Dubbo South Public School
Respect, Care, Cooperation & Responsibility

Term 3 Week 5, 12th August 2014

Important Dates
Monday 11th - Wednesday 13th August
Stage 3 Excursion: 5/6K, 5/6M & 5/6T  
Tuesday 12th August
ICAS—Maths  
Thursday 14th August
Stage 3 Excursion—“Back to the 80’s”  
Friday 15th August
Dubbo District Athletics Carnival  
Thursday 21st August  
School Choir performs at Primary Principal’s Conference

Book Week
Book Week will be held next week from Monday 18th August until Friday 22nd August. The theme for this year is “Connect to Reading.” A flyer has been sent home today outlining the events for the week which will include a dress up day.

Vision Screening
A parental permission slip was sent home last week with all Kindergarten students for Vision Screening. This is a free program which looks at basic visual abilities but is not a full eye examination. A report will then be given to the school and if further testing is required, this can be conducted by a qualified optometrist. Over 80% of what children learn is processed through their eyes. Untreated eye conditions may affect learning ability, self-esteem and athletic performance.

Children who are currently under the care of an optometrist are not required to participate. This screening will be conducted 13th and 14th October. Notes need to be returned so that we can establish if further dates need to be booked.

Back to the 80’s - This Thursday
Students from Stage 3 have been invited to attend a special matinee performance of Dubbo College South Campus' production of “Back to the Eighties”. This is a wonderful opportunity for Stage 3 children to become familiar with High School activities. Students will need to return their permission note and $5 to their class teacher ASAP if they have not already done so.

Kinder Zoo Excursion
Permission notes were sent home yesterday for a Kinder excursion to the Taronga Western Plains Zoo on Thursday 4th September. Notes and $10 need to be returned to their class teacher by Friday 22nd August.

Uniform Shop Opening Hours
Keep watch on the newsletter as these times may be changing again soon.

- Tuesdays 8.30am-9.30am and
- Thursdays 8.45am-9.45am.

Order forms are available from the office, school app & website.

Dubbo College South Campus Performance
Tickets are still available to attend the production “Back to the 80’s”.
Thursday 14th and Friday 15th August
Curtains up at 7pm
Tickets are $10 and available from the office at the South Campus or by phoning 6882 3744.

From Sharon’s Desk
Good News! We now have a MC Special Education Unit with the establishment of the third class to provide more intensive support to our students. A morning tea will be held in the next couple of weeks for parents to drop in and look at classrooms and meet teachers.

A huge congratulations to one of our Support Teachers at school, Nathan Riley. Nathan was chosen as a number of only 12 people to form a running team under the leadership of Robert de Castella in the Indigenous Marathon Program. Nathan participated in a camp where he competed in the City to Surf in Sydney on Sunday 10th August with a time of 57min placing him in the top 1,000 out of a total of 67,000 runners. Well done! You are a very positive role model to our students.

The last of our 3 Way Conferences were held last Monday. It was great to see so many parents involved with their children. If you were unable to get to a meeting, please contact the school to catch up with your child’s teacher at an appropriate time if needed.

Good luck to all students representing our school at the upcoming Dubbo District Athletics Carnival managed by Mrs Brooke Barber this Friday. I can’t wait to see our students cross the line. Enjoy and participate at your best!

Book Week will be celebrated next week. Tuesday will see a community “Yarn-Up” held at Wahroonga Park from 4pm. Please drop in for a chat. Dress up day as a book character will be held on Thursday. Get your outfit ready! Remember that there is no need to pay a lot of money for your child’s costume, the aim is to get original, recycle and be creative!

Have a great week, Sharon Murray
**Payment**
Payment can be made at the office.

**Invoices**
Invoices for students in the band will be sent home this week.

**Band News**
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**Sport**
**Girls Touch Football:** The Dubbo South girls touch football team played well on Friday the 8th against Gilgandra. The girls put up a good fight but in the end Gilgandra took out the win 7-2. Kimberly and Rachael both crossed the try line. All the girls should be proud of their efforts and their terrific sportsmanship towards the referee and Gilgandra girls.

**Western Region Girls Netball:** Amelia Raidaveta and Abbey Macleod were selected as the only two students from Dubbo to compete in the Western Region Girls Netball team. The girls travelled to Penrith in July to compete in a PSSA round robin where they played 13 games over 3 days. Although the Western team did not place in the top teams, the girls had a great time and thought the experience was wonderful.

**Dubbo Stampede:** A flyer has been included with this Newsletter outlining a School’s Challenge division of the annual running festival. Please see the flyer for further information and registration details if you would like your child to participate in this challenge.

**Library News**
**Premier’s Reading Challenge**
Only 13 days until the end of the challenge! The completion date is **NEXT FRIDAY 22nd August!** Please see Mrs Smith NOW if you need help to finish!

**Gospel Choir**
A few of our school choir members have been invited to participate in a children’s choir along with students from Geurie, Ballimore and South Campus. They will be performing at a gospel service to be held at St Andrews Chapel this Sunday 17th August. Information was handed out last week to participating students.

**South Enrich Art**
Students in South Enrich classes are talking about the Wiradjuri Nation. We learnt that the word ‘Wiradjuri’ means ‘people of the three rivers.’ The Macquarie River is known to the Wiradjuri people as ‘Wambool.’ We talked about Aboriginal totems and completed clay models of Australian animals with Mrs Gay. With Mrs Stein, we will be making a mural of the Macquarie River to share with our Japanese friends who visit Dubbo each year in an exchange programme. We studied the Macquarie River and made river stones using natural, dyed wools in the colours of the stones, using needle felting techniques. Thank you to Mrs Gay and Mrs Stein for running our workshops.

**Apology**
Last week we published new record holders. Congratulations to Jonathan Gleson whose new record for the 11yrs long jump is 4.49 metres. Well done Jonathon!

**Colouring Competition Winner**
Congratulations to Molly Quilty who has won the Book Connection’s Colouring Competition for her age division (Age 8). The competition was run as a part of Bookshop Week celebrations.

**Positive Parenting Seminar**
A three hour interactive seminar on positive communication and parenting techniques run by Interrelate. Parents will learn to help their children grow and develop to the best of their ability.

**When:** Wednesday 13th August  
**Time:** 9.30am-12.30pm  
**Where:** Interrelate, 138 Darling St, Dubbo  
**Phone:** 6815 9650 to book

**Saver Plus**
This is a fantastic program which has been run by The Smith Family. Saver Plus can match participant savings, dollar for dollar, up to $500 for educational costs. To be eligible for the program, participants must:

- Be over 18 years  
- Have kids at school, TAFE or Uni, or be going there themselves  
- Have a Centrelink Concession Card or Health Care Card  
- Have some form of household income.  
- Be a local resident.

If you are interested or require further information, please contact Kim Mathieson on 6881 0832 or 0419 319 564.

**“What’s On” in the Community Room**

Our Junior AECG representatives, Skye Crawford and Janaya Rose, attended St Laurence’s Primary School for the first AECG Monthly Meeting on 7th August. Janaya and Skye spoke extremely well given it was Janaya’s first time presenting her report for our school. The next AECG meeting will be held 11th September at Dubbo West Public School at 1.00pm.

Our Wiradjuri Choir performed at Dubbo College Senior Campus’ NAIDOC Day yesterday and were given some great feedback. Well done! They will be performing again at the Children’s Ward at the Dubbo Hospital for their NAIDOC Day on Thursday 4th September.

Next Tuesday 19th August we are holding a Yarn-Up BBQ at Wahroonga Park on Macquarie Street for all families of our school from 4.00pm - 6.00pm. A free sausage sizzle will be available for an early tea. This is a great opportunity to get to know other members of your child’s school community. We hope to see you there!

Tickets are on sale for the annual AECG dinner and awards night which will be held on Friday 5th September at the Dubbo RSL. Tickets are $60.00 per person and are available from our school office.

**Coming events:**

- **Thursday 4th September:** Wiradjuri Choir  
- **Friday 5th September:** Dinner & Awards Night  
- **16th - 19th September:** NAIDOC Celebrations

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**Canteen Roster**

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Trivia Afternoon
STAGE 2 & 3 ONLY
A Trivia Afternoon will be held in the Library from 3.20pm to 5pm. This activity is open to Stage 2 & 3 ONLY. Children will be placed in teams of 6-8 members from both stages by Mrs Smith. The cost per student is $2 and all children will receive a bag of chips and a drink. Games will also be played on the night with many prizes to be won. Please complete the consent slip below if you would like your child to participate.

Friday 22nd August

Book Week Winners Party
Students have read the Children’s Book Council shortlisted books for Book Week 2014. This week students will vote for the book they think may win. Winning books will be announced on Friday 15th and some student names will be drawn from the group who chose the correct books. These students will attend a party in the Library on Friday. Invitations will be issued to the lucky few on Tuesday 19th.

I give permission for my child/children in Stage 2 / 3 ............................class.............and ............................. class ........ to attend the Trivia Afternoon on Thursday 21st August in the School Library from 3.20 to 5pm at the cost of $2 per child.

Special needs of my child of which you should be aware
Asthma ( ) Epilepsy ( ) Allergies ( )
Any other information that could be of use.

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Signed: ............................ Date: ............................

Yarn Up
Wahroonga Park
Name: ...........................................
No attending the Yarn Up: ............
No of sausage sandwiches: ............
Nil Cost.
Hello parent/guardians and students,

As you may recall for the last two years in early September, the Dubbo Stampede, a running festival for everyone, has been held at the Taronga Western Plains Zoo. It is a wonderful community day and has been very successful.

Many of our local school students and their families have taken part which has been brilliant! It is great to see young people and families being active and enjoying the outdoors together. For those not aware, the Schools’ Challenge is a way of encouraging participation and community spirit. There are three categories within the Challenge, to account for schools in the region of different sizes. The idea is that each school tries to gather as many registrations as they can. When any member of your family (or friends) registers for a race, they should choose our school from the list of schools found in the stages of the registration process. The school with the most registrations attributed to them in each category receives a trophy and $300 cheque, to be presented at a special event where significant community members will be present and also the press. Wouldn’t it be wonderful if our school was able to win our category?

This year the Stampede falls on Sunday 7 September. It is the first weekend of spring and also Father’s Day; two great reasons to make The Stampede the start of a wonderful family day!

2014 will also see Dubbo have the privilege of Andrew Lloyd coming as patron of The Stampede. Andrew is a highly acclaimed distance runner, representing Australia at the Commonwealth Games and also winning many prestigious marathons with incredibly impressive times. Our own Jane Fardell is also on board as an ambassador. Jane is a very talented distance runner who competes at the highest levels with great success.

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<td>Rhino Ramble (16 yrs and over)** new event**</td>
<td>Looping around the river, finishing in the zoo</td>
<td>Marathon 42.2km</td>
<td>7:00am</td>
<td>$110 (free running shirt for early bird entries)</td>
<td>*All finishers receive a medal &amp; a water bottle</td>
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<td>Zebra Zoom (16 yrs and over)</td>
<td>Around the river loop and a lap of the zoo</td>
<td>Half Marathon 21.1km</td>
<td>7:45am</td>
<td>$80.00 (free running shirt for early bird entries)</td>
<td>*Additional trophy for 1st, 2nd, 3rd in each age category (male and female)</td>
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<td>Cheetah Chase</td>
<td>A lap of the zoo and down the Obley Rd towards Camp Rd and back</td>
<td>10km</td>
<td>8:15am</td>
<td>$45.00</td>
<td>*Significant prize money for overall 1st, 2nd, 3rd male and female in each event. See the website for further information and age categories</td>
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<td>Dingo Dash</td>
<td>A lap of the zoo To be run or walked. A great race for families to do together.</td>
<td>5.5km</td>
<td>7:30am</td>
<td>$20/person $60/family of 4, with additional members $10 each N.B. All entries include a free day entry to the zoo on either Saturday 6 Sept or Sunday 7 Sept. (You don’t need to pay entry the day of the race)</td>
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The Dubbo Stampede website (www.dubbostampede.com.au) showcases the festival and holds all the registration and other details; maps, training plans, blog, merchandise and other points of interest surrounding the festival and races. To enter click on the ‘Register Now’ logo or use the Registration tab and remember to select our school as your school! Please note you cannot enter on the day, only online registration is available. Since registrations have been open for some time and are streaming in, I wouldn’t wait too long to sign up!

We have a great community here in Dubbo as well as a beautiful zoo and river! Why not plan to be a part of the fun and enter a race. There will be runners and walkers of all levels competing, the onus being on participation, community and enjoyment...and of course cracking times for those so inclined.

Yours sincerely,

James De Lyall