Wednesday 6th March 2013

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope this newsletter finds you all well. It has been a great start to the year and despite losing a few families early on we are pleased to welcome our new enrolments and their families to Dubbo West Public School.

Our new Kindergarten classes looked sensational in the Liberal last weekend. They looked great in their new uniforms with big smiles all round.

Thank you to those parents who took the opportunity to meet with Infants staff to share information about the coming year and learn about all the exciting programs in place to support the learning outcomes of all our students. We are particularly excited about our new writing focus and the work being done by Meg Parson and Trish Mansell. We have been fortunate to be included in Early Action For Success, which is the Department of Education and Communities strategy to improve Literacy and Numeracy in Public Schools. I look forward to sharing the results of this innovative approach at a later date.

Information regarding Primary sessions will be advertised in the coming week.

Primary Campus held a very successful SRC Induction Assembly last week. I am pleased to announce our new school leaders for 2013:

School Captains: Keenan South and Alison Toohey.


Bogan Captains: Wendall Coe and Charley Dennis
VC: Paul Eastwood and Angel Brown
Namoi Captains: Wes Toomey and Larissa Toomey
VC: Keenan South and Alison Toohey
Macquarie Captains: Maddie Lincoln and Andrew Nguyen
VC: Dakota Newman and Jayden Nolan
Castlereagh Captains: Nicholas Hangan and Chantelle Forkin
VC: Hank Hammond and Tyra Knight

I have included photos of the very special assembly.

Parents of students in Year 6 please refer to the section in this week’s newsletter titled 2013 Selective High School Placement Test. Applicants for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2014 are required to sit the Placement Test. You will find all relevant information contained in this article.

We had a lovely surprise this week with numerous boxes of goodies arriving at the school. This is due to the diligence of parents and community members collecting Woolies Earn and Learn dockets. A huge thank you to you all.

Staff had a busy afternoon last Monday completing the Anaphylaxis training. This is compulsory training for all staff working in Public Schools.

Have a great week and I look forward to catching up with you all as the term progresses.

Mrs Janette Read
Principal (Rel)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 7th March
NRL Assembly visit - Primary
9:15am

Friday 8th March
WSSA Swimming
P - 2 Assembly Primary Hall
10:40am

Thursday 14th March
Primary Assembly 10:45am

Friday 15th March
Primary - visiting show

Thursday 28th March
Primary Assembly 10:45am
Easter Hat Parade - Infants

Friday 29th March
Good Friday

Monday 1st April
Easter Monday

Friday 5th April
P - 2 Assembly Primary Hall
10:40am

Friday 12th April
Last day of Term
Dear Parents/Carers,

Week 6 already! The term is flying by and we are all very busy in our classrooms. The children are enjoying writing groups in their rooms with assistance from Mrs. Mansell and Mrs. Parsons and are learning many strategies to help them write more creatively and independently. The teachers are working hard to make sure all students learning needs are met and this ensures the children are on task and learning to their potential. I would like to thank all the teachers for the time and effort they put into their lesson preparation and I know the children appreciate it too.

We have some very exciting things happening over the next couple of weeks.

**School photos** for the Infants will be **Friday the 22nd of March**. Please make sure your child is in full summer school uniform and is at school on time. Photo money needs to be sent in to the class teacher by **Tuesday 19th March 2013**.

**Easter Hat Parade** will be held on **Thursday the 28th March**. We are asking for **donations of Easter eggs** so we can put together our Easter raffle. In the past our parents and carers have been very generous and we have been lucky enough to have many donations and therefore lots of prizes.

Please make sure all items of clothing are labelled with your child’s name. It is difficult to return hats or jumpers that have no name! We are asking children to make sure they **have a hat to play in the playground**. Your assistance with this would be appreciated.

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**Charles Sturt University**

Dental and Oral Health Centre – River St.

Charles Sturt University Student Clinic is open from the 4th of March until the 18th of October.

Come and book into our final year dental students. Treatments provided at a **MUCH REDUCED COST** include:

- Preventive
- Periodontal (gum) care
- Fillings
- Extractions
- Dentures
- Crown and Bridge work

Our students are under constant supervision by registered dentists and/or therapists.
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Many thanks to our wonderful volunteers for your help.
Infants parents please send in fruit already cut for fruit break as health regulations state that we cannot bring food into the canteen that has not been supplied through a reputable supplier where health inspections take place. I am sorry but we have to follow all health regulations.

Many thanks
Jenny Ford,
Canteen Manager
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2013 Selective High School Placement Test

Applicants for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2014 are required to take the Selective High School Placement Test to be held from 9:00am to 1:15pm on Thursday 14th March 2013. The test centre for students at our school is

Dubbo College Senior Campus
Yarrandale Road
Dubbo

All parents have been sent a letter advising them about the test centre their child is required to attend.

Dubbo West Young Volunteers Group
(Junior Red Cross)

We now have 40 students in our group so there is a waiting list for any student who wishes to participate. Fifteen senior students from this Group assist in second break at Primary Canteen.

For further details please see Leah at Primary Monday or Tuesdays.

Dubbo West Young Volunteers Group - reading to Tuesday’s playgroup at the Community Centre.

INTERRELATE - FAMILY CENTRES

The Challenge of Disciplining your Child

Date: Thursday 21st March 2013
Time: 9:30am - 12:30pm
Venue: 138 Darling Street Dubbo
Cost: $25.00 per person or $15 Concession

More information call 02 6815 9650

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