Welcome to Term 2, 2013. This term let’s give every student the best chance in life. Regular school attendance will mean that your child has a better chance in life. Your child will achieve better when they go to school all day, every school day.

As we say at Dunwich SS  
“it is not ok to stay away because we learn everyday”

There are some valid reasons for a student to be away from school and these can be located on the website below, however, parents/caregivers must let the school know the reason why their child has been absent from school within two school days of their return, Phone 3409 6333. If possible, advise the school beforehand.


This week we are posting letters to parents/caregivers where there are unexplained absences from term 1. Please complete the reason for the absence and return this to school so that our records of absences can be accurate.

The school is also supporting parents to ensure that every student is in full uniform and ready to learn. Please send a note with your student if there is a problem with being in full uniform and ask them to bring it to the office in the morning. Where possible we will assist to make sure every student is ready for the day of learning.

The ANZAC ceremony for Dunwich State School will be held on Monday 22nd April at 9am and all members of the community are encouraged to attend. It will be a memorable ceremony and special thanks go to David Christie for organising the event.

Next week we have another special event happening for the school. Joanne Acton who is an experienced school principal will visit the school to collect a range of data and information about school practices, programs and procedures in the area of teaching and learning. She will conduct interviews with staff, students, the P&C President and Elders to gather a range of perspectives on school strategies and practices. The audit will be on Wednesday 24th and Friday 26th April. The key findings will be discussed with the principal and the school staff. From this report, the executive summary and eight-page profile will be made available to parents and caregivers on the school’s web site. We are looking forward to having Joanne in our school.

We are a very proud school and certainly looking forward to term 2 bringing great learning outcomes for the students. If you have time to volunteer to assist in promoting the outcomes for the students in class or structured lunch time activities please call me and together we can make this happen, for the sake of the students.

Jenny Wilson  
PRINCIPAL
**SCIENCE—PREP STUDENTS**

Our Material World

Our Prep students are examining familiar objects in our material world. Recognising what they are made of and how they are used.

Thanks to Dale Hammant for assisting with the planting of our new lemon tree at prep

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**EVERY DAY COUNTS**

Don’t forget the importance of attending school every day!


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**YEAR ONE HISTORY LESSONS**

This term Year 1 are undertaking a History unit of work. At this moment of time, they will learn to describe the sequence of time and also develop an understanding of terms indicating the passing of time. They are also learning to identify similarities and differences in family life by comparing the past with the present. Their history lesson will be done in the museum each week with the assistance of Lisa Jackson.

The students created a “Time Talker” to create conversation regarding the past, present and future.
**FOOTY NEWS**

We played our third game yesterday. It was a difficult game against Thornlands. They got the better of us, but we played a good game and show great sportsmanship.

Thanks to Ashley for coaching us and Angela, Karen, Jessica, Danielle and Jason for being our cheer leaders.

We don’t play next week due to Districts and only have three more games before the grand finals.

We hope to see you at our next game.

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**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

**Yes We Need You**

Thank you to Sue Jenner, Elisha Iselin and Delvene Cockatoo-Collins for offering to help.

- 10th May
- 7th June
- 19th July
- 23rd August
- 6 September
- 18 October & 22 November

We still need more helpers

PLEASE CONTACT FIONA IF YOU CAN HELP

Tuckshop Blue Shop Day—Go Blue for Autism

To raise awareness and funds we are having a special BLUE SHOP Tuesday April 30th at tuckshop.

We will be selling all sorts of BLUE things.

Blue cakes, blueberry muffins, blue bracelets, blue wrist bands, blue rubber, pens etc. Bring your money—all funds going to Autism Qld

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**Year 2 Produce The Goods**

The Year 2 students have worked very hard under the guidance of Jess Scott and Anna Morgan and their team. They presented this basket of goodies to the Principal. The purple beans go green when you cook them.

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**There will be no instrumental music lessons on Tuesday 23rd April.**

Ms Ritson will be coming to conduct lessons on Monday the 29th and Tuesday 30th April to make up for missing the week before.

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**A request from the library staff**

**LIBRARY BOOK REPAIRS**

A request from the library please, if your student brings a book home from the school and it gets ripped or needs repairing, please do not use sticky tape to repair it. Please send it back to the school and it will be repaired by our library staff with the correct type of acid free tape.
FOOTBALL NEWS—Attention: all football parents and carers
There will be no game on 24/4 & 8/5
Don’t forget our Mother’s Day Raffle.
We need your donations.
Bring them to school at anytime.
Thanks Fiona

ANZAC DAY
The school will be celebrating ANZAC DAY on
22nd April at 9:00am.
Venue: The school undercover area.
All Welcome—please come along and share our
remembrances together.
The school will be marching on Thursday 25 April. We would love all students to march in full school uniform if you can.
Please meet at the Little Ships Club at 10.30 for service at 11am

Skate Event 2013
Saturday 27th April
Point Lookout Skate Bowl
Starts @ 11am - Finishes @ 4pm
Demos, Street Art Workshops, Skate Competitions
Bus pick -up & return: Dunwich 10:30am and Amity Point 10:45am
Registration forms @ Dunwich, Amity Point & Point Lookout P.o’s Forms must be completed to participate.
No helmet, no shoes, no skate!!

Redland District Primary Schools Sports will be conducting Rugby Union trials.
Trial Date: Tuesday 7th & Wednesday 8th May
Trial Venue: Bayview State School, Ziegenfusz Rd, Thornlands
Trial Time: 3.30 pm to 5.00 pm

Redland District Primary Schools Sports will be conducting Boys Softball trials.
Trial Date: Tuesday 7th & Wednesday 8th May
Trial Venue: Redlands Softball Association Fields, Ormiston
Trial Time: 3.30 pm to 5.00 pm

Redland District Primary Schools Sports will be conducting Senior Girls Softball trials.
Trial Date: Tuesday 7th & Wednesday 8th May
Trial Venue: Redlands Softball Association Fields, Ormiston
Trial Time: 3.30 pm to 5.00 pm

For more information and forms please see Mrs Dibble or Mrs Long at the office.