Wednesday 2nd March 2016

**Message from the Principal**

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a busy couple of weeks it has been. On Thursday of last week, Dubbo West Public School was represented at our District Swimming Carnival. A team of ten represented the school and competed to the very best of their ability in what was some very strong competition. Support for our students was amazing and we would like to thank all of those parents who came along to cheer and support on the evening. This support ensured that we achieved many placings in our heats. Staff were particularly impressed by the sportsmanship which was shown on the evening. Particularly strong on the evening were Holly Shields, who came 2nd in the 11 years, 50 m butterfly; and Sarah Hall, whose impressive medal haul included 2nd, 50 m senior backstroke, 2nd, 200 m individual medley, 3rd, 100 m freestyle and 3rd, 50 m freestyle. Well done to the whole team and particularly to Holly and Sarah who will be off to represent us at Western Region.

I would also like to personally than Tamara Shields and John Kater who so willingly gave their time at our own school carnival. We greatly appreciated your time and involvement in this event.

On Tuesday, our school had a visit from Charles Sturt University. As a part of the Future Moves program, university staff visited every classroom to talk about university and future careers. This program is designed to increase the academic aspirations of children from an early age by exposing them to the types of careers that they could have open to them. Everyone involved had a wonderful day with our visitors commenting on how fantastic our students are. We thank Charles Sturt University for our continued involvement within this program. I wonder how many of our students will look back on this program in years to come and think ‘that was the day that I decided to become…..’

Our staff member of the week is another new staff member to Dubbo West, Ms Ashleigh Golden is currently teaching in the Primary section. Look out for her interview later in this newsletter.

I would like to remind parents that the school now has Out of School Hours Care (OOSH) running from the Primary school hall each afternoon. Application forms are available from the school office.

Enjoy your day and remember: An essential part of a happy, healthy life is being of service to others.

Regards

Mrs Eileen Day
Principal
I am SAFE
I am RESPONSIBLE
I am RESPECTFUL
I am COOPERATIVE

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The Hear Our Heart Ear Bus Project, is a fantastic community initiative run by a passionate volunteer committee who have a strong commitment to promoting a combined ear health and education service. The project provides free ear health education, targeted hearing testing and access to ear specialists to students, staff and community members in Dubbo and surrounding districts.

This service is provided to the community solely through fundraising initiatives, local partnerships and community donations. The project does not receive any Government funding to assist with its operation.

The Hear Our Heart Ear Bus Project warmly welcomes your involvement, no matter how small, whether it is through participation in your local committee, donations to the project or by organising or attending a fundraising event in support of the project. If you have a passion for ear health and would like to become involved, we would love to hear from you.

For further information regarding the Ear Bus Project, please contact the volunteer Directors:
Donna Rees 0419 534 447  and  Rachel Mills 0413 687 671

**CANTEEN**

**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND**

**INFANTS:** Ice Cream Sundaes $1:00 each, Friday 11th March (Friday next week). Please **PRE-ORDER** so that you don't miss out.

Notes to Pre-order will go home next Monday, 7th March.

Leah and Karen

**JUNIOR REGISTRATION DAY**

**DUBBO NEWTOWN**

**SOCCER CLUB**

Under 5s-under 17s Saturday 5th MARCH. 10am-2pm 
Dubbo city bowling club. Any questions call Tara:0423224489
A MESSAGE FROM MRS HALL

School Photos
Just a reminder that School Photos for Preschool, Infants and also the Family photos will be on Friday 18th March 2016. Please return the money and form by THURSDAY 17TH MARCH.

Collecting Students
When collecting students at the end of the day, it would be appreciated/preferred if parents/caregivers waited under the hayshed for students to be dismissed.

Assembly
Next week at 10 am in the Primary Hall, 2 Lime will be hosting the Assembly. Students will bring home their lines to practise next Monday. It will be fantastic for parents/grandparents to come and be an audience member and watch 2 Lime in action!!

MONSTER EASTER RAFFLE
We are holding an Easter Raffle and are asking each student/family to donate an item that can be used as a FANTASTIC prize.
Books of raffle tickets are going home today. Simply sell as many tickets as you can, place money and the completed tickets in an envelope and return it to the office or your class teacher no later than Tuesday 22nd March. Additional raffle books will be available from the office.
Money raised from the raffle will be used to purchase additional resources for our school. Thank you for your support.

EASTER HAT PARADE
On Thursday 24th March Infants will be having our Annual Easter Hat Parade. It will begin at 10am underneath the Cola area.
It would be great to see as many visitors as possible watching us parade around in our amazing hats.

2 Lime
Our homework is well under way and I’m happy with the students who are submitting their homework each Friday.
Home readers need to be returned every day so they can be changed over.
Thank you
Mrs Hall
Welcome Miss Golden

Miss Golden is a new teacher at Dubbo West Public School. We interviewed her to find out a little more about her. Here are some of the questions we asked:

**What is your most favourite food?**
Panang chicken which is a Thai dish. It's yum!

**If there was one place in the world you would want to go, where would it be and why?**
England because I used to live there.

**What schools have you taught at?**
I have taught in a lot of places including Newcastle, Broken Hill and England.

**Why did you become a teacher?**
I became a teacher because I have wanted to be one since I was four.

**Can you play a musical instrument?**
I wish I could.

**Who is your most favourite author?**
J.K. Rowling

**Which would you prefer: Movies or books?**
Movies

**What is your most favourite animal?**
The Lion

**If you had to live in a Museum, a Science Lab or a Zoo which one would you choose and why?**
Definitely a Museum because I love history.

**Is your last name made up?**
No. Golden is a real last name. I'm just lucky to have it.

By Aidan Alexander and Dugald Shepard 5/6OC

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**INTERRELATE**

**CREATING POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS**

**When:** Wednesday 16th March 2016  
**Time:** 5:30pm - 8:30pm  
**Cost:** $50/couple $30/couple concession

**POSITIVE PARENTING**

**When:** Wednesday 2nd March 2016  
**Time:** 5:30pm - 8:30pm  
**Cost:** $25 / $15 concession

Venue for both the above: Interrelate Dubbo, 138 Darling Street Dubbo

**Bookings essential - Phone 6815 9650**