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# DRUMMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## **NEWSLETTER NO. 34 - Thursday 28/11/2013**

### **CALENDAR**

#### **DECEMBER**

Wed 4<sup>th</sup>: Drummond School Concert @ 6.00pm

**Fri 6<sup>th</sup>: Pupil Free Day Maths MAV Conference**

Tues 10<sup>th</sup>: Gr 6 Dinner Meeting @ DPS – Last  
Before the Event

Tues 10<sup>th</sup>: Year 7 Orientation Day  
2014 Students Transition Morning 9-1.30pm

Thur 12<sup>th</sup>: Gr 5-6 Presentation Evening

Mon 16<sup>th</sup>: Grade 6 Dinner @ DPS Gym

Thur 19<sup>th</sup>: Students finish Term 4 @ 3.30pm Finish

#### **PUPIL FREE DAYS:**

Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Dec: Maths (MAV) Conference

#### **TERM DATES 2013**

TERM 4

7<sup>th</sup> Oct – 20 Dec



Finally, a reminder that next Friday is a Pupil Free Day. Staff will be attending a Maths Conference in Melbourne. This will build on teacher capacity to teach Mathematics, which has been a significant focus in our school for the past two years. Our Maths Specialists, Frances Glasson, Karen McHugh and Mellissa Stevens have done a terrific job in supporting the learning of staff in the area of maths. This initiative comes to an end this year and I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the excellent work by this team.

Peter Burke

### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

After thirteen years at this school and over 30 years in education, Mr T has announced his retirement. A small function was held last week to acknowledge Chris' contribution to education. As DPS Assistant Principal he has worked tirelessly supporting staff, students and families. He will be remembered for many things such as his excellent teaching ability, starting the circus elective, working with special needs students and reading recovery, but one of his greatest contributions has been his leadership around our Social Competency Program, including the focus of the fortnight and our Family Groups program. On behalf of our School Council, staff, families and students of DPS and Annexes, I would like to say thank you to Chris. Thank you for your passion, your patience and professionalism. We wish you and your family all the very best now and into the future.

### **Family Service X'mas Gifts**

Many thanks for the gold coin donations for a children's gift. We have raised \$18.40. Would a family like to volunteer to purchase a child's gift with the donated money. If so, please see Dianne by Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

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## Concert News

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Excitement is mounting as the big day approaches.

Many thanks to all our parents for assisting with costumes. Thanks to Jenny for coordinating gifts and drinks, and to Claire and Ant for volunteering to help with the supper table.

More helpers are still need to assist with:

- 1- Setting up Art Display
- 2- Setting up and removing Bins and recycling
- 3- Set up of Sound System
- 4- Clean up and Pack up on the Night

Please put your name on The Job List on the Main Notice board if you can help with any of these jobs.

Our program is longer this year as we are including a Marimba performance with Jon Madin.

To avoid a very late night with our young children, we are starting earlier. I hope that this is not too much of an inconvenience to any families.

**Please be at the hall at 6.00pm, for a 6.15pm start.**

A supper table will be set up at the entrance for your contributions.

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## Costumes & Make Up

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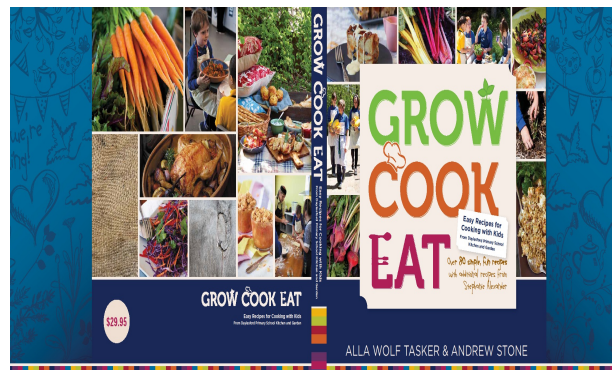
Most students appear to be organised with costumes. Students can arrive dressed for their first item. They will take home these items on Wednesday. Some children will require Clown Make up prior to arrival, while others will put face paint on during the performance.

**Zoe, Buzz, Saxon and Kyah** will all need to apply clown face make up **prior** to arrival at the school. They will need to take home make up kits on Wednesday.



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School  
Kitchen Garden Project**

We need to sell 2,500 books to secure the KG program for the next two years, so please help by promoting the book!

Any family business who would be prepared to sell our book, please contact the school.

<b>STUDENT / COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES</b>
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