Wednesday 5th March 2014

Message from the Principal

Unfortunately our Infants staff had an unhappy start to their day last Thursday with a break-in occurring in the Administration area. I would like to thank the members of the community who were able to come forward and assist Police with information which will hopefully lead to arrests. It is not only the damage and theft which hits hard but the disruption to the entire campus. If members of our community do see or hear something suspicious please ring 000. One item we are desperate to retrieve is an Apple computer belonging to Mrs Parson. This computer has hours upon hours of work specifically for use with our Infants students. Please contact the school if you are aware of any information which could assist with its recovery.

On a more pleasant note, our 20 DWPS students represented Dubbo District at last week’s PSSA Twilight Carnival. Congratulations to Harry Kater, Kahlia Fields, Brooke Pilcher, Chloe Stewart and Angel Brown who will now compete at the DPPSA Western carnival to be held this Friday. Harry will be competing in the 11years 50m Breaststroke event whilst the girls will be competing in the Senior Girls 50m Relay event.

Staff have been involved in a range of Professional Learning activities so far this Term. This includes Child Protection Updates, L3 training, Stepping Stones Maths training, Count Me in Too. Several of these have been on-line delivery requiring staff to remain back after school to complete. I know you will join me in thanking them for their continued commitment to improving learning outcomes for all students at our school.

Our school has asked to become a part of a rather unique opportunity provided by the Western Plains Cultural Centre. They are holding an upcoming exhibition titled Selfie, which explores the idea of the evolution of photographic self-portraiture from the early 1800’s to the modern day selfie. Students are being encouraged to submit a selfie off their phone, iPad or camera via Instagram, face book or email. Each picture will be displayed as part of the exhibition.

I have included a few thinking challenges for those who wish to attempt them. It became very competitive last term with my office inundated with possible solutions and students eager to explain their answers - and even challenge me on the correct solutions!

Challenges:

A man lives in the penthouse of an apartment building. Every morning he takes the elevator down to the lobby and leaves the building. Upon his return, however, he can only travel halfway up in the lift and he has to walk the rest of the way -unless it is raining. What is the explanation for this?

There are six eggs in a basket. Six people each take one of the eggs. How can it be that one egg is left in the basket?

Five girls took part in a race. Alison finished before Bunty but behind Clare, Debby finished before Emma but behind Bunty. What was the final order?

Have a great fortnight

Mrs Janette Read
Principal (Rel)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 6th March
WSSA swimming

Friday 7th March
*Infants Assembly at Primary Hall 10:40 - KR
*WSSA swimming

Tuesday 11th March
T20 Cricket

Thursday 13th March
*Netball gala day
*Performance at Primary - Adam Hill

Thursday 27th March
Primary Assembly 12:50pm

Friday 28th March
Infants Assembly - Primary Hall 10:40 - 2H
How fresh everything looks after the rain! The Infants students were so excited after not seeing rain for such a long time, that lots of them just wanted to run out in it and jump in puddles.

The Infants classes and P2 will be walking to the Primary Campus this Friday (weather permitting) for Combined Assembly. K Red are going to entertain us and we are all looking forward to it. The assembly will be held in the Primary Hall and commences at 10:40am. All parents, carers and family members are welcome to attend.

Another exciting event coming up is the Adamriginal performance. It is a program of song, puppetry, language, personal stories and didgeridoo. This show will be in the Primary Hall at 9:30am on Thursday 13\textsuperscript{th} March. Cost is $5:00 per student. Because of the early start time, no money will be accepted after Wednesday 12\textsuperscript{th} March. Students will be leaving the Infants Campus promptly at 9:15am, so please make sure your children are on time for school.

Just a reminder that if you are changing your child’s going home arrangements, please notify his/her teacher or phone the office. A verbal message to your child is not satisfactory, as young children can become easily confused or forget by the end of the day.

Shaky Shakes are a new ice cream cup from Streets. They are now on the menu for $2.00 each. The children really enjoyed them last week when we gave them a trial.

Parents please be aware that when ordering noodles they have to go out at a temperature of over 60 degrees (this is a health regulation for all hot foods). Please make sure your child is able to handle these cups as we do not want to see any accidents.

Many thanks to our volunteers for helping out.

Jenny Ford
Canteen Manager
6882 0885
Swimming Carnival

Good luck to our swimmers at the Western Swimming Carnival on Friday.

Adamriginal Show

On Thursday 13th March, P2 and Infants will be walking to the Primary for this show featuring Adam Hill, a noted didgeridoo player.

The note and payment of $5.00 is to be strictly paid by Wednesday 12th March and NOT to be paid on day of performance. If consent form not signed and payment not received, your child will not be attending.

DUBBO CITY COUNCIL - IMMUNISATION CLINICS

Free Immunisation Clinics are held every month at the Dubbo City Council Conference Rooms from 10am to 5pm.

The next Clinic Day is Tuesday 19th March. Take along your medicare card for this free service.
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SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
By now your child would have brought home the envelope for school photos. These will be taken on -
Thursday 20th March for Primary Students (Yrs 3 - 6)
And
Friday 21st March for Preschool, Infants (Kinder to Yr 2) and families
The orders and payment must be back at school by 3:30pm on MONDAY 18TH MARCH.
Please do not be late arriving on the day of the photos as it holds up the photographer and your child may miss out.

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS
Primary
8:45am to 3:30pm
Infants
8:45am to 3:30pm
CLOSED: 11:20am – 11:30am
1:30pm – 2pm
If you ring outside office hours your call may not be answered.
The safest way to and from School may be absolutely FREE

Most children are eligible for free school bus travel.

Contact Dubbo Buslines

PHONE: 6882 2900

Discounted Term Passes available to non-eligible students

33 White Street Dubbo

Dubbo Buslines

Dubbo Basketball Association and Hammondaire Hoop Group

Present:
Elite Youth Basketball Trainings
Dubbo, NSW & Surrounding Areas
Open to boys and girls ages: 8-18 years old.
March 8th and 9th Dubbo Sportsworld
9-4pm each day
Cost $88

YOU MUST REGISTER ONLINE
Register & Lets Be Elite!

Hammondaire Elite Youth Basketball Camps and Clinics focus on the athlete & "Student of the Game" enrichment. We teach high level player development to all ages. For more information visit our website and sign up today. www.jhamm2315.wix.com/hammondairehoopgroup. OR call Alicia Johnson PH: 0434011206 for more details. The Hammond Brothers Are Coming to Dubbo!

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UNITING CARE BURNSIDE

PARENT GET TOGETHER

WHEN: Wednesdays (during school terms)

TIME: 12:00pm to 2:00pm

WHERE: Dubbo West Schools as Community Centre corner North and East Street

AIM: Provide learning opportunities to Parents and Carers of children 0-12 years.

FOCUS: To provide and share skills with each other for life and learning.

SUGGESTED TOPICS: Family planning, early childhood development, cake decorating, craft, sewing, cooking.

COST: FREE

Or just come along for a cuppa and a chat, all carers welcome.

LUNCH PROVIDED

Please call Shelley on 6885 2353 for more information.

CONNECTING PEOPLE WITH COMPLEX COMMUNICATION NEEDS

The Independent Living Centre NSW will be running FREE Assistive Technology to help people with complex communication needs using telecommunications.

The workshop will interest young people with complex communication needs aged 12-25 years and also for people who are older than this. Family members, carers, teachers or allied health professionals are also welcome.

The next workshop is located in Dubbo on 6th March 2014.

To register online go to https://docs.google.com/forms/d/11FpJvWXxjUd3agigdRZ4wbpxON7ZmC5g3VdOLPxic/viewform? or phone Harriet on 99125810

DBA Representative players are strongly encouraged to attend. Open to all Junior Basketball players.
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Dubbo West Public School, cnr North & East St Ph: 6884 9961

**CENTRE PROGRAM FOR 2014**

**TUESDAY**

**Community Playgroup**
Community Playgroup will run every Tuesday from 10am until 12pm. This program is for children 0-5yrs & their parents/carers.

**WEDNESDAY**

**Music & Movement**
Music & Movement will run every Wednesday from 10am until 11.30am. This program is for children 0-5yrs and their parents/carers.

**THURSDAY**

**Play to Learn**
Play to Learn will run every Thursday from 10am until 12pm. This program is for children 2-5yrs.
Please contact Robyn Lambe Jaanamili Community for Children (02) 6885 8888

**FRIDAY**

**Mums & Babies**
Mums and Babies will run every Friday from 11am until 1pm, and is for anyone who is pregnant or mums with children under one.
Please contact Robyn Lambe Jaanamili Community for Children (02) 6885 8888

**MONTHLY**

**Immunisation Clinic**
The Immunisation Clinic will run on the first Tuesday of every month. These clinics are for families with children 0-4yrs and include child health and development checks, Immunisations and parental support.