

# Daceyville Newsletter

## Term 1 Week 3

### Dates for the diary

18 February	School Tour @ 9:30am
20 February	PSSA Sport Round 1
	P@C Back to School meeting 3:30pm in the school hall
25 February	Create our School Vision after school workshop for staff and parents and carers 3:30pm-4:30pm
27 February	PSSA Sport Round 2



### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### THE FORTNIGHT IN PHOTOS

Dear families,

As we step into the new school year, I want to warmly welcome all our students and families back to Daceyville. It's only been 9 days, but it feels like the term is well underway. It's a fresh start filled with possibility, and I'm excited about the adventures in learning and growth that lie ahead. For families joining us for the first time, we're so pleased to have you as part of our school community.

Thank you to everyone who came along to support our swimming carnival - it was fantastic to see our wonderful school spirit on display and students put in 100% in the pool. A big thank you as well to all who attended yesterday's Meet the Teacher Afternoon. These connections between home and school are so important, and your involvement helps us create the best environment for our students to flourish.

As we look ahead, there are a couple of exciting events to note:

- We'll soon be hosting our **Create Our School Vision Round Table Workshops**. This will be a fantastic opportunity to come together, share ideas, and help shape the future direction of DPS. Please find the details on the flyer in this newsletter
- This term, we're trialling a Community Working Bee on a Friday afternoon instead of the weekend. We hope this change will make it easier for families to participate and contribute to caring for our school environment. More information about dates and activities will be coming your way shortly.

I'm inspired by the enthusiasm and commitment from our students, staff, and families as we embark on another year of learning and partnership. Thank you for being part of great start - together we will make 2026 a productive and memorable year.

Warm regards,  
Sally Ann Mullane  
Principal

# Swimming Carnival highlights!





# Spotlight on..... Wattle 2026



Wattle students are settling well into life at Daceyville Public School! They have been busy learning classroom routines, getting to know their teachers and classmates, and exploring their new learning spaces. An important focus has been learning about our school values of safety, respect, and lifelong learning, which students are already beginning to demonstrate in their daily activities. With lots of smiles, stories, and hands-on learning, confidence is growing, friendships are forming, and enthusiasm for school is shining through. Well done Wattle! We are so excited to watch you grow this year!



# After school activities @ DPS

Daceyville is pleased to offer a range of after-school activities available through external providers, designed to enrich our students' experiences beyond the school day. These programs nurture new skills and interests while bringing students and the wider community together in positive and engaging ways, supporting overall wellbeing and growth. We encourage all families to explore these opportunities and discover the many benefits they can add to your child's educational experience. Please refer to the flyers at the end of the newsletter for contact details.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Randwick Physie and Dance From 4:15pm</p>	<p>Irish Dancing From 4:00pm</p>	<p>Randwick Physie and Dance From 6:00pm</p>	<p>Randwick Physie and Dance From 4:00pm</p>	<p>VIP music keyboard 8:00am-9:00am</p> <p>Judo From 4:00pm</p>

## Take care when using socials

Posting your child's photos on social media in uniform? Know why you should not.

The [Australian Federal Police \(AFP\)](#) offers the following advice to stay smart and safe when sharing kids' photos on our social media.

### Top tips for families

- **Who can see your photos?** Check your social media privacy settings. Limit the personal information being shared, especially if you are posting photos or videos of your child that contain identifying factors such as school uniforms.
- **Hide identifying factors in photos.** Blur or obscure any identifying factor such as the school emblem on uniforms, your child's name and their school.
- **What's in the background?** Ensure the background of photos or videos doesn't give away your address or location – avoid posting your location or 'checking in'.
- **Be selective.** Only share images of your children with people you know in person and trust.
- **Don't post without asking!** You may have the best snap with your child and their friend, but before you post it, make sure you have their parent or carer's permission.

## Ask yourself-how much information are my posts giving away?

### Remember to HALT

1. Hide personal details. Consider if you're posting personal information about yourself or others that could be misused
2. Adjust your settings. Regularly review privacy and security settings – platforms often update them with minimal disclosure
3. Limit location sharing. Skip tagging where you are – geotags can reveal your routines and whereabouts
4. Trust only real connections. Only accept friend or connection requests from people you know. If you wouldn't talk to them in person, should they have access to your life online?

# Join us to Shape the Future of Our School!

We warmly invite you to come together with our staff and parents and carers for an exciting opportunity to help create our School Excellence Plan 2026-2029. Your voice matters, and we want to hear from as many families as possible! This event promises to be a positive and enjoyable experience - a chance to connect with our school community, share your ideas, and play a vital role in shaping the vision that will guide our school's future. Let's work together to make a difference! We can't wait to see you there. Please register using the link on the flyer below.

 **DACEYVILLE  
PUBLIC  
SCHOOL**

## CREATE OUR SCHOOL VISION

We warmly invite all parents and carers to participate in a special Round Table Session to work with our staff in shaping the future of our school.

Together, we will co-create our vision for the School Excellence Plan 2026-2029 — a vision that reflects the voices and perspectives of our entire school community.

*Join Us!* **When: Wednesday 25 February**  
**Time: 3:30 pm-4:30 pm**  
**Where: In the school hall**

We want to hear from you! Let's work together to create a bright future for our school community!

Please let us know you are attending using [this link](#) or the QR code!



**Child care available!**

# Parenting course at DPS on Tuesdays



9349 8200  
www.jnc.org.au

## BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS

Bringing Up Great Kids focuses on building positive and nurturing relationships between parents and their children. The program aims to support parents to review and enhance their patterns of communication with their children, to promote more respectful interactions and encourage the development of their children's positive self-identity.

- ✓ Meet other parents
- ✓ Discover new parenting tips
- ✓ Learn more about local services

**6 WEEK PROGRAM**  
**TUESDAYS 10:30AM-12:30PM**  
**10 FEBRUARY - 17 MARCH**  
**DACEYVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL**



SCAN TO BOOK TODAY!



2026 Principal's awards coming soon!



## Selective high school and opportunity class applications for 2027 are open from 6 November 2025 to 20 February 2026

Applications are now open for selective high school and OC placements in 2027. Applications close on Friday 20 February 2026. More information about the classes and the application process is available by following the link below.

**Selective high school Year 7 entry in 2027:** Apply when your child is at the end of Year 5 or the beginning of Year 6.

**Opportunity class Year 5 entry in 2027:** Apply when your child is at the end of Year 3 or the beginning of Year 4.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/schooling/parents-and-carers/choosing-a-school-setting/selective-high-schools/what-are-selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes->

If you have any questions or require any assistance, please contact the school office.

### Term 4 K-6 Assembly @2.20 pm

Families are welcome to join us in the School Hall.

Week and Date		Presenting
Week 4	Friday 20 February	Student leader and school coir
Week 6	Friday 6 March	Tea Tree
Week 8	Friday 20 March	Scribbly Gum



# DACEYVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

## Enrolling Now

### School Tours

Wednesday, 18 February - 9:30am

Thursday, 5 March - 9:30am

Thursday, 2 April - 2:10pm

Tuesday, 5 May - 9:30am

### Information Evening

Tuesday, 12 May - 6:30pm



02 9349 1211



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Joffre Crescent, Daceyville NSW 2032

# Join the Daceyville Band in 2026

**WE'RE IN OUR BAND ERA!**

"I love band because of the friends I've made and the music we play!"

CHOOSE YOUR FAVOURITE THREE:

- ♪ Flute
- ♪ Clarinet
- ♪ Saxophone
- ♪ Trumpet
- ♪ Trombone
- ♪ Low Brass
- ♪ Bass Guitar
- ♪ Percussion/Drums
- ♪ Glockenspiel



**A PROVEN PATHWAY TO LEARNING, CONFIDENCE, AND GROWTH**

## THE PROGRAM

Music isn't just fun, it helps kids grow. Through School Bands Australia, students learn teamwork, focus, discipline, and creativity, all while doing something they love.

Our program has been inspiring young musicians for 10 years, helping thousands of students develop lifelong skills and friendships. SBA's method is based on teaching the fundamentals of music through practical examples, visualisations, and performance.

**Joining is completely risk-free.** Simply scan the QR code, have your child select their top three instruments, then complete the quick form on the "Sign-Up" page. Once submitted, you'll receive an email with everything you need to get started.

## WHY JOIN?

- Music education activates both sides of the brain, enhancing math, language, and problem-solving skills.
- CONFIDENT** Playing an instrument nurtures self-discipline and a sense of accomplishment.
- Students get to collaborate, make friends, and share musical achievements together.
- Music gives students a creative outlet to express themselves and explore their individuality.

*Enrolments are simply an expression of interest and are risk-free.*



[schoolbands.com.au](http://schoolbands.com.au)



Learn Music at School

**ENROL NOW FOR 2026**

**MUSIC KEYBOARD LESSONS**

AT DACEYVILLE PS  
(FRIDAY 8-8.45AM)

**IDEAL FOR BEGINNER!**

- ✓ Fun 45-min weekly lessons in small groups
- ✓ Instrument not required initially
- ✓ \$35 per session, following school term

**Music helps build confidence, focus, creativity and it is a lot of fun too!**

**CREATIVE KIDS PRODUCE**

(02) 9411 3122 [www.LearnMusicAtSchool.com.au](http://www.LearnMusicAtSchool.com.au)

VIP Music (Est. 1984)

**B FCC Botany Family & Children's Centre**

JOIN US FOR

**PLAYGROUP @ DACEYVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL**

Mondays during school term  
9.30am - 11.00am  
Ages 0-5

Located in the school hall  
Enter from Joffre Crescent (Gate 1)

**MORE INFO**  
call: 9666 5047  
[www.bfcc.org.au](http://www.bfcc.org.au)



## Randwick High School OPEN NIGHT 2026

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Open Night 2026!**

 Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2026

 4:30 - 6:30pm

 RHS School Hall (South)  
Rainbow St entrance



Avoca St, Randwick NSW, 2031  
randwick-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au



## SOUTH SYDNEY HIGH SCHOOL OPEN DAY 2026

TUESDAY 3 MARCH, 4-6:30PM

- Meet the principal
- Meet our team of teachers
- Take a tour and explore our facilities
- Learn about our Enrichment Program

[sthsydney-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:sthsydney-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

**ENTERTAINMENT | Q&A | FOOD & BEVERAGES**



## JJ CAHILL MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL OPEN NIGHT

**GET TO KNOW YOUR NEW SCHOOL!**

Join us to meet the principal and staff, participate in student-led school tours, and receive a showbag for Year 6 students. BBQ will be provided

**4PM - 7PM  
MONDAY 2 MARCH  
2026**

A: 85 Sutherland Street, MASCOT, 2020  
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P: 9669 5118

HONOUR - EXCELLENCE - RESPONSIBILITY - OPPORTUNITY



## MATRAVILLE SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL

### 2026 OPEN NIGHT

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026  
4 - 6pm

Come along and enjoy a school tour, Principal's address, classroom demonstrations and light refreshments.

Find out about the school's: Selective class structure, Talented Sports Program, excellent facilities and student well-being initiatives.

**Corner of Burke & Franklin St, Chifley**

Morning tea provided



Join our group



## JNC'S WOMEN'S SPACE

A place for all girls and women to come and have a yarn, make new friends, seek support and learn creative, therapeutic and cultural activities.

Run by JNC female identifying and Aboriginal staff  
All female identifying and non-binary folk welcome.

Every other Friday | 10am-11:30am  
Hope Uniting Church (Back Hall)  
829 Anzac Parade, Maroubra Junction, 2035

For more information or to register, please call JNC on 9349 8200

ENQUIRE & BOOK  9349 8200  [contact@jnc.org.au](mailto:contact@jnc.org.au)



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### CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Daceyville Public School is held on Tuesdays from 11:10am to 12:00pm, starting on 10 February 2026.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

Each student in the Chess program will also receive access to Chess Squad <https://www.chesssquad.com/> which is an online teaching/playing platform.

If your child is interested in taking part in the class, please email [office.sydneyacademy@gmail.com](mailto:office.sydneyacademy@gmail.com) for an enrolment form. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.