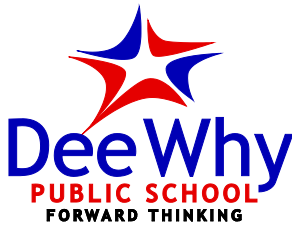


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Principal's Report

Term 3 Focus: Carnivale



Cross Country Kids

Our students truly love their running! The fun they had at the recent District Cross Country Carnival says it all...

On Thursday 21st May, 30 students from Dee Why PS took part in the Manly PSSA District Cross Country at John Fisher Park, Curl Curl. The students competed against 12 local schools in very tough 2km and 3km races. The sportsmanship and courage from our Dee Why students during the days events was outstanding and they really made us all proud!

Thank you to Mr Wyllie for supervising and encouraging our students...

Preschool Directors Visit Dee Why PS

Dee Why Public School was very proud to host the latest Preschool Directors' Network Meeting.

On Thursday, Dee Why Public School had a visit from over 30 local preschool directors and staff as part of regular network meetings hosted by the primary schools. The visitors enjoyed morning tea, discussion and an informative presentation from an expert in Early Learning Education. The directors enjoyed their visit to our school and praised our welcoming school leaders, beautiful grounds and magnificent library.



The Preschool Network consists of local primary schools and local preschools working in partnership to ensure quality education for young children, as they transition to primary school. The network also allows the preschool directors and staff a way to share the latest strategies in early childhood education, and a way for preschool directors to guide and inform their parents about their local primary schools.

Dee Why Primary School is proud to be associated with such a dedicated group of educators.



Working Bee Winners

The second working bee for 2015 was a fantastic success. With a page-load of names on our sign-on book, we had a fantastic turn-out of children, parents, and staff to transform our assembly hall wall, under library toilets, garden beds and kindergarten eating areas.

Special thanks to all the families for assisting on the day!

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Extra thanks to staff John Wyllie and Marea Webster for leading the troops, and Carmel Hillier, Kym Scollay, Sandra Wiseman and Suzi Langford for lending a hand, plus Jaclyn Rajcany for running a super BBQ lunch.

Special mention to Nick and Luca Cirillo (North Shore Renderers Ph: 0404 858 938) for rendering our assembly hall wall. Thanks fellas!

Make sure you pop on in to take a look at our handiwork.

Music Programs for 2016 and Beyond...

Would you like to see Dee Why Public School's fantastic musical achievements in choir and recorder complemented by the the creation of string ensembles and bands? We would, so we're asking the music master himself to lend us a hand...

Martin hardy (Pittwater HS) is assisting the school grow and develop its music program to include string (violin), band (woodwind and brass instruments) and even a string group (ukulele) over the next few years. Discussions include bringing in a string specialist to assist the Year 1 students in 2016 to gain access to the string program that is so popular in many Northern Beaches schools.

Look out for the Expression of Interest email next term to let us know if you'd like your child to be part of the great musical developments at Dee Why Public School!



Dee Why Opera House

Our assembly hall transformed into our very own Opera House, when a special guest popped in for a visit...

On Tuesday, Conor Moran (KM) brought in his dad, Andrew, for "Show and Tell". Andrew has quite a different job to most of us dads, as Andrew is a professional opera singer. As part of our K-6 Assembly, the teachers and students were treated to a great lesson into the the life of one of these amazing singers.

Andrew spoke to us about the many amazing operas that he has been part of and showed us many photos of him being dressed and "made up" for his unique characters. We all agreed that we had no idea about the effort that goes into preparing these amazing musicians for a show.

Of course, Andrew finished off with some truly superb opera singing in our hall. He explained that opera singers don't use a microphone, but instead train their voices over several years to be able to project their sound into the venue around them. Andrew sounded simply awesome. The students loved it!

Thank you to Anne Rika and Wendy Ross for organising and managing our special visitor!

Upcoming Events:



Carnivale 2015

WEDNESDAY 9 September

∞ Whole School, Whole day celebration ∞

See yellow sheet for more details.

Our professionally taught whole school dance classes started last week

∞ Dance money is now due - \$27 per child ∞

∞ Please discuss payment options at the office ∞

Mark Chaffer
Principal

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