Dubbo South Public School
Respect, Care, Cooperation & Responsibility

Term 3 Week 6—18th August 2015

Important Dates
Wednesday 26th August
Craft Afternoon
Yarn Up 3.30pm
Stage 3 Trip 1 Depart for Sydney
Thursday 27th August
Trivia Afternoon
Friday 28th August
Book Week Winners Party
Western Area Athletics Carnival
Trip 1 return from Sydney
Monday 31st August
Choral Workshop in Hall with Paul Jarman
Tuesday 1st September
Year 3 to the Zoo Snooze
Choral Workshop continues
Wednesday 2nd September
Year 3 return from the Zoo Snooze
Year 4 students depart for Zoo Snooze
Stage 3 Trip 2 depart for Sydney
Choral Workshop Concert

From Sharon’s Desk

Book Week has arrived along with Literacy and Numeracy week. It was
great to see many students make an effort and dress up and have fun! Well
done to our staff, who certainly got into the spirit. This year’s theme ‘Books
Light up the World’ saw some great window displays in classrooms.
Reading is such an important skill along with allowing people to escape into
another world far from your own!

Reading to your child from birth every day until 5 years of age has been shown
to assist them in their future years and prepare them for achieving better
outcomes at school. Reading is Cool! Take time to read together! What a
lovely way to spend time!

Yarn Up will be held this Wednesday (tomorrow) at school from 3.30pm at
the OLGA. A craft afternoon in the Library for book week is scheduled, so
come on into school and have a sausage sandwich and meet or chat with
staff while the children are busy creating! All are welcome.

Congratulations to students, Kimmy Trappett, Jack Wallbridge, Jessica
Ferraro and Sorelle Thomas who were successful in winning Feral Animals
Envirostories Competition. They will have their story “Billy’s Great Escape”
published. A Great Job!

Cyberbullying is the use of technology to bully an individual or a group with
the intent to cause harm. It is illegal and parents need to remind their
children of responsible use with their technical items. Parents need to keep
a close interest and monitor what your children watch, text, read and whom
they interact with.

Children must understand that when text and comments are typed onto any
site—a footprint is left and lots of other people can read it!! Cyberbullying
can cause fear, withdrawal, shame, guilt, loneliness and depression. For
information go to the Cybersmart website. It will provide you and your child
with information, facts and other helpful sites to read!

NAPLAN results will be sent home with students today. Some good results
were seen across Year 3 and 5 with good growth between the years. Staff
will be analysing results and using data to implement further strategies in
their teaching. This is a National test on one day of their learning.

Parents requesting letters from the school regarding your child’s academic
or social behaviours for doctors
appointments need to give two weeks notice.
Letters can only be requested through the
Learning Support team led by Sue Rathbone.

Stage 3 Excursion 1 is heading off to Sydney
this week. Enjoy Stage 3!

Have a great week.
Cheers Sharon

Choral Workshop

The choral workshop with Paul Jarman will be held in our school hall
from 31st August to 2nd September. Paul Jarman is a very energetic and
talented man who wrote our 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. There are still a few places open to students of our school so if you would like your child
to participate please see Lindy Blekemore in the
school office.

Western Area Athletics Carnival

We wish our team the very
best for this Friday when they
compete in the Western Area
Athletics Carnival this Friday
at Barden Park. We are sure
that many personal bests will
be achieved.

Volunteers URGENTLY wanted for the
Western Area Athletics Carnival to man the canteen
on Friday the 28th August. Please call Belinda on
0417 222 397 if you are able to help at any time!!

Literacy Week

Invitations are being issued to parents to visit your child’s classroom over the next
two weeks to read your favourite children’s
book or an excerpt to the class. If you would
like to participate in this way please contact
your child’s teacher.

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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 has now FINISHED!
With a huge influx over the last week. Lists of students who recently completed will be published by Year over the coming weeks. Well done to all who completed or attempted the challenge this year!

**Book Club Issue 6** will be handed out later this week and orders will be due the following week on Friday the 4th of September.

**Book Week Activities (Reminder)**
- **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.
- **Friday**: Book Week Party. Invited students celebrate Book Week in the Library. Invitations will be given to selected students.

Stage 2 Excursion
Year 3 students will be departing for their overnight Zoo Snooze next Tuesday afternoon 1st September. The children will need to wear casual clothes to school and bring their gear with them. The bus will be departing from the school at 4.00pm. It would be advisable if parents packed a small snack for afternoon tea.
Year 4 students will be departing from school on Wednesday 2nd September at 4.00pm. We hope they have a fabulous time!

Stage 3 Excursion to Sydney
Trip 1 will be departing tomorrow morning at 6.45am SHARP from Fitzroy St. Please make sure that all medications are clearly marked and placed in an envelope with your child’s name on the front. All medication is to be given to your child’s teacher at the bus.
The return time is **10.30pm at Fitzroy Street**.
Confirmation of the return time will be sent out via the school APP after 5pm on Friday afternoon.

Fathers Day Stall
Thursday 3rd September

We are in desperate need of donations of presents from the price of 50c to $5. All donations can be left with the ladies in the school office. Any donation at all will be greatly appreciated.

The Fathers Day Stall will be held next Thursday. If you can help out please contact Amy Pychtin 0407906595

Kindergarten - Fathers Day Lunch
Our Kindergarten classes will be hosting a Fathers Day lunch on Wednesday 2nd September. Invitations and orders will be sent home today. If your child is not able to have their Dad on the day they can invite another significant person to enjoy the lunch. What a great way to celebrate how important Dad’s are!!!

ICAS Science Competition
Congratulations to the following students who participated in the ICAS Science Competition
**Merit**: Laura Connor, Tamodya Senanayake and Hamish Wood
**Credit**: Rebecca Mazzer, Tharusha Abayawickrama, Liam Ayre, Emily Wonderley, Madeline Connor, Julian Morrison-Zhou and Eva Stein.
**Distinction**: Rory Stein, Missaka Henakaralalage, Oliver Maroulis, India DeSousa-Shaw and Tina Vo.
Well done to everyone who participated.

Kids Teaching Kids Expo
On September 10th we will be hosting “Kids Teaching Kids Expo”. Students from Dubbo, Parkes and Forbes will be attending. The theme this year is Sustainable Agriculture which has been supported by the Local Lands Service and the Office of Environment and Heritage. The presentation will be held in the Outdoor Learning Garden Area. Representative from the Local Lands Service, local dignitaries and the Mayor, Matthew Dickinson will be attending this event.

Operation Christmas Child
Samaritans Purse is a Christian organisation providing emergency relief and assistance to suffering people around the world. They meet the needs of victims of war, famine, natural disaster, poverty and disease.
We have empty boxes to be filled with something to wear, something to love, something for school, something special, something to play with and something for personal hygiene. If you can help out please come to the office and collect a box.

Stepping Stones Tripe P Seminar Series is a Positive Parenting Program giving parents skills and strategies to address parenting concerns, make parenting easier and more enjoyable.
Three workshops are available:
Positive Parenting for children with a Disability: 4th September
Helping Your Child reach their Potential: 11th September
Change Problem Behaviour into Positive Behaviour: 18th September
If you are interested in attending any of these seminars please register your interest by phoning 91144060