Thank you for all families who supported our Year 7 and 8 parent teacher meetings this week. Years 9 and 10 meetings continue next Tuesday 9 September in the E Block classrooms. All staff are looking forward to meet with you and discuss your child’s progress so far this year.

Students in Years 7 and 9 will be receiving their NAPLAN results in the mail this week. Without the full analysis package available until next week it looks as though we have achieved some growth in Year 9 numeracy and reading and the Year 7 results are on par with last year. A major focus will continue to be the development of student writing skills which has been a news item across the State since the results have been released.

In this edition you will see many of the successful events that have taken place over the past fortnight. These include: Preparations for the Serisier Cup, Our Boccia Team who finished fourth in the State yesterday, Miss Yaghjian’s excursion to the Dubbo Observatory, a successful Clontarf excursion to Bourke, our CHS athletes are in Sydney and our group of students who travelled to Sydney to see the Lion King.

Next week Miss Ryan’s sports class is travelling to visit the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra.

My thanks go to Mrs Lawry who has also coordinated the design and production of some wonderful murals that are currently being placed around the school. They not only look great but are an excellent talking point amongst the students.

Some exciting end of term activities have also been planned. Our Year 10 students and the SRC are busy organising a Dancing with the Staff fundraiser. This will take place as a part of the last day of term activities. All looks great for an excellent finish to the Term.

Just a reminder also that in Term Four there is no School Development Day. The last day of Term is Friday 19 September and Term Four commences on Tuesday 7 October following the long weekend.

Can I encourage as many parents as possible to come along to our next P&C meeting which will be held on Monday 8 September. It will commence at 7.30pm in the Library.

Have a great week!
Darryl Thompson
Principal

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**Year 9 Child Studies Excursion**

During Term 3 Year 9 Child Studies students have been learning about “Health and Safety in Childhood”. This unit examines a range of topics which include infectious and non-infectious childhood diseases; causes of childhood injuries and accidents and supportive environments for sick or injured children. On Tuesday Week 8, students had the opportunity to visit Dubbo Base Hospital Paediatric ward and Playmates Cottage childcare centre.

The excursion began at Playmates Cottage where the students were given the opportunity to engage with the children and involve themselves in the indoor play-based activities which were happening at the centre. They were involved in activities which included dancing and reading with the children.

Students then walked across the road to the Dubbo Base Hospital and were given a guided tour around the Paediatric ward. They learnt about the practices and protocols of caring for children in hospital, and the additional support services which are available within the ward, e.g. play therapy room and Starlight foundation play equipment.

Finally the excursion concluded back at Playmates Cottage with students enjoying some outdoor physical activity and play time with the children.

The Year 9 Child Studies students gained a valuable insight into health and safety considerations for children in the hospital and child care centre environments and are to be commended on their efforts in engaging with the learning experience.

Miss Lauren Brady
Year 9 Child Studies Teacher

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**UNIFORM SHOP 20% OFF SALE**

2 weeks commencing Monday 8 September to Saturday 20 September.
Available during normal shop hours ONLY
Stocktake Sale—Shop Stock Only

*No* Exchanges, Refunds, Rain checks, Lay buys
Excluding wool jumpers and items not already on special

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Creating mature and responsible citizens
The Clontarf Academy held a Year 10 engagement camp in Week 7 with a visit to the Bourke Clontarf Academy. The students engaged in a game of Lawn Bowls with the Bourke Academy students and staff. This was a new experience for a number of the boys which was much enjoyed by all. To complete the day dinner was held at a local restaurant and friendships were continued.

The following morning we were up early to train with the Bourke Academy followed by breakfast and a game of table tennis.

The Bourke Exhibition Centre was next on our agenda where the students spent the next hour learning the history of Bourke through visual and interactive displays. There was also the opportunity at the end of the tour to feed some camels and listen to Luke a local stockman. Luke spoke to the boys about the history of Camels and their role in the evolution of the outback.
Over the past 4 weeks our Year 7 students have been competing in the inaugural Inter Campus Challenge versus Delroy as a warm up to the Serisier Cup. Each week the students participated in a different sport with the results being collated each week to determine an overall winner.

All students played with an amazing amount of enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Each week a student from each class was selected as an All Star and received a prize as well as a certificate. Alex Couley and Macley Ryan are to be commended on their efforts for achieving the overall All Star award for the entire competition.

Mr M Smith

### Year 7 Sport

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### Cyberbullying - prevention tips for parents
The statistics around cyberbullying are sketchy, mainly because it often goes unreported. What we do know is that the likelihood of children being bullied online or over the phone increases as they get older and use technology more frequently. Find out more: [http://bit.ly/xHLLDH](http://bit.ly/xHLLDH)

### How much screen time?
'Screen time' used to mean how many hours you spent watching TV and playing on the computer. However, with the growing number of digital devices on offer today, the question of what screen time means now is far more complex. Find out more: [http://bit.ly/QFlqyz](http://bit.ly/QFlqyz)

### Exam stress busters
The mere thought of an exam can make kids nervous. Help create the right study conditions for your child in the lead-up to exams and know the warning signs if it's all getting too much. Find out more: [http://bit.ly/LleZfV](http://bit.ly/LleZfV)
The Roads and Maritime Services have established a safer driver course for young learner drivers. Skillset is an accredited provider of the course. We will be running a course in Dubbo on Wednesday 24 September from 4pm - 7pm. I have included some information below regarding the course.

The Safer Driver Course is a combined theoretical and practical course for learner drivers under 25 years old who have completed 50 log book driving hours.

The Safer Driver Course involves two modules:

Module 1: A three – hour facilitated group discussion on how to manage risks on the road.

Module 2: A two-hour in-vehicle coaching session with a coach and another learner to develop low risk driving strategies.

Benefits of attending a Safer Drivers Course:

- The course aims to provide learner drivers with driving strategies such as speed management, gap selection, hazard awareness and safe following distances so they are more prepared when they drive unsupervised on their provisional licences.

- The course also aims to help identify situations that will put them at greater risk of a crash and consider strategies that will help avoid them.

- Gaining 20 hours of Log Book Credit

- After completing the Course, a learner will receive 20 hours of credit in their log book, meaning they only need to complete 100 hours of supervised driving outside the Course.

The Course costs $140. Learners who attend the Safer Driver Course must bring their learner licence and learner driver log book with them.

Skillset is able to provide the course at your school or in the Skillset Office. There is a maximum of 12 participants per course. If you may be interested in Skillset providing the Safer Driver Training at a time that suits you please let me know and we can discuss further. The courses we have organised directly through schools have been very successful and parents have been grateful for the opportunity to provide this additional training for their children.

Over the next couple of months, I am hoping to visit you and have a chat to the lovely L placers with regards to this successful course.

Here is a link to the RMS page regarding the Safer Driver Course if you would like to learn more about the course or accredited providers.


If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Charlie Evans – Safer Driver Coordinator
Skillset
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F: 02 6331 9450
W: www.skillset.com.au
Serisier Cup 2014

Yes it’s that time again! Serisier cup is an annual sporting competition between South and Delroy campus with students from Years 7 – 10 competing in a variety of sports. We are eager to retain the Serisier Cup and coaches have already been busily preparing with trials and training.

This event is not open to student spectators. However, we welcome parents to spectate and attend a free BBQ at the conclusion of the competition.

ROUND 1: Serisier Cup Program

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The Serisier Shield presentation BBQ for the Best & Fairest for each sport will be held on the South Dubbo Oval (next to South Campus) at 1:15pm after the conclusion of Round 2.

Western College
37 Cobbora Road, DUBBO 2830

School Holiday Program for Teenagers
SPRING 2014

Concrete Art
Hands on fun!! Make and colour dye a concrete slab and art it up. Pick it up the next day.
Date: 25 September from 9.00am to 12.00pm and 1.00pm to 4.00pm (3 hours per workshop)
Fee: $25.00

Apply make up + style, image and colours
Learn how to apply make up correctly, what colours and styles make you shine, plus loads of tips and tricks.
Date: 24 September from 9.00am to 12.00pm and 1.00pm to 4.00pm (3hours per workshop)
Fee: $25.00

English Intensive
Grammar, writing for exams, short story writing, essay writing and writing for exams.
Fee: $30.00

To enrol, call 6884 2899 or visit the website www.westerncollege.com.au

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Spring School Holiday Workshops K—6

Western College offer exciting holiday programs designed for children from kinder to year 6. Their aim is to provide programs that are fun, interesting and engaging.

- Monday to Friday
- Educational and recreational activities
- Focussed attention with high ratio of staff to students
- Attend half a day, or the whole two weeks
- Limited numbers (preference to those attending for longer periods
- Download the detailed program from our Website

Fee: $25.00 per child per half day (morning or afternoon) and $45.00 for a full day to be paid prior to start date. Please add an additional $10.00 per day if you would like us to provide snacks and lunch.

Enrolment: Phone 6884 2899
Go to: www.westerncollege.com.au

Successful learning in dynamic, well managed classrooms
Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. Remind your child about these good hygiene practices to minimise the spread of infection:

- Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should stay home until their symptoms are gone.
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness.

The seasonal influenza vaccine, which protects against the pandemic influenza strain as well as two other influenza strains, is now available free to eligible people. More information about the vaccine is available from the NSW Health Immunisation Unit’s vaccination page.

Previous vaccination with the pandemic influenza vaccine, Panvax®, is not a barrier to also receiving the seasonal influenza vaccine.

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Dubbo Macquarie Regional Library’s Holiday Program

**Flu season is here!**

**Dubbo Branch Library**

**NIGHTMARE YOUTH EDITION**

From the depths of the library. A tidal wave of Terror!

**FACE PAINT LIKE A PRO**

Learn from a professional face painter all the techniques and tricks of the trade for some fiendish faces.

Wednesday 24 September from 10.00am to 12.00pm

**Workshop Fee $5.00**

**FILM FRIGHT**

Create your own short scary film using smartphone applications. Bring your own device, phone or tablet if you have one.

Wednesday 24 September from 2.30pm to 4.00pm

**FREE Workshop**

**ADVENTURES IN THE WILD**

**JAN LATT, author and wildlife photographer**

Exciting videos, images and tales of Jan’s endangered animals around the world.

**Monday 8 September**

**From 4.30pm to 5.30pm**

Suitable for ages 9 to 15 years

Session is **FREE but bookings are required on 6801 4510.**

**Film Screening: 9-15 Years**

Thursday 2 October 2014

**From 4.00pm to 5.30pm**

Movie, mates, popcorn – no better afternoon.

Tickets $3.

Limited places.

Bookings open 15 September 2014.

For bookings ask in the library or call 68014510

School community engaged in lifelong learning
### DUBBO COLLEGE SOUTH CAMPUS CALENDAR 2014

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**Term 3 Events:**
- Year 9 and 10 P/T night 4 – 7pm
- Serisi Cup

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**Term 4 Events:**
- Year 10 University Workshop
- Yearly Examinations
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**Special Days:**
- ESSA Testing
- Remembrance Day
- Yearly Examinations
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**Important Dates:**
- 6 OCT: PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- 27 OCT: Vaccination Clinic
- 3 NOV: COLLEGE SPORT PRESENTATION NIGHT
- 10 NOV: ESSA Testing
- 17 NOV: YEARLY EXAMINATIONS
- 24 NOV: Year 10 University Workshop
- 8 DEC: SOUTH CAMPUS PRESENTATION NIGHT
- 11 DEC: Last Day For Students 2014
- 18 DEC: School Development Day (Pupil Free Day)
- 19 DEC: School Development Day (Pupil Free Day)

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