



# WEST NEWS

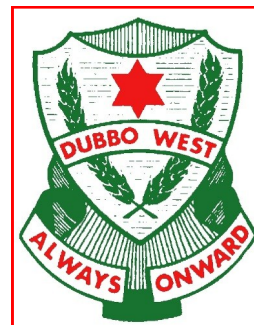
## DUBBO WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Wednesday 24th June 2015

### *Message from the Principal*

It has once again been a huge term at Dubbo West Public School with NAPLAN, eisteddfod, 'Speak Ezy' excursions and much more. Our students are continuously complimented on uniform and behaviour when representing our school. We are all extremely proud of their achievements this term.

As recently as last Tuesday, a number of our students competed in the NAIDOC Public Speaking Competition which was held at our school. Congratulations go to Sasha Morrison-Zhou and Xianna Brown who won the event. The girls were so impressive that they were asked to repeat their speech on Thursday at an Aboriginal Education Officer Conference in Dubbo in front of approximately ninety people from many different schools. The girls did a wonderful job, representing our school with pride. The girls will again represent our school at the Regional finals in Term 3. Again, congratulations.

On Monday, our Premier's debating team competed against Dubbo South. Our students again performed extremely well, arguing that 'Parents should make kids in Year 5 and 6 do 30 minutes of chores each day'. Students were only given one hour to prepare their arguments and prepare for their presentation – not an easy feat but our students again performed extremely well, winning the debate by the narrowest of margins. Congratulations to the team of Aidan, Harry, Sathmi and Sarah.

Last night students in Infants and Primary danced the night away as we held our Term Two disco with a 'Onesies' theme. It was interesting to see the variety of costumes on display and our students all had a wonderful time. The proceeds from the night will go towards our NAIDOC week activities. Again, our student's behaviour was fantastic and I thank everyone who took part in this fun event. I would also like to take the opportunity of thanking staff who gave up their time to organise and supervise the disco. Without them, these events would not be possible.

On Friday, the canteen will be holding a lolly day. Students will have the opportunity to purchase red skins, milkos, sour worms and more delicacies. The canteen is run by our school P&C so all profits from the canteen go back into the school, purchasing resources for our students. Everyone is invited to come along. Meetings are informal and friendly and are held in weeks 3 and nine of each term. Come along and have your say in the running of our school. Plans for next term are a Father's Day stall and Cookie Dough sales, so watch out for these events.

In staffing issues, we farewell Mrs Cheryl Brown, who will be moving into retirement at the beginning of next term. We wish her all the best in her new endeavours. In other news, we welcome Mrs Sue McKinnon back following her leave. Mrs McKinnon will take up the role of Learning and Support Teacher on our Infant's site from the beginning of next term.

I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and remind everyone that

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### **Tuesday 23rd June**

Rugby union clinics  
- Primary

#### **Thursday 25th June**

Whole School Assembly  
(P2 to Year 6) 10am  
Primary Hall

#### **Friday 26th June**

Last day Term 2

### **TERM 3**

#### **Monday 13th July**

**STAFF ONLY RETURN**

#### **Tuesday 14th July**

**ALL STUDENTS** return

school recommences for students on **Tuesday 14th July.**

Remember: The difference between try and triumph is just a little 'umph'!

Regards

Eileen Day  
Principal



**DANCE GROUP - EISTEDDFOD**

On the 9th June we went to the Dubbo Convention Centre and we danced to the music from the Wizard of Oz. We were scared but excited, over teeth were chattering, but we got First Place. We practised for weeks and after we won, it made us feel really happy and proud.

We really appreciated Mrs Day's help in getting costumes for us and we looked fabulous!!!

Lily and Tamara

Infants Dance Group



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Hi, my name is Teagan and I work for the Dubbo Neighbourhood Centre. We have an amazing program for immigrants who are new to Australia. If you need help with navigating local services, knowledge of conversational groups or something else, feel free to give me a call on 68822100.

**DUBBO FAMILY DAYCARE**

**(a facility of Dubbo City Council)**


- Registered Educator providing accredited quality child care for children aged birth to thirteen years.
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# BOOKWORMS

Before School Reading @DWPS  
Monday to Friday in K-2

**Help needed....**

We have kids waiting to read!  
Can you spare one morning per week 8.30-9.15 ?



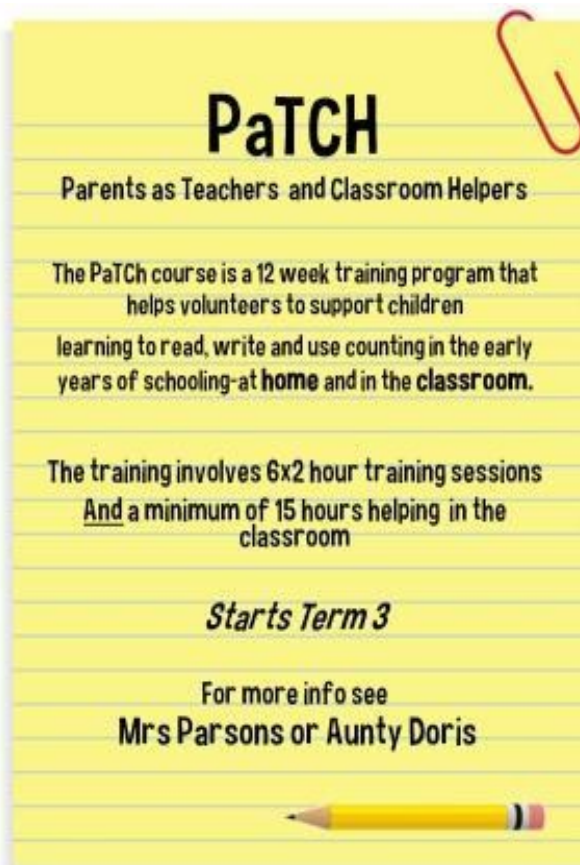

## WORDS, WORDS, WORDS - UPDATE

Once again thank you to all those parents/carers and children who have contributed to this program.

We still need more pictures for some categories so in each newsletter we will have a focus category.

This week our focus is on **TOYS and PLAYTHINGS.**

Please send in pictures of any type of toys and playthings.

# PaTCH

Parents as Teachers and Classroom Helpers

The PaTch course is a 12 week training program that helps volunteers to support children learning to read, write and use counting in the early years of schooling-at home and in the classroom.

The training involves 6x2 hour training sessions  
And a minimum of 15 hours helping in the classroom

*Starts Term 3*

For more info see  
Mrs Parsons or Aunty Doris



## CANTEEN

Infants parents visiting Primary for assemblies are welcome to use the Primary Canteen.

Due to end of term, canteen stock is running low - sorry for any inconvenience.

### LOLLY DAY THIS FRIDAY

Fruccas	10c
Rainbow straps	20c
Wicked fizz	20c
Red frogs	50c a bag of 4
Sour worms	60c a bag of 10
Pythons	60c



Happy holidays

Leah & Karen

## SCHOOL T-SHIRTS ON SALE - \$5 each

Primary Campus has the following school tshirts for sale:

Size 4 – Red and Green

Size 6 – Red and Green

Size 8 – Red and Green

Size 10 – Green only

Size 12 – Green only

Size 14 – Red and Green

**All t-shirts have the logo on them and are only \$5 each!**

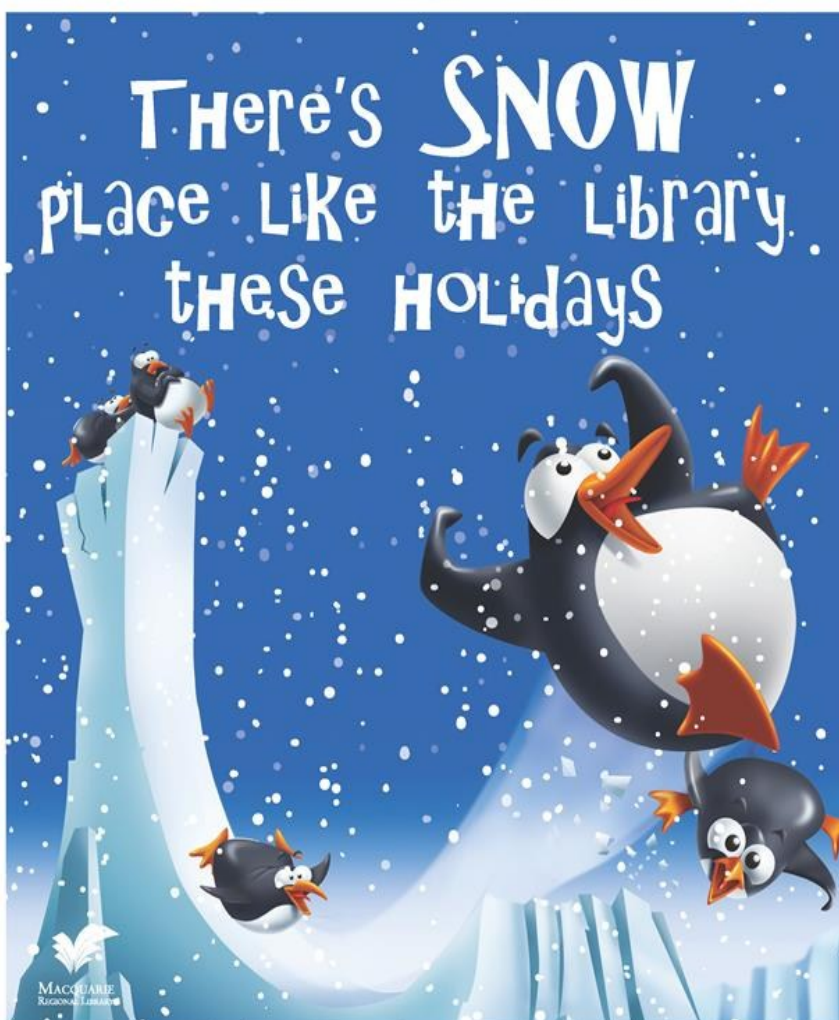


## Dubbo NAIDOC Public Speaking Challenge



Three Dubbo West teams were recently selected to participate in the Dubbo NAIDOC Public Speaking Challenge. The NAIDOC Public Speaking Challenge requires schools to enter teams of two, with each team comprising of one Aboriginal student and one non-Aboriginal student. Each pair presents a four minute speech based on the NAIDOC theme for 2015 which is "We all Stand on Sacred Ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate". Fifteen teams attended from Dubbo South, Dubbo North, Nyngan, Gulgong, Tullamore and Lake Cargelligo.

Harry and Tyrell, Sathmi and Tamiah and Sasha and Xianna, from our school, presented outstanding speeches and spoke exceptionally well. In great excitement for our DWPS, Sasha and Xianna were announced as winners for the day and will now participate in the regional finals next term.



**for 5 to 8 Year Olds:**

### Penguin Parade

What makes a penguin a penguin? Come and find out about these feathery swimmers and make your very own.

Tues 30 June 10.30am - 12.00pm \$2

### Icey Icecapades

Join in the frosty fun of creating a wintery wonderland. Make beautiful snow clouds, discover some skating alternatives and paint with snow.

Wed 8 July 2.30pm - 4.00pm \$2

**for 9 to 12 Year Olds:**

### Lego Animation with The Mud Factory

Learn how to create stop motion movies with Lego. Loads of creative fun and no idea is too crazy! Lego and iPads supplied.

Thurs 2 July 10.30am - 12.00pm \$5

### ComicsCRAFT

Many more activities for 9+ years on 10-11 July. See the website for details. [www.mrl.nsw.gov.au/comicscraft](http://www.mrl.nsw.gov.au/comicscraft)

School Holiday activities  
BOOK NOW!

Macquarie Regional Library  
Dubbo Branch  
Numbers are limited  
Bookings ESSENTIAL  
Bookings open 15 June  
Phone 6801 4510  
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# Assemblies

There will be a whole school assembly this Thursday 25th June. The assembly will start at 10 am and will be in the Primary Hall.

Items will include the Infants dance group and the Choir who will delight us with their items from the Eisteddfod.

There will also be Public Speaking and the end of term PBL draws.

## Term 3 happenings

### Spelling Bee

Regional Finals will be held in September

2015 lists will be released on Monday 13th July.

You can access last year's lists at this site. The password is decade.

<http://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/speaking-competitions/spelling-bee/premiers-spelling-bee>

School elimination rounds will be held to find our two junior and two senior entrants for the regional final. Can we get a State finalist again this year?

### Book Fair

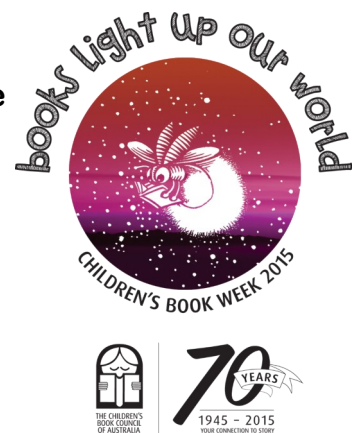
There will be a book fair, where the books are on display and available for purchase, at the Infants Library during the first two weeks of term.

### Book Week

During Book Week we will be hosting a visiting author. Rachel A Spratt is the author of the Nanny Piggins and Friday Barnes books.

The theme for Book Week is:

**books light up our world**



## LIBRARY NEWS - INFANTS



The Scholastic Book Fair will be at the Infants Library next term for two (2) weeks from Wednesday 15th July until Monday 27th July.

Great book titles and stationery will be for sale from as little as a \$1.00. All money raised will see benefits for the school.

Last year we had sales over \$1,600.00 which meant our school received over \$500.00 worth of free books. A brochure will go home with this newsletter showcasing a few titles available.

Many thanks  
Infants Librarian  
Nicki Campion



**Please remember that all overdue books are to be returned to school asap.**

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## Stand Up Speak Up

On 4<sup>th</sup> June the primary classes were treated to an impressive presentation by a renowned world class presenter Marcelle Bernard. Her presentation was called "Stand Up Speak Up". She encouraged and motivated the children to empower themselves with the ability to speak confidently to a group of people. She went through many of the anxieties that a Speaker may feel and how best to overcome them. She also taught us how to prepare and present a speech. When presenting we need to "act like a superstar."

Marcelle was very entertaining and engaged the students with her motivation and powerful message. Hopefully all students will be a little more ready to try out the new skills they have learned.



**Marcelle Bernard**  
captivated students  
on her recent visit.  
Below enjoying the CSU  
visit—Future Moves.



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