



# Deer Park North Primary School Newsletter

Learning for Life

Edition 1

1 February 2019

**Be... Respectful**

Principal - Liz Balharrie

**Your Best**

Assistant Principals - Teresa Woods & Lynne Ord-Oraniuk

**Empathetic**

**Resilient**

## General Office Contact Details

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## Calendar of Events



### 2019 School Terms

#### **Term 1**

January 29 (Teachers) - April 5

#### **Term 2**

April 23 - June 28

#### **Term 3**

July 15 - September 20

#### **Term 4**

October 7 - December 20

### Student Playground

#### Supervision

The school offers yard supervision from 8.45am & after school until 3.30pm.

Children are invited to attend Breakfast Club between 8:30am and 8:50am.



**Let's Read!**

**8:50am in all classrooms.**

**Parents Welcome!**

## Message from the Principal

# WELCOME TO THE 2019 SCHOOL YEAR!

**A special welcome to our new students and staff members!** I trust that everyone had an enjoyable and relaxing holiday!

It has been an incredibly smooth start for our teachers and students. A BIG welcome to new students and of course our Foundation (Prep) students who began their primary years of today! They were very keen to meet their teachers, explore their classrooms and the playground and get to know their classmates!

On behalf of the DPN school community, I warmly welcome the following new staff members to the school:

Priscilla Patterson (Auslan), Valerie Tsiflidis (Performing Arts), Gary Laffy, Thomas Turnbull and Michelle Bartlett (Year 3/4), Maddi Cust (Year 5/6) and support staff member, Olivia Yang. They are sure to be valuable assets to our school.

### Essential Educational Items

Thank you to all those families who have been into the office to arrange payment for their child's ESSENTIAL EDUCATION ITEMS which include materials used by students in the classroom and in specialist programs e.g. Art, which are provided throughout the year. Also included is the \$10 Kitchen/Garden Program payment.

Students will receive these items for their use once payment is made at the school office. If you would like more information please contact the school office on 93634600.

**The raffle for those paying in full by Monday February 4th will be drawn on Tuesday 5th February! The winner will receive the payment credited to their child's school account.**

We can look forward to a wonderful year of learning ahead!

Kind regards, *Liz Balharrie*

### **MINDFULNESS**

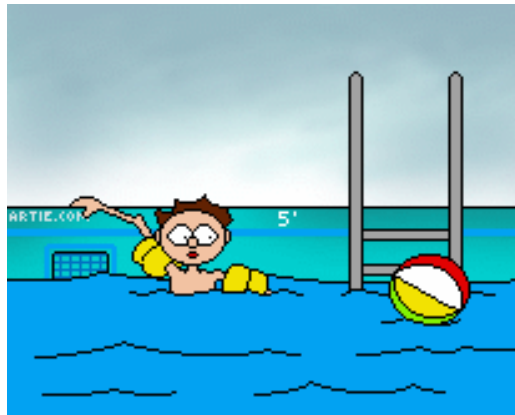
We are pleased to advise that the Lifeskills group will again be offering all children Mindfulness sessions from week 4 in Term 1 until early Term 2. Trained facilitators will lead 40 minute sessions each week. Through fundamental movement activities, games and mindfulness the program will support children to

\* Build resilience \*Practice positive relations skills \*Develop self regulation \*Increase self awareness

There is no cost attached to this program. It is part of our curriculum. We look forward to watching our children flourish with the support of skills learnt through this program.

### **SWIMMING CARNIVAL for Years 3 - 6**

The swimming carnival will be held on February 27 2019. More information will be sent home in the coming week.



Students are required to wear full school uniform each day and a school hat until April and from September each year.

Please ensure that your child's hat is labelled clearly inside the hat.