



WEST NEWS

Monday 25th March 2024 | Week 9 Term 1

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL JODY HALL

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Week 9 – it's going to be an eggsta-ordinary four days at our beautiful school. Although it is a short week, but it will be full of celebrations, learning and fun. Thank you to all parents and visitors who came last week to engage in Harmony Week activities. I'm sure everyone had a marvellous time and enjoyed being a part of creating a beautiful art mural outside of the Hall.

Attendance

Congratulations to Wilays, 1/2A and 5/6T who have all had a winning attendance percentage of 93%! That is super impressive. What is also impressive is, Giinmas had 91% of students in attendance for Week 8 and 5/6H are most improved with an increase of 7% from the previous week.

These students will all receive a reward from me this afternoon.

I have highlighted all classes who have over 90% in yellow and the classes who are highlighted in blue have been identified as needed improvement.

The whole school overall percentage was 82% and this is what it looked like across the stages.

Toys

There has been an increase in students who are bringing toys to school from home. Please encourage children to leave all their precious toys/objects at home to ensure they do not become lost or damaged.

I understand if students are bringing something in for 'News' but then they are to go straight into their bag at the conclusion of the activity.

Behaviour

There are so many extra curricula activities on offer at our school and I need parent support to remind students that if they have 3 or more major behaviours recorded on Sentral, they are ineligible to attend or participate in these activities.

The Behaviour Expectations are attached to every permission note that is sent home so please refer to it if your child has questions at home.

Easter Celebrations

On Wednesday afternoon, we are holding our Easter Discos for students after school. K-2 will be held from **4pm- 5.30pm** and the 3-6 disco will be from **6pm – 7.30pm**. Permission notes have gone home and I would like to take the opportunity to thank our amazing staff for giving up their time in order to offer these opportunities to our very lucky students. Easter Hat parade will be held on Thursday at 12.30pm under the Hayshed. The Easter team are very egg-cited to use our recently purchased portable stage for this occasion.

GRIP Leadership

On Wednesday we will be taking our school leaders and aspiring leaders to participate in GRIP Leadership which will be held at Dubbo RSL. Permission notes have gone home today for this event that has been fully subsidised by the school.

A reminder, Good Friday (29/03/2024) and Easter Monday (1/04/2024) Staff and Students do not attend school.

Wishing you all a wonderful Easter!

Jody Hall

Principal

1/2A	93
1/2B	88
1/2C	84
1/2V	70
1/2L	84
3/4A	75
3/4G	78
3/4H	73
5/6D	78
5/6H	88
5/6L	70
5/6M	72
5/6T	93
Budyabudyas	74
Giinmas	91
K Green	78
K Purple	80
Wilays	93
Overall	82

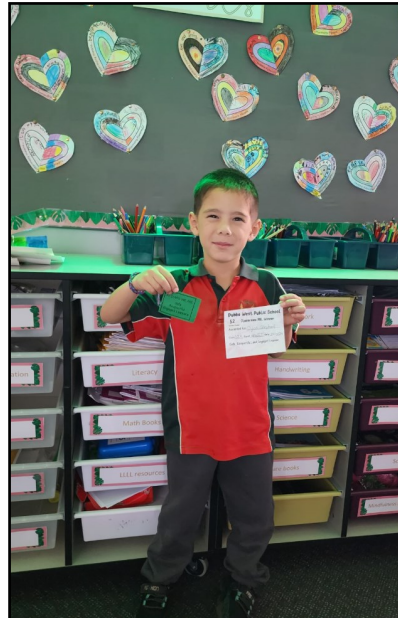


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PBL Winner

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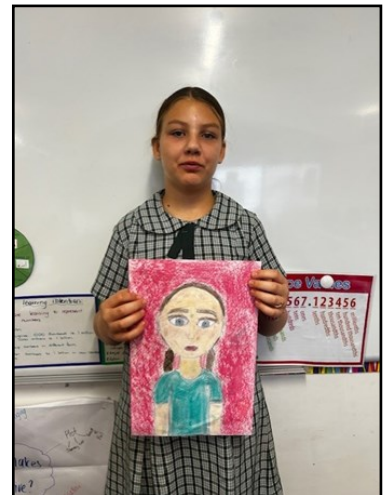
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IMPORTANT DATES

CALENDAR	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 6 March	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
Week 7	11th	12th	13th NAPLAN	14th P&C MEETING NAPLAN CATCH UP	15th
Week 8	18th NAPLAN	19th NAPLAN	20th NAPLAN	21st HARMONY DAY NAPLAN CATCH UP	22nd
Week 9	25th	26th	27th	28th EASTER HAT PARADE/BBQ	29th Good Friday
Week 10	1st Easter Monday	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Week 11	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th Term 1 2024 Ends
Week 1 April	29th Term 2 SDD	30th Term 2 2024 Begins			

5/6M

This term 5/6M have been looking at the different elements in art as part of the Creative Arts unit. Students have also experimented with blending colours, explored the colour wheel and used different mediums of water colours and oil pastels to create their artworks. These included self portraits, colour wheel eyes and cityscapes. Students are keen to use this knowledge throughout the rest of the unit to create further artworks.



Attention All Schools!

Are you ready to showcase your school spirit and win big? Look no further than Triple M's Rise and Learn on Dubbo's 93.5 Triple M!

Tune into Jodi and Matho as they kick off an electrifying radio competition that could see your school crowned as the ultimate champion!

But wait, there's more! By participating, your school could snatch a whopping **THOUSAND DOLLAR** Intersport Voucher! Imagine all the exciting sports equipment your school could acquire!

But the rewards don't stop there! The winning school will also enjoy an exclusive Outside Broadcast and a delightful snack station, adding even more fun and excitement to your campus.

So, do you believe your school has what it takes to claim the title?

Head over to triplem.com.au to cast your vote and ensure your school's chance at glory!



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'Where Individuals Matter'

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

We have been notified of an incidence of scabies at this school. This is not a cause for serious concern as your child may not be affected. However, scabies is infectious.

An information sheet about scabies accompanies this letter. Please read it and contact your doctor or pharmacist if you suspect your child is infected.

If your child has scabies, please notify the school. Keep your child at home until you have seen your doctor or pharmacist and begun treatment. You do not need to keep your child at home but you should inspect them regularly for signs of scabies.

The spread of scabies can be controlled by properly treating all cases of scabies and treating all members of the family and persons in close contact with the infested person, even if they have no signs of scabies at the same time.

We encourage you to ensure this problem is solved quickly by determining if your child is affected and seeking treatment if necessary. Early diagnosis and treatment helps in preventing the spread of this disease.

Yours sincerely,

Jody Hall
Principal

25/03/2024

THE FACTS ON SCABIES

QUESTION & ANSWER SHEET

Disclaimer: This fact/info sheet is for education purposes only. Please consult with your doctor or other health professionals to make sure this information is right for your child.

What is scabies?

Human scabies is a contagious parasitic infestation of the skin. Scabies is caused by infestation with the mite, *Sarcoptes Scabiei*. The scabies mite burrows into the skin where it resides and reproduces. Scabies occurs worldwide in all races and social classes.

How does it affect you?

Red, raised lesions develop on the skin, predominantly on the front of the body, especially around the line of the belt, over the lower abdomen, groin, inner sides of upper thigh and genitals. Burrows, if found, are most often on the webs between the fingers, on wrists, elbows, armpits, groin and the palms and soles of children. The reaction of the body to mites' saliva and droppings causes intense itching which can be worse at night. The scratching of those affected areas can result in secondary infections. This makes it difficult to find the burrows.

The disease generally only produces severe itching. Secondary infections may be serious if not treated. The mite does not transmit infectious diseases. Usually, the itching and lesions will disappear within three to four weeks after two treatments with scabicide (insecticides which kill scabies mites).

How is it spread?

Scabies is spread by close personal contact with a person who is infested with the scabies mite. There is an incubation period of six to eight weeks between infestation and the appearance of symptoms.

How long is it infectious?

Scabies is transmissible while a person is infested with mites.

How is it treated?

Scabicides (insecticides which kill scabies mites) are available from chemists. For the effective control of mites:

Follow the instructions provided on the label.

- Apply scabicides to the whole body from the neck down.
- Repeat the treatment again seven days later to ensure that all the mites are killed.
- Apply the treatment at the same time to all members of the family and persons in close contact with the infested person, even if they have no signs of scabies.
- Clothes and bed linens used during the three days prior to treatment should be washed in hot, soapy water and dried in the hot cycle of a clothes drier to kill any mites and their eggs.
- Secondary infection related to scratching may require treatment with antibiotics.



**DUBBO WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL
SCHOOL AS COMMUNITY CENTRE**



We are hiring!

Casual Clerk 7/8 - School as Community Centre Facilitator

Are you passionate about our community?

Are you passionate about building relationships between parents and their children?

Would you like the opportunity to support our playgroups when needed?

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care or Diploma of Early Childhood and Care or demonstrated equivalent experience or capability
- Valid Working with Children Check clearance (or willingness to obtain)
- Department of Education clearance to work (or willingness to obtain)

MAIN DUTIES:

- Running of Playgroup
- Engaging with our community members

HOW TO APPLY?

Send your resume and cover letter to
dubbowest-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Deadline: 28th March, 2024

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE REACH OUT TO JODY HALL ON 02 6882 3086