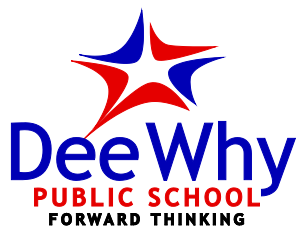


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## P&C Principal's Report – September 2018

### Term 2 Focus: Awesome Authors



#### Life Skills have Landed

The movement program focuses on physical, social, emotional and attentional self-regulating strategies and skills. The program promotes wellbeing, resilience and lifelong learning and provides healthy skills for the students social, physical, emotional and mental well-being. Here are some of the Year 2 students participating in the lesson, they were engaged in mindful techniques and working on a sequence of yoga and relaxation strategies.

Clare Skelding  
Class 2S Teacher

### Education Week Open Day

Dee Why Public School opened its doors for Education Week Open Day.

Our morning began at 11.30am with a School Leaders' Welcome and Choir followed by a Book parade. We had a great selection of book characters, with students and staff joining in the fun. Parents were then invited to join their child's class for "Open Classrooms", followed by a Family Picnic in the school grounds.



Thank you for coming into the school and joining us for this special day celebrating public education.

*Thank you to Kim Whitehead and staff for organising and running this professional whole-school event!*



#### Semi-Final Success

Dee Why Public School won 3 from 3 of their PSSA Semi-Finals!

For the first time in its recent history, our school has made the PSSA finals for both boys soccer and girls netball. The junior netballers won against Seaforth PS 9-1 in a great game in windy conditions at Abbott Road courts. At the same time, the boys played Curl Curl PS at our local Lismore Reserve field. The junior team won 1-0, followed by the senior team winning by a whopping 8-1. That's a lot of goals in soccer!

Congratulations to the boys and girls on their super sporting efforts and thank you to parents for coming along to the games to watch and support. Contact the school office for details on today's PSSA finals.

*Thank you to our fantastic coaches Nick Pye, Joel O'Brien, Ash Watson and Maria Quinn for our amazing results!*

*A School of Excellence, Innovation, Opportunity and Harmony*

### Parliament House Visit

our School Leaders visited Parliament House and The Hon. Brad Hazzard!

On Tuesday, the Dee Why Public School Leaders were invited by The Hon. Brad Hazzard to visit State Parliament, along with many other primary schools in the local electorate. Minister Hazzard provided a scrumptious morning tea for the students and staff, followed by a tour of both the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council. He then explained how parliament worked and many exciting stories of parliament's ancient and recent histories. The students were allowed question time and the questions from the boys and girls were a lot of fun for all.

*Thank you to our fantastic School Leaders for their exemplary behaviour and manners on the day!*



### 2018 Canberra & Snow Camp

Last week our Stage 3 students headed off to Canberra and the snow!

After an early start on Wednesday, the students travelled by coach to Canberra and took in the educational sights of the War Memorial, Questacon and Parliament House. The boys and girls were superbly behaved asked thoughtful questions and participated in stimulating discussion in all the venues. Local staff were very impressed!



Day 2 we were off to the snow and travelled via the Skitube to Blue Cow. A very calm day on the mountain meant for snow man building and a super snow ball fight that had everybody laughing. Mr Wyllie was certainly outnumbered on many occasions.

Today we return to Canberra and sights such as The Mint and old Parliament House where we will visit the Electoral Office and Education Centre.

*Thank you to John Wyllie for organising a brilliant camp and his team of Ash Watson , Carmel Hillier and Kym Scollay for their constant support over the three days!*

### Upcoming Events:

*Dancesport Gala Event, 10<sup>th</sup> September*

*Musicale, 12<sup>th</sup> September*

*Primary Proms, 17<sup>th</sup> September*

*Jump Rope for Heart, 19<sup>th</sup> September*

*Training and Concert Band Concert (Pittwater HS), 20<sup>th</sup> September*

*Term 3 P&C School Disco, 21<sup>st</sup> September*

*Aboriginal Incursion, 26<sup>th</sup> September*

**Mark Chaffer**  
**Principal**