

*** DUBBO WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL ***

WEST NEWS Monday 15th May 2023 | Week 4 Term 2

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL JODY HALL

ATTENDANCE RATE WK3 : 66.2% ATTENDANCE GOAL:90%

<u>Important</u> <u>Dates to</u> Remember

Opportunity Class Applications Close

Monday 15/05/2023-11:59pm

Tea Gardens Excursion

Tuesday 16/05/2023

Ride to School

Friday 19/05/2023

Clothing Price List

Green Pants \$20 Grey Pants \$25 Dresses \$40 Jumpers \$30 Polos \$25 Grey Shorts \$16 Culottes \$20

IMPORTANT Please keep an eye on our **Parent Portal & Facebook** for regular updates and information. Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Week 4 and I trust that our amazing Mums had a beautiful Mothers' Day yesterday. It was fantastic to have so many Mums and other special people attend our Mother's Day breakfast on Friday and the afternoon tea for our Pre-School. These special occasions are a wonderful opportunity for parents, staff and students to celebrate together. I would like to acknowledge and thank our staff for all the time and effort they put into ensuring days like these are so successful. This week is another eventful time to be a student at Dubbo West. We have students participating in various sports outside of school as well as a super exciting excursion. I would like to wish everyone lots of luck in their upcoming activities and I know that you will all represent our school as engaged participants who are safe and respectful.

Attendance

You may have noticed that last week, there was an attendance percentage at the top of the newsletter. This indicates our overall student attendance for the week. Our goal for the next week is 90%. If we meet this goal, there will be a whole school reward – I am looking forward to hopefully, sharing photos of students enjoying their reward in next week's newsletter.

Updated Behaviour Information

Included in this newsletter is the updated behaviour expectations for students who want to participate in extra-curricular activities. This is to ensure, that students who are representing our school offsite, will do so in a safe and respectful manner. When, and if, a student, who has indicated they will participate in an event, receive a major behaviour recording, **parents will be notified.** Please have a thorough read of the note and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Netball

Congratulations to our netball Knockout team who have progressed into the next round after defeating Wellington Public School last week. They will play their next game on the 23rd May. A note will be going home tomorrow with all the details in it. If your child is away on the Tea Gardens excursion, please return it as soon as conveniently possible.

Tea Gardens Excursion

Tomorrow morning, Miss Harris, Miss Molloy, Miss Denielle, Miss Kasey, Miss Brandi, Miss Nyoka and 45 Year 5/6 students will be heading off bright and early to Tea Gardens – Great Aussie Bush Camp. This is an exhilarating excursion, filled with super exciting activities for everyone. I am a little bit jealous that I am not going! Once again, these experiences cannot occur unless staff are prepared to leave their own families, be on duty for more than 72 consecutive hours to enable our extremely lucky students these kinds of adventures. Thank you to these wonderful staff members for enabling this excursion.

David Peachey/Russell Richardson Cup

Congratulations to all the students involved in the competition last week. Thank you to Mrs Lockyer, Mr Matt and Miss Nyoka for enabling students the opportunity to represent our school and compete against schools across Dubbo.

Balls/Toys

I have noticed there are quite a few students bringing toys or balls to school. I ask you to remind your children to leave these items at home. It causes a lot of angst if they become lost or stolen in the school grounds.

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Thank You Jody Hall

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Behaviour Expectations for Participation in Events and Excursions

Dear Parent/Caregiver.

Dubbo West Public School proudly participates in positive behaviour for Learning. As such, all students are expected to follow our school expectations of being Safe, Respectful, and an Engaged Learner. These expectations are aligned to the Department of Education behaviour code.

Participation in events which are outside of school curriculum such as excursions, sporting events, cultural programs, farewells, class parties and other social events are dependent upon students displaying appropriate behaviour, not only at the event, but also throughout the school year. This is to ensure that all representations of Dubbo West Public School out in the community demonstrates positive behaviour.

It should be noted that students have been advised that should they receive **three or more discipline referrals**, a suspension, or a Monitoring Card for major reasons (such as violence, consistently refusing to follow reasonable teacher instructions and inappropriate language directed at another person or teacher, absconding), or ongoing minor referrals, will result in students being excluded from some or all these events outside the school. Parents will be notified when a major behaviour has been recorded. This is to ensure that all students who are invited can fully participate and enjoy themselves without risk of someone else spoiling the event through inappropriate behaviour.

Should you have any concerns or require further information about this, please do not hesitate to contact the school on 68823086.

Yours sincerely

Jody Hall Principal 12/05/23

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DWPS ART COMPETITION

Dubbo West Public School ran our very own mini competition called the 'DWPS Young Archie Competition'. Students were given their topic of 'A Significant Person' and were instructed to complete their artwork in any art form. I was absolutely blown away with the amazing young artists we have within our school. We were unable to enter all artworks into the local 'Young Archie-Dubbo' competition held at the Western Plains Cultural Centre due to overwhelming number of entries. Staff at Dubbo West Public School chose 13 student artworks to enter. We entered three within the 5-8 year old and ten in the 9-12 year old. Unfortunately, we did not come out with an overall winning prizes, however we are all proud of their efforts. The artworks will be on display for the public at the Western Plains Cultural Centre until the 24th of May. The display is free for the community.

Congratulations to: Amaya Sasse, Jameeka Reid, Jahkyda Donohue-Carr, Hallie Holdsworth, Miah-Rae Thorne, Charlie Riley, Almirah Read, Amarni Gray, Amelia Lees, Kendell Curtis, Jana Cunynghame, Amity Oldfield and Eboni Morris.

