FROM THE PRINCIPAL

WORK BEGINS ON ADMINISTRATION RENOVATION
Work has begun on our planned renovation of the Administration building. This renovation will ensure not only easier access for parents, but also to provide better service from the newly renovated building. The majority of the work is planned to be undertaken over the Easter Vacation, causing minimal disruption to our school community but external works began today. Some car parks in front of our school will be fenced off to allow access for workers and I’d ask all parents to be careful when using the footpaths in this area and when endeavouring to access the Admin building before Easter.

PRINCIPAL/PARENT FORUM
The next Principal/parent Forum is scheduled for Thursday March 17th at 2.30pm.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S DAY
Today is International Women’s Day, a big thank you to Ricky Adams and her team for organising and hosting activities to support International Women’s Day. We trust that all those involved enjoyed the experience.

PILOT SOCIAL ETHICS PROGRAM
Children from our school have been invited to participate in a pilot program about social ethics and the development of responsible citizenship. The Pure Land Learning College of Toowoomba, has pilot programs that will allow children to learn and understand essential values and to practise moral and ethical values. A major part of the program is to understand the differences between rights and responsibilities. The ability to celebrate diversity, respect others and contribute to society is central to the program.

This is not a religion program, it is a program of understanding, one about just widening the minds of the young.

The first workshop, to be held during the Easter vacation, “Love, Islam” runs for 2 days, 9am through until 3.30pm. There is no charge to participate in these workshops.

Date 4th - 5th April 2016 children aged 8 to 11.
6th - 7th April 2016 children aged 12 to 15.

Programs are conducted by instructors qualified in the teaching of religious programs. For further information, please contact Hanif Razak at Pure Land Learning College on 46598054 or 0424620072.

We do have further information regarding this program at the school office, information which we would be pleased to share with interested participants.

PBL (POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING) MATTERS
The Value for this week is, “Acting Responsibly” with a focus on, “I use the toilets in a responsible manner”.

This week, students will be reminded about which toilet block to use and the importance of using the toilets correctly and hygienically. Students are also encouraged to use the amenities during break times to ensure that their learning time is maximised in the classroom. As always, we encourage students to report any problems or issues directly to a staff member.

A special thanks to all parents who take the time each week to sit down and talk to their child/ren about the week’s Value and focus. If any parents have any queries or concerns or wish to discuss anything, please feel free to contact Mr James Leach (Deputy Principal) on 46 368 333.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN
A big thanks to the community support last year in regards to the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. The school was able to collect a range of additional new sports equipment for the students at Darling Heights.
This term, our Fives and Sixes have been spending Friday afternoons playing a variety of interschool sports against other schools in Toowoomba. The boys are playing AFL, Softball and Tee-ball, while the girls are learning the intricacies of Touch and Cricket. The competition may be fierce, but the emphasis is always on sportsmanship, skill development, and getting to know other students from around the region. So it was great to see our junior cricketing girls, greeting, by name, students from St Thomas More’s that they had played two weeks earlier. Those friendly words highlighted the tremendous value of our interschool sport program, and show just how important it is to the well-being and growth of our students.

Election Day cake stall
The P&C is organizing a barbecue and cake stall on Election Day (19 March) and we need your help.

1. Bake something: a cake, a batch of biscuits, muffins, brownies, cupcakes, fudge, etc.
2. Place on a tray (available from the tuckshop) and cover with cling wrap or a see-through plastic bag
3. Make a list of ingredients and attach on top of the plastic.
4. Deliver items to the function room on Friday 18 March (8-9am and 2-3pm).

Thank you!

All proceeds will go towards the air-conditioning of our classrooms.

CHAPLAINCY MEAL DEAL
The Subway Lunch Deal Day is being held Tuesday March 15th. Orders are now closed. This fund-raiser goes towards Chaplaincy at Darling Heights State School.
DHSS
Harmony Day Assembly
Wednesday, 16th March
2.00-3.00pm in The Hall

Wear: Cultural Clothing from your family’s home country or Orange clothes (Harmony Day colour) or School Uniform
Parents are invited to attend and dress up too! They are also welcome to stay for a cuppa.

DHSS Cross Country Carnival 2016
- This year’s Cross Country Carnival will be held on Monday 21st March. All parents, carers and friends are welcome to attend and watch their child run in their nominated event. Your child has been given one of four houses to represent. These include Aquila (light blue), Cygnus (Red), Orion (light green) and Pegasus (yellow). It is encouraged that your child dresses in their nominated colour for the day. House shirts are available from the Uniform Shop next to the Tuckshop.
- The day is broken up into three timeslots:
  1. 8:45-11:00 Year 3 – Year 6
     - The day will begin with a March past at approximately 9:00am and the various age groups will run the following distances:
       - Children born 2008 (Year 3) – 500m
       - Children born 2007 – 1km
       - Children born 2006 – 2km
       - Children born 2005 and 2004 – 3km
     - At the conclusion of these events, Age Champion medals and the winning house will be announced. Please note that only children born 2004-2007 will be awarded Age Champion medallions.
     - Please note that hats are required and water bottles and sunscreen should be encouraged.
  2. 11:45 – 1:25 Year 1 and Year 2 classes
     - This session will also begin with a March Past. These events will be run in class groups a distance of 500m.
     - Please note that hats are required and water bottles and sunscreen should be encouraged.
  3. 2:00 – 3:00 Prep classes
     - The Preps will be involved in their very first March past at approximately 2:05pm. Each event will be run in their class groups and a distance of 500m will be required to run.
     - Please note that hats are required and water bottles and sunscreen should be encouraged.

FUN RUN
Fun Run folders were distributed last week. Please find people to sponsor you for your running efforts during our Cross Country Carnival on 21 March and earn fantastic prizes. Unfortunately, online fundraising will NOT be AVAILABLE this year.”
INTERSCHOOL SPORT WEEK 7  
11th MARCH

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Kiyua Performing Arts held in the Darling Heights State School Hall from 9am - 11am. 
Payment is by gold coin donation. 
For more details call Sheriden 0412135925