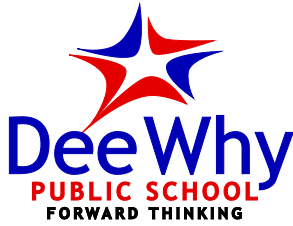


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P&C Principal's Report – November 2022

Term 4 Focus: Learning Legends



We played in the Opera House

This week the recorder and strings ensembles played in the Sydney Opera House as part of the Department of Education's Festival of Instrumental Music. The boys and girls did a superb job playing within the combined recorder and strings ensembles, in front of an audience of thousands of people. It was wonderful to see our students perform so well alongside other schools at such a prestigious event.

Well done, kids!

Thank you to Josh Freeland, Sasha Shargh and Yenny Johnson for facilitating this wonderful educational experience!

Centenary Gala Dinner

Last night was a special night in the Dee Why Public School calendar, with the Centenary Gala Dinner being held at Dee Why RSL. Over 190 current and past teachers, parents and students attended the night with speeches by current Principal, Mark Chaffer, Northern Beaches Mayor, Michael Regan and Health Minister, Brad Hazzard. For many this was a reunion, as they shared tales of days gone by and updates of their lives to date. A super evening was had by all!

A big thank you to our Centenary Gala Dinner Committee. Thanks to Stephanie Hicks and Hattice Delaney for putting on such a special night.



Parliament House Visit

Today, 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!



Centenary Celebration Day

As we come to the end of Centenary Celebration Day, it's a big thank you that goes out to one and all that have assisted with our 100 years birthday. There are many that have assisted behind the scenes, and too many to list here. Special mention goes out to our Centenary Committee that have works tirelessly over many weeks to bring a polished event to you this week. Thank you to:

- Mrs Skye Surrest – Centenary Organiser
 - Mrs Margaret Garcia – photographer organiser
 - Ms Heidi Owles – photo booth organiser
 - Miss Corinne Ceccato – merchandise organiser
 - Mrs Amanda Pearson - 100 years Photo organiser
 - Miss Madeline Bennett – cultural board organisers
 - Mrs Bethany Antill-Cassie – Centenary Lunch organiser
 - Mrs Robyn Phelan – music organiser
 - Mrs Lisa Clark – time capsule organiser
 - Kym Scollay – organised both the plaque and sculpture commissioning
- Mrs Sharon Raj – 100 years book organiser
 - Ms Meron Waller – Sound and Band organiser
 - Mr Josh Freeland – photo/video display organiser

Of course, thank you to all our teaching and non-teaching staff who have worked with the students in preparing them for our performances. They have directed many rehearsals in readiness for the big day.

Thank you also to our school community and special guests for taking the time to join us for such a momentous occasion, as we were delighted we could share the day with you. Plus thank you to Padam (father of Pranjal 3F) who donated Charrill Charlie's chicken, chips and salads for the staff on set-up day.

Upcoming Events:

Leadership Day (Year 5), 21st November
Excursion: Stony Range (Kinder), 21st November
Getting to Know You Playgroup, 29th November
Bushlink, 2nd December

Mark Chaffer
Principal