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DEVON MEADOWS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Brendan McDonough - Principal Report

FORWARD DATES

SCHOOL ENGAGEMENT

I have been so impressed with the work ethic, behaviour and manners of our students so far this year. Every classroom that I enter has a calm atmosphere and is full of happy, smiling children who are always engaged in their learning.

Like any school there will always be the occasional issue that arises. Generally, the first point of call is with your child's teacher. If they for some reason cannot sort out the issue, I am always available for a chat. It is always best to book a meeting with myself and/or Mr. McCarrick as school can be an extremely busy place.

CURRICULUM DAY

This Friday the 19th of March is a pupil free day. The staff are working on how to best use assessment to plan more effectively to cater for individual student learning needs. The second half of the session will be devoted to Student Voice and Aspiration.

SCHOOL COUNCIL 2021

Congratulations to Kitacha Callander, Sallie Linder, Laura Coomber and Amber Hills who have been nominated for School Council for 2021. There were four positions vacant and four nominations. I am looking forward to working closely with the School Council in 2021 after an interrupted year last year.

PARENT'S ASSOCIATION NEWS

Parent's Association is up and running in 2021! Tomorrow is our Pizza Day. The Colour Run is taking place on Friday the 26th of March on the oval at 2:30pm. Students need to bring a white shirt in their bag to change into at lunch time.

All ticket sales and donations for the Easter Raffle must be in by Wednesday the 24th of March. The Easter Draw will be done over the P.A. system on Monday the 29th of March.

Term 1

Pizza Day	17th Mar
Clean Up Australia Day at DMPS	18th Mar
Curriculum Day	19th Mar
School Council	24th Mar
Colour Explosion School Fun Run	26th Mar
DMPS Working Bee	28th Mar
Easter Raffle	29th Mar
House Athletics	30th Mar
Term 1 Ends 2:30pm Finish	1st Apr

Book Club LOOP

PLACE YOUR ORDER



DON'T FORGET!



SCHOLASTIC
Book Club
orders are due:
Friday 19th March

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FREE DRESS DAY

Tomorrow is a 'Free Dress Day' organised by our Junior Representative Council. Students are asked to dress as what they want to be when they grow up. Students are to bring a gold coin donation which will be going towards the construction of a Gaga Ball Pit.



ASSEMBLY

Assembly has been taking place in the form of sub-school assemblies. These have been very successful. Thanks to Mr. McCarrick who has been running these whilst I was on the Senior School excursion and other commitments.

SCHOOL WORKING BEE

Our first Working Bee for over 12 months is taking place on Sunday the 28th of March from 8am-12:00pm. This will be followed by a sausage sizzle. So far we have had an excellent response to this day. Forms can be found on Compass and returned to the office so that we know how many people to cater for. I'm looking forward to seeing as many families as possible on this day.

Brendan McDonough
Principal



Environment Leaders SEAL ROCK EXCURSION

On Wednesday 10th of March, the Environment Leaders (Dominic, Connor, Lacey and Noah) arrived at Stoney Point Pier. We were lucky to be driven by the wonderful Mrs Sibly to the Wildlife Coast Cruiser, which was waiting at the end of the pier to be boarded. We met up with the other schools before venturing on board the boat. The crew informed us about life jackets and safety while on the boat.

After settling in, we split up. Dominic and Connor went to the front of the boat, and Noah ventured to the top of the boat. Lacey and Mrs Sibly were unable to be convinced to move from their seats. Once the boat began moving, Connor and Dominic stayed at the front of the boat for about 2 minutes before going to the back of the boat. About 45 minutes passed and we finally arrived at Seal Rock. At first we couldn't see much, but without a doubt, before long we could see a menagerie of seals.

After a little bit of time a couple of curious seals came to check out the boat. We learnt about their diet and how they lived on the rock. It was fascinating to watch them dive and play in the water. It was such a great experience to learn about the seals habitat and how it is important for us to protect it and keep the ocean clean.

Written by: Environment Leaders



DMPS Working Bee



On **Sunday 28th March** from **8am to 12noon** we are holding a working bee at school and we need as many helpers as possible. As the saying goes, 'many hands make light work', so we really need our school community to help out for just a few hours if you are available. At the conclusion of the working bee, the environment committee will be putting on a sausage sizzle for all our hard working volunteers.

Cardio Tennis Classes @ Devon Meadows Tennis Club

What: Cardio Tennis is a fun tennis workout for all ages and skill levels of adults.

When: Tuesday 9:30-10:30am starting 16th March 2021

Where: Devon Meadows Tennis Club

Ages: 18 plus

FREE: Free trial for the first class for players who think they will be keen on continuing the program

Cost: \$20 per lesson per player
Bookings Essential

Contact: Jon Herrmann on
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Tennis Australia Club Professional Coach



Moonlit Sanctuary KEEPER CLUB

Go wild these school holidays!

If you have some junior wildlife lovers looking for fun over the holidays, check out our Keepers Club holiday program.

In a day full of fun hands-on activities, they will get up close to many animals including dingoes and pythons and learn how their keepers work to keep them happy and healthy.

Places are limited so book early and make your junior keeper's day!
For ages 7-14. Cost: \$90



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AGES 3 to 93

Teddy Bear Tennis (3-5 year olds)

- Fun program during the morning or afternoon for 30 minutes
- Modified balls, racquets and nets are used so your children can start tennis at this young age

Hot Shots (5-12)

- A program where your children are able to progress from smaller sized courts to full sized courts
- Modified balls, racquets, nets and courts are used to progress your children and prepare them for competition

Junior Squad (10-18)

- Beginners to intermediate
- Children who are ready to play on the standard court, ready to play competition and want to progress their game to the next level.

Academy (10- 18)

- For advanced players who participate in tournaments.
- Players who are looking to improve their fitness as well as technique.

Private Lessons (all ages)

- For anyone who wants more technical and tactical help to lift their game to the next level.

Cardio Tennis (adults)

- For players looking to keep fit, have fun and socialise.

Hot Shots Match Play (5-12)

- For players who want to experience what it is like to play a real match

Location

- Devon Meadows Tennis Club
Corner of Browns Rd and Cross Rd,
Devon Meadows 3977



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TUESDAY 30TH MARCH

6:30PM

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Commitment to Child Safety

Devon Meadows Primary School is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. This will be the primary focus of our care and decision-making. Devon Meadows has zero tolerance for child abuse and is committed to providing a child safe environment where children and young people are safe and feel safe, and their voices are heard about decisions that affect their lives.

Mount Erin College OPEN NIGHT

Tuesday 30th March 2021

5pm - 7pm

Tours will be held at
5.00pm or 5.45pm

Bookings can be made
via the website or office

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BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL



Learning is our priority



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