

DALLAS BROOKS COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS BULLETIN

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Vision: "For our students to be literate, numerate, creative, safe and happy"

Term 2 Number 5

Thursday 29th June 2017

School Diary

LAST DAY TERM 2

Friday 30th June
2:30pm

CSEF - Camps, Sports,

Excursion Funds

Applications close
tomorrow - Friday
30/06/17

TERM 3

School Begins

9:00am
Monday 17th July 2017

Principal's Column

Attitudes to School

This year 4, 5 and 6 students have had an opportunity to express their thoughts and opinions through the Attitudes to School Survey. Each year the Department of Education collects information from students regarding wellbeing, learning and engagement. For the first time this year, the survey has been conducted online. The students were asked to provide honest responses in relation to questions about teachers, safety, bullying and their connectedness to peers and teachers. The information will be presented to our school and will provide us with valuable insights into the perceptions of the students and the culture of the school.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CHESS TEAM – First Place Kangaroo Ground Chess Zonal Tournament

On Tuesday June 20th the Dallas Rookies competed in the Chess Zonal Tournament at Kangaroo Ground Primary school. The Rookies took out first place to become the Zonal School Champions. Yadu won 6 out of 7 games, came first in the grade 5/6 section and was second overall.

Irm came first, Saja second and Domarina came third in the girls' section. Kaldoun came third in the grade 3/4 section.

The following students qualified for the State Finals to be held later in the year.

Mixed State Final: Mohammed, Osman, Domarina and Saja

Girls' State Final: Domarina, Nehir, Anjun and Kannar



Well done to everyone in the team for a great effort. We are extremely proud of your efforts.



HAPPY EID

We wish the Muslim Community At DBCPS a Happy Eid, marking the end of the fasting period. We hope you enjoyed your special days of celebration with your families and friends.

Valerie Karaitiana
Principal

OFFICE NEWS:

\$125 per student CSEF to holders of current Health Care Card/Pension Concession Card APPLY TODAY! - Applications close tomorrow 30TH JUNE, 2017.

Please see the office staff to complete your CSEF Camps, Sports and Excursion Funds Form. You must provide a copy of your current Health Care Card/Pension Concession Card to be eligible along with the form for your application to be processed.

Kindergarten

The kindergarten children have been busy learning all about volcanos, the children have been making their own with play dough, natural materials and in the box construction space, doing science experiments, learning new songs and art experiences to explore this interest further. We would like to remind all families to bring in a warm coat in with your child everyday as we engage in our outdoor program throughout winter.

KINDERGARTEN TEAM

Prep

The Prep students have been learning about fairy-tales. During developmental play, the students have been creating crowns, wands, finger puppets and castles using a variety of materials. The discussions between their peers during this time have been rich and meaningful.

During numeracy, the students have been exploring 'friends of ten' using counters. We encourage parents to continue identifying, making and counting numbers 0-20 at home.

PREP TEAM

Grade 2

The Grade Two students had a fantastic time visiting the Life Education Van. They were very excited to see Harold and learnt some fantastic lessons about being a good friend. They learnt that being a good friend means being fair, respectful, inclusive and encouraging. They also learnt about healthy eating, the ingredients that are in our foods and how they are grown. The Grade Two students have also been working very hard to improve their math's skills and have enjoyed the challenge of learning about multiplication and division. Keep up, the amazing work!

GRADE 2 TEAM

Grade 3

The Grade Three students enjoyed their excursion to the Y Water Discovery Centre. We were able to examine fast and slow swimmer creatures under microscopes. We observed features and inhabitants of the wetlands and found out what was living in a birdhouse. The students are now completing their inquiry projects by making a birdhouse, a flower garden or a bean plant for the school grounds. The Grade Three students have also learnt about worm farming during a whole school incursion. There is an attendance competition where students who attend every day and are on time in each month win a privilege. This will continue next term. Please encourage your child to come to school by 9am every day!

GRADE 3 TEAM

Grade 5 & Grade 6

This week DBCPS year six students have been working towards completing their presentations on our inquiry topic. This project focused on the reasons why people came to live in Australia, and what contributions they have made to our country and culture. Students will be presenting these to their classmates next week. This week we have also had some great news, the DBCPS Chess Team came first place in the competition at Kangaroo Ground involving a number of different schools, which has been great achievement. DBCPS year six teachers are looking forward to a promising term 3 with an exciting inquiry program on Energy. Students will investigate the different types of renewable and non-renewable energy.

GRADE 5 & 6 TEAM

Community HUB

Our Community Hub is running FREE English classes. The classes are being offered to anyone in our community as well as newly arrived migrants and refugees who is unable to access other government-funded programs. The classes run from 9.15am to 12.15pm Monday and Tuesday. New participants welcome.

The Hub operates three Playgroups, 10.00am-11.30am Monday and Tuesday and 12.30pm-2.00pm Tuesday. We are currently accepting enrolments for Term 2. We also operate a Toy & Book Library on Monday and Tuesday from 11.30am to 12.00 noon and Tuesday from 2.00pm to 2.30pm. We have started taking enrolments for Term 3.

Supported Small Talk Playgroup is held on Mondays at 1.00pm to 3.00pm. New participants welcome.

Breakfast Cub is held on Wednesday and Friday mornings from 8.15am to 8.45am.

Cake Decorating/Cake Making classes are held on Thursdays from 9.30am to 11.30am and Craft Club is held on Wednesday from 9.30am to 11.00am. New participants welcome.

We will be running Certificate 111 in Education Support in Term 3. If you are interested in participating in this course, please contact Hub Coordinator.

The Hub has started work on Community Garden. Garden beds are in place and some students have assisted with planting some fruit trees and winter vegetables and herbs. We are seeking volunteers to assist with this program. Please contact the Hub Coordinator if you are interested in joining this group.

The Community Hub has some seating available for sale. The seating is currently located on the Hub's veranda. If you are interested in purchasing the seating, please come over and make an offer.

GAIL HART – HUB

Last Day of Term 2 ~ Friday 30th June @ 2:30pm

First Day of Term 3 ~Monday 17th July, 2017 @9:00am

Prep to Grade 6 students are not required to attend school during school holidays.