurtures, increases and maintains a student's respect for people with disability. Those who work with Bushlink (from students to corporate volunteers) remark on the highly memorable experiences and on building connections that can be life changing.

Thank you to the Dee Why Public School P&C for sponsoring this fantastic opportunity.

Getting Ready for School

Dee Why Public School has seen many new, young faces come through our doors as part of the Kindergarten 2018 Getting Ready for School program...



The four Getting Ready for School sessions were very well attended and were a great success. We had a great time meeting the new Kindergarten students for 2018 and their parents. Most of our students came twice to the school and this was a fantastic opportunity for our Kindergarten teachers to get to

know the boys and girls, and indeed for the children to get to know the school and its teachers.

The children participated in stories, developmental games, craft and a fruit break. Both the children and teachers had a great time and really got to know each other well over the session. Our new parents listened to a presentation from Mr Chaffer and Mrs Dooley about all things Dee Why PS and what to expect when starting school. They also had a visit from the Canteen, Uniform Shop and Out of School Care in preparation for next year.

Thank for visiting our school and we look forward to having as part of our school community...

Thank you to Ms Kline, Miss Broughton, Miss Looby, Mr O'Brien and Mrs Dooley for providing this great experience for the kids!

A School of Excellence, Innovation, Opportunity and Harmony

The Story Factory

Year 6 went on a great adventure into the city to discover their inner skills of creative writing at The Story Factory on Wednesday 8th November.

During the workshop, the students took on leadership roles to develop characters and a story as a team about aliens. The workshop tutors who are professional writers from Sydney gave inspiration to the students through conversation and interactive ideas.

We also had a visit to Sydney University where the students attended the Nicholson Museum and enjoyed a tour of the university grounds. It was a great day out for all who attended.



Thank you to Mrs Scollay, Mrs Toombes and Mr Wyllie for providing this great experience for the kids!



Year 5 Leadership Speeches

On Friday, 25th November 2017, fourteen very capable Year 5 students presented their leadership speeches to their peers and Year 5 teachers.

All the students presented themselves amazingly well and gave reasons as to why they should be considered for the position of Captain, Vice-Captain or Prefect next year. Ten students advanced to the final round held on Monday, 27th November.

These ten students presented their speeches to Mr. Chaffer, students from Years 2 to 6, and their teachers.

Students and teachers then cast their votes for the person they felt best represented the values of a school leader.

Well done to everyone who made a speech, it took great courage and conviction to stand up and speak in front of the audience.

The names of the new school Captains, Vice-Captains and Prefects for 2018 will be announced at the Presentation Assembly in Week 10.

Thank you to Mrs Raj, Mrs Hillier, Mrs Ross and Mr Wyllie for supporting the students. Good luck, kids!

Upcoming Events:

Combined Scripture Service, 7th November, 10am (Week 9)

Parent Volunteer Thank You Morning Tea, 7th November, 11am (Week 9)

Year 6 Graduation Dinner Dance, 7th November, 6pm (Week 9)

Carols Under the Stars, 8th December, 4.30pm (Week 9)

Reports go home, 11th December (Week 10)

Presentation Assembly, 12th December, 10am (Week 10)

Mark Chaffer - Principal