WOW, the end of Term 1 and so much has happened. Thank you to everyone who supported our Trivia night on Friday; a lot of fun was had by everyone I spoke to and the P&C successfully raised around $6000 for the school. WELL DONE EVERYONE!!!! As we move into our final week we have will have two events to round off an exciting start to the year. On Thursday we will commemorate ANZAC Day and we will have visiting Buddhist Monks, we will all be involved in “Bathing the Buddha” for Buddha’s birthday, parents and family are most welcome to join either or both events this week.

Please enjoy your holidays and return to school refreshed and relaxed.

SCHOOL RESUMES TUESDAY 29TH APRIL

Our Stage 1 children recently visited the Powerhouse Museum, here are a few photos of their adventure

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR OUR PARENTS:

We will be selling uniforms on Mondays and Fridays from Term 2 onwards, if you need to buy uniforms can you please order them and we will send them home on Mondays or Fridays
darlington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

PLEASE NOTE: We are flexible in emergencies

Darlington Public School P&C will next meet on Wednesday 9th April in the school staffroom

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Trivia Night Success

Trivia last Friday night was a great success raising around $6000 for the school and bringing the school community together for a great night. Congratulations to Disorderly Conduct who are crowned 2014 Champions (even if they did buy their way to the top spot). Credit also to Something for Kate who are too clever for their own good.

Thanks need to go to..
Our brilliant MC - Tug Dumbly
The Band - Pete Oxley, Graeme Sandstrom, Nadia Golski, Ginette Carrard, Fiskin Sears, Tim O'Driscoll, James Lusty and Tug Dumbly
The Barmen - Christophe Priddle and Jeremy Lagan
The Trivia Guru - Viv Smith
All those who helped behind the scenes: Heather Clement, Clare Davidson, Viv Smith, Liz Sinnott, Kirrily Brown, Kerry Vanslambrouck, Rae Cooper, Anna Butler, Mary Thompson, Yvette Novak, Katharine Vanderwal, Roberta Ivers, Bec & John Askew, Suzy Pickles, Nichola Jephcott and many more...

Thanks also to all the local businesses who sponsored the event:

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Thanks everyone who came for supporting the school and having a good night. Here's to a great Trivia night in 2015.
P&C Meeting – this Wednesday

You're invited to join us for the P&C meeting this Wednesday 9th of April, 6:00pm, in the school staff room. The Agenda can be viewed on the notice board or online: [http://goo.gl/sU28FJ](http://goo.gl/sU28FJ). New agenda items include:

- School Markets - Heather Clement ([http://goo.gl/M8L1N1](http://goo.gl/M8L1N1))
- School Working Bee - Viv Smith ([http://goo.gl/N1ck0i](http://goo.gl/N1ck0i))
- School Fete - Marianna Koulias
- Community Partnerships - Rae Cooper ([http://goo.gl/P2SGMk](http://goo.gl/P2SGMk))
- Playground - Viv Smith ([http://goo.gl/amH007](http://goo.gl/amH007))

If you can't make it to the meeting but have questions or feedback, please email Darlo.parents@hotmail.com or speak to one of our executive committee members.

Past meeting minutes:

- AGM [http://goo.gl/wyjV7v](http://goo.gl/wyjV7v)
- March Minutes [http://goo.gl/qBu99A](http://goo.gl/qBu99A)
- Executive Committee Meeting [http://goo.gl/3GMnV6](http://goo.gl/3GMnV6)

Contacts

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President - Luci Temple
Vice Presidents - Viv Smith, Marianna Koulias
Treasurer - Nichola Jephcott
Secretary - Heather Clement, Anna Butler
Other - Marianna Koulias, Jen Burn, Kim Bell-Anderson, Rae Cooper, Rebecca Shanahan
Attention Year 4 parents:

Applications for Opportunity Classes for 2015 will open soon:

Parents seeking opportunity class placement for students in 2015 will be able to apply for up to two schools of their choice. It is expected that parents will make appropriate decisions when choosing a school that is within reasonable travelling distance.

Parents are strongly encouraged to give careful consideration to the time taken and modes of transport involved when choosing a school with an opportunity class.

Parents of students currently enrolled in a NSW public school with access to the internet, a printer and their own email address (not the student’s) should apply for opportunity class placement online by going to this internet website: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement.

Online applications open on Monday 28 April 2014. All other applicants must complete an official printed application form. Late applications will not be accepted after the closing date of 16 May 2014 except in areas where there is a shortage of suitable candidates.

Kik, Vine, Instagram – are they safe?

It’s no contest – kids discover and understand new social media long before we adults do. If your child is thinking about creating a new social media account – or complains that “everyone else is doing it”, you can get the facts a glance from School A to Z's technology glossary. You’ll also find information about age restrictions and things to watch out for: http://bit.ly/188OerY

Managing screen-time

Helping kids find the right balance between activities, homework and screen time is a challenge that only gets harder as they grow older. Commonsense Media has lots of useful resources to help – from movie and game ratings to articles like this one on setting screen time limits that are realistic enough that your children will actually follow them. Read the article here: http://bit.ly/1pBifmk

Books to boost brains

Literacy skills often progress suddenly in leaps and bounds. The secret is to keep kids of all ages reading over the weekends and school holidays. Even 20 minutes a night can make a huge difference to their reading, comprehension and general knowledge. It’s also a great way to settle their minds down before sleep (for adults too!). If your child hasn’t found a book that grabs their imagination, why not try them on a series book from the Premier’s Reading Challenge list? Here are top suggestions for all ages, including young adult: http://bit.ly/1dLSGC0

Have a great week and remember:

“You think the only people who are people, are the people who look and think like you. But if you walk the footsteps of a stranger, you'll learn things you never knew you never knew.” - “Pocahontas” – Walt Disney Company

Liz Sinnott
Principal

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