A huge congratulations to all the wonderful athletes from Darlington PS who performed and behaved impeccably at the Zone Athletics Carnival. Also our budding actors who attended NIDA on the same evening—your performance was brilliant, Lesley, Martine and Jeremy all said you were a credit to our school. Our bands performed on the weekend before last at the Battle of The Bands at UNSW and gained bronze and silver awards. WHAT A TALENTED GROUP WE ARE, WELL DONE DARLO!!!!!!

We have discovered a number of budding scientists in 1 Frogs, they have teamed up with UNSW and the Scientists in School Program and will spend this term hypothesising, testing, confirming and adjusting their thinking. GO Frogs!

STAR STUDENTS:
Each week a class will update their page on our website this week the Gecko class have done a wonderful update for you to view: http://www.darlington-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/our-school/our-classes/geckos
While you are there, check out the “Artist of the Week” on the homepage

IMPORTANT INFORMATION
Dear Parents
We have noticed a number of children being left at school on their own at 8am. Please note there is NO SUPERVISION for children before 8:30am. In the bulletin next week I will ask for interest from parents wanting before school care at Darlington as your child’s safety is paramount and unsupervised children are AT RISK!
EVELEIGH SINGING

On Saturday the 16th of August, the Darlington Big Choir, conducted by Georgina Andrews, sang at Eveleigh markets. The choir sang The Doodoo Cannon, The Court of King Caracticus, Funge Alafia and True Colours. The Choir's performance attracted a large crowd, and of course, lots of photos (and videos) were taken, including some photos with Kylie Kwong, the celebrity Masterchef.

Students arrived at about 9:30AM and practised in a small concrete room under the ramp entrance. The choir then performed at about 10:00AM just outside a bread stand, on the Carriage Works Train Warehouse side. Lots of parents and carers arrived to watch and, so did a lot of the general community.

According to students, “The crowd was pretty big and we had lots of fun” and “Seeing Kylie Kwong was great!”

Georgina Andrews hopes the choir will be invited to the Eveleigh Markets again another week.

-Peter Wobcke

BOOK WEEK AUTHOR TALK

On Wednesday the 13th of August 2014, Aleesah Darlison came to Darlington Public School to talk about being an author and about some of her books.

One of the books is called about Warrambi. She then talked to the school about bats, as Warrambi is a book about bats. She showed the school some pictures of bats on a slideshow and explained how bats were amazing creatures.

She then talked about fantasy; specifically writing fantasy. She explained that to write fantasy she would imagine things that could not possibly happen then some students worked with Ms Darlison to produce a short play based on characters in her books.

Students then helped contribute to a map of an imaginary land. Students put landmarks on the map including a castle, a forest, a river and a giant skull cave.

During a questions time, students asked Ms Darlison about how to write a good book. Marcus Langdale asked about what to do if a description of a character or place was too long. Ms Darlison said that “The editor would just have to remove it,” because the book will need to be flowing and interesting, so lots of people will read it.

-Finn McAllister
Darlington Public School
Transition to
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Enrolling now for 2015: Preschool & Kindergarten—Year 6

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This month we farewelled P & C President Luci Temple whose family has now relocated to Bulli. The P&C Executive would like to thank Luci for all her hard work over the last year and we wish her well in the future.

At last Wednesday’s P&C meeting, I was voted in as the new P&C President. After 6 years at Darlington I’m very excited at this new opportunity to contribute to the school community.

What’s coming up for the rest of the year?

- Father’s Day Pizza & Pyjama night, Working bee and the FETE...
- The fete is a major fundraiser for the school and we really need your help.
- Next week I’ll be sending out an online form asking you if / when and how you can help with the fete.
- But wait there’s more! Next week we’ll announce the details of the P&C’s fete poster designing competition! It will be open to all Darlington students and there will be a fabulous prize.

Thanks,
Mariana Koulias on behalf of the Darlington P&C

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**SCHOOL DRAMA AND CITY OF SYDNEY**

School Drama™ is a professional development program for primary school teachers, which demonstrates the power of using drama pedagogy with quality literature for improving English and literacy in young learners.

STC partners each participating school teacher with a teaching artist over a school term and together they explore how drama strategies can be integrated into any area of English and literacy, such as narrative writing, speaking and listening and/or student engagement.

This term our school has been lucky enough to take part in the School Drama program, thanks to generous funding provided by City of Sydney council as part of their commitment to supporting the arts and arts education within the City of Sydney. We have all of our classes involved with the program, and are very excited to be incorporating new strategies for teaching and learning into our practice here at Darlington. If you would like to find out more about the program, you can visit the STC Ed website: www.sydneytheatre.com.au/schooldrama.

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The school recently was donated an online Mathematics program from a company called Kinetic Education. All students at our school have access to this program at school and home until 6pm Monday to Friday. There is also an English Wiz option on the program which is included.

To access the site you must follow these steps.

1. click on 'schools' on the menu bar.
2. on the right hand side of the screen enter ‘darlington’ then submit
3. **enter your username** - this is your child’s DEC username
4. **enter your password** - this is your child’s year they are in for example Year 3 student - password is ‘3’

If you have any difficulties or require/forgot your child’s username, please contact the class teacher.
Flu season is here!
Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. Remind your child about these good hygiene practices to minimise the spread of infection:

Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should stay home until their symptoms are gone.

Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.

Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.

Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness.

The seasonal influenza vaccine, which protects against the pandemic influenza strain as well as two other influenza strains, is now available free to eligible people. More information about the vaccine is available from the NSW Health Immunisation Unit’s vaccination page.

Previous vaccination with the pandemic influenza vaccine, Panvax® is not a barrier to also receiving the seasonal influenza vaccine.

Have a great week and remember:
"No matter what people tell you, words and ideas can change the world".

- Robin Williams

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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