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## DIARY DATES

### September

Friday 25th

Team Colours Casual Day

1:40pm SVC/Terrific Kid Assembly

2:10pm Dismissal

### October

Monday 12th

PUPIL FREE DAY

Tuesday 13th

Term 4 commences

## Parent Survey

Here is the link for the annual parent survey.

This link can be accessed on Skoolbag and from our Facebook page. Your feedback would be appreciated.

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## SCHOOL VALUES

Respect Innovation Courage Excellence Responsibility

### From the Principal

Dear Paradise Families,

I would like to thank the school community for supporting our first Student Showcase event. It was a fantastic opportunity for our students to share their learning when presented with the topic "In the Dark". I am extremely proud of our students and staff who worked so hard to make the evening a successful event. We were honoured to have Diane Jackson our Education Director visit our Showcase. Diane forwarded the following email to all staff the next day. I shared our fantastic night with our partnership at a Deep Learning meeting on Thursday. Staff have already dived into Deep Learning planning for Term 4.

*Dear Staff of Paradise PS,*

*Re: Student Showcase*

*Last evening was a huge success to have 61 of 66 families participate in the New Pedagogies for Deep Learning "In the Dark" showcase event. Bringing parents and students together to celebrate learning is very powerful and purposeful to supporting your SIP goals. This school-community celebration was a culminating event where the students demonstrated learning of the curriculum while developing and applying their Collaboration skills (one of the 6 C's) set out to making learning highly engaging, meaningful and visible.*

*I am so impressed, not only with the student work I observed, but also the staff collaboration, commitment and high level of professional engagement.*

*Bravo Paradise!!*

*Diane*

One of the global competencies we are teaching our students during our Deep Learning time is citizenship. I was very proud to have received the email below about 2 Paradise students who have demonstrated this competency.

*Dear Principal,*

*I would just like to acknowledge two of your 6 students...Kyla and Avnoor who stopped on their way to school because they saw my 2 precious dogs running in my street on their way to school. (Thorndon Crescent)*

*I was inside and did not even know the dogs (Rocky and Buster) were out (They have never got out before).*

*With my neighbour, the girls raised the alarm and came to the door with one of my dogs. The other had already sneaked back in!*

*The two girls were concerned that they would be late for school, but I just wanted to pass on to you and their families how grateful I am that they made the choice to do something, rather than nothing, when they saw my dogs.*

*They have done a wonderful act of community service.*

*Kind Regards, Michelle*

Staff have decided that next year our school awards should move from the current focus of Play Is the Way to awards for students demonstrating one of the 6 Global Competencies.

The brighter weather and less constraining COVID restrictions will see Lee Anne back in our garden next term. We look forward to having Friday cooking lessons again using produce from the garden. I would also like to arrange a Working Bee if possible early in term 4, preferably before the hot weather sneaks up on us.

Whilst COVID-19 restrictions have lifted slightly unfortunately a number of usual events planned for Term 4 need to be modified. We are lucky at Paradise PS due to our small student numbers that we are still able to run these events. Many sites have had to cancel all events for this year.

**Sports Day:** There will be no sporting events that require all of our spectators to group together. Sprints and relays will be held on Thursday without spectators. Therefore, Sports Day for 2020 will be a half day event. More Sports Day information will be sent home soon.

**End of Year Concert:** This will be a daytime event with a Junior Primary time slot and a Primary time slot.

**Graduation:** This will be open to families of our Year 7 Graduates only. Sue and I are currently looking at venues that enable us to hold the ceremony and celebration in one spot.

Whole school camp has been booked for June 2021 and a deposit has been paid. We are very excited about this opportunity and aim to get as many students as possible to attend. Therefore, we will use Colour Run fundraising to subsidise camp costs.

Swimming was a great success and general feedback was that The ARC will be our preferred venue for 2021. We will definitely try and re-book there for next year.

Last Friday's Pupil Free Day staff participated in professional development around Learner Agency. This supports our Deep Learning pedagogy. We will continue developing our knowledge and planning our student's learning on our next Pupil Free Day on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October.

Don't forget Paradise 4 Kids will close at the end of the term. All vacation and out of school hours' care will be at Happy Haven Charles Campbell College. Please see Cherie for any further information around this service. I would like to say a big thank you to Ben, Cherie, Paris and all staff who supported our OSHC and Vacation Care service to get us through the last two terms.

I would like to wish everyone a safe holiday break. Enjoy stepping out of routine for a couple of weeks.

Karyn Alford

# B3 Learning

Over the past few weeks in B3 we were very busy preparing for our Showcase. The class worked extremely hard throughout the term and I was very proud of their finished products.

In Maths we have just finished learning about Two Dimensional and Three Dimensional shapes. We concluded this topic with a scavenger hunt where we explored the school trying to find objects that look like certain shapes.



## Learning in G5

During the morning activities G5 have really used their careful hands to balance the foam blocks. We have used our collaboration skills to come up with solutions to get the blocks to stand. Some students used shapes to create interesting pictures.



## B4 In The Dark



On the night of the Showcase we thought that the classrooms all did a magnificent job. We liked B4's dioramas. B2's 'The Deep Sea' setting, B3's look 'In the Darkness' and we loved the Green Unit's ideas and how they presented them. We saw how much effort every class put in and we all should feel so proud. **Pridhi, Shawnveer and Miss Emily.**

## G6 in the Dark

Showcase was a great success. Everyone in G6 wants to thank their families for coming to support our learning.

We worked hard working collaboratively to create art works, experiments and displays. We had to use our resilience and problem solving skills to fact find, display learning and work harmoniously. Our learning lead us to the Planetarium at Mawson Lakes which sparked our interests even more. When the lights went out our learning really showed. We talked our families through the night and even enjoyed exploring other students learning.

We cannot wait to start planning and brainstorming for next terms deep learning.



## B2 In the Dark—The Deep Sea

As part of our Deep Learning, this term, B2 investigated the creatures of the deep and how they survive in such a challenging environment. Students worked collaboratively to research different creatures, explore what it would be like to live on a submarine and sought answers to questions such as is it possible for humans to get down to these depths and what the most dangerous deep sea creature is.



# PE WEEK

At Paradise, PE Week is traditionally held in Week 3 of Term 4. This year, PE Week will also incorporate our Sports Day, which we were unable to hold in Term 1 although Sports Day will be organised differently to previous years due to current COVID restrictions. On Thursday, the students will participate in relays and sprints without parent spectators. On Friday, parents will be able to attend. The day will include health hustle and team chants followed by class tabloid events. Sports Day will conclude at around 12:30pm with the announcing of the winning team. After lunch, students will return to classrooms.

Our PE Week activities include:

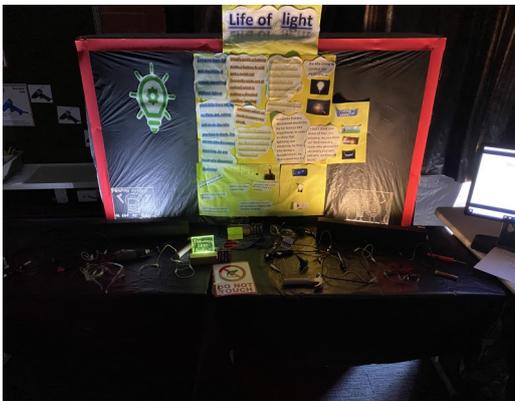
<u>MONDAY 26 October</u>	Rock Climbing Wall
<u>TUESDAY 27 October</u>	Casual Day, Karate and Disco 1:45-3:00pm
<u>WEDNESDAY 28 October</u>	Picnic lunch at Thorndon Park followed by Colour Run at 2:30pm
<u>THURSDAY 29 October</u>	Sports Day part 1
<u>FRIDAY 30 October</u>	Sports Day part 2 – students come dressed in team colours and parents may attend. Includes optional doughnuts and SUBWAY Special lunch

Information about PE Week will be sent home on Monday September 21. Please remember to return the signed consent form and compulsory \$10 payment per student by **Wednesday October 21**. Food orders also need to be paid by this date. Please note that Sports Day doughnut and SUBWAY orders paid for in term 1 will be valid for next term. Please check with class teachers or the front office if you are unsure of your orders.

Sue Retallick

## ***Deep Learning with Mr Alex***

During deep learning not only did students develop collaboration skills but also were able to learn new skills including the use of tools such as hammers, engravers, and hot glue guns! Students loved this hands-on style!



During PE Week- Wednesday 28th of October



**GET READY FOR  
A BLAST OF COLOUR!**

Indic Language (Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Nepali, Punjabi, Urdu) classes at Paradise in 2021. If you are interested in your child taking up this opportunity, please register your interest with Cherie at the front office.