



WEST NEWS

Tuesday 2nd July 2024 | Week 10 Term 2

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL JODY HALL

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Week 10. What a wonderful term we've had at Dubbo West. We've had PSSA, Knockout Sports, Guitar lessons, Speech Lessons, Go-Karts, Mother's Day, Reconciliation Week, David Peachey Rugby League, Moriarty AND Moriarty Gala Day. To finish off the term Semester 1 student reports will go home this week.

I would like to thank all parents and caregivers for your support throughout this term and I look forward to working with you all again as we enter the second semester.

School will resume for students on Tuesday 23rd July, and I hope to see everyone return dressed in their full Winter school uniform.

Attendance

Congratulations to 5/6T with 96% and also to 3/4N who were most improved with 28% increase. We had two classes who had over 90% so a big congratulations to 1/2C and 3/4N! To support improved attendance and whole school expectations, it has been decided that **students must have an attendance percentage of 85% to partake in a sporting event or excursion.** This will come into effect from Term 3. I will also add this to our Behaviour Expectation Code and will be sent home as a hard copy, on School Bytes, School Website and Facebook.

Jewellery and Accessories

I know some little people love to come to school looking extra beautiful, but I need excessive jewellery (big earrings, necklaces) and fake nails to be kept for at home and weekends. These items are a safety issue, and I would hate for someone to be hurt as a result.

Planning Room

What is it?

Planning Room has been implemented in a trial capacity over the last eight weeks to support students who have had playground or classroom incidents. The purpose of Planning Room is to provide students the opportunity to reflect on their behaviour and to discuss positive strategies they could use in the future. By engaging in Planning Room, staff are providing students with a chance to improve their responses to negative situations and teaching positive behaviour in accordance with our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) expectations of being safe, respectful, and engaged learners.

When is it delivered?

Planning Room takes place during first break, each day and is facilitated by a member of the Executive Team.

How will I know if my child has been to Planning Room?

Parents will receive a text message to inform you that your child has been to Planning Room due to their behaviour not reflecting school expectations.

If the behaviour continues after Planning Room reflection, the classroom teacher will contact you for further discussion.

Hats

Students are required to wear our school hats all through the year if they wish to play on the fields, basketball court and fixed equipment. Even though it's not hot as such, the sun rays can still burn. Please support us by reminding your child of this expectation and ensuring they have a hat with them every day.

CLASS	%
1/2A	68
1/2B	87
1/2C	90
1/2L	68
1/2V	69
3/4A	82
3/4G	69
3/4H	59
3/4N	90
5/6D	79
5/6H	80
5/6L	63
5/6M	66
5/6T	96
BudyaBudyas	83
Giinmas	83
K Green	84
K Purple	79
Wilays	87
Overall	78

Opportunity Class 2025

Students will sit the test on 1st August 2024. The venue will be confirmed to parents via email. There are resources available for parents and students on the Hub.

Please follow the link for more information.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/schooling/parents-and-carers/choosing-a-school-setting/selective-high-schools/choosing-a-school/opportunity-classes>

Have a lovely two weeks, stay warm and we will see you next term!

Jody Hall
Principal



IMPORTANT DATES

CALENDAR	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 9 June	24th	25th	26th	27th	28th PSSA
Week 9 July	1st Assembly	2nd	3rd	4th	5th Last day of Term 2 2024
Week 1 July	22nd Staff Development Day	23rd Students Return Preschool P1 Return	24th Preschool P2 Return	25th	26th Chess Tournament
Week 2 July/August	29th	30th	31st PSSA Basketball Knock Out	1st OC Test	2nd

Fire and Safety Talk

On Wednesday afternoon the 26th of June, all the 5/6 classes got lucky and got to see amazing fire fighters and a police detective that came all the way from the Sydney Police Department. The 5/6 classes got to look at the fire fighter's fire truck which was big and cool to look at. The fire fighters showed all the 5/6 students how they work the truck and the machines they use. All the students also got to see the detective labrador dog which everyone loved and enjoyed playing with. And the fire fighters also taught the student how to take care of fires and safety. And just before the firefighters left, they turned on their sirens which gave students joy. Thank you to the fire department of Dubbo for coming to Dubbo West Public School. By Azelia



On Wednesday 26th of June we had Police Detectives and Firefighters come into our school and they asked us "Who has a smoke alarm?" they said, "If you do not have one or would like yours to be checked it's working you can search safety visits Fire and Rescue on google." A firefighter will then visit your house to check your smoke alarms are working and if you do not have one, they can install one for you, for free. The detective showed us a cool dog named Zenoss. It was fluffy and smart. One of the firemen put a blue liquid on a student, then the dog had to run around in a circle and find the student with the liquid on them. The dog was very clever and found the student with the liquid on them. He stayed in front of the student, and he sat down to tell the firefighter that he had found it. Then the firefighter told us to not charge our phones in your bedroom because they could catch on fire. By Jacob

Fire and Safety Talk

On Wednesday the 26th of June we had a fire safety talk. A Fire Detective, Police Detective and Zenoss the Detective Labrador Dog and some of the Dubbo Firefighting team came to our school. They explained what to do in the event of a fire and who to call. They also explained not to charge your phone in your room and charge it in your lounge room or somewhere away from your bedroom because if your phone catches on fire your senses stop working, they pretty much go to sleep like us! If you do not have a smoke alarm at home, google fire safety visit for a free fire safety visit. They will send a firefighter to come to your house and check they are working. You can make sure your smoke alarms are working by putting a broom on it and if it goes off that means it is working. They let us look around at the equipment on the truck and explained how it worked to us. When they left, they set the sirens off so we could hear them. In case of an emergency call 000 for help. The owner of Zenoss put a drop of petrol on Raithe's sock and Zenoss the dog found it right away. Zenoss is still a puppy but that does not stop him! People go to work to get money right, but he goes to work for a cloth nappy to play with! By Anna



On Wednesday, the 26th of June our school had a fire safety talk. Firefighters and Police Detectives were in our school. They asked us "Who had a smoke alarm at home?" The firefighter said, "Go home and see if your smoke alarm works." He said, "If it is too high for you to reach the smoke alarm, get a broom." If you cannot check it, then google safety visits- Fire and Rescue NSW and request a safety visit. It will cost \$0 for them to come and check your alarms. If you have a fire the number to call is 000.

Before they left, they brought out a dog named Zenoss. It is a k9 labrador dog. It was cool. The school was lucky to have them visit. Everyone loved the dog. They showed us the truck. The truck was big and there were a lot of things they used to put out fires. We got to look around the truck, it was amazing. When the truck left, they put the sirens on. It is important we have smoke alarms because when you are asleep you cannot smell, so that is why you need one. When the man left with the ute, he also put the sirens on.

Wednesday the 26th of June was a good day. Dubbo West was lucky that they got the fire talk. By Violet

COMMUNITY FORUMS & BBQ



MONDAY 17TH JUNE 11.30AM - 1PM
GREEN SPACE NEXT TO APOLLO HOUSE



Representative



TUESDAY 18TH JUNE 11.30AM - 1PM
Vacant block - Cnr Alcheringa & Illoura Sts West Dubbo



HOMES REPRESENTATIVE

This is an open forum where members of the community can come together to discuss important issues, ask questions, and share their thoughts and concerns.

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GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO FIND OUT INFORMATION & ASK QUESTIONS

LET US KNOW WHAT YOU THINK OF THE LAST 12 MONTHS IN YOUR COMMUNITY AND WHAT YOU WANT FOR THE NEXT 12 MONTHS TO LOOK LIKE.

WHAT BARRIERS ARE YOU FACING?

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

JOHN MORIARTY FOOTBALL *A Game Changer*

SCHOOL HOLIDAY FOOTBALL CLINIC DUBBO

WHERE:
Pavans Oval

WHEN:
Monday 15th July 2024 & Tuesday 16th July 2024

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
or SCAN QR code

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

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MISSION AUSTRALIA COMMUNITY NAIDOC DAY

KEEP THE FIRE BURNING!
BLAK, LOUD AND PROUD



FREE NAIDOC DAY EVENT INCLUDES:

- BBQ
- ABORIGINAL ART WORKSHOP WITH BOKHARA DREAMING
- SPORTING ACTIVITIES & INFLATABLES

DATE & TIME: THURSDAY 11TH OF JULY 12-2PM

LOCATION: DUBBO SPORTSWORLD
163 SHERATON ROAD, DUBBO

