Welcome to all students for 2013.
All Mathematics courses will require students to have a Casio fx-82AU PLUS calculator. These can be purchased from the front office at a cost of $22. The Mathematics Staff would like to wish you all the best for a successful 2013.

**Miss Foran Head Teacher**

**From the Science desk:**
Warm greetings from our science faculty for 2013. I am excited to have joined the team this year at the Senior Campus as the relieving Head of Science for Mr Duncan McDonald who has taken leave for at least 12 months. Some may know me from my time at South Campus, or before that here at Senior or even before that at Delroy Campus. I am passionate about teaching and about Science and look forward to a productive year with excellent staff. Mrs Hemlata Keshwan, Ms Penny Sawtell and Mr Andrew Slater make for a strong team with diverse experience. Mr Aidan Ruja and Ms Rachel van Leeuwen will be supporting from their base schools at Delroy and South respectively. And of course the dependable Mrs Cleary will keep the ‘cogs ticking over’ as our laboratory assistant. Here’s looking forward to a great 2013.

**Mr James Eddy Head Teacher**

**STUDENTS WISHING TO BE COLLECTED FROM SCHOOL EARLY**
If a child wishes to leave school early for a medical reason or parents need to collect their child before school is finished they need to bring a note from home to the office where they will be given an early departure note. When students have this note teachers will allow the student to leave class early. If a child gets sick during the day they are not to contact their parents. They need to come to the office and get office staff to phone home and sign them out of class on the computer. When these procedures are followed all absences are recorded correctly and students are where they need to be for ease of pickup.

Students are not permitted to use mobile phones during class. If correct procedures are not followed there may be delays in your child being released from class.

**Student Motor Vehicle Usage (Reminder)**
The Senior Campus is fortunate to be able to provide on-site parking for all staff and students. To ensure that Department of Education & Communities and school safety procedures are met, students are required to register their vehicle details with the school. The school provides identity card parking permits which are to be displayed on the dash of student vehicles. Failure to have vehicles registered with the school will lead to the student being refused entry to the school parking facilities.

Parents and students are also reminded that students who are passengers must have written permission to travel to and from school in another student’s car. A senior school environment encourages responsible behaviour and the expectation that students arrive once and leave once demonstrates that philosophy. Students may not leave the school during breaks or study periods unless they have signed out in A Block, with parental permission.

Unfortunately, some students are not following school rules as they are not registering vehicles, carrying passengers without permission and/or leaving the school without permission. If you have any questions please contact the school on 6882-4655 and ask to speak with a Deputy Principal, Ms Baker or Mr Thompson.
Dear Parents and Students

I extend a warm welcome to the Senior Campus new students and families who have relocated to Dubbo. I trust you will enjoy all the rural lifestyle has to offer. Welcome to Year 11 students who have come from Delroy and South Campus' and surrounding schools - this is the start of two exciting years as you head towards your HSC. To Year 12, three terms to go, so my best wishes for a happy and productive year. Always in life, you get out of it what you put in, so always put in your best effort and you won't be disappointed.

A special welcome to new staff to the Senior Campus and to our wonderful returning staff. We have begun the year with a full complement of staff.

The following staff changes have occurred:

- Mrs Debbie Head – Principal relieving
- Mr Neil Thompson – DP Yr 12 relieving- from Delroy Campus
- Mrs Di Baker – DP Yr 11 relieving – from South Campus
- Mr Kieran Smith – HT Admin relieving
- Mr Mark Dann – HT (T & L) Equity relieving
- Miss Maddie Foran – HT Mathematics from Delroy Campus
- Mr James Eddy – HT Science from South Campus
- Mrs Kimberley Forrester – IYLP co-ordinator, Special Provisions
- Miss Sarah Foster- Agriculture / Primary Industries
- Miss Lauren Imrie – Careers team
- Ms Katie Bell – Music, Library
- Mrs Lenise Tidyman – Careers team
- Ms Cheryl Glover- xsel teacher

At the moment we are busy confirming enrolements so our actual staffing entitlement can be determined by the DEC. We are fairly close to our anticipated numbers, which is a good position to be in. If you have changed your address or phone number recently please inform the school on 6882 4655 so our records can be adjusted.

We have a busy week ahead. All Year 11 will be involved in 2 day workshop on Tuesday and Wednesday to facilitate their transition to the Senior Campus and to life as a HSC student. Students have been issued with an information sheet. On Wednesday Year 11 and 12 Drama students head off to attend the On Stage Excursion which is a most valuable adjunct to their HSC studies.

On Thursday is a very important information night for Year 11 parents starting at 6pm. Please come along!

I invite all parents and carers to the P&C meetings which are held on the first Monday of each month in A Block at 7.30pm. The first meeting for the year will be held on Monday March 4th March which will be the AGM and will involve the election of office bearers. I would ask you to consider joining this most worthwhile group who provide valuable support to the school.

This year staff members Ms Foran, Mrs Keshwan and Ms Glover will also be teaching with xsel. xsel is the Western NSW Virtual Selective High School Provision and involves 31 schools and 116 students in Years 7 to 10. To be selected to participate in xsel, students must sit for the selective high school test. They are then exposed to the curriculum in English, Maths and Science at a level appropriate to gifted and talented students.

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At the welcome assembly last week I showed a clip of Derek Redmond at the 1992 Barcelona Olympic Games. His performance in the 400m semi final is one of the most memorable in Olympic history where he tore his hamstring but fought through the pain and with assistance from his father, managed to complete a full lap of the track as the crowd gave him a standing ovation. The message to students was 'always lean on someone if you need to; have courage and finish the race'.

The youtube clip of this event is worth watching! This is the link

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rCAwXb9n7EY
**DUBBO COLLEGE SENIOR CAMPUS**

**From TAS Faculty**
Correct Footwear for Practical Lessons Reminder:
Appropriate footwear is a condition of entry into the Industrial Technology workshops, Hospitality or Food Technology rooms. A teacher or principal who knowingly permits persons to enter without the necessary PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) could open themselves and the Department to fines and prosecution by WorkCover. In the absence of any medical certificate, the PPE requirement including appropriate footwear is not negotiable. A parent signing a disclaimer provides no protection for the school and the Department. If this is an issue the student and parent may need to re-evaluate participating in the subject. Therefore it is unacceptable to allow students in workshops without the prerequisite PPE as documented in NSW Department of Education and Training Footwear Guidelines for NSW Government Schools, a copy is on page 4 of this newsletter or can be found at:


It is mandatory that students carrying out practical activities in the Trade Training centres Industrial Arts and Hospitality and Food Technology Kitchen facilities wear enclosed leather footwear. Substantial footwear appropriate to a practical activity should be worn. Under no circumstances should footwear such as thongs, open weave type shoes including canvas, or shoes with openings at toes or heels, platforms or high-heel shoes be worn in these areas. Students will not be allowed to enter and participate in practical lessons if they do not comply with required footwear regulation and alternate theory work will be provided for your child. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

The table below shows when the Western Area trials are on for all students. Students who are interested in attending must see their campus sports organiser or Mr May for further information. Please be aware all trials except athletics, cross country, boys tennis, swimming and u/15 rugby league are open trials and as such are open to students turning 18 yrs in 2013 as well as junior students.

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**DUBBO HIGH & DUBBO COLLEGE EX-STUDENTS BINDYI CLUB NEWS**

The 26th Annual Reunion Luncheon and (AGM @10:30am) will be held on 9 March 2013 at NSW Leagues Club in Phillip St, Sydney. Guest speaker will be renowned photographer, Merv Bishop, who will present his lecture with photographs. All ex-students and associates of Dubbo High School and Dubbo College are welcome. For registration and payment, see www.bindyi.com or contact Bev “Darb“ Condie-Gardiner, Treasurer, Bindyi Club, P.O. Box 213, Sans Souci, NSW 2219 ph 0412084692 or email bevcondie@hotmail.com by 2.3.13.

**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, including all parents, carers and grandparents. Next information session is on Wednesday 13 February 6:30-7:30pm @ Northcott contact Laura on 6882-1099/0458 330 190.
Footwear Guidelines for NSW government schools

Introduction
The Department, through its Safe Working Policy, is committed to providing a safe working and learning environment for all staff, students and visitors, in accordance with statutory and regulatory obligations and corporate objectives.

Footwear is an important safety item. Good soles provide a sound grip on the floor preventing accidents such as slips, trips and falls from occurring. Footwear can also protect feet from damage caused by accidents such as falling objects or chemical spillages.

These guidelines have been developed to assist NSW government schools in providing a safe working and learning environment. Schools which already have risk management controls in place in relation to footwear should refer to these guidelines when reviewing and evaluating these controls.

Areas where safe footwear must be worn
In accordance with the Safe Working Policy, the Department has identified areas of its workplaces where appropriate footwear must be worn by staff, students and visitors to ensure their safety.

Areas where enclosed leather footwear (or other material confirmed by the manufacturer to be suitable, refer to Australian NZ Standard 2210: Safety Protective and Occupational Footwear) is required are:
- Industrial Arts and trades workshop areas
- Science laboratories
- Canteen or Food Technology (Kitchen) areas

Sandals, open footwear or high heeled shoes are not permitted in these areas. If students present for a class or activity with inappropriate footwear the student should be offered alternative educational activities until they are wearing appropriate footwear.

The above list is not exhaustive. Appropriate safe footwear may also be identified as a requirement in relation to other areas or activities, documented procedures or a documented risk assessment. e.g. in work situations where floors can't always be kept dry or clean, the right footwear is especially important, so a slip resistant shoe may be required. Another example is wearing enclosed leather footwear (or suitable safe alternative) in agricultural areas/activities.

In addition, other sites on which the Department provides services may have specific requirements which should be adhered to, for example, Education Training Units in Juvenile Justice settings.

Footwear for staff in the general school environment

The Department strongly recommends school staff consider wearing footwear that is suitable for walking on a number of different surfaces during the working day (e.g. stairs, playgrounds, grass and sports fields).

Footwear which is suitable for the general school environment means enclosed shoes, which are flat shoes or shoes with a minimal heel, that have a good grip and fit well.

For some staff, such as general assistants and farm assistants, wearing enclosed leather footwear throughout the working day is important. This is because their responsibilities for ground maintenance and other activities mean that they need footwear that will assist in preventing slips, trips or falls or protect their feet from falling objects.

Implementation of guidelines

School principals, as workplace managers, are responsible for ensuring procedures are in place to maintain a safe work environment in accordance with the Safe Work Policy and these guidelines. In accordance with OHS legislation, principals have the authority to determine that staff and students wear shoes that are appropriate to ensure occupational health and safety for the planned activity. This includes identified school activities (see “Areas where safe footwear must be worn”) and excursions.

However it is not appropriate for schools to require students, through the use of a general term “occupational health and safety” to wear particular shoes as part of a uniform policy.

Principals should communicate the reasons for these decisions to staff and students i.e. that the decision has been made for their safety and the safety of others.

Further advice

Departmental policies and procedures:
- Safe Working Policy
- Code of Conduct
- Student Discipline Policy and School Uniforms in New South Wales Government Schools
- School Uniform Policy

Further Information:
- Your Regional OHS Liaison Manager
- OHS Directorate Support Site
CAREERS CORNER......

Congratulations and best wishes to the class of 2012, and all the best for Year 12 2013. Welcome to all the new Year 11 students.

Careers Staff Changes 2013

Welcome to Lauren Imrie who is replacing Samantha Skinner for Term 1. Welcome also to Robert Barwick who will be our 2013 Careers Administration Assistant. Robert is replacing Caitlin Allan who worked in Careers in 2012. We wish Caitlin all the best for her university studies at Charles Sturt University Bathurst.

Subject Changes

We wish to thank students for their patience as we assist many of them with reviews of their timetables. Any Parents/Caregivers who have any concerns re their son/daughters timetable and/or subject pattern please contact Careers.

Friday TAFE Classes

Friday TAFE classes start this Friday 8 Feb with an orientation session at 7.50am at the Yarradamarra Centre at Myall St Campus. All students who have a TAFE class on Friday mornings must attend this session. After Orientation a bus will be provided to transport students to their courses at the Rural Skills Centre and Fitzroy St. After this session a bus will pick up students and transport them back to the Senior Campus. Each Friday starting on 15 Feb, students will have to make their own way to TAFE on Friday mornings (N.B. All Auto classes start at 7.30am at Rural Skills Centre Bourke Hill). A bus will pick students up at Rural Skills Centre and Fitzroy St at 11.30am each week and return to the Senior Campus.

Tuesday TAFE Classes

Tuesday TAFE classes start with an Orientation session Tuesday 12 Feb at 12.30pm at the Yarradamarra Centre. All students who have a TAFE class on Tuesday afternoons must attend this session. After Orientation a bus will be provided to transport students to their courses at the Rural Skills Centre and Fitzroy St. Students will need to organise their own transport home at the end of their session. Auto classes conclude at 4.30pm, Childrens Services Cert 111 and Human Services finish at 5:30pm. All other courses finish at 4pm. From Tuesday 19 Feb a bus will leave the Senior Campus at the end of period 3 (12:04pm) to transport students to the Rural Skills Centre and Fitzroy St Campus.

Careers Communication

Students are provided with ongoing Careers information via dubbocollegecareers facebook, daily notices and their DEC student emails. Students are strongly urged to access all of these as they contain vital information about employment opportunities, scholarships, University information and career activities.

Circus West offers a CIRCUS ARTS CLASS to all Dubbo school students in YEARS 5 - 12

This class runs at Delroy Campus of Dubbo College on Thursday afternoons 4:00-5:30pm and is conducted by the Circus West Director, Paul Woodhead, with the assistance of experienced Circus trainers.

The first class for 2013 will be on Thursday 14th Feb and students may register on their first training day.

This course is a great introduction to the exciting world of Circus. This session covers the basics of Circus skills, and allows students to choose what area they want to train in. Students will need to bring their own sports clothing.

For more information see Paul Woodhead on Thursdays or ring Delroy Campus on 6882-2995

Dubbo College Band

All three Dubbo College campuses have combined to create the Dubbo College Band. All instrumental music students are invited to be a part of this great ensemble and to attend the rehearsal each week. The rehearsal will be each Monday afternoon 3:30pm-5pm at the Macquarie Conservatorium corner Bultje and Darling Streets. Senior Campus students will need to make their own way there where your conductor Mrs Laundon will meet you. Can’t wait to see you at rehearsal Mrs Shannon Laundon

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Clothes suitable for sport or PE are acceptable. Places are limited to ensure a safe class size is maintained! A fee of $20.00 per term ($2.00/class) is charged to maintain equipment and programs. All trainers are volunteers.

Students may choose to train in a number of areas, including:

Manipulation – juggling, diabolo, devil sticks, poi, hoop and staff
Balance – stilts, unicycle, rolla bolla, globe, acrobatics and adagio
Aerials – static trapeze, tissu and Chinese pole
Clown.

For more information see Paul Woodhead on Thursdays or ring Delroy Campus on 6882-7955

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- opportunities for school-based apprenticeships and traineeships
- a strong partnership with TAFE Western through the TVET and Central West Trade College programs