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**Principal’s Desktop**

**Food Revolution with Jamie Oliver**: Last Friday 16 May, our Stage 3 classes participated in the Food Revolution with Jamie Oliver. Students learnt how to make a healthy lunch and the cause promoted healthy eating in school aged children. The students had a fantastic time. Thank you to our wonderful parent helpers who came in and supported the students and teachers.

**OC Placement**: The closing date to apply for an OC placement closed last Friday 16 May. Any parent or carer still wishing to apply for OC needs to contact the office as soon as possible.

**Parent – Teacher Interviews and Reports**: Semester 1 reports will be going home on Friday 20 June and parent – teacher interviews will be held in the last week of school commencing 23 June. More information will be sent home to families in the coming weeks.

**Tree Maintenance**: We have been informed that our tree maintenance works will be carried out this Thursday morning 22 May. Depending on the time the works are carried out, some areas of the school might be out of bounds on Thursday. We will let students know on the day which areas are restricted.
Walk Safely to School Day: This Friday 23 May the Traffic Committee and P&C will be hosting the Walk Safely to School Day. We encourage all families to support the day by walking to school, or if it is a long distance, walking part of the way to school. A BBQ breakfast will be available on the morning.

Zone Cross Country: This Thursday 22 May is our Zone Cross Country. Good luck to all the students representing Denistone East on the day.

Tania Bogdanovic, Relieving Principal

Award Recipients

Bronze Badge:

Param S (1P), Sasha M (1P), Tom B (1P), Ricky W (1P), Lucas Z (1P), Young K (2E), Sarah D (2H), Alex C (3S), Ella R (3S), Alec P (4B), Adria M (4B), Peter Z (4B), Michelle C (4B), Yitong X (4B), Thomas K (4H), Henry E (4K), Zachary C (4K), Sriram B (4M), Dillon L (4M), Trisha C (4M), Henry C (4RB), Michael T (4RB), Vanessa C (4RB), Briony K (6B), Nichole X (6K), Adina C (6K), Anaya M (6K)

SchoolBiz

PBEL Update: Congratulations to all the safe, respectful learners that earned their bronze certificate in Week 3. The PBEL focus for Week 4 is on transition areas. In particular, keeping left when walking up and down stairs. Students can use the yellow lines to help remind them to keep left so that we are being safe and respectful when moving around the school.

Renee Blue, PBEL Coordinator

Stewart House Fundraiser- May 29: Stewart House Day is in May. Schools in NSW support Stewart House as they look after kids in our state who are in need. Denistone East is having a fundraiser on Thursday May 29. This year we are selling flashing dolphins on a lanyard and flashing stretchy bubble rings – one size fits all. The dolphins are selling for $4 and rings are $3. All profits go to Stewart House.

The SRC are helping to promote and sell these. Kindergarten will be given the chance to buy in class on the morning but other students will buy at recess or lunch. There is limited stock so don’t forget!

Deb Owen and Monica Kirollos

Issue 3 Book Club is out now. Could you please have all orders to the school office by Wednesday 21 May. Please make sure that the envelope and order form is clearly named with your child’s name and class. If you have any outstanding orders or concerns from Issue 1, Term 1 then please email Chriss Roberts on christina.w.roberts@det.nsw.edu.au

Pop Top Container Collection: The Year 4 Choir need 80 empty pop top containers for their performance at the Opera House. If you have any, could you please drop them off at the school office, please ensure that they are clean and dry. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Michelle Moore 0414 381 681 chani@iinet.net.au

Friday 16 May was Food Revolution Day. Stage 3 classes showed off their culinary skills and participated in a cooking lesson led by Jamie Oliver. Students made rainbow wraps and the feedback received indicated that it was a delicious success! A big thank you to Mark and his team at Woolworths Macquarie for their support and generosity to make the day possible and a day we will all remember.

Renee Blue

Good luck to all our students participating in the Zone Cross Country this Thursday. I am sure you will make Denistone East proud, make sure you keep an eye on the school Facebook page for live updates from the carnival.
Congratulations to Michael T in 4RB. Michael has been selected into the NSW State Team Super 10s. Super 10s is designed by Tennis Australia for emerging Top Junior Tennis Athletics aged 10 years and under for each State and Territory.

Kimberly Brown, Relieving Deputy Principal

EnrichED: GATEways Workshops: Due to the fabulous response for the first round of workshops, a new round of offers for GATEways enrichment days has commenced. This time 'Maths With a Twist' for Years 4, 5 and 6, and 'History Detectives Special Investigation' for Years 1, 2 and 3 to be held across two separate venues Wenona and Oxford Falls. Expression of Interest forms are due today for nominated students and I wish them every success in being the final students to attend. Notification will be this week.

Sarah Williams, EnrichED Team

The Chinese Eisteddfod is taking place on the 24 and 31 May. A note about competition date, time and venue for individuals and groups has been sent home to all participants a few weeks ago. If you still have not received any information about your child's competition, please contact Ms Liang or Mr Treacy on 98746678. Participants for the Native Chinese individual competition will need to choose 2 poems to perform on the day and please ensure you have practised with your child at home before the competition as teachers are only training students for the group competition.

We ask you to make an effort to spare about one hour on the competition day to accompany your child to the Eisteddfod. Please arrive 30 minutes before the scheduled timeslot to register for the competition. It is appreciated that you stay until the particular session is finished (approximately 45 minutes).

Participants should wear full winter uniform with polished black school shoes. Girls should wear grey stockings and the red tag. If you have any questions about the Eisteddfod please feel free to contact us.

This weeks’ bell song Sunset Dreaming by Yothu Yindi was chosen by Ms Johnson.

Sport News

Cross Country: Congratulations to the following students who won their race at the recent School Cross Country. 8/9 Girls: Allanah B, 8/9 Boys: Harley W, 10 Year Girls: Adria M, 10 Year Boys: Thomas D, 11 Year Girls: Emma S, 11 Year Boys: Denzel S, 12/13 Year Girls: Eleanor P, 12/13 Year Boys: Jett T. Students who finished in the first 8 in each race will represent the school at the Zone Cross Country this Thursday. There will be a presentation assembly for the School Cross Country on Friday 30 May at 10.45am.

James Hutchinson and Chris Jackson

Netball: Senior A's: Denistone East played a great game against Kent Road with a final winning score of 35-2. Everyone played outstandingly but the Player of the Match was Hayley because she was consistently defending and was always calling for the ball. Elisabeth, Freya

Senior B's: Denistone East played against Melrose Park. We lost 2-29 but everyone tried hard. Harriet was Player of the Match because she always tried to get the ball from the opposition.

Junior A's: We played Kent Rd. The score was a win 6-3. Player of the Match was Ruby. Ruby

Junior B's: Today the score was a win 3-2 against Melrose Park. Player of the Match was Olivia. Bruna
**Tiger Tag:** The girls outplayed Kent Road running out winners 10-2. Irene deserves special mention for being a good sport for offering to play for Kent Road when they were short of players. The boys were evenly matched in a close tussle, the final score being 2-2. Aiden defended well and made many metres in attack. Congratulations to Shaun A who was selected to represent Ryde/Beecroft Zone in touch football.

*James Hutchinson*

**Girls Soccer:** Denistone East A played Hunters Hill A. The girls played a great game, winning 5-2. Player of the Match went to Isabella, and the Sportsmanship Award went to Bridgett. Denistone East B played Hunters Hill B, coming away with their first win of the season 3-0, with Mia and Michelle scoring the team’s first goals for the year. Player of the Match was Mia, and Ella received the Sportsmanship Award.

*Allison Kenney*

**Boys Soccer:** Junior A played Putney A. Both teams were very evenly matched and the end result was a draw 0-0. Player of the Match was Liam, and Sportsmanship went to Jeremy. Junior B played Meadowbank; great defence from both teams saw the game result in a draw 0-0. Player of the Match was Jae, and Thomas L was awarded Sportsmanship. Seniors played a great game, which saw their attacking skills un-matched by West Ryde 2, resulting in a win 4-0. Player of the Match was Sam C, and Sportsmanship was awarded to Mahan.

*Keryn Simpson*

**AFL:**

**Seniors:** The seniors’ team flexed their muscle as they took Eastwood to a devastating defeat. Final score - Denistone East 49 Eastwood 6. Harrison N received the Sportsmanship Award and Conor L the Skills Award.

**Juniors A:** Denistone juniors had a challenge on their hands from the very start and showed great skills against a strong Gladesville side. They were narrowly defeated for the first time this season. Final score - Denistone East 9 Gladesville 15. Macy K received the Sportsmanship Award and Harry H the Skills Award.

**Juniors B:** The junior B team were hungry for a win and showed no mercy with a big win. Final score - Denistone East 49 Eastwood 0. Aylin A received the Sportsmanship Award and Matt M the Skills Award.

*Chris Jackson*

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**P&C Update**

**Mother's Day Morning Tea Thank You:** Thank you to all the mums/grandmothers/carers who turned up last Thursday to celebrate Mother’s Day. We had a lovely selection of food and drinks and it was nice to see you all. Congratulations also to those mums who won a lucky draw prize, we hope you enjoy! Lastly a very big thank you to those of you who helped set up the hall and cleaned up afterwards - it was much appreciated!

**RAISE YOUR CUP** - Don't forget if you would like to donate to the Cancer Council's Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea, you can still do so at: [http://nsw.cancercouncilfundraising.org.au/denoeastpublic](http://nsw.cancercouncilfundraising.org.au/denoeastpublic)

**Chocolate Drive is coming:** Thank you to those families who handed in their opt-out letter and donation to the office. If you still want to opt out please get the letter and donation to the office asap. Delivery of the chocolate/lolly boxes will be on Monday 26 May. For those who haven't opted out, a box will be going out to the eldest child in each family on this day to be brought home and sold. An instruction letter will be sent out with each box to let you know what to do. If there are any mums or dads who could help with the delivery of the boxes or can lend the use of a hand trolley, please let me know on the email below.

*Kathleen Pedersen 0408 722 317 pandcdeps@gmail.com*
Walk Safely 2 School Day – THIS Friday May 23:

Take the Walk Safely to School Day challenge.

This Friday, 23 May, is National Walk Safely to School day – supported by the Pedestrian Council of Australia. It is an initiative that supports all kids getting out and getting active and walking to and from school. It promotes an active start to the day which is great for children’s health, confidence and their ability to focus at school as well as helping to alleviate traffic congestion in and round the school.

And yes – teachers, parents, siblings and families are all invited to join in the WALK!

Denistone East Public School is running the event from 7.15am - 8.55am.

Children are requested to wear school SPORTS uniform on the day, regardless of whether they have Friday as a designated sports day.

There will be a FREE big brekkie on the morning on offer, cereal, fruit and raisin toast as well as the BBQ. The DEPS “WS2SD” Senior Guitar Ensemble is on stage from 8am, followed by the Senior “WS2SD” Band at 8.20am!

What can you do?

- Get your children to support the event!! If they can’t walk all the way to school, then PARTWAY IS OK! Drive partway and park a couple of blocks from school and walk the difference.

- WSTSD is an app that challenges children to WALK to and from school & ties in with the National Australian event Walk Safely 2 School Day. The WS2SD app allows you to record your walk details using your phones GPS, it records the duration, distance and speed during your walk. Each walk is recorded so you can view your walking history and see the route taken plotted on a map. While waiting at the traffic lights, pause your walk and resume when you start walking again. Register and your walks will be scored based on how far you have walked! Show your friends how many Frequent Walker Points you have scored from your walks.
- Remember if your children choose to ride, please ensure your children WEAR a labeled HELMET and label their wheels. It is important to note though – this is not a designated wheels day. It is a NATIONAL WALKING initiative.

P&C Traffic Committee Jenn Clifton 0412 172 450 cliftonfam@optusnet.com.au
Walking Wednesdays: Who will be in the race to top the May Leader board?

Don’t forget to SLIP, SLOP SLAP! Active Kids = Healthy Kids.

P&C Traffic Committee

UPCOMING EVENTS at DEPS:

Friday 23 May (week 4):
- Walk Safely 2 School Day- 8.00am Guitars then 8.20am Senior Band
  ✓ Assembly K-2 9am Senior Band

Friday 6 June (week 6):
- Assembly K-2 9am Grainger String Ensemble
- Assembly 3-6 10.45am Training Band

Friday 20 June (week 8):
- Assembly K-2 9am Guitar Ensemble
- Assembly 3-6 10.45am Guitar Ensemble

Tuesday 24 June (week 9)
- Debasca performance 8am

Sunday 27 July:
- Training, Intermediate and Senior Bands music Workshop.
- 3.20 - 6.30 (rehearsal + pizza dinner) @ school.

Thursday 31 July:
- Mid-year Music Performance Night.
- All music program ensembles involved. School Hall. time tba

UPCOMING EVENTS outside DEPS:

Thursday May 22 (week 4):
- Selected Strings attend rehearsal at Croydon PS for Opera House 9.15am-1pm

Thursday 26 June:
- Opera House Strings rehearsal 12-4pm
- Performance 7-9.30pm

Sunday 10 August:
- UNSW School Band Festival- Kensington - Time tba
- (Training, Intermediate and Senior Band members all involved)

MUSIC UNIFORMS READY FOR PURCHASE: The new custom designed DEPS music polo shirt is now available for purchase cost $8 incl GST. All musicians will need to wear the uniform (polo shirt, black pants, black shoes/socks- no joggers) for official school and offsite performances. Guitars/strings/bands all need to wear the uniform. Available only from West Ryde Uniform shop, 998 Victoria Rd, West Ryde 9807 1343
Opening times: 9.30-5pm Monday to Saturday (closed Sunday)
The Training Band is seeking percussion/drum players. Get in quick as we only have 2 places available!

Cello Players needed for the Strings Ensemble – Please call Evelyn Lee 0410 439 876
denomusicpay@gmail.com

Quote of the week: Every living soul seeks kindness, love, warmth, and safety. If, through music, we can give the soul of a child one of these, this is enough reason for being. Shinichi Suzuki

Christine Pringle 0411 516 139 rdgarfield@optusnet.com.au
Rachel Yao 0420 504 308 denomusicord@gmail.com

Casual Friday Garden Club (CFGC): is on this Friday 23 May.
Meet at Kindy Corner at 3pm – 3.30pm. Come along even for 10 minutes and help us do the planting.
BYO garden gloves, drink bottle etc.
All children are required to have a parent or carer with them.

Gardening & Environment Committee

New Uniform Store: Opening every Thursday afternoon 3-4pm and Friday morning 8.30-9.30am during the term.

Second Hand Uniform Store: Term 2 Opening Hours

Located in the stand alone building behind the demountables on the Henderson St side of the school.

- Term 2: Fri 30 May, Fri 6 June and Fri 20 June - From 8.30am to 9.30am.

Canteen News

Reminder: Terms 2 and 3 are the Winter Menu. Some items are no longer available, some specials have changed days and some are only a couple of days of the week. Please check the menu before ordering.
ONLY RECESS ORDERS on FRIDAY – NO over the counter recess is available on Fridays due to time restrictions.

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Anne-Marie
Community News

**Exercise Class:** Every Friday morning during term 9:20 - 10:45 at DEBASCA. Everyone is welcome to join the stretching and toning as well as the (optional) aerobics. Please bring a towel or mat. The class is "toddler friendly". $2 contribution to the school P&C.

**'PAPER CUT AND PLASTIC ANIMATION' WORKSHOP:**
- **When:** Wednesday 9 July 2014
- **Ages:** 11 to 16 years (Bookings MUST be made by a Parent or Guardian)
- **Time:** 10.00am to 4.00pm
- **Where:** West Ryde Community Hall, 3 – 5 Anthony Road, West Ryde.
Explore a range of techniques to make short animated films using everyday technologies such as laptops, smart phones and iPads. Learn how to bring drawings, paper and found objects to life using stop motion digital animation. Music, sounds and editing can be added to the process.
The workshop focuses on making a short animation with a message about sustainability, waste or the environment utilising recycled materials. All you need to bring is a laptop, iPad or a smart phone.
**Tutor:** Craig Bunker
Craig is an experienced tutor in all forms of digital media. He is also the uncanny Bunkwaa; a Sydney based street artists and comic book maker. His iconic style can be found around Melbourne, Adelaide and the inner west scapes of Sydney.

**'YOUTH RECYCLE ART FACTORY' WORKSHOP:**
- **When:** Wednesday 2 July 2014
- **Ages:** 11 to 16 years (Bookings MUST be made by a Parent or Guardian)
- **When:** Wednesday 9 July
- **Time:** 10.00am - 4.00pm
- **Where:** West Ryde Community Hall, 3 – 5 Anthony Road, West Ryde.
Explore waste and turn trash into art and design (functional objects), by regrouping and reconnecting objects through the use of 'string'. Young people will be guided and inspired to create interesting imaginative pieces by Eco Artist and Designer Angela van Boxtel. The artist will explore a variety of cultural craft techniques including weaving, knitting, crochet, string and nail art but in unusual and unconventional ways.
**Tutor:** Angela van Boxtel
Angela is an eco-artist and designer. Her work has been presented in the Manly Arts Festival, Art in Odd Places and she has been selected for the North Sydney Art Prize. She has produced many public commissions utilising up-cycled and re-used materials.

*The City of Ryde are offering the following two FREE workshops in the school holidays. Register online at the City of Ryde website* [http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au)

**WhizzKids Workshops:** Is your child gifted, talented, intelligent, curious, creative and filled with promise? An invitation to participate in a series of innovative workshops at UTS
- **2014 Program Dates:** June 7/8, August 9/10, October 25/26
- **Cost:** $90 (+GST) per day or $165 (+GST) per weekend
- **Time:** 9.30am-3.30pm
2014 College Tours

Ryde Secondary College will be conducting College tours throughout the year as follows:

- **Wednesday 21 May**  
  - 9.00am
- **Wednesday 18 June**  
  - 3.30pm
- **Wednesday 20 August**  
  - 9.00am
- **Wednesday 17 September**  
  - 3.30pm
- **Wednesday 15 October**  
  - 9.00am
- **Wednesday 19 November**  
  - 3.30pm

Tours run for approximately an hour and a half starting from the school office. Enter via Malvina Street gate and follow the path to the office. **Please phone 9809 4894 to book.** Also please advise the office if you need to cancel your booking. Parents/Guardians and children are welcome.