Caring and supportive teachers specialising in middle schooling
Successful learning in dynamic, well managed classrooms
This week our P&C AGM saw the election of a new executive team. My congratulations and thanks go to the following team who will lead our parent body this year:

President: Gerard Crampton  
Vice-President: Phil Harding  
Secretary: Lynne Young-Dwarte  
Treasurer: Vanessa Gower

Our meetings will continue on the second Monday of each month and begin at 7.30pm in the School Library. Three focus areas were discussed which were the development of the Year 10 area, the promotion and community perception of South Campus and support of the school’s recycling program.

“The best SRC ever” is a strong statement. I am so pleased to hear all of the positive feedback from Miss Yaghjian about the work of this team. The photos from Macquarie Park last week show the talented team in action. My thanks to you all for your ideas and energy!

In the past two weeks our school has been well represented by Daine Cox in a Western Region dance troupe who has performed a welcoming dance at Government House and a recent Principal’s Conference. I have received excellent feedback in regard to Daine’s leadership and dance skills. Well Done!

The success of our swim team has been well documented across the local media. All of our relay teams have progressed to the State Carnival next month in Sydney. A number of longstanding records have also been broken due to the excellent swims from individual students. These are explained in detail in the enclosed report.

We also have a talented group of lawn bowlers who have continued their success from last year. I know that the team manager Mr Young is getting the team well prepared to defend their State title this year.

Finally I would like to reinforce the processes for our school’s Voluntary Contribution. All public schools are able to request a voluntary contribution from families. The general operation of our school requires a range of funding that can exceed the allocation provided from Government sources. This year we plan to use funding generated from these contributions to continue expanding our library collection and to provide a range of extra-curricular activities in the interest group sessions on Tuesdays.

I am committed to creating engaging opportunities across the school, outside of the classroom, that encourage students to mix with each other in positive ways. The type of activities provided will be a mix of student requests, staff expertise and access to resources.

Our contribution for 2013 will remain at $120 per student or $200 per family. These are due by Friday 5th April. A form is provided to assist with this process.

This year, due to the kind support of a soon to be named sponsor and the P&C, each contribution made by this date will go into a draw for three prizes. An Xbox and games (valued at more than $400) and two $100 fuel vouchers.

Have a great week!
Mr D Thompson  
PRINCIPAL
Swimming Carnival Report

On Monday 25 February South Campus hosted their annual swimming carnival. The attendance was very good and the day was enjoyed by all.

The standard of swimming and many records were broken, including:

- Savannah Dimmock—14 years girls 200m Individual Medley 3:06:13 2006
- Matilda Munn—15 years girls 50m Breaststroke 40:81 1976
- Sharnia Dimmock—16 years Girls 50m Freestyle 29:09 1994
- 16 Years girls 200m Freestyle 2:33:82
- 16 Years girls 400m Freestyle 5:20:36
- 16 Years girls 200m Individual Medley
- Carly Andrews—16 Years girls 50m Breaststroke 40:95 1977
- Briganera Girls—Senior Girls 200m Freestyle Relay 2:32:48 2010
- Billy Munn—13 Years boys 400m Freestyle 6:24:90 2012
- 13 Years boys 200m Individual Medley 3:20:84 2011
- Tyler Edwards—13 Years boys 50m Butterfly 39:22 2011
- Briganera Boys—Senior Boys 200m Freestyle Relay 2:21:52 2011

The age champions for 2013 were:

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Briganera was the overall champion house, thanks largely to the high participation rate they displayed.

The Mass Relay and Water Slide were the most popular activities during the day.

Damon Leigh from Year 7 won the Belly Flop competition at the end of the day.

Thank you to all staff and to the parents that assisted with timekeeping and other duties.

Mr Jones
COORDINATOR

CAPA Connections

Next Wednesday at 11.30am—Year 7 & 8 students will attend a performance on Cyber Bullying in the hall to remind students of their responsibilities and options if they feel they are being cyber bullied.

This Friday and Saturday at 8.00pm at the RSL Theatrette past student, Joe McDonald will perform his show (under the direction of Andy Carolan—also past student!) “Fully Committed”. The show goes for around an hour. There will be music in the foyer from around 7.30pm. It would be great to see a huge audience supporting these guys this weekend!

Auditions for “Australia’s Got Talent” are being held on 26 March from 11.00am to 6.00pm at Dubbo RSL. Remember if you know someone it could be their/your “big break!” all sorts of acts, all ages and amateur and professional.

A Cartoon Drawing “Camp” is being held here in Dubbo on Saturday 23 March and Sunday 24 March. Sessions are reasonably inexpensive and more information is available from the CAPA Staff.

The travelling film festival is being held here the weekend of 22 to 24 March at Readings and is always worth a look if you are looking for something special to do!.

Lots on and more on its way

Cheers
Ms J Marshall
HT CAPA

Careers: Get Real Assembly

On Thursday, March 21 all the year 10 students from South and Delroy will be going to the Senior Campus for the ‘Get Real’ Assembly. At the assembly the year 10 students will be asked to sign the pledge, which will commit them to prepare for their future careers. In signing the pledge students agree:

“I willingly commit myself to participate in the Get Real program and undertake that by my 17th birthday, I will:

- Be in full-time education in school or TAFE
- Be undertaking industry training or
- Be in full-time employment”

Students will not be asked to take this pledge in isolation. They will have the active support of their teachers, careers advisers and the Dubbo business community as well as their families.

A bus has been organised to leave South at 9:15am and transport the students to the Senior Campus and return to South at 11:00am. The ‘Get Real’ Assembly will begin at 10:00am and all parents and carers of year 10 students are invited to come along and show their support.
Outstanding range of opportunities for individual success

Forensic Science

9/10 Forensics class went to the biodiversity garden on Friday 8 March to solve a murder.

Karea Hagan the Councils education officer helped set up a crime scene in and around the garden. The students arrived at nine armed with video cameras, digital cameras, notebooks, gloves and keen eyes for spotting evidence. They set out to collect as much information as possible.

After almost two hours we left with blood samples, fingerprints, foot and tyre prints, fibres/hair and a bloody weapon. The “Body” was found in the bush as the clues led the young investigators to it via a complex trail in the garden.

The class will now sift through the evidence and photos at school in an attempt to find the guilty party.

Thanks goes to the staff at the Biodiversity Gardens for their help and use of the facility and to our Mr Berry who kindly drove the bus.

Ms S Yaghjian
Forensics Teacher

CHS Girls Volleyball Team

We have recently held the CHS Girls Volleyball trials and wish to announce the successful team members.

Congratulations!

Zoe Basham (Senior)
Maddie Buckland (Senior)
Rebecca Dunn (Senior)
Brooke Honeyman (Senior)
Kimberley Thorn (Senior)
Anneliese Palmer (South)
Tiana Spears (South)
Jade Scheibel (South)
Eliza Smidt-Geeiring (South)
Gabriella Janetski (South)
Joanna Hodge (Reserve) (Senior)

Announcements will be placed on daily notices for news on the first round.

Ms D Bentick
COACH

Autism Spectrum Support Group

Do you care for someone with Autism, Aspergers or Pervasive Development Disorder?

No diagnosis required, people which suspect ASD are welcome to the support group.

All parents, carers and grandparents of people with ASD are welcome to be a part of this support group.

Support group will focus on sharing information to parents, carers and grandparents with their suggestions for topics being addressed on the first meeting. E.g. information sessions on education, funding, social skills, sexuality and relationships etc.

This is not a support group for service providers, however, service providers will be invited to share options available in relation to the topics chosen.

Child care is not provided, but children are able to attend – parents and carers are responsible for this care (it is possible that we may look into this if necessary for future sessions).

*An intake form needs to be completed with worker
Next Session-TOPIC: Positive Behaviour Support
WHEN: Wednesday, 27th March 2013 6.30pm – 8.00pm
WHERE: Northcott (Back Room), 6 Quinn Street Dubbo NSW 2830
RSVP: Laura Hayden on 02 6882 1099 or 0458 330 190 by Monday, 25th March 2013
Tea and coffee provided
**DUBBO COLLEGE SOUTH CAMPUS CALENDAR 2013**

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**WANTED**

**Players U15**

Dubbo City

Ranger Soccer Club

*Enquiries: Fiona Sissian 0400 661 999*

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**‘ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE’ LEADS TO SAVINGS ALL ROUND**

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Our family gets to save money, reduce waste AND enjoy our weekends, thanks to our ‘too bad’ attitude! Like many families, ours leads a very busy life. Our weekends are very precious to us - so much so that we don't want to spend them at the shops. So we decided WE WOULDN'T. Instead, this is what we do:

- If we don't have it in the cupboard or freezer 'too bad'! We have had some great meals, but all of them are catered to what we have at the time. Our imagination has really had to come to the fore. Many weekends we have 'no meat' meals as I haven't got any, and am not shopping for it. We are healthier for it and save money on fuel as we are not always going into town to the store. We have an attitude of gratitude for the food we have and we don't lose any to waste, as inevitably we use what we have and it doesn't go off!

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**Lighter side of life ..........**

Paddy phones an ambulance because his mate's been hit by a car.

Paddy: 'Get an ambulance here quick, he's bleeding from his nose and ears and I think both his legs are broken.'

Operator: 'What is your location sir?'

Paddy: 'Outside number 28 Eucalyptus Street ....'

Operator: 'How do you spell that sir?'

Silence.... (heavy breathing) and after a minute.

Operator: 'Are you there sir?'

Lots More heavy breathing and another minute later.

Operator: 'Sir, can you hear me?'

This goes on for another few minutes until....

Operator: 'Sir, please answer me. Can you still hear me?'

Paddy: 'Yes, sorry bout dat... I couldn't spell eucalyptus, so I just dragged him round the corner'