Principal's Message

Ms Nicole Molloy

2015-2017 School Plan

Our 2015-2017 school plan is available on our school website. The school plan articulates the school’s long term vision for improvement and ensuring we are providing an outstanding educational experience for all of our students. It is organised around three core strategic directions which are informed by our school vision. Throughout the remainder of the year I will share with you the progress we are making as we work on the various projects which underpin our strategic directions.

As part of our focus entitled Excellence in Learning we have a project called Using Current Technologies. This project is about the development of a school wide strategy to ensure access and use of current technologies to enhance learning and engagement for students. The focus is about ensuring our students are engaging with current technologies in an innovative and purposeful manner as part of their learning. We are currently visiting other schools to look at best practice in the use of technology. Last week Miss Rush and Mrs Kovacs attended a professional learning day at Bellevue Hill PS where they collaborated with other teachers on some very interesting and exciting ideas for incorporating iPad technology into the classroom. It is with much excitement that we took delivery of a set of 20 iPads, a computer and a sync and charge trolley last week. We are looking forward to our children being able to use the iPads in the very near future in the classroom. I would like to extend special thanks to Mrs Jodi Kovacs for her exceptional leadership of our technology strategy and to our hard working P&C who donated $15 000 in hard earned funds recently for the purchase of the equipment. We are looking forward to sharing the learning and work our students will be undertaking with the iPads next term. Thanks also go to our 2S students who were gladly photographed with the new equipment!

This week’s Principal’s Awards

It is my pleasure to award the following awards: Act of Kindness Award – Kristine F im 3/4H Outstanding Effort – Han T in 1M Positive Approach to School Life – Aiden K in KMO Outstanding Achievement – Andrew G in 4/5F

Diary Dates

June

Friday 12
12.30 PSSA Round 5
Friday 19
10.45 – K-6 Assembly
12.30 PSSA Round 6
Tuesday 23
Semester 1 Student Progress Reports sent home

Wednesday 24
Athletics Carnival
Rowland Park

Friday 26
Last Day of Term 2

July

Tuesday 14
First day of Term 3 for all students

Friday 17
12.30 PSSA Round 7

Thursday 23
100 days of Kindergarten celebrations @ 12.30pm in the hall

Friday 24
12.30 PSSA Round 8

Tuesday 28
P&C Meeting @ 7pm in the teacher resource room.

Tuesday 28 – Thurs 30
Book Fair in the hall

Wednesday 29
Education Week Open Day

Friday 31
10.45 – K-6 Assembly
12.30 PSSA Round 9
KR with Ms Rush

KR is engaged in a Language, Learning and Literacy (L3) program which immerses all students in a literacy rich learning environment. L3 equips students with the knowledge and skills to problem solve whilst they are reading and writing. The class is really working hard at establishing the routines of L3. L3 focuses on small group instruction in guided reading, guided writing and modelled or teacher reading. While Ms Rush works with one group, the rest of the students move independently through various activities including writing, spelling, reading, computer work, word matching, iPads and so on. The classroom is very busy and lots of active learning is taking place. The students look forward to this learning time because they know the routine and they can participate in reading and writing.

We are so excited about our progress that we would love to share some of our wonderful achievements. Recently we incorporated a letter writing station as one of our literacy activities and composed letters to special friends. When completed the letters are posted into our very own ‘KR Post Box’ and every Friday the Daceyville postman will visit and deliver our letters to our special friends. Occasionally we write letters to other classrooms such as KMO and K/1K and we have been lucky enough to receive responses.
Whole School News

2016 Enrolments
Do you have a child who turns five years of age before 31 July 2016 and will be ready to start school? Or do you know of a child who would like to enrol in another grade at Daceyville next year? We are busy at the moment enrolling students for 2016. Following our open day last week we had over 30 enquiries in one week. As there will also be boundary changes for 2016 meaning our catchment area will be larger, we are likely to continue experiencing a significant increase in enrolments. This will in turn impact on the number of non-local places we have available. I encourage all families with children starting school next year to contact the office as soon as possible to complete the enrolment paperwork and arrange an enrolment interview. Please also spread the word to other families interested in enrolling at our school that now is the time to work through this process.

Now is the time to complete an Application for Enrolment form. You can do this by doing one of the following:
- Picking up an application form from the school office.
- Emailing the school at Daceyville-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au to request a form.
- Downloading an Application to Enrol form from the school website at: http://www.daceyville-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
- Calling the office on 9349 1211 to share your contact details and request a form to be sent to you by mail.

Kindergarten News

Celebrating 100 days of Kindergarten! Thursday 23 July -12.30pm
Come and join our current Kindergarten students as they celebrate 100 days of school at Daceyville. Share in some singing, dancing, storytelling and other celebratory activities as our students share the highlights of their first 100 days of school. All parents, grandparents and friends are invited. Please keep this date free. We will send home more information in the next couple of weeks.

Sport News

K-6 Athletics Carnival
Our annual Athletics Carnival will be held on Wednesday 24 June at Rowland Park for all students Kindergarten to Year 6. A specific note was sent home on Tuesday requiring parents to return a permission note. We would appreciate it if this could be done as soon as possible and no later than 19 June. The details are as follows:

Date: Wednesday 24 June 2015
Venue: Rowland Park, Daceyville
Who: The K-2 children will be involved in age races, novelty races and an activities based mini carnival. 3-6 children will be involved in age races and athletics activities.
Cost: No cost
Time: The carnival will start at 9.30am. K-2 students will return to school by 1.00 pm and 3-6 students by 3.10pm.
Lunch: Students will eat lunch at the park. They will need to bring at least 2 drinks, preferably water.
Equipment: Sport shorts and a t-shirt in their house colours, recess, drink, hat, sunscreen.

The children will need to wear their sports uniform and/or house colours: Banksia-Green, Waratah-Red, Grevillea-Yellow

Parents are welcome to come along to support their children.
PSSA

The 5th round of PSSA Netball and Soccer will be this Friday, 12 June at 12.30 pm.

**Netball Draw Round 5** – Daceyville vs Matraville Soldiers Settlement at Heffron Netball Courts

**Soccer Draw Round 5** – Daceyville A Team – Maroubra Bay B, Daceyville B Team vs Banksmeadow – Coral Sea Park

3-6 Handball Competition

At the end of this term (weeks 9 and 10) the Year 6 students will be hosting a handball tournament. All stage 2 and 3 students are able to participate in the event. It will be a great opportunity for our students to experience a game that they love. This competition is a chance to test out our handball skills in a competitive but friendly environment. Last year we ran two handball tournaments which were both incredibly successful so we are looking forward to doing it again. Notes were sent home on Tuesday and need to be returned by the end of this week.

**Cost:** A gold coin donation that will go towards the purchase of sports equipment for our school.

**When:** The last two weeks of this term.

The winner of each competition will be awarded a special prize.

Important things to do this week

- Remember to bring back your chocolate drive money. All money raised from this initiative supports the school.
- Return your Athletics carnival permission note.

K-6 Assembly: Week 9 @ 10.45am in our hall. All very welcome!

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P&C News

Chocolate Drive Fundraiser

Our Chocolate Drive Fundraiser is underway, thank you to all of the families who ordered chocolates to sell.

Proceeds of our fundraiser will go towards this year’s Creative Life Festival. Each box sold will receive a prize and a raffle ticket to go into the major draw for the following prizes:

- 1st – a basket of sporting goods
- 2nd – a pack of art supplies
- 3rd – a giant Toblerone

The key dates are as follows:

- Monday 1 June – boxes sent home
- Friday 19 June – deadline for all money or unsold chocolates to be returned to school
- Friday 19 June – raffle to be drawn at assembly.

Thank you for your support.

Daceyville Parents and Citizens’ Association

There are many opportunities to help the P&C through involvement in our events and activities. All enquiries can be sent to daceyvillepandc@gmail.com

President – Belinda Targett
Vice Presidents – Dionne Cullen and Kathleen Gray
Secretary – Cassandra Bartley
Treasurer – Melissa Darke