COMING EVENTS
Note the following dates in your Diary:

Last Day Term 3: Thursday 16th September
First Day Term 4: Tuesday 4th October

TUCKSHOP
Every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

UNIFORM SHOP
Open on Tuesday from 8.30am to 9.30am and Thursday from 2.30pm to 3.30pm.

YMCA O.S.H.C
0455 088 401 Or 46356308

CHAPLAINCY FUNDRAISERS
Cruisin’ Cappucino every Wednesday afternoon.
Thank you for your support.

MILO MONDAYS
$1 for a Cup of Milo/Biscuits/Marshmallows to support Chaplaincy.
Monday Mornings between 8.00am and 8.30am

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

GOVERNOR GENERAL VISITING TOWN
Today, members of our school staff and children will be attending a function to meet His Excellency General, the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd) Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia. The Governor General is in Toowoomba and will be paying a special visit to Toowoomba Refugee and Migrant Centre (TRAMS) where he is keen to hear of the work that is being done in terms of our afternoon homework clubs for refugee and migrant families. I am sure he will learn of the great things that Darling Heights is able to achieve.

ROAD SAFETY WEEK
Parent Awareness Program
Next Tuesday, 23rd August is Road Safety Week. Personnel from the Department of Transport, Main Roads and Queensland Police will be here between 2.00pm and 3.00pm to undertake some parent programs. They will be located near our school sign where the coffee van usually parks. Please feel welcome to talk with them about any issues concerning road safety either in our community or the community in general.

SCIENCE WEEK
A big thankyou to all staff involved with organising the many activities for our children during science week. It was great to see our children involved in activities that foster a greater understanding and interest in the field of science.
I was most interested to hear from one of our guest speakers, a chemistry graduate who is undertaking her PHD, looking at the development of a machine that will be able to test the depth of paint on planes - a test that will decide whether a plane needs repainting. It would appear that one of the biggest costs in the airline industry is the continual painting of planes, a task that has to be done because it protects the metal underneath.
I would imagine, that if they are successful in designing such a piece of equipment to undertake this test, there would certainly be business interest.

AT CONFERENCE
I will be attending the Qld Association of State Schools Principals conference this Thursday/Friday. In my absence any matters can be referred to one of our Deputy Principals.

Mark

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS/CARERS
As the year is quickly coming to an end, now is the time to settle all outstanding accounts.
On the booklist each year level has a levy for reprographics. This amount covers the cost to produce booklets, work sheets and other photocopying that your class teacher requires to run their classroom efficiently.

Prep - $30; Year 1, 2 and 3 - $20; Year 4, 5 and 6 - $30
Years 4, 5 and 6 also have a MakerSpace levy of $3.
If your student is attached to the Special Education Program each student is required to pay $20 Art Levy to cover the cost of items used in the extra craft that they do.
These amounts are now overdue and can be paid at the School Office. Thank you for your prompt attention to this.
PBL (POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING) MATTERS

The Value for this week is, "Thinking" with a focus on, “I think about being a positive role model”. A role model is a person who inspires and encourages us to strive for greatness, to live to our fullest potential and to see the best in ourselves. A role model is someone we admire and someone we aspire to be like. We learn through them, through their commitment to excellence and through their ability to make us realise our own personal growth.

Whether we like it or not, our choices and behaviours are influenced by people around us - not necessarily by everyone around us, but there are certainly people in our lives who shape us more than others. If we’re lucky, those who draw us in such ways will influence us in positive, not negative ways.

Research has shown that children’s greatest role models are their parents, friends and teachers – not the famous people they watch on television or read in magazines. For this reason, we need to ensure that we “walk the talk” and provide a positive example to our children. This week, students will reflect upon what it means to be a positive role model. Students will understand that it is not just their parents or teachers that are role models, but they are also role models for their friend’s and other students in our school. We all have a part to play in developing the values, attitudes, skills and behaviours of our students to ensure that we create and maintain a supportive, caring and positive school environment.

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.

TUCKSHOP CLOSED

The tuckshop will be closed next week, Wednesday 31st August, Thursday 1st September and Friday 2nd September. Please make sure lunches are packed on those days.
WHY STUDENT ATTENDANCE IS IMPORTANT - IMPROVED OUTCOMES FOR STUDENTS

Students who stay in education for longer have better educational, occupational and social outcomes. Being at school is one of the best investments young people can make for their future. Regular attendance at school is fundamental to student learning. Students who attend school regularly are more likely to achieve educational success and increase their career and life options.

It is not only students who benefit from regular attendance. Teachers, parents, caregivers and the wider community all benefit when students are attending school and achieving. These benefits include greater student safety, community well-being and a sense of connectedness for all.

Our school, families and community can work together to send a strong collective message about the importance of going to school; student attendance must be a priority.

It is important for all students to be at school every day. A child should be at school unless;

- The child is too sick to leave the house. Generally, if a child is not sick enough to need to see a doctor, then he or she should be at school.
- The child has an infectious disease like measles, chicken pox or mumps.
- The child has an injury preventing movement around school.
- The class teacher is provided with any genuine and acceptable reason preventing the child’s attendance.
- A medical or dental appointment could not be made out of school hours (wherever possible, appointments should be made out of school hours).

Upon return to school, a note must be supplied to explain the days missed. You should also contact the school in advance if you know your child will be away. If your child has seen a medical practitioner, (eg doctor or dentist) a certificate or appointment card will help explain the absence.

Remember:

- If students miss the basic skills in the early years of schooling they often experience learning difficulties later on.
- There is a direct link between attendance and achievement.
- It has been shown that poor patterns of attendance in the early years can lead to poor patterns of attendance throughout the school years.
- Poor attendance makes it difficult for students to form positive friendships with their peers.

NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK 2016

Last week was National Science Week and Darling Heights SS celebrated in many ways! We invited Alison Peel and Vanessa Lussini to speak to the students about how they became scientists and what field of science they study. The students enjoyed meeting our female scientists and had lots of questions to ask. They taught us a great deal about science and how important it is for women to follow their interests in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

Every class had the opportunity to have an hour session with Robogals (a volunteer organisation dedicated to getting more women involved in engineering). Our volunteers taught the students how to use their robots. We had so much fun building our robots and programming our robots to compete in a Tug of War competition. It was amazing to see the creativity in designs from Prep to Year 6. Thanks to all of the volunteers from Robogals and a special thanks to Tiarna, the main organiser from Robogals, who helped organise the week with the school!

All of the students have had a great deal of fun being involved in lots of science experiments and demonstrations this week. Thanks to all involved in making National Science Week one to remember!

You will see lots of photos on the back page of this Cooee.

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
TERM 3 SPORTS DRAW

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BOOK WEEK

Dress up TOMORROW as your favourite book character.
Our Book Week character parade is on this Wednesday 24th August.
The Book Fair will open that afternoon and run until Tuesday 30 August.
A brochure showing some of the items available will be sent home, along with the opening times.

SEP Stars

SEP M
Jayson Carandang, Briar Brown, Tiba Hazim

Prep Stars
PN Destiny Unwin
PM Alexander Abbott
PT Mostafa Ibrahim
PW Thor Emmert

Year 1 Stars:
1B Mustafa Hussen
1J Bashar Al-Nasih
1M Fatimah Aljebur
1S Adhieu Ateny Pach

Year 2 Stars
2C Xander Truong
2B Caleb Hooper
2D Zac Burness, Edward Privett

Year 3/4 Stars

3M: Ahmed Elhnashe
3H Stars
Star Student - Ken Chen
Star Box - Brice
100%: Number Facts - Luke, Dominic, Wendy, Zakk, Isabel, Cooper, Brice, Farah
100% Spelling - Wendy, Raqayah, Isabel, Cooper, Francis,

3B
100% Club: Lucas Harris, Tansie Haywood, Harrison Kelk, Samuel Steinhardt, Haozhen Tu
Special Improvement Award: Lucas Harris, James MacAvoy, Nehemiah Tuomaini
Most Improved: James MacAvoy
STAR student: Divine Kalondja

Year 5/6 Stars

3G Isabella Frater
3A Kaylee Benson
4S Shaikha Alketbi
Merit Awards
3A Shaikha Alketbi
3G Farah Al-Sandooq
4S Lien Dekeyser
Student of the Week
4S Durikai Kelk

Year 5/6 Stars
5/6A Lisa Williams
5/6B Dylan Moore
5/6D Yousif Abdul Wahab
5/6E Ali Yousefi
5/6F Aiman Mohamed
SENIOR NEWS

Our 5/6 Homework Club is held in the classrooms every Wednesday between 3.00pm - 4.00 pm. We encourage senior students to attend, to complete homework tasks or work with assistance from teachers.

A reminder please, camp fees can be paid off at any time. No amount is too small. You can pay something weekly, fortnightly or what ever suits you. Paying something each week would certainly make it more manageable.

Packing lists and itineraries will be forwarded early in Term 4.

As we are in the second half of Term Three, and are getting closer to taking invited students skating for treat day, we’d like everyone to remember that Treat Day is a celebration of very good and excellent behaviour, and work ethics both in and out of school. This means that if students are failing to complete homework to a satisfactory standard they are not demonstrating the respect and responsibility expected of our Year Fives and Sixes. With that said, it is also important to remember that homework club is available every Wednesday from 3.00 - 4.00pm. Furthermore, there is nothing stopping students from getting together with their friends at lunchtime in the library to ensure their work is done in a timely fashion. Of course, students are always welcome to come to their teachers with any questions they have about the homework they are given.

On Wednesday, a huge band of Year Five and Six Students headed off to O’Quinn Park to represent Darling Heights at Central Zone Athletics. Everyone made a mighty effort and did the school proud. To those who have qualified for the next level we wish you well and thank all who competed for the school. It's important to remember that some of our Olympians in Rio were zone competitors just like our current students, and that some of our sports stars who wear the green and gold of Darling Heights may well be wearing the green and gold for Australia in Tokyo in 2020!

FATHER’S DAY STALL

The 2016 Father’s Day Stall will be held on Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd September. Volunteers are required to help our children choose their gifts and also wrap them. The ladies are also running a raffle which is the chance to win an awesome, signed, Titan’s shirt. Tickets are $2 each or 3 for $5. The shirt can be viewed in the office where tickets can also be purchased. The winner will be drawn at the Father’s Day Stall on Friday 2nd September.

CENTRAL ZONE ATHLETICS TRIALS

Last Wednesday, 45 students participated in the Central Zone Athletics Trials. It was great to see all of our students put in 100% in their events.

Twelve students managed to perform extremely well and will now proceed to the Regional Carnival on Tuesday, 6th September. Permission and medical forms have been handed out and are due by the end of this week.

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SUBWAY MEAL DEAL

Chappy Bec is running another Subway Meal Deal on Tuesday 6th September.

Forms must be returned to the office no later than Monday 29th August to allow time for meals to be ordered and filled. The cost of the meal is $7.50 with a portion of this going to support chaplaincy.

Forms will go home today with the Cooee.