### Dates to Note:

- **Wed 2nd March**
  - Galston High Open Day
- **Fri 4th March**
  - Final Camp payment due
- **Fri 4th March**
  - Hot Cross Bun order due
- **Mon 7th March**
  - Zone Swimming Carnival
- **Tues 8th March**
  - Colonial Day
- **Thurs 10th Mar**
  - Selective schools testing
- **March 21st**
  - Harmony Day activities
- **Wed 23rd March**
  - Learning To Lead
- **Thurs 24th Mar**
  - K-6 Squash session
  
### Colonial Day:

On Tuesday 8th March we will have a visit from “The Journey-men” who will spend the day with us presenting three educational shows bringing Australian History to life. We ask that families dress their children in period costume (colonial clothing) for this fun day of learning. We will be sharing this event with Hillside Public School who will also be dressing up for the occasion. Notes were sent home a while ago. If you have overlooked this note and payment please contact the office to remedy the situation.

### Parent Information Morning:

We have organized a morning where our teaching staff can share with our parents the many programs and happenings that make up this wonderful school. During this time our students are undertaking their scripture lessons, freeing us up to deliver the information you may be seeking. Of course, you will also be treated to morning tea afterwards.

### POP!:

Parent Online Payment is now available at our school. This service will only be for school-based activities such as excursions, text book payments etc, but not for P&C items such as uniforms or canteen or the Colonial Day. Information has been sent home already. If anyone did not receive this information, it is available from Lyndon in the front office.

### Text Book Payments:

With today’s newsletter you will find a summary of text book fees for your child’s particular grade. Payments can be made through our new POP system located on our school website or through the usual processes. We hope to recover these expended funds as soon as possible. Anyone experiencing any difficulty with payment, please do not hesitate to contact either Lyndon or myself.

### Squash:

Students in Yrs 3-6 commenced Squash lessons for Sports last week and reported a fun session. It is on again this week! Friday 11th March will see our 3-6 students catch a bus with Hillside students to Dural Squash courts to enjoy an hour of Squash together in their wonderful facilities. A special session for our K-2 students has been organized for March 24th.

### Zone Swimming:

Four of our students have been selected to represent our school at this event held at Homebush. Jack, Jeslyn, Deanna and Hudson will be representing Middle Dural in the Small Schools Relay on Monday 7th March. We wish our students well and thank Deidre for being our team manager.

### Selective Schools Testing:

Students who previously applied to sit this selective schools test for High School in 2017 will be required to attend Cherrybrook Technology High School on Thursday 10th March from 9:00am until 1:30 after which they will return to school. Good luck to these students.

### P&C Meeting:

Please note the change of day for our P&C meetings. Our meetings are held in the school library now on the second Monday of the month at 7pm. We hope that this change in days may result in increased attendance numbers.
Hot Cross Bun Orders

are due by this Friday 4th March. Thank you for your support with this venture.

Hills Hawks Soccer

Hills Hawks soccer are looking for two more players to field the under 8’s team. Please contact Steven Sukkar (Isaac’s stepfather) if you are interested.

Parent Information

Middle Dural School Library

9:00AM—10:00AM
MORNING TEA PROVIDED
WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

Our P&C will be meeting on

Monday 14th March at 7:00pm

in the school library.
These meetings are short, fun and best of all ..... PRODUCTIVE!!!

We would love you to join us to help keep this school the amazing place it is and to ensure your children gain the benefits that previous years have been able to experience through the many efforts of P&C participation and guidance.

We have found that enormous tasks have fallen on but a few. It’s time we all shared the load a little.

Why not come along to be a voice to be heard. Share your thoughts. Maybe offer some assistance in some small way. We would really enjoy your company.

An important reminder to parents that if you have any concerns at all regarding your child, their work or an issue with another child in the school, we ask that you please speak to the class teacher to clarify the situation. Sometimes things are not quite as they seem.

Do remember that in a small school, teachers are extremely busy, covering anything from 2 to 4 duties a day as well as preparation and marking. It may be, therefore, better to make an appointment to ensure satisfaction all round.

Ann Mills
Principal
Middle Dural PS