



Dunedoo Central School

NEWS

6th December 2010

Week 1

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UPCOMING EVENTS

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, 7th December

☺ Award Night

Thursday, 9th December

☺ SRC Disco

☺ Year 6 into Year 7 2011, BBQ

Friday, 10th December

☺ Go Go Golf - Infants

NEXT WEEK

Monday, 13th December

☺ SRC Day, Dubbo

Tuesday, 14th December

☺ Infants/Primary End of Year Concert, 1.30pm, Hall

Wednesday, 15th December

☺ Last day of school for all students!!

Thursday, 16th December

☺ Pupil Free Day

Friday, 17th December

☺ Pupil Free Day

Principal's Report

Hello everyone. Congratulations to our Scripture teachers for producing a happy concert full of fun activities last Tuesday. Under the coordination of Father Robert and his lovely wife Beth, the primary/infants school, parents and grandparents had the pleasure of witnessing a range of singing, acting and information giving activities. I particularly liked the Year 1 segment on "what if Jesus was alive today", which was cleverly compiled by Michelle Henderson, featured Ben Gallagher as Jesus and involved every student in the class. It was both informative and humorous.

The "sustainable energy" day at Coolah was fantastic according to our students who attended. Mrs McGoldrick (of former Principal fame) organised a fantastic day with 28 exhibitors educating and providing samples of sustainable energy machines and apparatus. Mrs Piper couldn't stop praising the day.

The SRC for 2011 have been elected and all successful students will be notified at tomorrow evenings Annual Awards Night. Every student elected is of a high quality and will represent our school with honour and distinction. Congratulations to all applicants anyone of you would have made an excellent representative.

The Secondary Excursion proved to be an absolute success despite the trying conditions. All teachers accompanying the excursion spoke of the excellent behaviour of the students and the quality of the activities and venues experienced. I believe the leaches were an initial problem but even they couldn't get in the way of good clean fun. Thank you to all teachers involved, the organising committee and the teachers who were left at home, who carried on regardless. Unfortunately because of the weather conditions and the difficulty for some students even making it to school because of the floods, the Tri-school Volleyball Championship had to be cancelled.

This week we have the feature event of the year, the Annual Awards Night on Tuesday. Congratulations to all students receiving awards and thank you to all those parents, grandparents and siblings who show their support for our students by attending and contributing to the evening. Enjoy your week.

Peter Campbell, Principal

SECONDARY EXCURSION

We knew it was going to be a good day when we got to school at 5.30am Tuesday morning but then it started to rain. We travelled all day to The Tops. When we arrived we unpacked the bus in the rain. We then proceeded to have lunch and then be split in two groups, seahorse and starfish.

The first activities we were to participate in were the leap of faith and survivor. The leap of faith involved climbing and standing on top of a 10 metre telegraph like pole and then proceeding to jump towards a ring in mid air.

The survivor challenge involved teamwork skills which were shown through activities such as moving planks to cross a 'river', swinging across a 'canyon' and climbing a net to get the 'fruit'.

We then split up for rooms and we had showers as we were soaked all the way through.

After tea, we played speed stacks, which involved stacking and unstacking special cups. After the cup relays we built a mega tower. On Wednesday it was still raining. The activities which we participated in were giant swing, archery and pedal karts. After crossing the leach infested ground we got to the giant swing. On the giant swing you were on a harness and a pulley system. You were swinging from about ten metres. Archery was a team competition to see who could get the highest score.

Pedal karts were across a creek and they were on a racing track. They were very fun and used a lot of concentration. The night activity was trivia. Thursday there was a bit of sun. We travelled to Jamberoo Water Park, where we spent the day having fun on water rides. We travelled the scenic route back to the Tops so that we could see the beach. The night activity was watching a movie, so we watched Wild Hogs. On Friday we travelled to Penrith. We played laser skirmish and went shopping. Then we travelled home. It was a fantastic time although it was wet.

We would like to thank all the teachers and staff who put time and effort into planning and accompanying us on the excursion. Also a special thanks to Mrs Gallagher, Mrs Lane, Mrs Booth and Mr Matheson for coming along with us.

By
Georgina Bayly



18 SLEEPS TO GO!!



Dunedoo Central School Award Night

Dear Parents, Carers, Friends and Family,

You are cordially invited to attend our annual school Award Night, which will take place in our school hall on Tuesday, 7th December 2010, commencing at 7.00pm.

Our annual school Award Night is an opportunity to recognise all the students who have worked hard throughout the year to maintain a high level of academic achievement, as well as success in cultural, sporting and other school events throughout the 2010 school year.

We look forward to seeing you at our Award Night in order to support the students of our school.

Peter Campbell
Principal

- ⇒ If students are absent from school, please send in a note to your child's teacher to explain their absence.
- ⇒ **As the year is coming to an end it is essential to know about students that are leaving our school. The number of students depends on classes for 2011 and how they are arranged. It is crucial to notify the Principal about leavers. Could this please be done this week.**
- ⇒ Primary End of Year Concert, 14th of December at 1.30pm at DCS Hall. All welcome.
- ⇒ Award Night: Tuesday, 7th December 2010.
- ⇒ Parent Interviews are on the 14th of December unless otherwise arranged with your child's teacher.
- ⇒ Parents are welcome to come to Parent interviews at any time. If your child's report indicates that an interview is not required, then it is still up to you if you would like to come and see the teacher. Communication with teachers is a vital part of your child's schooling. School finishes: Friday, 17th December. Students' last day is Wednesday 15th December. ***Mr D Elith, Assistant Principal Primary***



Year 5/6 Welcome to week 9. This is a busy week with Award Night, Tuesday night. I will be away (hopefully) on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday to my sons Jack's graduation ceremony in Canberra, Mrs Lavender will take the class. This week in Spelling Year 5 will study compound words e.g. courtyard and Years 6 will learn about words that end in ion e.g. decision. In maths year 5 and 6 will be finishing off the last few pages of their text books which will be looking at the measurement and data strands. We will be practising for our end of year play "Fastest Handbag in the West" and learning our song. NO homework this week but children could keep reading!!!! Have a great 2nd last week. ***Mrs M Abbott***

Merit & Special Awards★

★	K	Ella Hickson	Having a fantastic attitude to school & always trying to do	K	Jacob Spicer	Improvement in reading	★
★				K	Ally Stoddart	Improvement in reading	★
★	1	Jade Cowell	Fantastic reading, improved effort in class	1	Georgia Cluff	Excellent participation in Scripture	★
★							★
★				1	Jethroe Bird	Settling in well to Year 1	★
★	2/3	Montana Henderson	Enthusiastic about all learning	2/3	Gabbi Johnston	All round effort	★
★				2/3	Zac Green	Improved handwriting	★
★	3/4	Nakita Martin	Excellence in Maths	3/4	Emma Gallagher	Class work	★
★				3/4	Jayden Robinson	Class work	★
★	5/6	Mitchell McGuiness	Great results in Mathematics	5/6	Sarah Fitzgerald	Trying hard in Mathematics	★
★				5/6	James Stoddart	Great results in Mathematics	★





Year 6 into 7 ~ 2011



Orientation BBQ

Please note the following dates for Year 6 into Year 7 orientation:-

Thursday, 9th December - 6.30pm a BBQ dinner for students and parents. Following the BBQ students are invited to attend the Secondary Disco commencing at 8.00pm.

Further enquiries to the school on 6375 1489.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



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Wishing you a great day!



Kayla Brown, 9
Dan Trengove, 16
Mathew Sheldon, 18
Ben Simmons, 18
Jonathon Fitzgerald, 18

6 December Year 3
9 December Year 9
10 December Year 12
11 December Year 12
12 December Year 12

CANTEEN NEWS

- ☺ Wow!! Second last week of 2010, hasn't the year travelled fast.
- ☺ This will be the final week of fruit for infants. Thank you so much to all parents who have continued to support the fruit program. Without your help this program wouldn't exist. Extra special thanks also to our Infants teachers who make time very week for the children to enjoy the fruit during class time.
- ☺ Canteen Roster is almost finished for this year and next week's newsletter will include the first two weeks of the roster for 2011.
- ☺ Canteen holds a large stock of primary/infants check material and would welcome your purchase of this material before the school holidays.
- ☺ Some lines are in short supply e.g. lasagne, but substitutes are available. *Thanks Lynn*

CANTEEN ROSTER, TERM 4 2010

6/12	Nick	13/12	Help Needed
7/12	Celeste Erasmus	14/12	Help Needed
8/12	Help Needed	15/12	Help Needed
9/12	Help Needed	16/12	Pupil Free Day
10/12	Vicky Magklis	17/12	Pupil Free Day



DCS School Magazine 2010

Orders are being taken NOW for the 2010 DCS School Magazine. Magazines are \$10.00 each. Please return the Order Slip together with your money to the front office.

Will be available to collect on Wednesday.



Name: _____

How Many: _____ Paid: _____

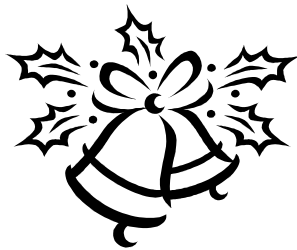


INFANTS / PRIMARY END OF YEAR CONCERT

- WHEN:** Tuesday, 14th December 2010 at 1.30PM
- WHERE:** DCS Hall
- WHO:** Parents, Grandparents, Aunties, Uncles, Cousins
and all our friends!!
- WHAT:** Kinder - Merry Christmas (poem)
Year 1 - Santa Clause Rock Stars
Year 2/3 - Do Christmas
Year 4/5 - Time Warp
Year 5/6 - "Fastest Handbag in the West"



So come one, come all and have a great fun afternoon in our school hall!!



P&C Ladies Afternoon

Please return all Raffle Tickets to the front office
by Tuesday, 7th Dec. Drawn on Award Night

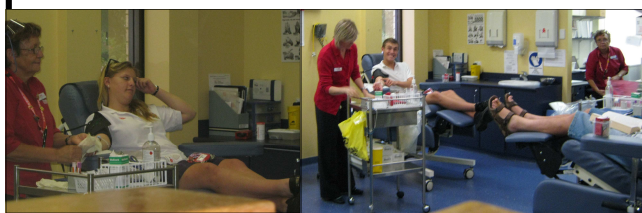
SECONDARY NEWS

Secondary School Report Years 7 - 10 Years 7 - 10 Reports were handed out to students today, Monday 6th December, 2010.

Year 7 Music Music class will be performing at our Award Night. Please be in full school uniform and seated in the hall by 6.45pm on Tuesday evening.

Year 8 Radio I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Ken Westerman and Mrs Barb Smith, for their time given in support of the Year 8 Radio Class. Your efforts and expertise are very much appreciated. Thank you Mrs Kerry Dorman

Senior Biology Students Save Lives!! Several students travelled to the Dubbo Blood Bank last week to donate blood. One donation saves 3 lives so between us we saved 15 lives in one visit - we are so awesome !! Also the free food and drinks were very good. Well done to Brianna, Ed, Kaylee and Laura—your blood really is worth bottling.



Year 8 Science have completed their course for the year and have been doing some fun science experiments.

Boys Ed Car Wash In spite of extreme wet conditions boys ed have managed to raise funds with 3 car wash days. This has helped raise funds for the kayak trip this week. We wish the boys well as they have worked hard for this.



GROW IT EAT IT!! Year 7 's vegetables have just loved the rain and so we had a great time harvesting (no bogged headers even !) and with the lack of a food tech room at present students took their crop home hopefully to cook up fabulously scrumptious meals for their families !

Lindy Piper



BAND & CHOIR NEWS

The Band and Choir will be performing at the school Award Night. Please be in full school uniform. Band members to meet in Room 7 for tune up at 6.40pm. Choir seated by 6.45pm in the hall.

Choir Members: Please let Mrs Dorman know if you are available for the Kahkama House Carols on Saturday 11th December at 7.00pm.



Library Report

Welcome to our festive Library. Thank you to Hannah Martin for all her help last Thursday with the decorating and Curtis, Jake and Adam for assembling the tree. Most students have returned their library books. Thank you! Please keep looking for overdue items. This week we will be reading *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* and making gift tags.

Mrs E Abbott & Mrs K O'Brien



RETURN TO SCHOOL DATES 2011

Friday, January 28th – Staff only
Monday, January 31st – Years 1-6, 7, 11 & 12
Tuesday, February 1st – Kindergarten, Years 8, 9, 10

DISCO



THEME:
LETS GET
PHYSICAL:

80's

Infants & Primary
6pm to 8pm

TIME:

Secondary
8pm to 10pm

COST:

\$3 PER
PERSON



THURSDAY
9TH DECEMBER 2010
DCS HALL

\$7 PER
FAMILY

COMMUNITY NEWS

Step Up Dance Concert

Concert will be held at 5pm on
Friday 10th December at
St Michaels Hall.

Tickets at the door.

All dancers to be there at 3.30pm for a dress
rehearsal (costumes, make up & hair)

KAHKAMA HOUSE CAROLS

Saturday 11th December, 7pm

Venue: Main Courtyard, Dunedoo MPS

Sing favourite carols, & celebrate Christmas
with Kakhkama House
residents, Hospital patients & the
Dunedoo Community

Led by: Members of "Sing Australia" Dunedoo,
Dunedoo Central School &
St Michael's School.

Supper follows in Kakhkama House
Grounds

ALL WELCOME!!



2010 CHRISTMAS DISPLAY COMPETITION



3 Categories

Public - Business - Residential

Judging Dates: 9th - 15th December



**JOIN IN THE SPIRIT & LIGHT
UP OUR TOWN**

For more information contact:
Sue Milsom 6375 1040



DCS AWARD NIGHT

Tuesday 7th December 2010, 6.30pm for
7.00pm start, DCS Hall, Everyone welcome!!

Suicide Prevention Workshops

Every day in Australia, an average of 6 people die from suicide. It is the biggest killer of men under 44 and women under 34. Every suicide leaves a minimum of 10-15 people affected by grief and loss and struggling with a host of unanswered questions. Wesley Mission LifeForce aims to educate and empower individual and communities to support those at risk. Our seminar and workshop educate participants about the issues surrounding suicide, equip them with the skills to identify and support people at risk of suicide and demonstrate how to intervene with the aim of leading the person at risk to a professional. There is no charge for this event, a light meal is included in each 2 hour workshop.

Mendooran Bowling Club, 6pm, Tuesday 7th December, RSVP Jenny 6886 1480

Dunedoo Golf Club, 7pm, Wednesday 8th December, RSVP Beth 6375 1975

DUNEDOO

SENIOR TOUCH FOOTBALL

Dunedoo Sports Club

Round 9, 8th December 2010

6.00pm Bezzy's Bulldogs -v- Elong Runaways

Refs: Ashley Johnstone, Kevin Hayne & Jack Leeson

6.00pm Ladies & Gents -v- Young Guns

Refs: Mark Gallagher, Adam Chapman & Brian Trengove

6.45pm Sullivans -v- DRH

Refs: Mick Inder, Chad Stanford & Madi Guan

6.45pm Get Up -v- Stoddy's Studd's

Refs: Tom Besgrove, Sam Leeson & Mitch Darlington

Duty Team: Young Guns

Bye: Agfreight Rabbits

WASHED OUT GAMES:

ROUND 5 GAMES

WILL BE PLAYED ON

TUESDAY 14TH DECEMBER.

Round 8 TBA.

JUNIOR TOUCH FOOTBALL

This week will be the last session for Junior Touch.