



# WEST NEWS

Monday 13th December 2021 | Week 11 Term 4

## A MESSAGE FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Dear Dubbo West Community,

2021 has been a challenging year for many within our Dubbo West Community. We have faced adversity brought through Covid 19, with our community being hit harder than most. And yet, we have seen resilience and a drawing together in support of families when they have needed it most. Covid 19 caused many disruptions throughout the community and our school and I would like to thank our families for their continued support as we have navigated through the ever changing circumstances in which we found ourselves.

I would particularly like to thank my staff for their tireless work in ensuring that quality educational opportunities were still provided, even during the prolonged period of stay at home orders. And to our families – thank you for your support and assistance through learning from home. We couldn't have done it without you.

Covid also impacted many of the activities that we would normally have undertaken throughout the year and yet some things still managed to go ahead. Our Stage 3 students still managed to participate in their excursion to Tea Gardens and in Leadership Development activities at Wambangalang. Our NAIDOC celebrations were still able to be held, even though they were on a reduced scale. I didn't think Aunty Doris' Johnny cakes could get any better but cooked in our new fire pit.... Well – I won't say any more.

Our Kindergarten children were still able to celebrate being 100 days smarter as they participated in their 100 days of Kindergarten celebrations and I was very pleased to see that our Stage 1 teachers were able to be returned to 'normal' after being flattened to send through the post.

I would like to thank our small but dedicated P&C for their ongoing and tireless support of our school, our teachers and our students. Next year, I hope that we can return to a more normal life where we are able to welcome our parents and wider community back into our school.

To our Year 6 students. This is the first cohort of students that I have watched grow and mature from Kindergarten. This is the group of students and parents that taught me to carry manicure scissors for the first days of school to unpick pleats that had been sown shut for packing. As you move into the next chapter of your lives, I wish you all the best. Go out and make us proud. Show everyone that West is Best and a student from West can achieve anything that they set their mind to.

We have a number of staff who will be leaving us at the end of this year and I wish them well as they also move into the next chapter of their lives.

I'm looking forward to 2022 and to hopefully being able to return to a more normal life where parents are welcome in our school and we are once again able to participate in the celebrations of learning throughout the year that we have not been able to participate in during 2021.

The last day for students for 2021 is 16th December. Staff will have a training day on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December before leaving for a well-deserved break. School development days will also be held on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022 and Monday 31st January 2022. Year 6 and Kindergarten will return on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February with the rest of the school returning on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2022.

I wish all of our families a safe and happy break and I look forward to seeing everyone in 2022.

Kind Regards,

Eileen Day

Principal



Dubbo West  
Public School

*Where  
Individuals Matter*

## Enrol Now for Kindergarten 2022

Please phone the school office on 6882 3086 to find out more about enrolling your child at Dubbo West in 2022.

Is your child starting school at  
Dubbo West Public School in 2023?  
Let us help you get them ready in  
2022!



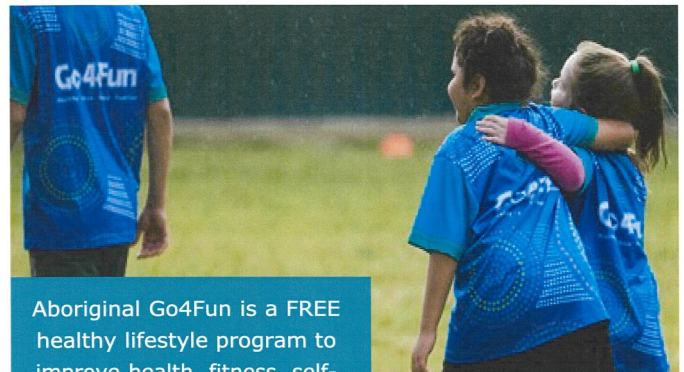
Enrolments now open for Preschool 2022



We offer quality  
preschool for  
children from  
Dubbo West,  
Delroy Park and  
surrounding areas in  
the year  
before school.



For more information please call the school on 6882 3086



Aboriginal Go4Fun is a FREE healthy lifestyle program to improve health, fitness, self-esteem and confidence in children above a healthy weight. Aboriginal Go4Fun runs for 10 weeks over the school term for children, between the ages of 7-13 years and their parent or carer. Sessions include lots of games, fun activities, healthy snacks and much more!

Where:

Dubbo Aquatic & Leisure Centre

Date:

Term 1 2022, starting 1st Feb

Time:

Every Tuesday 4 - 6pm

Contact:

**Bec McLellan**  
**0450115057**



HEALTHY EATING  
ACTIVE LIVING

A FOOTBALL PROGRAM FOR INDIGENOUS GIRLS & BOYS AGED 6-16 YEARS

# JOHN MORIARTY FOOTBALL

*A Game Changer*

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY FOOTBALL CLINIC DUBBO

**WHERE:**  
Hans Claven Oval

**WHEN:**  
Monday 10/01/22 - Tuesday 11/01/22  
Monday 17/01/22 - Tuesday 18/01/22  
9:00am - 12:00pm

**COST:**  
FREE

**ADDITIONAL INFO:**  
Morning tea, hydration station and lunch provided.  
Wear sports shoes, hat and comfortable clothes and bring your water bottle!  
Assistance available for pick-up and drop-off if required.



**REGISTER ONLINE:**  
[www.moriartyfoundation.org.au](http://www.moriartyfoundation.org.au)  
or SCAN QR code

If numbers exceed places, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families will be given priority.

**CONTACT:**  
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## IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 1st February 2022—P1 Preschool, Kindergarten & Year 6 return

Wednesday 2nd February 2022— Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 return

Thursday 3rd February 2022— P2 Preschool return

Staff Development— Friday 17th December 2021, 28th January 2022 & 31st January 2022



### IMPORTANT

*Please keep an eye on our school app for regular updates and information.*

## Christmas Pyjama Storytime

Join us after hours for festive stories and songs. Don't forget to wear your pyjamas!

Friday 17 December, 6pm - 6.45pm at Dubbo Library  
Free · Suitable for children aged 0-8 years and their families  
Bookings required · Book online at [mrl.eventbrite.com.au](http://mrl.eventbrite.com.au)

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## SUMMER READING CLUB

6 DECEMBER - 31 JANUARY

**FREE**  
**5 PRIZES TO COLLECT**  
**HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS**  
at all branches

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