Wednesday 25th November 2015

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Carers,

Over the past two weeks, many of our students have been participating in learn to swim lessons. The progress that these students have made has been amazing. We have watched eagerly as their skills and confidence have greatly improved. Thank you to the teachers who accompanied the children.

Teachers are currently working very hard to prepare items for our upcoming Christmas concert which will occur on Wednesday 2nd December. This is a whole school event so I encourage you all to attend and be wowed by the fantastic talents of our students under the guidance of their very dedicated (and dare I say, a little excited) teachers and staff. Costumes are being prepared, music checked and rehearsals are well under way. This concert will be amazing.

Over the past two weeks, students and staff have been involved in the election of our student leaders for 2016. Year 5 students indicated whether they were prepared to stand for pre-selection, after which Year 5 and 6 students voted for the eight students who they felt would make the best leaders. These four boys and four girls then presented speeches to the student body (Years 2-6) as to why they would be a great school Captain for next year. The students and staff voted. The positions of Captains, Vice Captains and Prefects will be announced at assembly on Thursday. Also being announced are the results of the voting for House Captains. In addition to this, the finals of our inaugural Year 6 Public Speaking will be held. This is not an assembly to be missed and I know that the students and staff are all very excited.

This week sees the final sessions of our transition program for our Kindergarten children next year as they enter their first year of formal schooling. This is the first time that we have offered this program in this way and feedback has been positive. One of the suggestions that has come out of these sessions is access to uniforms for next year. In order to assist parents with this, the Primary Office will be open on the last two days of school (December 17th and 18th) between the hours of 10.00 and 12.00 for uniform purchase. As this is so close to Christmas, we will also open the office on Monday 25th, Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th between the hours of 1.00 and 3.00. These dates are immediately prior to students returning to school.

On Wednesday our pre-schoolers for 2016 will have their orientation day. This is a great time to meet their teachers and for parents to discover the types of activities and learning that their child will be involved in. It is also a great opportunity to find out how parents/carers can help their child to become settled so that they get the most out of heir preschool experience. Preschool spots are filling fast but there are still a few spots available for children who will be coming to Dubbo West Public School in 2017. If you know of anyone who may be interested but has not enrolled yet, please get them to call the school on 688 23086.

Enjoy your week and remember: Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier.

Regards

Eileen Day
## Term 4 - 2015 Planner

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### SAVE THE DATE

**Wednesday 2nd DECEMBER FOR OUR SCHOOL CONCERT.**

### KINDERGARTEN 2016

Kindergarten enrolments for 2016 are being accepted now. If you have, or know of anyone living in our area who has a child turning 5 years before 31st July next year, please call and collect an enrolment form. If your child is currently enrolled at our Preschool, the office staff will provide a form for you to fill out with any change of details.

### PRESCHOOL 2016

Preschool enrolments for 2016 are being accepted now. If you have, or know of anyone living in our area who has a child going to Kindergarten in 2017, they are eligible for our Preschool. Please call and collect an enrolment form from the Preschool Office.
Premier’s Debating State Championship

Stanwell Tops - Debating Camp

On Monday 9th November to Wednesday 11th November our Premier's Debating Team travelled to Stanwell Tops Convention Centre following their win at the Regional final at Bletchington Public School in Orange. We joined nine other teams from around the state.

"We had four debates over two days, against other regional finalists. The standard was exceptionally high and all of the debating has helped us to develop our team discussion skills and debate planning. We feel that our presentation and arguments became stronger as we went along. We were happy to win a debate and were told that we were very close with the others.

This was an amazing camp with lots of great experiences and we made a lot of new friends. We hope that we can make the State Finals again next year."

By Sasha Morrison-Zhou, Sathmi Herath, Harry Kater and Aidan Alexander.

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January 2016
School Holiday Activities

Week 1:
Monday 4th January - Friday 8th January

Week 2:
Monday 11th January - Friday 15th January

Week 3:
Monday 18th January - Friday 22nd of January

Time: 9am – 4pm (Fees apply for additional hours)

Cost: $25.00 per child per day
(Plus children must be a member of the Dubbo PCYC Club - $5.50)

What to Bring:
A drink Bottle
Enclosed Shoes
Morning Tea (hot chips are available for lunch @ $2.00 a bucket)

Activities include:
Gymnastics, drop in sports, arts and craft and other indoor sports

Please contact Dubbo PCYC to book your child(ren) in for our school holidays activities.
Canteen News

New Canteen menu for 2016 has been sent home today. Stock is running low until end of term. Thank you for supporting the canteen in 2015.

Good luck and best wishes to Year 6 for High School.

Have a safe and happy holiday and Merry Christmas.

Leah and Karen

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Notice of Annual General Meeting

Date: 9/12/15
Time: 5.00 – 6.00 pm
Venue: 150 Darling Street Dubbo 2830

All committee positions will be declared open at the meeting. Nomination and Proxy forms are to be received by Dubbo Deaf no later than Monday 7th December 2015

For nomination forms, contact
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