2015 SRC Induction

Vice Captains Blake Greaves and Olivia Watmore,
Captains Ethan Hughes and Emily Crampton

Creating mature and responsible citizens
From our Principal’s Desktop……...

The last few weeks have been highlighted by a very successful Swimming Carnival and our Welcome to Year 7 BBQ. The photos in the edition capture these well attended events.

My thanks go to Mr Smith and his team for the excellent planning and operation of the carnival. Once again a number of records were broken and we will have a very competitive team represent South Campus at the Western Carnival.

Although a little warm temperature wise our Year 7 Welcome BBQ gave staff and new students the chance to mix in a very social setting. Mrs Baker, Miss Allan, Miss Kersey and Mr Smith, along with our SRC, worked together to plan an excellent event.

Please be aware that next week is assessment week. It can be a time of pressure for students. I would ask that you encourage all students to discuss tasks with their teachers and to ensure dates due and the demands of assessments tasks are well understood.

A number of successful programs are well underway. The Mulgabirra Program sees six girls spending time at Buninyong PS involved in a mentoring and literacy development program. This opportunity will rotate to a new group of students each Term. We are also running interest groups again this term. Thanks to Mr Black who has coordinated a process when staff and students spend Period 4 on Tuesdays on activities as diverse as Comedy Club to a range of art and musical activities.

Our leader’s induction held last Friday saw our School Captains, the Student Representative Council and the Junior AECG receive their badges of office. Local AECG meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be held on 5th March.

You will be receiving in the mail very soon an invoice for the collection of our school contribution. The amounts will be confirmed at our next P&C Meeting. They will remain the same at $120 for one student or $200 per family. These funds will be used this year to provide resources for our library and continue to fund the implementation of our interest group activities on Tuesdays.

Items of note in this edition are the date for our Get Real assembly where our Year 10’s sign a pledge not to leave school before they have a job, are engaged in further study or are planning for university entry, our Under 15 netballers who play off this week to reach the State Finals and the unveiling of our wonderful mosaic in the Quadrangle.

I continue to seek your support in terms of our mobile phone and electronic devices policy. Students are not to bring them to school. If they are used they will be removed from students and stored safely in the Library. A process is then in place for parents to collect them from the school. The success of this approach in reducing disruptions, especially in classrooms, and keeping a focus on effective learning means that the policy is working and needs to be supported by families.

Can I also remind you that all students are to report to the office when departing early. A note explaining the reason for the departure is also required. I am also seeking parent/carer support to always report to the Administration foyer and not enter directly into the school grounds. All visitors MUST report to the office.

Our next P&C meeting is being held on Monday 9th March. I once again encourage as many parents as possible to come along to this meeting. It will commence at 7.30pm in the Library.

Have a great week!
Darryl Thompson
Principal

School Uniform

We are putting together a little store of uniform for lending purposes. Students often need to borrow uniform for special occasions and we would like to have a supply on hand to assist those in need.

If you have uniform of a reasonable quality we would appreciate your support.

Thank you

Solving equations
Struggling to remember what algebra was all about and need to help your kids with their homework? Take a look at this study sheet for examples:

Avoiding injuries
Have you ever wondered if your child may be suffering physically from using a computer for schoolwork? Or if carrying their school bag may be causing them pain? Experts discuss and give tips on what to watch out for. Find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/en/wellbeing/health/ways-to-keep-your-childs-back-and-posture-healthy
KEEPING KIDS SAFE IN SCHOOL ZONES

Resuming the school year after a long break can be daunting for parents and carers as well as children so here are a few more tips for those new to school life or those who have been attending school for many years.

School zones are extremely busy places (between 8.00 am and 9.30 am and 2.30 pm and 4.00 pm Monday to Friday) with all modes of transport and pedestrians moving within the area at once. Please be aware, alert and think about your actions when in a school zone especially at these times.

Ensure all passengers exit or enter your vehicle from the ‘safe side’ i.e. the doors on the kerb side of the vehicle. It is extremely dangerous to allow passengers to exit from the roadside (or driver’s side) of the vehicle where buses, trucks, cars, motorcyclists and cyclists are travelling.

Please also remember to stay off mobile phones especially in a school zone. Mobile phones are a distraction to the driver. If you are dropping off or collecting children from school you need to be alert to the busy surroundings and talking on a mobile phone can distract you from overseeing the safe entry or exit of your passengers.

Ensure all children are correctly seated in the appropriate child restraint and all other seatbelts are worn correctly before moving your vehicle.

For further information please contact Council’s Road Safety Officer
Jayne Bleechmore
Dubbo City Council
SPORT REPORT

School sport is running exceptionally well thanks to the excellent PDHPE staff. I am so glad to hear all students participating to the best of their ability, so much so that all teachers are having a hard time giving out 3,2,1 points to only 3 people! Keep up the good work!

School sport is running to a program this term and also with a class competition in it as well. Winning team will get a prize!

Multisport has started and we have groups starting at ten-pin, sports world and FLIP OUT! Flipout is the favourite at the moment! Don’t forget if you are in Multisport to remember to bring your $10!

Marty Jeffrey and Chloe Ahern are away this week representing western region cricket, we hope they come back with good news!

Hayden Goodall has been successful in selection in the U15 Gold cup team for rugby union. As seen in the press release it is a hard team to get selected into – we look forward to seeing what else Hayden has in store!

On the 5 March we have a number of students heading to western area swimming carnival in Dubbo! Good luck to the following students: Matilda Irvine, Darcy Wood, Ned Manton, Ava Medley, Holly Keizer, Martha Munn, Jayden Blake, Jordan Fuller, Hannah Mackie, Madison Fernando, Juliet Furner, Tara Williamson, James Nelson, Angus Wood, Emma Blake, Meg Keizer, Kelsey Rowe, Tyler Edwards, Toby Stewart, William Munn, Taneeka Fernando, Olivia Watmore, Jacob Smyth, Eliza Vail. Apologies if I missed anyone! Good luck!

The U15 girls have progressed to be the final 4 in the western region and will take on Mudgee at Mudgee on the 20 March (this Friday). Good luck girls!!!

A big congratulations to Phoebe Bloink Hollier in year 8 who has recently been selected in the U15 NSW state hockey team!

Keep up all the great work in the sporting field.

Mrs Richardson
Sports Coordinator.
PARTICIPANT INFORMATION/REGISTRATION

Participant’s declaration (Please read the participant’s declaration and sign as a condition of entry. Parent/guardian to sign for child under 18)

In signing this registration form I hereby declare that I am participating in this event entirely at my own risk. I acknowledge that all persons directly or indirectly involved in organising this event are not liable for any loss or damage suffered by me or others relating to my participation in the event (whether as a result of negligence or otherwise). I agree to indemnify the sponsors, the organisers, and all officials against any and all claims arising from my participation in the Community fun run. I agree to abide by the rules laid down by the organisers.

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Each year NSW Health works in partnership with schools to offer the vaccines recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) for adolescents as part of the school vaccination program.

In 2015 the following vaccines will be offered:

**Year 7 students**
- dTpa vaccine (Diphtheria, Tetanus & Pertussis (whooping cough)) as a single dose
- varicella vaccine (chickenpox) as a single dose; and
- human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine in a 3-dose schedule at 0, 2 and 6 months (students who commence HPV vaccination in Year 7 but do not complete the course may be offered catch-up doses at school in Year 8)

* The Parent Information Kits contain a consent form, information sheet and privacy statement that details how personal information will be collected, stored and utilised.

Parent Information Kits will be sent home to parents/guardians. To consent to the vaccination of their child, parents/guardians are advised to:
* read all the information provided
* complete the consent form, including signing their name next to the vaccine/s they would like their child to receive
* return the completed consent form to their child’s school
* ensure that their child eats breakfast on the day of the school vaccination clinic.

Parents/guardians who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by writing to the school Principal or phoning the school. The Procedure for Withdrawal of Consent is available on the NSW Health website at www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation.

To improve vaccination completion, students will be opportunistically offered any missed doses throughout the year where possible.

Please note that for HPV vaccine only, parents/guardians must record their Medicare Number (all 10 digits and the 11th number beside the child’s name) on the consent form, as this is required to record the student’s information on the National HPV Vaccination Register and (for female students only) link to the National or State Cervical Screening Program.

A Record of Vaccination will be provided to each student vaccinated at each clinic. Parents/guardians should ensure that this record is kept for future reference and should not assume that their child has been vaccinated if they do not receive this Record of Vaccination.
# Dubbo College South Campus Calendar Term 1

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### Dubbo City Council's Sister City Student Exchange programs to visit Wujiang in China or Minokamo in Japan in 2015

Are you interested in spending your October school holidays visiting China or Japan? Would you like to stay with a Japanese or Chinese family and attend a local school?

A unique travel opportunity where you will experience the daily life of one of our Asian sister cities, attend school, enjoy the local cuisine, and participate in cultural activities and sightseeing tours. Side trips are planned for both exchange visits. Minokamo group visit Tokyo and Tokyo Disney (2 days), and Wujiang group visit Shanghai, Beijing and the Great Wall (3-4 days).

All bookings, cultural and language training organised by Dubbo City Council.

Applications close on Friday 27 February 2015. Pick up a form from Customer Service at Dubbo City Council or download it from Council’s website at [www.dubbo.nsw.gov.au](http://www.dubbo.nsw.gov.au). For further information, please contact Sister City Officer: Kylie Sutherland 6801 4000 or email: ky-lie.sutherland@dubbo.nsw.gov.au.