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## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

8<sup>th</sup> June 2016

Motto: "Success through Endeavour"

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

13	June	2016	Queens Birthday (Public Holiday)
15	June	2016	Books in homes Book Giving Assembly
29	June	2016	SRC Crazy Hat/Hair Day
1	July	2016	Kaleidoscope Incursion
1	July	2016	Last day of Term 2
19	July	2016	First day of Term 3

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

In the next few weeks a number of changes will commence around the operation of the School, including how we accept money and payments, attendance procedures and all other administrative functions.

From Week 5, Term 3 the School will commence transitioning to these new systems and restrictions will apply to such things as uniform sales, canteen sales and all other purchases or payments to/by the School.

At the conclusion of this newsletter is a formal letter outlining some of these changes. More information will be forwarded as it becomes available. These changes are part of a state wide process updating the financial operation of all Department of Education Schools, please note, that School staff have no authority and are unable to make any variations to these processes.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused during this period where we are transitioning to these arrangements.

Our new website is now live, the link below will directly take you to all our current School information, newsletters and other vital information.

<http://www.telopea-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

Note: Please avoid using Google to search for our website as it may direct you to our old website address.

Regards

*Alan McGowen*  
School Principal

## SRC Fundraiser



The School SRC will be holding a Crazy Hat and/or Crazy Hair Day on Wednesday June 29<sup>th</sup> to raise funds for the School. Students should participate in the fun and wear a crazy hat or wear their hair different.



A \$1 gold coin donation will allow you to enter the draw to win a Smiggle stationery pack (1 winner will be chosen per class).

There will also be a special surprise entertainment in the hall for an additional \$1 gold coin donation for entry to the show.

## Donations



Winter is fast approaching and the School is in need of your help. We would like to ask for donations of boxes of tissues so students can use in their classrooms. One box per student would greatly assist the School.

## Books in Homes

We are pleased to announce that Jules Faber – an illustrator and caricature artist will be our role model guest speaker at our next Books in Homes Assembly on June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Jules won the Book of the Year at the Australian Book Industry Awards with Anh Do for the first WeirDo book in 2014.

He's won three prizes in the Rotary Cartoon Awards Best Comic Strip category, coming second in 2009 and 2010 before getting first place in 2013. To find out more about Jules Faber visit his website. <http://www.julesfaber.com/>

## Kaleidoscope Incursion

On Friday 1 July 2016, our students will partake in a Kaleidoscope Science school incursion. Years 2/3/4 and 5/6 will be participating in the Light: Colours and Reflections show. The show tells the story of light, how light is made, how it moves what happens when it meets an object and how we see it. The show includes some fun optical illusions. K/1 students will participate in The Tiny Scientists workshop. This workshop features over twenty hands-on experiments designed to engage the senses.

The Permission note and the \$10.00 fee should be returned to the School by Friday 17 June 2016. No extension will be given. The incursion is prepaid so no refunds will be offered.

Every student is required to attend, however, students who do not pay by the due date will undertake normal school activities on the day.

## Library

We are currently in the process of implementing a new library system. Students will again be able to borrow library book from next week.

Order and money for Issue No. 4 for the Scholastic Book Club is due back by Friday 17 June 2016. Please note all order and money should be given to Mrs Vasilareas during Library lessons.

## Too Sick for School

As changeable weather hits, so does illness and sickness. It's often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety's sake, if your child seems unwell you should keep them home from school and seek medical advice.



## School Counsellor

Parents who wish for their child to be seen by the school counsellor are asked to contact their child's class teacher in the first instance. Children may then be referred to our school's learning support team. Our school counsellor is available every second Monday.



## Uniform Shop

**Winter is coming – start thinking about purchasing our School Winter uniform early.**

The School uniform shop is opened on **Wednesday mornings only** between (8:30am – 10:00am). Payment can be made by cash or cheque to Telopea Public School.



## Notices

### Contact Details

Are your contact details up-to-date? Please ensure that you inform staff in the school office if your contact and emergency details have changed.

### Student absences

If your child is absent from school it is a requirement to send in to your child's teacher, an explanation note explaining the reason for their absence. This is a legal requirement by the government. All unexplained absences are held on record in our central attendance system.

### School Safety

As you may be aware, there is an increase in vehicle movement around the school due to construction work. Care is to be taken when entering and exiting the school grounds. Parents should ensure that children enter and exit the school grounds using the **pedestrian entrance** only and not the vehicle entrance.

All parents and carers are asked not to park outside the school grounds in the 'NO STANDING' areas when waiting to pick up your child, this is essential for the safety of all students. Please note if you are booked this is a matter between you and Parramatta City Council. The school has no authority over parking restrictions and penalties.

## P & C Association

The next P & C Association meeting will be held at Telopea Public School on Thursday 9 June 2016 commencing at 5.30pm.

## Canteen

A reminder that you can purchase lunches on **Tuesdays** and **Wednesdays** only. With snacks, drinks and ice creams available every day.

You will need to write your order on a paper bag and give your order and correct money to the teacher on duty on the playground on Tuesday & Wednesday mornings BEFORE 9.00am. **No orders will be taken after the bell rings at 9.00am.**

**Please ensure correct money is given, as no change can be given out as we don't have much change.** Collection of lunch orders will be at the school canteen at lunch time. If you do not supply a bag you can purchase one from the office at a cost of 10 cents per bag.

**Ice-cream and drinks** will be on sale in the Canteen every day, during the second half of lunch only.

A Price List has been attached for your convenience. Students **not** ordering lunch will need to bring lunch on these days as the school cannot provide free meals.

### **HOT FOOD**

### **PRICE**

Beef Lasagne	\$3.30 ea
Spaghetti Bolognese	\$3.30 ea
Rice Balls (Mushroom Spinach Cheese filling) (3 in a pack)	\$2.00 pr pk
Chicken Nuggets (5 in a pack)	\$3.00 pr pk
Meat Pie	\$3.00 ea
Chicken and Corn Roll	\$1.50 ea
Sausage Roll	\$2.50 ea
Sauce (Tomato)	\$0.30 ea

### **SNACKS**

On the Go Tasty Cheese & Crackers	\$1.20 ea
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### **DRINKS**

Just Juice Poppers (Apple / Paradise Punch (Tropical)	\$1.20 ea
Moove Flavoured Milk (Chocolate / Strawberry)	\$1.50 ea



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June 8, 2016

Dear Parents and Carers

Telopea Public School will transition to the new NSW Public Schools' finance system and a new bank account on **5 September 2016**.

To ensure a smooth transition, there will be changes to the way we accept payments from parents and carers.

1. **EFTPOS payments:** We will not be able to accept EFTPOS payments between **29 August** and **5 September 2016**. Please ensure that you have made any outstanding EFTPOS payments before **29 August, 2016**. From **6 September 2016**, EFTPOS payments will be accepted as before.
2. **Cash and cheque payments:** Between **31 August 2016** and **5 September 2016**, we will also not be able to accept payments by cash or cheque as we prepare to close our current bank account and transition to the new one. Please ensure that you have made any outstanding cash or cheque payments before **31 August 2016**. From **6 September 2016**, cash and cheque payments will be accepted as before.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we transition to our new finance system. If you have any questions, please contact the front office at Telopea Public School on 02 9638 1296.

Regards

*Alan McGowen*

School Principal

# **FREE HOMEWORK HELP**

## **@ Dundas Library**

### **K – Year 12**

**2nd & 4th Thursday of every month**

**5.30pm-7.00pm**

*School term only and excluding public holidays*

**NEXT SESSION :**



**Dundas Library**

**9806 5960**

**21 Sturt Street | Telopea**



**[www.parracity.nsw.gov.au/library](http://www.parracity.nsw.gov.au/library)**