**Important Dates**

**Wednesday 19th August**
Moorambilla Sausage Sizzle

**Friday 21st August**
5/6S performing at Principals Conference

**Monday 24th August**
Book Week Commences

**Tuesday 25th August**
Dress Up Day

**Wednesday 26th August**
Craft Afternoon
Yarn Up

**Thursday 27th August**
Trivia Afternoon

**Friday 28th August**
Book Week Winners Party

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**5/6S African Drummers to Perform.**
The students of 5/6S have been learning African Drums this term and will be performing at the Western Area Primary Principals conference this Friday. The bus will be leaving school bright and early at 7.50am so that they can perform at the opening of the second day of the conference at 8.30am. Please ensure that all permission notes are returned as soon as possible.

**Choral Camp**
A Choral Camp will be held in Dubbo from 31st August to 2nd September. The amazing Paul Jarman will be taking the camp as resident conductor and composer. Paul is a very energetic and talented man who wrote out school song “Forward Always” several years ago. The camp is open to students from Year 5 to 12. The cost is a very reasonable $40 per student as there is no accommodation or meal costs for our students. If you would like your child to participate please see Lindy Blekemore in the school office.

**Yarn Up**
A Yarn Up will be held next Tuesday afternoon from 3.30pm. Come along for a chat and sausage sizzle. The Yarn Up will be held in our new OLGA—have a look. The yarn up will be held during the same time as the craft afternoon in the Library. What a great opportunity for parents to catch up while the kids are being entertained!

**Lunch Concerns**
We have had a large influx of children not bringing lunches to school. Please ensure that your child has adequate food and drink for the day. We only have minimal supplies on hand for emergency situations only.

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**From Sharon’s Desk**
**Congratulations** to the winning school—Dubbo South Public School for taking out both the Overall Winners Shield and the Handicap Trophy at the Dubbo District Athletics Carnival held last Friday. The students from Dubbo were outstanding, performing their best in every race or event. Again it was wonderful to see the team spirit and comradery between the kids. Congratulations to all students and those now off to Western Region Athletics at Barden Park—an outstanding facility.

Well done to our **Basketball girls** who along with coach Deb Morrow and Michelle Blake travelled to Bathurst where they won all games. They now travel to Bathurst Where they will compete for the State title. A great team effort!

Dubbo is hosting the **Western Primary Principals Conference** this Thursday and Friday at Taronga Western Plains Zoo. I will be joined by members of our executive to listen to speakers Peter Fitzsimmons, Jackie Furey—Psychotherapist and Kerry O’Keeff. The theme of the conference is Communication—Human Connection. With all of the new processes and reforms in education and the department, communicating with students and community has never been so important. Forming these positive partnerships with parents and engaging together in moving the school forward is a number one priority.

School Canteen is after new volunteers. Jodie Bruce is the Manager of the Canteen and is working hard but can’t do her job without more help. If you can spare half day a week or more please drop in to school or ring to speak to Jodie. Your kids love seeing you in the school. I thank parents who already give their time however, we open 5 days and with new class times and online ordering more help is essential. It would be a shame to have to close the canteen for a day a week due to a lack of volunteers. Please contact the school and contribute if you can!

**2016 Kindy Kick Off.** Kinder Transition will take place in Term 4. Please enrol your child now! Drop in at the school office for an enrolment package. If you know of any other young person turning 5 by July 31st 2016 please get their parents to drop in. Let’s get ready for Kindy 2016.

Have a great week.

**Cheers Sharon**
Canteen

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Jodie at the Canteen 6882 2957.

Special Menu Items:
Homemade breakfast egg & bacon quiches will be available as a healthy alternative from the canteen of a morning for $1.50. Lunch specials will be available every week:
- Tuesday's - Homemade Spaghetti Bolognaise and small drink $6.
- Wednesday's - Beef Nachos and small drink $6

Don’t forget that Flexischools is up and running. If you have not got access to a computer/app please contact Jodie to make other arrangements.

Library News
Premier's Reading Challenge
The PRC ends THIS Friday 21st August! Only a few days left to complete the challenge!!! It’s still possible to finish. See Mrs Rice immediately if you need help.

Book Week Activities: A flyer has been issued to all families outlining the events of the week
- Tuesday - Dress Up day. Dress up as a character from a book & bring your book (or a photocopy/printout of the book cover) with you. Remember: Be inventive and clever by using things you already have at home! You are invited to watch our Book week parades in the Hall. Kinder: 9.30, Stage 1: 10.05am, Stage 2: 11.05am, Stage 3: 11.45am.
- Wednesday - Craft in the Library 3.20 - 4.30pm for Kinder, Year 1 & Year 2 ONLY. Students MUST be accompanied by an adult!
- Thursday After school- Trivia Afternoon in the Library 3.20- 5pm for Years 3-6 ONLY. Permission notes and $2 due to the library on Wednesday!
- Friday - Book Week Party. Invited students celebrate Book Week in the library. Invitations will be given to selected students.

Tullamore Band Day
We had an exciting time meeting all the other students from Gilgandra Public, Tullamore Central and Trangie Central Schools. We left at 8.00am and travelled by bus to Tullamore and had a great day doing workshops in trombone, trumpet, tuba, guitar, flute, clarinet, drums and keyboard. The day finished with a mini concert to the Kindergarten students of Tullamore. The best part was playing with all the other students in a big ensemble. We played Old MacDonald had a band and Ode to joy. We are really looking forward to the workshop and concert next term.

By Jessica Hall and Hamish Price

Athletics Carnival
Last Friday 53 students from our school competed in the Dubbo District Athletics Carnival at Barden Park. We had a great day with lots of personal bests. Dubbo South won both the Overall points trophy and the Handicap trophy—what a great day! Congratulations to the following students who now participate in the Western Area Athletics Carnival next Friday.
- Georgia Cudmore Junior Girls champion
- Will Cuthill: Junior Boys Champion
- Will Magner-Pollard: Senior Boys Champion
- Kimmy Trappett; Senior Girls Champion

Congratulations to the team of Georgia Cudmore, Kimmy Trappett, Katie Tink, Chloe Sykes, Jessica Ferraro, Elwyn Green, Clare Andrews, Alix Medley, Ella Murray, Amelia Raidaveta, Will Magner-Pollard, Will Cuthill, Lucas Doole, Julian Morrison-Zhou, Rome Toomey, Michael Ross, Max Naden, Brayden Smith, Jack Wallbridge, Charlie Bryan, Jesse Tozer & Seaun Stanley.

Senior Boys Rugby
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Thank you to Sonya Smith, Sallyanne Morrison, Mrs Wallbridge for providing transport throughout the year.

Photo: Travis Edwards, Julian Morrison-Zhou and Oliver Maroulis!

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Fathers Day Stall
Thursday 3rd September
We are seeking donations of presents ranging from 50c to $5. donations can be left with the ladies in the school office.

Positive Behaviour for Learning
The PBL learning focus for this week is Care.

Care in the playground- Walk on the concrete.
Care in the classroom- Speak nicely to others.

Keep collecting Ollie tokens in the playground and the classroom to work towards your next Stage reward.