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# Dunedoo Central School **NEWSLETTER**

7 November 2011 (Week 1 Secondary Timetable)



## UPCOMING **EVENTS** Week 5

### Monday, 7 November

- Whole School Merit Assembly, 11.10am, Hall, everyone welcome
- Year 10 School Certificate commences

### Tuesday, 8 November

- Year 10 School Certificate
- Early Birds, Kinder 2012, 9am, Library, all welcome

## Wednesday, 9 November

- Year 10 School Certificate
- Primary Excursion to Burrendong

### Thursday, 10 November

- Primary Excursion to Lake Burrendong
- Secondary ACE Excursion, Dubbo
- Dunn's Swamp, Duke of Edinburgh Camp

### Friday, 11 November

- Primary Excursion to Burrendong P&C Ladies Afternoon, 4.30pm,
- Hall, everyone welcome
- Remembrance Day Ceremony, 10.50am, DCS Hall, all welcome
- Dunn's Swamp, Duke of Edinburgh Camp

## Week 6

### Monday, 14 November

 Personal Development Talk, Yrs 5, 6&7

### Tuesday, 15 November

 Year 6 transition into Year 7 2012, 9am to 1pm

### Wednesday, 16 November Thursday, 17 November

- Early Birds, 1.30pm 3pm
- Lynn Brydon's farewell dinner
- Friday, 18 November
- Tri School Indoor Soccer



Our Whole School Staffing Day on Multi-culturalism last week was "brilliant", according to the students to whom I spoke. They had an opportunity to experience life in other cultures, including the Pacific islands and Italy, as well as gaining great insights into Aboriginal culture. I believe Mae's talk about school in Italy was fascinating, and the Fiji Kava Ceremony experience (with imaginary Kava, of course) was great fun. Congratulations Mrs Gallagher and team for organising such a great experience for our students.

Our Merit Assembly went very well once again, with a large number of Primary and Secondary students receiving awards for special achievements. Congratulations to all students who received awards and thankyou to the many parents who found time to attend and support their child. It was refreshing to see two very talented Year 11 students step into the roles of MC for the day, and perform so well. Our captains are currently on an Outdoor Rec Camp with other Year 11 students. The Rock Band continues to develop and are always an exciting item at our assemblies.

As my speech at the assembly outlined, we are extremely happy about our students achieving the targets we set for this year's NAPLAN results. To achieve the growth we did, placed us in the top two schools in our School Education Group in all areas from Year 3 to 5, year 5 to7 and year 7 to 9. We are so excited that the strategies we have put in place are working. We are also very happy with the attitude of all of our students , towards school , as we

continually seek innovative ways to engage them Numeracy thrust across all Key Learning Areas.

The primary excursion takes place this week at lake Burrendong Recreation Camp. Students will undergo a series of structured activities designed to enhave a great time at these camps and grow in statthem. Thank you to our AP's, Mrs Abbott and Mr Elith for accompanying students on the excursion. We hope all students have a great time, but remind at all times.

Our P&C will be conducting one of those very special experiences, this Friday. It's a "Ladies Extravaganza" featuring the latest fashions in clothing, jewellery and perfumes. For all those mums who are looking for an experience of a lifetime, we'll see you in our school hall from 4.30pm.

Remembrance Day 2011, takes place on Friday, comprising a visit by our SRC, accompanied by myself, to the main ceremony at the Cenotaph, while students and staff at our school conduct their own special ceremony from 10.50am onwards. Last year's school ceremony was designed by Mr Evans and proved to be very touching and tasteful.

Good luck to Year 10 who sit their School certificate this week, with English and Science on today, maths and HSIE tomorrow, followed by the Computing Exam on Wednesday. This of course will be the last external School Certificate ever sat.

This week, as well as the experiences outlined above, students from our school will participate in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Camp on Thursday-Friday and the Year 9 Garden Project at Kahkama House on Friday. Enjoy your week.

## Mr Peter Campbell, Principal



Students, Staff & Members of the Community are cordially invited to attend a Remembrance Day Ceremony to be held on Friday, 11th of November 2011 at 10.50am in the DCS Hall.

## YEARLY EXAMS FOR YEARS 7, 8 & 9 WILL COMMENCE ON MONDAY 14TH NOVEMBER

# Upper Hunter Beef Bonanza - SCONE

On the Thursday of last week 14 amazingly talented students and 2 of the coolest teachers Mr Smith and Mrs Fergusson loaded up a truck with 6 steers, swags and some other gear we thought we might need– for those few days. The weather was hot and muggy, but we had an absolute ball preparing, parading, and judging our steers. The weather lasted till Sunday, then it decided to pour down. We all managed however, and did extremely well in all the competitions. We worked hard and actually snared some decent results:

In the school steer challenge, the primary steer placed 5th, and Callum placed 5th also in the paraders.

- In the open live classes the Primary steer, Agro received highly commended, and Rocky placed 5th.
- In the carcase competition Rocky placed 4th in his class and Connor 3rd in class 10.
- Lachie Stuart placed 5th in the Primary Junior Judging.

We would like to sincerely thank Mr Geoff Adams for driving the bus, Stirling Fergusson for donating Connor the steer and Guy Christensen for transporting the steers.

Also to Mr Smith and Mrs Ferg for feeding, photographing and putting up with us! Effie Fergusson.



# INFANTS IN FOCUS

## KINDER, YEAR 1 & YEAR 2

- © Included in this weeks Newsletter is a survey regarding the "Infants Intensive Swimming" program. It would be appreciated if all parents could complete same and return to the Front Office ASAP.
- A big thank you to Sharon Nott for delivering the Go Go Golf program to our infants students this year.
- © Please keep checking your child's hair for nits and treating if necessary. *Mrs M Abbott*

**Kindergarten:** Welcome to week 5, I hope you all enjoyed your weekend. Tomorrow we welcome Early Birds to school for their first orientation morning. The "big" kinders are looking forward to working with them and showing them the "ropes". This week we will continue revising the tricky words and our shared big book is "Brontosaurus Beaver". In maths our topics are counting to thirty, taking away, describing objects and equal arm balance and in HSIE we are looking at Responsibilities people have in our community. Please continue to encourage your child to read every night and revise their sight words. Congratulations to Angus Goddard our student of the week and to Karly Green and Mathew Williams who received Merit Certificates. **Mrs Yeo** 

## YEAR 1/2: Mrs Sue Lavender

**YEAR 2**: In fitness we will be progressing with our learning on how to dodge and enjoying the obstacle course. In maths we will be looking at calendars and different perspectives or views of an object. The children are well on track to complete their last maths assessment task for the year this week. They are looking forward to their maths games day [in maths time] as their reward for their excellent efforts. In Literacy we will be continuing with Information reports. There has been great interest and discussion in the many places that animals and creatures can live. *Mrs L. O'Brien* 

# PRIMARY NEWS

## Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

- Primary Excursion this Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Bus leaves at 8am on Wednesday and returns at approximately 5.15pm on Friday.
- $\hfill \ensuremath{\textcircled{}}$  Well done to all the students who received awards at the assembly today.
- © Our schedule for reporting to parents will be as follows: Semester 2 School Reports to parents 6th December and Parent Teacher Interviews 13th December.
- © The DCS Awards night will be held on Tuesday 6th of December 2011, all welcome.
- © Please send in notes for absences and out of uniform reasons as quickly as possible.
- © Please check your child's hair for nits on a regular basis.
- © We welcome Miss Rhodes to our school for the next week. She will be prac teaching with Mr Elith in Year 4.
- © Our school policy on Sun Protection is now in force again and students must have a hat at school for outside play. Please ensure your child has a hat and a drink bottle for school.
- © Communication is important to both teachers and parents. Please make the connection.
- © Don't forget "Crunch and Sip" for your child. We hope to get all students doing it, so we can register our school as a "Crunch and Sip" school. *Mr David Elith, Assistant Principal Primary*

**Year 2/3:** Good luck and have a lovely time to the students going on the excursion this week. There will be no homework for year 3. We will do our sheet in class this week. We had a challenging but lovely time learning how to sew on a button last week as part of our craft activity. Perhaps they will be able to help you with the mending soon. News is personal this week. **Mrs Elith** 

## Year 4:

- There will be no homework this week due to the excursion.
- Well done to Lily, Sally and Nicole on our class awards
- We are aiming for our bike days in week 7 if all goes to plan. More information to follow.
- Well done to all those students who reached ACE levels this week as the school awards finish this week. Mr David Elith

# **PRIMARY NEWS**

## Continued

**Year 5/6:** Welcome to week 5. Big news this week is the Primary Excursion to Lake Burrendong. We leave Wednesday morning and arrive back on Friday afternoon. All that are not attending will be with Mrs Elith.

Tomorrow morning I will be involved in the Kindergarten orientation morning, Mrs Armstrong will take my class. No homework this week (yahoo!!). Congrats to all student who received awards at the Merit Assembly today. Thank you to all parents, grandparents and friends who attended and supported our students.

In Maths this week year 5 will complete some revision work as Diagnostic tests will be held next Monday and Tuesday for both classes.

On Monday of next week both girls and boys in our class will be joining with year 7 to attend a Personal Development talk delivered by Community Nurse, Wendy Inder. We will be completing some Child Protection Work tomorrow after.

Enjoy you week of "no homework" but keep reading and smiling. Mrs Maria Abbott

# PRIMARY EXCORSION

The bus will be <u>leaving</u> from the Primary Gates at <u>8am</u> on Wednesday morning. Please make sure you arrive in plenty of time.

Please make sure your children have all the clothing and equipment they need and that it is named and labelled. Parents need to talk to their children about their be-

haviour at camp. Parents will be required to collect their child if they are ill-mannered or misbehave during this excursion. I am looking forward to a great couple of days at Lake Burrendong. (We will be at camp with other students from Raglan Public School and Condobolin.) **Mrs M Abbott** 

Level One Winners

Year 2—Jack Copeland

Level Three Winners Year 4—Teighla Hickson, Byron Brown

**Level Four Winners** Kindergarten — Jack Farley, Angus Goddard, Tamara Green, Tameka Martín, Mathew Williams Year 2—Declan Stanford Year 3—Jamieson Leeson, Brodie Yavion, Zac

SCHOOL BUS

Green

Year 4— Charlie Yeo

Year 5 — Chloe Green,

Year 6 - Patrick Gough

ongratulations.

Week +- Term +

# BREAKFAST CLUB



## Held every Wednesday morning in the Food Tech room - everyone welcome to attend!

**SPONSORS:** Dunedoo Bakery: Barry & Helen Norris, Dunedoo Fruit & Veg Bowl: Lyn Kearney, The local milkman - David Grant, Dunedoo Fivestar Supermarket - Trish Booth, Red Cross Dubbo - cornflakes, weetbix, marmite and honey. Families for donations of eggs when able. Thankyou for generously supporting our Breakfast Club. Without this support our Breakfast Club would not be possible.

Thank you!



# <u>Year 6 into 7 - 2012</u> <u>Orientation</u>



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

**Tuesday, 15th November** - Orientation day from 9.00am to 1.30pm **Thursday, 8th 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.

# Dunedoo Central School



# EARLYBIRDS



# KINDERGARTEN 2012

Orientation morning (parents and children): Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> November 2011, 9.00am to approximately 10.50am (children to arrive between 9.00am-9.30am in the kindergarten room and then Parents are to make their way to the Library at 9.30am. Everyone invited to morning tea - 10.50am - 11.10am.

## Earlybirds will run on the following Thursdays (children only):

Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> November 20111.30pm - 3.00pm(children to arrive between 1.00pm - 1.30pm).

Thursday, 24th November 20119.00am - 3.00pmThursday, 1st December 20119.00am - 3.00pm

<u>NOTE</u>: On the two full days (24<sup>th</sup> Nov and 1<sup>st</sup> Dec), children will need to bring with them their recess, lunch, drink and a hat. Canteen will be available.

If you have any enquiries please do not hesitate to contact the front office on 6375 1489

# **INFANTS & PRIMARY AWARDS**

## Student of the Week Merit & Special Awards

К	Angus Goddard	Displaying an enthusiastic approach to school & great work in maths		Karly Green	Great participation in the whole school staffing day
			К	Mathew Williams	Great participation in the whole school staffing day
1/2	Roy Watton	Improvement in reading and focused	1/2	Ryan Bampton	Excellent work in Mathletics & science
		in learning	1/2	Jacob Spicer	Improvement in behaviour & attention
2/3	Henry Kensit	All round improvement & enthusiasm	2/3	Sydney Kensit	Effort in class
		for learning	2/3	Georgia Lane	Pleasant and helpful
4	Sally Christensen	Always willing to learn	4	Nicole Cooke	Great story writing
			4	Lily Gibson	Fantastic poetry
5/6	Blake Taufa	Great Touch Footy skills	5/6	Anthony Roach	Improved attitude to classwork
			5/6	Lachlan Stuart	Excellent effort in Agriculture
			5/6	James Stoddart	Excellent effect in Agriculture



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY Wishing you all a great day!

Zac Blatch, 15 Kaley Kerr, 11 Paige Thomson, 11 7 November Sean Kerr, 11 Tameka Martin, 6 Jayden Robinson, 12 11 November Jessica Miller, 16

7 November 7 November 7 November 9 November 13 November

Year 9 Year 5 Year 5 Year 5 Kinder Year 5 Year 10



## **INFANTS INTENSIVE SWIMMING**

## **SURVEY**

In previous years the Infants Intensive Swimming program is held in early Term 1 for all Infants students. We would be pleased if you could complete the following survey, as there is discussion to move this program to Term 4. Please tick the box that you most agree with:

Term 1, 2012

Term 4, 2012

Please return to the Front Office by end of week 6 (18/11/11)

OR

## INFANTS/PRIMARY IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 4, 2011:

Whole School Merit Assembly - 7th November, 11.10am, DCS Hall, everyone welcome

EarlyBirds, Kindergarten 2012 - 8th November, Orientation morning, 9am, Library

Primary Excursion - Lake Burrendong - 9th/11th November Year 6 into Year 7 2012, Orientation Day - 15th November, 9am -1.30pm Early Birds, Kindergarten 2012 - 17th November, 1.30pm - 3pm Early Birds, Kindergarten 2012 - 24th November, full day Early Birds, Kindergarten 2012 - 1st December, full day Scripture Concert - 2nd December 9am, DCS Hall, everyone welcome Award Night - 6th December Disco - 8th December Parents to Parents - 9th December Parent Teacher Interviews - 13th December Last Day of Term 4 2011 - Friday 16th December 2011

## LIBRARY REPORT

Welcome to a library with so many new books! Thank you to everyone who supported the Book Fair. We sold over \$1800 in books, posters and variety items. The library receives 35% of the sales so we chose some wonderful titles. Reordered items should arrive late this week or early next week. Students are encouraged to start looking for their library books and textbooks. Borrowing will continue until Week 7. There will be no borrowing over the summer holidays unless students' parents or caregivers make arrangements with the library staff. *Mrs E Abbott* 



Coolah Central School

# Horse Sports Day

Dates: Thursday 17th & Fríday 18th November 2011 Ríders: Kíndergarten to Year 12 Venue: Coolah Recreatíon Grounds Cost: \$40 per child (for the two days) Nomination forms available from the DCS Front Office

CANTEEN NEWS

- $\Rightarrow$  Hello for another week.
- ⇒ The trial for Quiche + Salad and Frittata + Salad has been great. There has been a greater demand for the Quiche and Salad so I may not continue with the Frittata. I will continue on with the Quiche and Salad and will introduce a new item next week.
- $\Rightarrow$  Don't forget the 150ml milk for 70c and 250ml Big M for \$1.30.
- ⇒ Keep those Infants Fruit donations coming, I am very impressed with the variety of fruits donated last Friday and I'm sure the kids loved it too!
- $\Rightarrow~$  Please get your uniform orders in ASAP as I will be doing the order very soon.
- $\Rightarrow~$  Also please ensure all accounts are paid up by the end of the term so we can start fresh in the new year.
- ⇒ A BIG thank you to my volunteers for the week, you were a huge help and I really do appreciate it. Also thank you to the volunteers who let me know in advance that they couldn't attend their days. I was able to organise different volunteers.
- $\Rightarrow$  Thank you for all of the support and feedback from everybody, much appreciated.

<b>CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 4</b>				
7/11	N Power	14/11	B Fergusson	
8/11	Help Needed	15/11	D Stanford	
9/11	Help Needed	16/11	Help Needed	
10/11	D Brydon	17/11	Help Needed	
11/11	A Wright	18/11	A Wright	

Thanks - Jenny Farley

## SECONDARY NEWS

7/8 FOOD TAS: Last week we prepared pizza scrolls, teams have been responsible for improvements at which some parents MAY have had a chance to our school library. taste! This week we will prepare muffins and order any foods needed for Party Presentation NEXT WEEK. Remember a container , money, shoes and egg for the week.

8 Visual Arts: Last week, students enlarged a tradi- schools, NSW wide, working in groups of 21, Canresults will be spectacular!! Some students are really Outdoor Recreation, participants build and experistepping up and putting 100% into every lesson ence team work and self-sufficiency skills as well as exam for art on Friday of Week 6.

10 Work Education: The School Certificate Trials and the School Certificate itself have greatly impacted on class time available for Work Ed. We had discussions last week about Work Experience and some students have organised their placement. Well done! Students need to TALK TO THEIR PARENTS(!!) to get help in organising this. We will be sending letters and information to employers this week in periods after your School Certificate exams.

Year 9: As of Week 3, every Friday, ALL Year 9 students will be involved in a Horticulture program run by Tafe Western, Mudgee; with the support of Youth Connections and Reconnect Programs. Students will combine Literacy and Numeracy skills with hands on practical work to improve and beautify the grounds of Kahkama House under the guidance of TAFE teacher Rowan Rowlands and Gail Yeo. Participation Phase Funding covers all costs however students have been asked to pay \$10 which subsidises the cost of lunch, which is bought and prepared by a different group each week. Students can wear work gear to school, and must have enclosed shoes (preferably boots), a hat and water bottle. All protective gear is provided by TAFE. Lots of people are eagerly awaiting the results. Rowan and his various

Year 11 TVET Outdoor Recreation Course: 7 Year 11 students have taken the opportunity to participate in an Outdoor Rec course delivered by Lithgow TAFE. This 10 day course sees students from a number of tional Aboriginal design and began decorating it us- yoning, Canoeing and Climbing. Besides the obvious ing dots and cross-hatches in traditional colours. The benefits of gaining a partial completion of Cert II in achieving very "hangable" art!! There will be a yearly learning how to care for the environment where they are camping. Over the years several groups have partaken of this course and as such have had the right of return to complete a follow-up Cross Country Skiing Outdoor Rec course the following year. We are pleased to be able to continue to offer this amazing experience to students and already 5 students from Year 10 have applied for next year. Well done to students who received merits today. Mrs Fergusson

# YEARLY EXAMS

# YRS 7, 8 & 9

## Will be commencing:

Week 6: Monday 14th November 2011

## copy of timetable attached.

## YEAR 10 SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMS

Year 10, School Certificate Exams will be held on Monday 7th November 2011 to Wednesday 9th November 2011 (week 5).

ALL Year 10 students are required at school for roll call and are not to leave school.

These exams are a compulsory part of the School Certificate and students who arrive late or are not present for an exam will jeopardise their achievement in the School Certificate.

## SECONDARY NEWS - CONTINUED

## SECONDARY YEARLY EXAM TIMETABLE

Commencing Monday 14th November 2011

# Year 7

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1		PDHPE 9			English 14
2					
3					Science L
4	Maths 9				
5	Maths 9				
6				Geography 15	

# Year 8

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
1				English 14
2		Maths 9	History 15	
3		Maths 9		
4	Indonesian 8			
5				
6				

# Year 9

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1			History 15		
2	Maths 8	Engineering 8			English 13
3			Science 13		
4	Maths 8				Geography 15
5		Industrial Tech / PASS L			
6				Ag/IST/ Food Tech 9	

## YEAR 12 GRAD PHOTOS

Orders should be ready to collect on Monday, 21st November 2011 from the DCS Front Office.



## When I grown up I want to be...?

Acupuncturist

Acupuncture treat disorders and illnesses by inserting fine needles into the skin to stimulate the body's defence mechanism. An Acupuncturist may perform the following tasks:

- \* Diagnose health problems through discussions with the patients, by checking the patient's pulse and by observing their colour, face and body features, nails, tongue and temperature variations in different parts of the body.
- \* Choose the places at which needles should be inserted based on a thorough knowledge of body systems.
- \* Insert needles under the patient's skin and move or manipulate them depending on the nature of the health problems.
- \* Apply massage or heat treatment using a slowly smouldering herb called moxa to warm and stimulate the acupuncture point.

Acupuncturists normally work on their own, but may also work within an established clinic in which other traditional forms of health care are practiced, such as naturopathy, osteopathy, chiropractic and herbal medicine.

Personal requirements:-

- Patient, tactful and compassionate
- Able to gain the confidence of their patients.
- Good with hands.

Education and Training: To become an acupuncturist you usually have to complete an advanced diploma or degree in acupuncture or traditional Chinese medicine. Entry to the courses usually requires you to gain your HSC.

For further information please contact our Careers Advisor, Mrs Belinda Fergusson

<u>Farewell Dinner for Lynn Brydon</u>

The DCS Staff and PEC Committee would like to invite all members of the school community to Lynn's farewell to be held at 7.00pn on Thursday 17th November 2011 at the Dunedoo Bowling Club. Cost: \$20.00 per person.

Please RSVP to the Front Office on 63751489 before the 14/11/11.

# Tomato, Basil & Red Onion Bruschetta

RECIPE

OF THE

Ingredients 1/4 red onion 1 tomato 4 basil leaves Bread stick 1 T olive oil Minced garlic Salt & pepper Flat leaf parsley to garnish 1 piece feta/goats cheese to garnish

## Method

- 1. Wash tomato and basil.
- 2. Finely chop onion and tomato.
- 3. Tear basil leaves.
- 4. Cut bread.
- 5. Mix olive oil and crushed garlic, season.
- 6. Brush both sides of bread with garlic oil. Cook on George Foreman.
- 7. Place on wire rack to cool.
- 8. Mix tomato, onion and basil in a bowl.
- 9. Top the bread with tomato mixture.
- 10. Garnish and serve.

Community News

2011 CHRISTMAS DISPLAY COMPETITION

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Join in the spirit & light up our town 3 Categories: Public, Business & Residential Prizes awarded for each category Winners to be announced at the Lions Christmas Carnival Judging Dates: 8th – 14th December For more information contact: Sue Milsom 6375 1040

# Dunedoo Touch Football

**Junior Touch Football:** Every Wednesday, 5pm at the Sports Club. Please pack a hat and water bottle.

SENIOR TOUCH - ROUND 4: Wednesday 9 November 2011					
6.00pm	DRH –v- Sports Club	Jacob Potbury, Kevin Hayne & Brett Sawyer			
6.00pm	Ladies & Gents -v- Sullivans	Jake Fergusson, Wog Rock & Elong			
6.45pm	Pumped Up Wood -v- Bezzy's Bulldogs	Jordan Rhodes, Spuz Hogden & Mat Sheldon			
6.45pm	Elong Runaways –v– Wog Rock	Mark Gallagher, Chris Callow & Taylah Watton			
Duty Team:	am: Sports Club				

# SWIMMING CLUB NEWS

Training commences this Wednesday 9th November from 3.30pm - 4.30pm



## JUNIOR SQUASH COMPETITION

Due to the DCS primary Excursion, any Primary students who have not already played their game for this week may play their Round 4 game next week (18/11/11). For further information contact Donna Lang 63751028.