

Dunedoo Central School

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Important!!!

COMING UP AT DCS:

Week 6

Tuesday 10th November

- Yr 10 Department Day

Wednesday, 11th November

- 10.50am Remembrance Day Service

Thursday 12th November

- Earlybirds/Kinder 2016 Orientation, 1.30pm-3pm

Friday 13th November

- Links 2 Learning, Red Hill, Leadership Day, Yrs 7-10

Week 7

Thursday 19th November

- Earlybirds/Kinder 2016 Orientation, full day
- P&C Meeting, 7.30pm, Library

Week 8

Yr 10 Work Experience all week

Monday 23rd November

- Dubbo Headspace, Yr 8

Tuesday 24th November

- Yr 6 into Yr 7 2016, Transition Day
- Yr 6 into Yr 7 2016, Parent Information Meeting, 5.30pm, Library
- Engineers Without Borders, Yrs 8-11, 20 students

Wednesday 25th November

- Yr 11 Interviews

Thursday 26th November

- Earlybirds/Kinder 2016 Orientation, full day
- National Young Leaders Day
- Whole School Staffing Day "Money Smart"

Friday, 27th November

- National young Leaders Day
- End of Year Scripture Assembly

Week 9

Infants Intensive Swimming Commence this week - all week

Wednesday 2nd December

- Yr 8 Aspire



Kookaburra March Re-enactment





Earlybirds

On Thursday 6th of November 2015, 16 excited littlies and their parents attended our Earlybirds orientation day. We look forward to their return each Thursday over the next 3 weeks.

(Absent from photo:
Xavier Reid)

Remembrance Day



Wednesday 11th November 2015

Kinder - Year 11

DCS Hall

Commencing 10.50am

DCS Remembrance Service

Infants/Primary students to wear full school uniform
& Secondary to wear full sports uniform



Year 12 Biology - Blood Bank

Recently four year12 Biology students travelled to Dubbo to donate blood. While some were a little apprehensive they all managed to give blood and felt good after doing something to help others. The blood bank workers were very excited to see us as they are always keen for new customers. They also enjoyed the free milkshakes, sausage rolls and biscuits they were given after donating.





Principal's Message

Hello everybody. Today our Year7/8 Debating Team competes for the Regional title against Kelso High School, Bathurst. This is a fantastic achievement as it is the first year in which our teams have participated in the NSW Premier's Debating Challenge. Wins against Coonabarabran, Coollah, Henry Kendall and Trangie have led to this exciting moment for our team. We wish them the best of luck and congratulate them for the hard work and teamwork they have displayed so far, in progressing to this stage of the competition.

Earlybirds began last week with a very successful parent meeting in which the Kindergarten program and activities was clearly outlined by relieving Assistant Principal, Mr Kline. It was great to see so many parents in attendance and to hear from them that their child was so excited about coming to BIG school next year. This year's Earlybird T-Shirts once again looked brilliant and I heard the practice lessons went really well. Parents were very happy with the morning and provided a range of positive feedback to myself and other staff.

The Kookaburra March was well received in Dunedoo. Our students prepared a sumptuous lunch served in a very tasteful, keep-sake bag, which was commented on by a number of marchers. The Cobbora Hall was an excellent setting. Our whole school then joined St Michaels School, the SES, other volunteer groups and the Pony Club, as we paraded along the main street with the Centenary Kookaburra marchers ending in a tribute at the cenotaph. Our Captains, Ceara and Molly both spoke very well as they acknowledged the courage and the national pride of the original volunteers.

This week we will return to the cenotaph for the Remembrance Day Service at 11.00am on the eleventh of the eleventh. I will be joined by our Primary Captains to lay wreaths, as our School Captains will conduct a similar service at school. Of course Remembrance Day is a day in which we acknowledge and celebrate the sacrifices made by our volunteer soldiers who were prepared to sacrifice their own lives, to ensure that the rest of us would lead full and productive lives, devoid of war.

I attended an Executive Information Day at Scone High School last week, conducted by our Director, Mr Young, which outlined the development of the new School Plan, the key strategic directions, the milestones for success and the new Annual Report. At present we are reviewing our current plan and analysing key data in order to ensure directions for improvement are in place for 2016 and beyond. One area that needs addressing from our recent NAPLAN analysis is Writing and we will be reviewing processes and developing a whole school strategy to address this for next year. Our whole school strategies for Grammar and Numeracy have been very effective and we are pleased with our overall school performance in these areas.

It was great to see Year 3 achieving incredible success in all disciplines with mean scores above the State in Reading, Grammar and Numeracy, and above our Similar Education Group in Writing and Spelling. Particularly pleasing was the number of students who achieved excellent results and placed in the Top Band for these areas. The performances in Reading, Grammar and Numeracy across the whole school were extremely pleasing. Year 9 achieved better than State Growth in all areas except Writing, in which they still performed better than our Similar Education group. Their overall performance was exceptional.

We are also currently planning to include a girls group in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme for next year. We have a number of very enthusiastic girls keen to be involved and they should complement the continuation of the boys' program. The Duke of Ed Award is very open and only requires that certain key components are met including: Physical Recreation, A Skill, Volunteering/Service and an Adventurous Journey which can be in the form of an Expedition or an Exploration. Sharon Nott will once again be the Award Facilitator at Dunedoo Central School, ably supported by Mrs Piper and Mr Constant.

Our Prac teachers, Josh and Dave complete their three week prac period this week, returning to Albury with a very good impression of Dunedoo: it's community and it's school. Well done to everyone for making their stay so worthwhile and enjoyable. Enjoy your week and your week! **Mr Peter Campbell, Principal**



Welcome to Week 6

Final exams are finished so students will have even more time to read! Come and see us for new books including:

The latest *Diary of a Wimpy Kid #10 Old School*, *Tom Gates #9 Top of the Class (Nearly)*, *Timmy Failure #3 We Meet Again*, and *Silver Shoes Hit the Streets*. Students who have made requests on our 'Books to Buy' whiteboard will be happy to see *Fangirl* and *Carry On*, *Impossible Quest #5*, *Me Earl and the Dying Girl*, *Then* and *#4 in the Power of Five* series. So many books are released in time for Christmas that we plan for a shopping spree just before our budget closes in November. Thank you to all the students who make requests. We know that other readers appreciate what you want for our library.

Borrowing continues until Week 8. Many overdue books came in last week. Well done to everyone who returned them. Last week's record was 955 days. As the weather warms up, please use a plastic bag to protect library books from drink bottles.

We have had a few books that have been waterlogged recently. Thank you for your help. **Mrs E Abbott**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Chloe Woodward	9th November	Year 2
Tameka Martin	9th November	Year 4
Jayden Robinson	11th November	Year 9
Shyloh Watton Hogden	12th November	Year 1
William Bampton	15th November	Year 3
Karly Green	15th November	Year 4

Wishing you all a Happy Birthday!

AWARD NIGHT

PERPETUAL TROPHIES

Can all perpetual trophies please be returned to the front office ASAP

Nominations for 2016 Student Representative Council

Are you interested in being a leader in your school?

Organise discos Decorate Help at the Canteen
Design posters Participate in SRC Leadership Day
Whole School Staffing Days Youth Week
National Young Leaders Day in Sydney
Attend Weekly Meetings Serve at Special Morning Teas
Show Leadership in any activity
Fundraisers Wear school uniform with pride
Show "our best always" Public Speaking

SRC Nomination forms are available from Mr. Constant or Mr. Kline.

Please return the signed forms to the Front Office by Friday, 13th November.

Infants & Primary Weekly Awards



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

MERITS

K	Sophie Large	Fantastic improvement in reading and journal writing	K	Jack Wentworth Brown	Great participation in class discussions
1	Simone Roach	Always lending a helping hand	K	Daniel Walker	Improved communication skills
2/3	Brooke Cooke	An enthusiastic approach to her learning	1	Asha Russell	Lovely neat bookwork
3/4	Harry Cluff	Excellent effort and results in spelling and comprehension	1	Fletcher Hogden	Excellent effort in all class activities
4/5	Sigrid Hogden	Always showing respect to others in the classroom	2	Chelsea Green	Being a wonderful helper in class
6	Ben Gallagher	Courage in taking on new challenges	2	April Dominey	Practicing her times-tables
			4	Jack Farley	Excellent effort in spelling
			4	Mathew Williams	Continued effort and good behaviour in class
			4	Fergus Fergusson	Improvement in handwriting
			5	Lexi Gallagher	Having a mature approach to learning
			6	Sydney Kensit	Great effort in compiling presentations
			6	Georgia Cluff	Excellent work in assessment tasks

INFANTS/PRIMARY ACE

Congratulations to the following Infants/Primary students on reaching:

Level 3:

Year 4/5: Charna Williams, Sam Bennetts, Sigrid Hogden, Paul Sweeney, Jacob Spicer, Bailey Fogg, Ryan Bampton & Nick Haarman

Level 4:

Kindergarten: Sophie Large & Kobi Olve

Year 1: Will Kling, Charlie Stuart, Simone Roach, Charles Binks & Tiarnie Batty

Year 4/5: Hollie Copeland, Hallie Hogden, Millie Taylor & Izaiah Hall

Level 5:

Year 1: Hamish Stanford & Fletcher Hogden

Year 6: Claire Seis, Jack Seis & Jack Copeland

Infants in Focus



Mrs Armstrong has just completed testing the reading of all Infants students. The results have been remarkable with many children showing considerable growth since their last testing in May. It really does reflect the work each child does with his/her reading both at school and at home. Well done Infants!

Earlybirds kicked off last week and it was fantastic to see the Infants students looking after the 16 new littlies who began their big school adventure wearing their new Blinky Bill t-shirts. The Earlybirds return this Thursday afternoon followed by two full day Thursdays.

Following a one week extension, ACE now finishes this Wednesday. Well done to those students who achieved Level 4 or Level 5 this week. Very exciting!

Infants Intensive Swimming Program will be running this year during Week 9 and Week 10 (commencing November 30th). The program runs each day between recess and lunch. If any parents are available and willing to assist us during this time, please let Mrs Abbott or me know. It is a fun yet busy time but with many hands, it is much more manageable.

Mrs Maria Abbott returns to school on Tuesday from her marvellous adventures in North and Central America. I take this time to thank Miss Vicki McIntyre for all that she has achieved with Year 1 in Mrs Abbott's absence. Miss Mac has done a wonderful job and we have been lucky to have her with us.

Mr Ben Kline, Relieving Assistant Principal Infants

Kindergarten: Welcome to Week 6. I hope you all enjoyed your weekend! In Jolly Phonics, we are looking at how ee and e-e and ea all make the 'ee' sound as in speed, theme, and peach and our shared big book is "Summer Nights".

In Maths, our topics are Sharing, Equal Shares and Problem Solving and in HSIE, we are discussing the difference between Wet and Dry Environments.

Last week we welcomed the Earlybirds for the morning and a fun time was had by all. They visit us again this Thursday afternoon and my 'big' Kinders are looking forward to showing them the ropes!

We have started assessments in all Key Learning Areas so a 'refresh' of sight words would be a good idea, as would some counting activities, e.g. by 1's, 2's, 5's and 10's.

Don't forget to continue reading nightly and complete all homework.

Congratulations to Sophie L, our student from last week and to Jack Wentworth-Brown and Daniel Walker who received merit certificates. **Mrs E Yeo**

Year 1: Welcome to Week 6! A month has flown by and today is my last day teaching Year 1. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time with the class and I am very proud of how the students have adapted to any changes while in my care. Thank you for looking after me Year 1! We all look forward to seeing Mrs Abbott and hearing all about her travel experiences from Mexico, LA and of course Las Vegas!!

This week our sound is 'ur' as in hurt and the blend is 'xt' as in next. In Maths we continue to enjoy the 'Dice Game' or "Buzz-Off" and will move onto measuring objects using scales – the equal arm balance to compare the mass of objects.

News last week was very interesting with the letter B. This week is the topic of 'Personal Choice'. We will continue to use Spring as our theme in art activities and will be posting our letters off to our Grandparents.

Thank you to those wonderful Mums who come in each day to listen to students read and change home readers. You do a wonderful job and it is much appreciated.

Have a great week. **Miss V McIntyre**



CANTEEN NEWS

- Hello for Week 6!
- Just a reminder to order your School Uniform ASAP. I will be completing an order this week and won't be ordering again until next year. Order forms are available at the Front Office or Canteen.
- Thank you to Annette and Jessie for your help last week. **Thanks Jenny**

CANTEEN ROSTER

9/11	Jessie
10/11	Janice
11/11	Nick
12/11	Annette
13/11	Annette

PRIMARY NEWS

Over the past five weeks it has been fantastic to see the majority of DCS students coming to school in their full school uniform. This was particularly pleasing to see last Tuesday, as our students represented the school in the Kookaburra March. We were fortunate that the rain held off in order for us to join in this march, and students represented our school well. Our teachers are preparing to compile student progress reports over the coming weeks, and these will be sent home towards the end of Term. Remember that if you have any concerns regarding your child's school experience, the first step should be contacting their classroom teacher to arrange a meeting to discuss your concerns. Our doors are always open when it comes to working with you to support your child at school. Swimming continues this Friday, and we require students to bring their swimming gear, hat, towel and sunscreen along with their \$3 entry fee. Some students are accruing a debt already, and this will need to be amended as soon as possible. Have a great week everyone.

Mrs Georgia Shephard, Assist. Principal Primary

Year 2/3: Hello all, For the past two weeks with Mrs Gallagher, Year 2/3 have been playing recorders in Music. They are doing a great job playing pieces as a whole class, impressing even Mr Wells. It is a shame we don't host another Primary Assembly where they could show them off.

This week in class, we will continue end of year assessments including handwriting and the Maths Diagnostic Test. In Maths, Year 2 will be learning about capacity and revising for their test.

This week's news topic is 'National News'. Have a great week. **Mr Ben Kline**

Year 3/4: Hello everyone, I hope you've all enjoyed your weekend.

This week in Year 3 Maths we will be looking at 'Position and Direction'. The homework sheet will be based on one of last week's topics 'Angles'.

In Writing, students will begin learning about the purpose and structure of a Review. In Grammar, our focus this week is on 'Contractions'.

I have discussed this with students, however I'd just like to reinforce the importance of handing homework in each week. Please remember to pack homework in bags each week, and if homework is forgotten, make sure it comes in the following Monday.

Congratulations to my Student of the Week from last week Harry Cluff, and to my merit certificate recipients Jack Farley and Mathew Williams. Enjoy your week, **Miss Yeo**

Year 4/5: Hello everybody and welcome to Week 6! Christmas is only just around the corner... In class this week, we have a busy week of assessment particularly in English. I will be finishing off the S.A Spelling test and Reading Comprehension tests for students that have been absent. In Maths, Year 4 will be revisiting 3D Shapes and their properties as well as consolidating Area/Perimeter, times table knowledge and mental problem solving skills in the lead up to their final assessment. Please note that Remembrance Day is on Wednesday 11/11/15 at 11am. It is always important to recognise the soldiers who fought to protect our country. Have a great week everyone! **Cheers, Mr A.Honeysett**

Year 6: The quality of work being produced by our Year 6 students within our Media Unit as well as individual PIP's (Personal Interest Projects) is outstanding! I am so thrilled to be able to watch students work independently and produce such high quality, creative work. We watched some television advertisements created by the students using marketing techniques discussed in our Media Unit such as music, colour theory, humour, action and sport. Students really had fun producing these, and it's great to see them enjoying their learning and taking pride in their work. PIP's are being presented this week and next. Homework sheets have been handed out today, and I ask all parents to do a homework 'health check'. This will help parents to see what their child is working on in class, and get an idea of how they are going. **Mrs Shephard**

Secondary News

SECONDARY

TIMETABLE

WEEK: 2

Year 9/10 Maths: This week students will be working on Indices. Students will be looking at Index Notation and the Index Laws.

Year 11 General Maths: This week students will continue work on Taxation. This will include calculating taxable income, tax payable, medicare levy, GST and VAT. Please encourage your child to complete nightly homework. *Mrs Donna Lane*

Links to Learning: On Friday, November 13th a group of 15 students from Years 7 - 9 will be going to Red Hill, Gulgong for a great day of outdoor activities. Permission Notes have gone home last week but a reminder to return permission slip and \$5.00 to cover bus costs to the front office ASAP. *Mrs Sullivan*

Year 10 Work Education

Important

Deportment Day will be held all day on Tuesday, 10th November at DCS. Please wear tidy casual clothes and bring all interview clothes with you. There is no cost.

Work Experience: Will be held in Week 8. We will be discussing Work Experience in class this week. Please help your child to get organised! *Mrs Fergusson*

Secondary - What's Due....

Year 7	Maths	Homework Sheet due Thursday Topic Test on Perimeter & Area on Thursday
	French	Quiz: Clothing, Thursday
Year 8	Maths	Homework due Thursday
	Science	Complete Homework Task
Year 9	Maths	Homework Sheet due Thursday
	History	Group research
Year 9/10	Food Tech	Practical & Portfolio Assessment, week 7
	Maths	Statistics homework sheet
Year 10	History	Group research
	Work Ed	Deportment Day - all day Tuesday
Year 11	Maths	Homework Sheet due Friday



WEEK 6

DEB
BALL
MEETING

Will be held on Tuesday, 24th November,
6pm in the DCS Library.

Can all Debs, Partners and Parents please attend.
Please contact Lisa Christensen, 0428 75 1284
if you have any queries

Community News

A vibrant poster for 'TUNES ON THE TURF'. At the top, a pair of headphones is shown with a city skyline inside the ear cups. The title 'TUNES ON THE TURF' is prominently displayed in large, bold, black letters with a white outline, where 'ON THE' is in green. Below the title, a large crowd of people is silhouetted against a bright yellow and orange background, with their arms raised in the air. A green grassy field is at the bottom. The date '14th Nov. 2015' is written in a stylized, yellow font across the grass. In the bottom left corner, there is a small logo with headphones and the text 'UNES TURF' next to 'Dunedoo Sports Club'. In the bottom right corner, there is a blue Facebook logo with the text 'Find us on: facebook.'

TUNES ON THE TURF

14th Nov. 2015

Dunedoo Sports Club

Find us on: [facebook.](#)

Starts 2pm, Adults \$10
School age children free
Gates close @ 9pm

Courtesy bus available

PH SPORTING CLUB AFTER 4PM
FOR BOOKINGS - 6375 1018

CHEESE PLATTERS, GOURMET STEAK & LAMB PATTIE BURGERS, STUBBIE COOLERS
FOR THE KIDS: TATTOOS, SLUSHIE MACHINE, GLOW STICKS, FACEPAINTING, JUMPING CASTLE, FAIRY FLOSS

DCS ROCK BANDS, DCSC JAZZ ENSEMBLE, AMELIA WASHBROOK, COBBORAH CONNECTION - DAMIEN, SIMONE, KEN & MORE, DEGAN BROWN, SHANE SAFFY ANTHONY GEMMELL - CCW TRIO
LEGLESS PEDESTRIANS. MICK PICTON. RONNIE D. BONGO BOI. THE TRILL. CLINTON HOY. RICHARD PERSO



Dunedoo Preschool's

Ladies Afternoon



Monday 23 November 2015 – 3pm to 5.30pm

Jewellery by Margot Rees, Ultimo Lingerie with Pam Bowman, Gifts and Clothing by Country Elegance Giftware, Annette Piper Handcrafted Jewellery, KB Handbags & Soy Candles

Afternoon Tea kindly donated by The CWA

Come along for a browse, a chat and light refreshments.

All enquires 63751133

SWIMMING CLUB



Well its that time again where our swimming season is upon us. Training starts today (Monday 9th November) at 4pm and Time Trials starts at 6pm on Thursday the 12th of November.

A meeting will be held this Thursday, before Time Trials start, all parents are encouraged to attend.

Membership email links will be sent out shortly. Any new members please contact Mel Bampton on 0429 040679. Remember you must have your Season Ticket before you can join Dunedoo Swimming Club, Council rules not ours.

We are Advertising for a Coach for the 2015/2016 season and someone to run the BBQ, if you feel you would like to take any of these roles please contact Brett Christensen on 6375 1284. Your help would be much appreciated.



Australian
organ donor
register

CWA Dunedoo welcomes everyone to come along to the Dunedoo Bowling Club... Learn some facts about organ and tissue donation and about Australia's National Register – nobody is too old to donate.

Did you know that identifying your donor status on your NSW Drivers Licence is no longer going to be an option?

Have you considered being on Australia's National Register?

Guest speakers/ Information packages/ nibbles on arrival.

When: Thursday 26 November 2015 @ 7.00pm

Where: Dunedoo Bowling Club

Contact: CWA President Dunedoo - Joy Beames 0428 751 173

A sunset for one could mean a sunrise for another...

