What’s on?

19/11 - Kindergarten Transition 9-10am
25/11 - Year 2 excursion to Ken Done gallery
26/11 - 1Turtles excursion
26/11 - Kindergarten transition
26/11 - 28/11 School Spec
28/11 - School Spec Excursion
1/12 - Christmas Assembly
3/12 - Music Expo #1
5/12 - City of Sydney Choir performance
5/12 - Volunteers morning tea
5/12 - PRESENTATION DAY

Due to a clash with Schools Spectacular we have had to move our 2014 Performing Arts Expo evenings and matinee. Originally, we had planned on having our band and choir evening on November 26th, we have now moved this night to December 3rd at 6:30pm. More information will be coming out shortly about our venue for this evening.

A matinee Expo was to be held on Monday, December the 8th, with an evening performance on Tuesday the 9th for Drama and Dance. However, after reevaluating the schedule, we have decided to change the show times on the two dates. The new times are listed below:

Evening Show: Monday, 8th of December, at 5:00pm
Matinee Show: Tuesday, 9th of December, at 11:30am

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the new show times, please contact the school between Monday and Friday. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding; we look forward to putting on fantastic school productions.

STAR STUDENTS:

Each week a class will update their page on our website this week the Year 3/4 Gecko have done a wonderful update for you to view:

While you are there, check out the “Artist of the Week” on the homepage.

For community events in and around Redfern, please visit the Redfern Community Centre’s Facebook page: www.facebook.com/pages/Redfern-Community-Centre

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

ETHICS AT DARLO IN 2015

Thanks to our amazing volunteer ethics teachers, the ethics program will continue in 2015. Two forms will be sent out in the next few weeks to all parents of Year 1-6 children. Fill these out and return to the school by the due date if you want your child to have the opportunity to attend ethics next year. A policy explaining how ethics runs at DPS will be posted on the school website soon. If you have any questions in the meantime or would like to learn more about becoming part of the volunteer ethics team, email coordinator Rebecca Shanahan on rks@wideopen.net.au.
DOCUMENT 1: EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

SPECIAL EDUCATION IN ETHICS FOR NON-SRE STUDENTS

Ethics classes are available in 2015 as an option for those children who do not attend Special Religious Education (scripture).

Please read carefully:

- Places are strictly limited in 2015 and we cannot guarantee every applicant a place.
- If your child attended Ethics in 2014, s/he will receive priority entry in 2015 if you return the two completed documents by the due date. However, we may not be able to guarantee a place for all 2014 students, so places for returning students will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.
- If your child has not attended Ethics before and you wish them to attend, please return the two documents by the due date.
- If we cannot immediately offer your child a place in an Ethics class, they will be placed on a waitlist.

**THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL AND RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL BEFORE YOUR CHILD CAN BE OFFERED A PLACE IN AN ETHICS CLASS/WAITLISTED**

DUE DATE Friday 29 November 2014

These classes are possible thanks to our awesome, specially trained volunteer teachers from our school community. Want to join the Ethics team? Find more information and apply online at www.primaryethics.com.au, or contact our Ethics Coordinator Rebecca Shanahan at rks@videopen.net.au. The NSW government has authorised Primary Ethics, a not-for-profit organisation, to design curriculum and deliver these classes. Classes are inquiry based and children use dialogue and discussion to learn how to think about ethical matters through the give-and-take of reasoned argument. Trained and vetted volunteer teachers lead discussions. For general information about Ethics classes and Primary Ethics, please visit www.primaryethics.com.au or email any questions to info@primaryethics.com.au

Principal E Sinnott

School to keep this portion

Please select one of the following options, complete the form in full and return to the school by 29 Nov

- I am the parent/carer of a child who **attended Ethics classes in 2014** and I wish my child to continue in 2015 if there is a place.
- I am the parent/carer of a child who **did not attend Ethics classes in 2014** and I wish my child to attend Ethics classes instead if there is a place.
- I am the parent/carer of a child who **attended Scripture in 2014** and I wish my child to attend Ethics classes instead if there is a place. *Non-Scripture children have priority in Ethics classes*

CHILD’S NAME ______________________________________________________________ CLASS:

PARENT/CARER’S FULL NAME/S ____________________________________________ SIGNED __________________

DATE / / 2014

School to return this portion to Primary Ethics: GPO BOX 4351, Sydney NSW 2001

Yes, please register my interest with Primary Ethics:

MY NAME ____________________________________________ MY CHILD IS IN YEAR __________

MY EMAIL ADDRESS ____________________________________________ @

Principal Mrs Elizabeth Sinnott

Golden Grove Street Chippendale NSW 2008 T 02 9516 2300 F 02 9550 4587 E Darlington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

ABN 35 624 102 504
ETHICS CLASSES BEHAVIOUR GUIDELINES

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for applying to enrol your child in Ethics classes.

Primary Ethics aims to foster a ‘community of inquiry’ in our Ethics classes. These classes are only possible thanks to our amazing volunteer teachers, so to ensure a respectful community of inquiry everyone who attends Ethics classes must follow the rules below at all times. Disruptive behaviour is not accepted at Ethics.

We look forward to sharing a stimulating, thought-provoking and collaborative experience with your child.

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Once you have discussed these rules with your child and are sure he/she understands and agrees to comply, please **both** sign and then return the form to the school office.

**THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL AND RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL BEFORE YOUR CHILD CAN BE OFFERED A PLACE IN AN ETHICS CLASS/WAITLISTED**

Rebecca Shanahan
Ethics Coordinator, Darlington Public School
rks@vидеopen.net.au

ETHICS CLASSES BEHAVIOUR AGREEMENT

I HAVE DISCUSSED THE RULES WITH MY CHILD AND S/HE AGREES TO FOLLOW THE RULES IN ETHICS CLASSES.

CHILD’S FULL NAME

CHILD’S SIGNATURE

PARENT/CARER’S FULL NAME/S

PARENT/CARER’S SIGNATURE/S

PARENT/CARER’S EMAIL ADDRESS/ES
FINN’S FUNNIES:
1. What side of an apple is the left side?
   The uneaten side!
2. What invention allows you to see through walls?
   A window!

Comprehension help for teens
Some kids will read perfectly in primary school and then suddenly struggle with comprehension in high school. Here’s why.

Planning for the future
Throughout your child's school life you'll need to make choices about aspects of their education and future. Here’s a selection of tips to help you plan for parent-teacher talks, subject selection, careers advice and back-to-school.

Kids, homework and lies
Do you think your child is lying about their homework? Listen to psychologist Anne Hollonds chat with James O’Loghlin on what to do when the dog eats the homework.

The English Committee are seeking parent volunteers to assist with covering readers and library books. See Justin if this is something you are interested in.

Have a great week and remember:
"Treat people as if they were what they ought to be and you help them become what they are capable of becoming." -- Goethe

Liz Sinnott
Principal

PLEASE VISIT OUR P&C:
Darlington Public School P&C Association on
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/253101788067191/
Email: darlo.parents@hotmail.com
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**Events:**
- **1st Week:** Kindergarten Transition 9-10am
- **2nd Week:** Year 2 excursion to Ken Done Gallery
- **3rd Week:** 1T excursion Schools Spectacular Transition 9-10am
- **4th Week:** End of Year excursion #2
- **5th Week:** City of Sydney Choir Volunteers morning tea Presentation Day
- **6th Week:** Staff Development Day
- **7th Week:** Staff Development Day
- **8th Week:** Christmas Assembly
- **9th Week:** End of Year music expo #2 Evening
- **10th Week:** Yr 5/6 Camp P & C Yr 5/6 Camp Year 1-4 End of year excursion
- **11th Week:** Yr 6 Zoo Snooze
- **12th Week:** End of Term 4 Staff Development Day