**Important Dates**

**Wednesday 26th November**  
Year 2 Swimming

**Thursday 27th November**  
Year 2 Swimming

**Friday 28th November**  
Year 2 Swimming  
SRC nominations due

**K-6 Assembly. Items by: 1K/1L & 5/6M**

**Monday 1st December**  
Year 2 Swimming

**Tuesday 2nd December**  
Year 2 Swimming  
SRC speeches/voting  
Orientation Day (Yr 6-7)

**Wednesday 3rd December**  
P&C Meeting

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**Stage 3 Concert - Australia – A Journey through Time**

_It's here!_ Tonight Stage 3 will be holding their concert which is open for families and community members to attend. The night will commence at 5.30pm with a Sausage Sizzle. Students are required to be at school by 6.00pm for the concert to start at 6.30pm. All students are to go to their own classrooms at 6.00pm with the exception of 5/6T who need to meet at the shed. Students MUST be collected from these rooms at the CONCLUSION of the concert. Tickets can be bought at the door for $2 per person or $5 for a family.

**Student Departures**

If your child is not returning to Dubbo South Public School in 2015, other than students heading into Year 7, can you please notify the school at your earliest convenience to help us with our class allocations.

**Kinder Rewards Day**

A reminder that Kindergarten students have the opportunity to attend a rewards day to be held at Wahroonga Park. Please complete the permission note that was sent home last week and return to your child’s teacher by Wednesday 3rd December.

**When:** Wednesday 10th December  
**Transport:** Walking  
**Cost:** Nil

**Presentation Night**

A reminder that the presentation night is Tuesday 9th December at 7.30pm

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**From Sharon’s Desk**

**Congratulations to Justin Blanch**

on a wonderful effort for his hard work and representation of our school at the recent Senior State Finals of Multicultural Speaking in Sydney. We are proud of his efforts!

**Classes for 2015** - Classes have been formed for 2015 based upon enrolments and needs of specific students. At this time, based on our current enrolment there will be some straight year classes and some stage groups.

After looking at school results, data and where the greatest needs lie, two consolidation classes have been established: one for Year 2 and a Year 3/4 class. These classes will be targeted with extra staffing to focus on learning outcomes for the students. All other classes will be parallel with a range of students from middle to top end of outcomes achieved with a focus on quality teaching driving teaching and learning.

South Enrich will continue around areas of literacy, art and technology.

Letters will go home tomorrow to the parents of the students of the consolidation classes. Levels of students are based upon age appropriate skills and where they need to be!

**Year 2 swimming** has kicked off for the next two weeks. This is an incredibly important program where students in Year 2 are taught how to swim! Please remind your children to pack an extra pair of shorts and t-shirt etc to wear over their swimming outfit for travelling to and from the pool - thongs are acceptable. This will be good protection from the sun as well as being more appropriate for walking around the school.

**Planning System 2015** has continued with staff with a small group of five teachers who met, discussed and contributed to the new planning process - Strategic Directions that were developed for 2015 are Community Connections, Student Learning Engagement and Leadership Capability.

This will be an ongoing and methodical process so that we get it right! The document will be published on our website early next year.

**Stage 3 Concert** will be held tonight at our school hall. Kick off will be at 6.30pm. All students are incredibly excited. Parents, please remember to sit quietly through the acts and pick children up at the end of the evening from their classrooms.

**Transition** of students with special needs will meet their new classroom teacher for 2015 over the next two weeks. The students in Years 2-3 will meet new teachers and develop a rapport to reduce any anxiety or other issues.

**Upcoming dates:**  
- AECG Meeting at Dubbo South Public School - Thursday 4th December at 1.30pm.  
- Presentation Night - Tuesday 9th December at 7.30pm  
- Year 6 Farewell - Thursday 11th December

Have a great week! Sharon Murray
Active After School Care Excursion

Students enrolled in Active After School Care have the opportunity to attend an excursion to Club Dubbo to play lawn bowls. Students must return their permission slip to be able to attend this free event and take a hat, water bottle and wear joggers. Parents are required to pick their children up from Club Dubbo on Whylyandra Street in West Dubbo at the completion of the excursion. There will be no supervision at school, so if your child is not attending the excursion, other care arrangements must be made for your child after school.

When: Wednesday 26th November
Time: 3.30pm - 4.45pm

Kinder News

Year 6 into Year 7 Orientation Day
Next Wednesday 3rd December Year 6 students who will be attending Dubbo College South Campus will be participating in an Orientation Day from 10.00am until 2.00pm. The students will be familiarising themselves with the school, participating in mini lessons and generally getting a feel for the new routines that will occur in high school. All students need to wear full school uniform, bring a hat, drink bottle and their recess. A BBQ lunch will be provided by Dubbo College South Campus.

TAFE open day
There will be an open day this Friday 28th November from 4.00pm—8.00pm at the Fitzroy St Campus, corner of Fitzroy and Bultjie Streets. The open day will have information for those interested in a career in the fields of Community Services or Children’s Services. A free BBQ, cake stall and activities will also be on offer. For further enquiries, please contact Donna Shadwell on 02 6885 7528 or a limited number of flyers are available from the office.

Library News

Book club Issue 8
Issue 8 has been sent away and will hopefully return at the end of this week. Thank you for supporting Book Club this year and a huge thank you to our faithful Book Club helpers Emma Marchant & Jacqui Gravitis.

Please return all books!
With the year rapidly drawing to a close, we have now ceased all borrowing. We are asking that ALL library books be returned by Friday of this week. Thank you for your cooperation.

Talent Quest News

The annual school talent quest will be held on the 17th December (last day of school). Audition slips have been issued outlining your child’s audition day and time. The cost of the audition is $1.00 payable on the day of the audition. The students do not need to wear their costume to the audition, however they do need to have their music ready to play. Students will be informed if they have been selected to perform in the finals which will be held in Week 10.

Position Vacant
A vacancy exists for the position of Relief Canteen Supervisor. The position will be required when the full time Canteen Supervisor is away. Essential Criteria includes: Ability to work well with people, effective leadership, communication and organisational skills, experience in food preparation and handling, be able to comply with health regulations and promote the sale of nutritious food, experience in cash handling, stock ordering and maintenance of stock, high level of computer skills with knowledge of Microsoft excel and experience of Xero accounting would be desirable and a current working with children check. Applications close Friday 28th November. Please send your resume addressing the above criteria to president1dsps@gmail.com

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Multicultural Speaking – Senior State Finals
On Friday 14th November Justin Blanch represented Dubbo South Public School at the Senior State Finals of Multicultural Speaking in Sydney. Justin confidently presented his prepared speech titled ‘Learning Different Languages’ and did an excellent job with his two minute impromptu speech having been given the topic, ‘It’s time to get serious’. Well done Justin, you are a great ambassador for our school!

1K and 1L Assembly Item- This Friday
Children need to bring in smart casual clothes suitable to dance in before Friday. Please make sure all clothing is labelled with names.

SRC Nominations
SRC nominations for 2015 are due this Friday. Nominations are open for students in Years 3-5 and must be returned to Miss Pengilly. Speeches and voting will take place next Tuesday 2nd December.

Hat Donations
We are seeking donations of any hats suitable for children that you may have spare. Donations can be left at the office.