



WEST NEWS

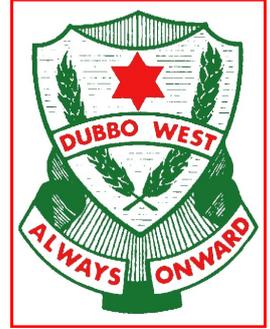
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Wednesday 15th October 2014

Message from the Principal

Welcome back to Term 4 at Dubbo West Public School. As I write this, Angel Brown is on her way to compete in the 100 metres at State Athletics in Homebush Bay. We wish her all the best and I am sure that she will represent our school with pride.

Over the last couple of weeks of Term 3, students from Dubbo West again proved themselves to be amongst the very best students in the State. Simon Ramirez was successful in winning the Senior section of the Regional Spelling Bee and will compete at State level in November.

Sathmi Herath, Brooke Pilcher and Harry Kater represented the school in trials for the State debating team. Brooke and Sathmi competed until the final rounds with Harry being chosen as first reserve for the team.

Whether it be on the sporting field, or in academic areas, students from Dubbo West continually prove themselves to be competitive and display excellent sportsmanship and I congratulate all of these students and wish them the best in their upcoming endeavours.

Orientation days have now been set for Kindergarten and Preschool. If you have a child who would be eligible to enrol for next year or if you know someone who has not yet enrolled their child, we request that

they please contact the school as soon as possible.

We have added a new section to our newsletter this week as we focus on a different area of the school to let people know the many wonderful and supportive programs offered here at Dubbo West. Today we focus on the Schools as Community Centre and the many significant programs which are run through the centre.

Parents of preschool children should be aware that assessment and rating of the preschool will be undertaken next week. Ms Leslie Kirkpatrick will be visiting and working with the preschool staff and children on Monday, Tuesday and possibly Wednesday of next week.

Mrs Janette Read has been successful in her application to relieve in the position of Learning and Engagement Officer for the region for the rest of this year. We wish Janette well in her new position. During Janette's absence, Mrs Pam Memorey will be relieving as Assistant Principal for Stage 2. In addition, Ms Amanda Thorpe is on leave with a broken ankle. At this point we are not sure when she will return but wish her a speedy recovery. Mr Colley will be taking 5/6 T during her absence and Mrs Lea Harris has taken on the role of Relieving Assistant Principal.

Regards
Eileen Day

Principal

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 23rd October

Primary Assembly 12:50pm

Friday 24th October

*P - 2 Assembly 10:40am
Primary Hall

*AFL Clinic - Primary

Thursday 13th November

Primary Assembly 12:50pm

Friday 14th November

P - 2 Assembly 10:40am
Primary Hall

Monday 24th November to

Thursday 27th November

Kinder 2015 Orientation

Wednesday 3rd December

*Preschool 2015 Orientation
*Yr 6 - Yr 7 Orientation

Thursday 4th December

Primary Assembly 12:50pm

Friday 5th December

Infants Concert

Tuesday 9th December

Presentation Day

Thursday 11th December

Year 6 Farewell.



ACCEPTING ENROLMENTS 2015 FOR KINDERGARTEN AND PRESCHOOL NOW

A MESSAGE FROM MRS MCKINNON

A very warm welcome back for the final term of the year. We have had a number of new students enrolling at Dubbo West. We hope you enjoy being with us.

Puppet Show – Some talented students from Delroy Campus paid us a visit yesterday to perform puppet shows which they had written as part of their Drama studies. Our students thoroughly enjoyed the performances. A big thank you to all concerned and to their teacher Deborah Dawson for organising the entertaining performance.

Enrolments for 2015 – Please make sure that you make neighbours, friends and family members aware of the need to enrol students promptly for next year’s Kindergarten and Preschool. Orientation will be taking place during Week 8 for Kinder students and Week 9 for Preschool students, so we need to have enrolments completed by then, so students and parents do not miss this worthwhile experience. Spread the word!

Assembly- The next P-2 assembly will be held next Friday, 24th October at 10:40 am in the Primary Hall. Kinder Yellow will be performing an item for our enjoyment. Please come and join us on this occasion.

Hats – Please ensure that your children are wearing hats to school now that the warmer weather has arrived. Green school hats are preferable, as they complement the school uniform. As part of the school **Sunsmart** policy, students not wearing hats will be asked to play in a shaded area for their own protection from the sun.



CANTEEN NEWS

Welcome back, I hope you all had a relaxing holiday. Please find with this newsletter, our new summer menu for this term. You will find we have cut back on hot food choices as we need the extra freezer space to keep up with the demands of ice creams.

Please call in and see us if your child has any food allergies or special dietary needs that we may be able to assist you with.

Please try and get all orders in and purchase fruit for fruit break before the bell so we can get all lunch orders out on time.

Thank you
Jenny Ford
Canteen Manager



DUBBO WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL

\$15.00 Portrait Fundraiser

When: 15th November 2014

Cost: \$15.00

This is a great fundraiser for our School. A lovely Christmas present for parents, grandparents or other family members.

Your children do not have to be students at this school.

For more information and bookings please ring Leah 0400 660 122



READ-A-LONG - LAST TERM AT INFANTS



PBL AWARDS

PRINCIPAL AWARDS

Layla Morris

Sathmi Herath

I AM COOPERATIVE

Claire Gorton, Jamayla Gibbs,
Hayden Fearne, Jacob Fairbanks,
Carlyn Smith, Mahailee Gordon,
Ashleigh Jones, Kaley Bligh,
Jordan Hunter, Sarah Bayliss,
Joshua Day, Kishwa Gibson,
Latoya Richards, Leah Hellowell,
Logan Davidson, Zoey Hall

Follow teacher directions



Programs

Tuesday

10:00—12:00
Community Playgroup

Wednesday

10:00—11: 30 Music
and Movement

12:00—2:00 Parent
Group

Thursday

10:30—12:30 Play to
Learn

Friday

11:00-1:00 Baby
Shower

Benefits of Playgroup

Playgroups are FUN! It is not just the children who have a great time and learn new things, parents and carers also enjoy playgroup....

Adults enjoy playgroup because:

- they make new friends and meet new people
- they share their problems and successes with others
- they learn more about child development and new activity ideas for home
- they are able to spend time playing with their child/ren
- they have FUN!

Children enjoy playgroup because:

- they gain new skills including problem solving, co-operation and sharing
- they make new friends, discover new things and have new experiences
- they learn more about themselves and others through play
- they interact with their parents/carers, other children and adults
- they have FUN



Dubbo West Public School School as Community Centre

For more information phone 6884 9961

You can find us in the demountable building on the Corner of North and East Street

CHRISTMAS BUDGETING WORKSHOP

The Smith Family, along with HIPPY tutors will be holding a budgeting workshop at the Macquarie Regional Library on Thursday 16th October from 10.30am to 11.30am. Topics covered include creating a Christmas budget, tips to keep shopping costs down and taking control of your Christmas spending. There will be craft activities for the kids and free morning tea provided.

For more information, please contact Kim Mathieson, Saver Plus Coordinator on 68818032 or email kim.mathieson@thesmithfamily.com.au.



COMMUNITY CLEAN ENERGY FORUM

Everyone welcome! Come along to this free event to hear from experts about topics including:

- *Solar battery storage.
- *Saving money through energy efficiency.
- *What is geo-exchange and how it can benefit your home.
- *Renewable energy financing.
- *Community owned renewables.

A panel discussion and question time will follow short presentations. Light refreshments will be served.

When: Thursday 13th November

Where: Western Plains Cultural Centre, 76 Wingewarra Street Dubbo

Time: 6pm to 8pm

RSVP by 3rd November to Karin.stark@environment.nsw.gov.au



From the Library



BOOK FAIR GARDEN

Catch the reading bug!

Term 4 news

Book Fair – Primary Campus

The books for our book fair will be here next week. They will arrive on Tuesday 21st October and will be gone on Wednesday 29th. All students are welcome to come and visit to buy books.

Students should bring their money in an envelope. If the fair is not open they could give their money to the class teacher for safe keeping.



Book Fair - Opening Times



KEEP
CALM
and
READ
A BOOK

The fair will be open at recess most days. We will have a before school and an after school session to allow parents and students from the Pre School and Infants to come and see what is available.

The fair will remain open on Wednesday 22nd until 4pm and will be open before school on Tuesday 28th. The Library is open before school (most days) and until 3.45 most afternoons.

Subject to change – depending on playground duty and other

factors.



Books for our Libraries

The Library can select books from the fair to the value of thirty percent (\$3 in every \$10) of sales as commission. We take this in the form of books and add these to our library collection for both sites.

Families may buy a book from the fair and donate it to the Library. Students have already suggested some titles they would like to have in the Library.

Dress up day

On Wednesday 22nd October we will hold our book week dress up day at the Primary.

Students may come dressed as a character from a book or as something to do with gardens or reading bugs.

Simple costumes can be made cheaply at home. Mr Men series, Harry Potter, book worms and reading books, a library book borrower, Cat in the Hat, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory to name a few.

We will have book vouchers for each class for the most creative costumes. A reminder note will go home on Monday.

Sue Buttrey
Teacher Librarian

