



The 2023 P&C Debutante Ball was held last Friday, 24th March. Five beautiful debutantes and their handsome partners, accompanied by nine gorgeous attendants, were presented to special guests Jim and Linden Ewin and Lisa McDonald in front of a large crowd of proud and enthusiastic well-wishers. Thank you to all those who were involved with organising the ball, and in particular to Brianna Smith and Penny Copelin who coordinated the event. They both invested an enormous amount of personal time and energy, which has ensured the evening will be a lifelong memory for the debutantes, their partners and families, and the extended Dunedoo community.



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to Week 10, Term 1 2023!

Debutante Ball—Congratulations to our Dunedoo Central School P&C on another very successful Debutante Ball held last Friday evening. Thank you to the P&C committee, led by the President Mrs Lisa Christensen, the DCS students and staff and especially the Deb Ball Coordinators, Ms Brianna Smith and Mrs Penny Copelin for their many contributions and hours of work in preparation for the Ball. Our hall looked fantastic, particularly with the new addition of our curtaining; thank you to Penny Copelin and Bron

Douglass for their work in getting these ready. It really makes such a difference to our hall. Congratulations to the five Debutantes and their partners; they all looked fantastic and I believe they all enjoyed their night. Congratulations too to the attendants—you all looked gorgeous. Thank you Sally Christensen for your help again this year, and thank you also to the small number of people who supported the clean-up on Saturday morning; your efforts were greatly appreciated.

Whole School Staffing Day—We are looking forward to the Whole School Staffing Day on Wednesday, Embracing Diversity. This means understanding that each individual is unique, and recognizing our individual differences. These can be along the dimensions of race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, age, physical abilities, religious beliefs, political beliefs, or other ideologies. This will be a great day with a lot of fun activities for our K-10 students.

World Autism Awareness Day, Sunday 2nd April—This Friday 31st March, our school will be recognising World Autism Awareness Day. World Autism Awareness Day is an annual celebration of autistic people to raise awareness of developmental disorders and neurodivergence. You can show support on World Autism Awareness Day by posting about autism, celebrating neurodiversity and listening to the stories of neurodiverse individuals. We are asking staff and students to wear blue this Friday to show our support.

WSSA Squash Trials—Last Friday, 5 DCS students participated in the WSSA CHS Squash Trials: Asha Russell, Fletcher Hogden, Oscar Christensen, Hugh Hogden and Chelsea Gallagher. All students played well and were excellent representatives of our school. Congratulations to Chelsea Gallagher and Fletcher Hogden, who have both been selected in the WSSA Open Girls and Boys Squash teams to compete at the CHS State Carnival in Coffs Harbour in Week 6 of next term. Thank you to Mr Todd Gallagher for assisting with transport.



Peachy Shield— Good Luck to our Primary students competing in the Peachy Shield on Thursday at Robertson Oval. Thank you also to our student volunteers who will be refereeing or working in the canteen on the day. We hope to see you there!

Progress Reports—Year 7—10 Progress Reports will be sent home at the end of this week. This is a one page document which gives an overview of your child's progress regarding Academic Achievement, Overall Progress, Effort and Application, and Behaviour in class. There will be an opportunity for parents to meet with teachers to discuss these reports next Tuesday 4th April from 3:30—5:30 pm. Please contact the school if you would like to make an appointment.

Emilie Coe—Congratulations to Emilie Coe for being awarded the prestigious NSW Cookery Teachers Association Scholarship. This is a significant achievement for Emilie and is valued at \$27,000, paid over 3 years, while ever Emilie remains enrolled in a fulltime Bachelor of Education, with a Major in Food Technology. Well done Emilie!

Have a great week!

Donna Lane

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL NEWS

Well done to our fabulous attendants who attended the Deb Ball on Friday night. These Year 1/2 children looked amazing and did a wonderful job on the red carpet!

NAPLAN 2023 is finally complete. Congratulations to all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9; you should all be proud of your efforts!

Over the next two weeks, each Primary teacher will be holding 3-way conferences with parents and their child. These are a great opportunity for each student to hear how they are travelling and to set goals for the year ahead. Thank you to those parents who have already attended.

Congratulations to Thomas Tabone-Zammit for being our 'Catch of the Week' and winning the FISH draw. Thomas has led by example this term as school captain, and continues to be a great role model for younger students.

Tomorrow is our first Whole School Staffing Day for 2023 with the theme "Embracing Diversity". Given that Harmony Day and National Day of Action Against Bullying both occur in March, it's a perfect opportunity to share and learn together as a whole school. Students may come in mufti clothes and are encouraged to wear bright colours.

This Thursday is the Peachey Shield/Richardson Cup for Primary students. Many surrounding schools will be present as the NRL host a rugby league gala day at Robertson Oval. Don't forget all students are to bring a mouthguard and a BBQ and canteen will be running on the day. Parents are welcome to attend.

This Friday is the next Primary Assembly at 12pm in the hall. The assembly will be hosted by K/1 and promises to be a very cute affair. We encourage parents and friends to come along.

Also on Friday, K-6 will recognise the "Big Vegie Crunch". We will be encouraging all students to bring vegetables for their crunch and sip on this day. World Austism Understanding Day is being recognised on Friday as well. All students and staff are asked to wear blue, and please note that no gold coin donation is requested: this is an awareness day only.

Next Thursday 6th April (last day of term), K-6 will be having an early Easter celebration. From 12.30pm, students will have an Easter hat parade followed by a picnic lunch. We would love to see parents and friends come along and there will also be a lunch meal deal from the canteen.

Good luck to our netball team who are competing against Mendooran Central in the PSSA Knockout competition next Tuesday at Robertson Oval. The game is scheduled to begin at 10am, and family and friends are welcome to come and watch.

The SRC are hosting an end of term disco next Wednesday evening from 6.30pm—8pm. More information included in this newsletter and the theme is Easter/pyjamas.

Dubbo District sporting trials continue for students in Years 4-6. The trials for each sport are held in Dubbo after school and it is the parent's responsibility to take their child. The next trials for 2023 are: Netball on Wednesday 29th March and Rugby on Thursday 6th April. Any interested students are to see Mr Kline for permission notes.

Have a great week.

Ben Kline Assistant Principal



WHOLE SCHOOL MERIT ASSEMBLY

MONDAY, 3rd APRIL FROM 12PM IN THE SCHOOL HALL

Parents and friends are welcome to attend!



Dates for your Diary

WEEK 10

Tuesday, 28th March

- CHS Under 15 Touch Football
- Western Primary Touch Football

Wednesday, 29th March

- CHS Under 15 Touch Football
- Whole School Staffing Day—Embracing Diversity

Thursday, 30th March

· Peachey Shield

Friday, 31st March

- Western Secondary Division Rugby League
- K/1 Primary Assembly, 12pm
- Big Vegie Crunch
- World Autism Awareness Day—wear blue

WEEK 11

Monday, 3rd April

• Whole School Merit Assembly—noon

Tuesday, 4th April

- Primary and Secondary Parent Teacher meetings
- PSSA Netball—Robertson Oval

Wednesday, 5th April

- Western Secondary Division Rugby League
- Gulgong Lawn Bowls Open Day
- SRC Disco—from 6.30pm

Thursday, 6th April

- Infants and Primary Easter Parade—12.30pm
- Last day of Term 1



Dates for your Diary

TERM 2 WEEK 1

Monday, 24th April and Tuesday, 25th April

- Staff Development Day
- ANZAC Day Public Holiday

Wednesday, 26th April

All students return for Term 2

Thursday, 27th April

DCS Cross Country

TERM 2 WEEK 2

Monday, 1st May

CHS Touch Football

Tuesday, 2nd May

• PSSA Touch Football—Mendooran

Wednesday, 3rd to Friday, 5th May

• CHS swimming, Sydney Olympic Park

Wednesday, 3rd May

- Moorambilla skills development visit
- Years 7, 8 and 10 vaccinations

Thursday, 4th May

• Dubbo College Careers Information Day

TERM 2 WEEK 3

Monday, 8th May

Year 8 to Dunns Swamp—Leadership and Wellbeing

Tuesday, 9th May

Year 7 to Dunns Swamp—Leadership and Wellbeing

Wednesday, 10th May

- 16s Central Schools Touch Football
- Boccia team to Orange

Thursday, 11th May

• Open Central Schools Touch Football

Friday, 12th May

• CHS golf—Mudgee



What's new in Year 5/6

We have had no time to be putting the brakes on our learning. This term has disappeared as quickly as a Landcruiser speeding through the paddocks with the driver's foot stuck on the accelerator. Friday afternoons have seen us developing our swimming skills, and enjoying a little free time, at the Dunedoo Memorial Pool. We have practised caring for our environment by participating in the annual Clean Up Australia Day by picking up all the rubbish on the school grounds. We visited St Michael's for "Let's Get Hooked", an educational and fun program on fishing. Some students learnt how to fish for the first time while others added more skills to their knowledge on the topic. NAPLAN testing has been completed. Thank you for making sure your child was present with a full tummy and a good night's sleep. If you poke your head into some places in our classroom, you might find some 'delightful' samples of mould growing. No, we haven't forgotten our lunches in the corner, we are learning about Microorganisms with Ms Gavin in Science, and what conditions mould likes to grow in. This week, we have started working on our entries for the DCS Writing Competition, and training for the Peachy Shield. The students are really looking forward to the competition on Thursday at Robertson Oval. Looking forward to seeing everyone wearing bright colours tomorrow as we celebrate 'Embracing Diversity' Day.

Mrs Cathy Louwen





Thursday 27th April
(second day back in Term 2)

More information will be included in next week's newsletter.





What's happening in Wrs Harby's classes

Year 9/10 Maths

This term the 5.1 Maths class have been working on 'Percentages' and then moved onto 'Financial Mathematics'. Financial Mathematics includes learning several practical life skills which will be incredibly valuable as these students come of working age. These skills include being able to read a payslip, determine wages and salaries, deductions and learning about superannuation. The 5.1 class will have an in-class maths test to complete on Tuesday 4th April based on topics covered this term.

7 Maths

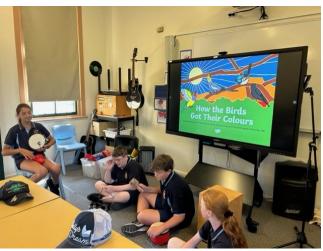
Year 7 have had a great start to Mathematics. We started the term learning about 'Integers' or whole numbers, and then moved onto Angle Relationships. Angle Relationships has been a challenging topic as it is very dense in vocabulary. The students will sit an in-class test for both units on Tuesday 4th April.

7 Music

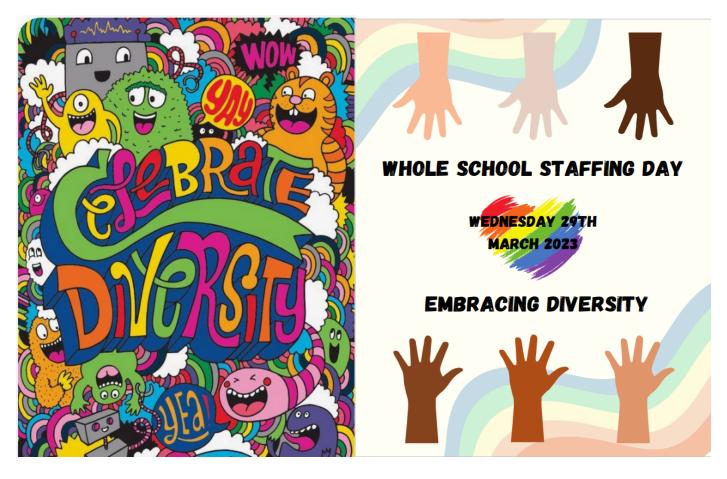
This term our unit has been on 'Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Music'. Students have been learning about traditional indigenous music features and how contemporary artists are incorporating aspects of traditional music into their works. We have also broken into groups and students have composed a percussion score to accompany a traditional Dreamtime story. This week students will be finalising their assessment task which involves researching their own culture and history and writing a speech for a podcast.









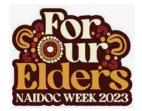


Our Term 1 Whole School Staffing Day will be held tomorrow, Wednesday 29th March. Students will work in mixed groups rotating through activities throughout the day. Special guests will join us on the day to support student learning through a range of engaging activities designed to develop cultural awareness, anti-bullying, acceptance and acknowledgment of the importance

of Embracing Diversity.

The day will be an out-of-uniform day (wear BRIGHT colours), however, students will be joining in art, craft and physical activities so sensible clothing and footwear is required.













Please do not bring any nuts or foods

containing nuts into our school.

We appreciate your understanding in this matter.





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Easter Pyjama Disco (Just wear your PJs)



Wednesday 5th April 2023

. Infants/Primary - 6:30pm-8pm . Secondary - 8pm-10pm

Canteen available





World Autism Awareness Dav

DCS will be recognising
World Autism Awareness
Day on Friday 31st
March, 2023. Students
and staff are encouraged
to wear blue, no gold
coin donation required.

Library

Guessing Competition



Can you guess how many eggs are in the jar?

1 guess per student

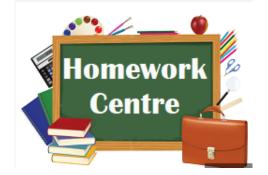




Daylight Savings Time Ends

Wind your clocks back one hour this Sunday morning, 2nd April 2023.





SECONDARY AFTERNOON STUDY

Secondary Afternoon Study will run on Wednesday and Thursday afternoon this week, from 3:15pm until approximately 4:30pm. Mrs C Gallagher will be supervising on both days.



PRIMARY WINNER

Thomas Tabone-Zammit **SECONDARY WINNER**

Junior—Paige Campbell





April Dominey	30th March	Year 10
Ella Parkins	30th March	Year 7
Oscar Christensen	2nd April	Year 8
Toby Turnbull	2nd April	Year 8
Eloise McLaren	4th April	Year 3/4
Simone Roach	4th April	Year 9
Mr Jake Besgrove	31st March	Staff
Wishing you a great day!		





Hello and welcome to Week 10!

This week's wonderful manners winner is Nate Piper! Well done Nate; please come and see me to choose your prize.

I would like to extend a big thank you to my two helpers Emily Sawyers and Xavier Cook who have been helping me serve Infants and Primary at recess. You have both been amazing, and we all appreciate you for taking the time to help.

Don't forget: if you need any girls Midford long pants please let me know.

Have an awesome week!

Sherri





CHS Golf Trials

When: Friday 12th May 2023 Where: Mudgee Golf Club

Cost: \$25

Entries due: Tuesday 4th April
Must have a GA Handicap

Please see the Front Office for an Entry and Consent form.





Careers News Bulletin

ALL YOUR LATEST WEEKLY NEWS

Click the link each fortnight to keep up to date with what's going on!

9th Mar 2023: https://bulletins.jobjump.com.au/b6b9eecf-b18d-44e5-952d-77bb2334eb0e/master

16th Mar 2023: https://bulletins.jobjump.com.au/a00fd73c-e183-4ecc-ad84-0f7d91e63c91/master

Early Entry Schemes for all NSW universities are now available!

Please see Mrs Fergusson for more information.







Year 5 Education Opportunity Classes

Key dates:

- Applications for Year 5 entry to opportunity classes in 2024 open on **Thursday 30 March 2023** and close on **Monday 15 May 2023** at https://education.nsw.gov.au/oc.
- All candidates are required to sit the Opportunity Class Placement Test on Thursday 27 July 2023.

Click here for information for applicants.





Community Noticeboard





Section V (1) - Folk Art

Section W - Photography

Youth Navigators



tary@dubboshow.org or

visit www.dubboshow.org

I am Pastor Barry Best and have been given permission and the school's blessing to start a Youth Navigators Club in the DCS School Hall every second Friday, starting on May 5th 2023.

It begins straight after school at 3.20pm and goes for approximately 1 hour (until 4.30pm pickup).

The aim of Navigators is to provide life skills for future development. The program would be first a snack and drink followed by a team building game, then earning badges in Life Skills. Some of these include First Aid, cooking, sewing, knots, survival in the bush, showing kindness, taking care of the environment and photography skills. An example of these badges is given below.

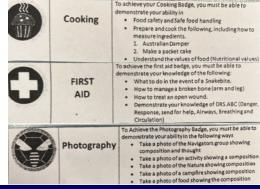
We have a team of dedicated skilled persons all having Working With Children accreditation ready to share and develop these life skills.

There is no cost except for a small one-off donation for a t-shirt uniform.

All care will be taken, however we require the children to respect our leaders and come under the rules and boundaries set down. This is a must for the group to function at its best.

Yours faithfully,

Pastor Barry Best



Community Noticeboard





Have your say about the latest developments in the Central-West Orana REZ

Hi Dunedoo,

With lots of developments happening in the Central-West Orana Renewable Energy Zone (REZ), we want to keep you informed of opportunities to have your say.

We think that community voices being heard in as many discussions about the REZ as possible is how we can create a renewable energy transformation that puts Central-West Orana communities at the centre.

While we know that the amount of consultation being asked of Central West communities right now is quite high, if you have time to contribute your thoughts, we recommend you do. Otherwise, the voice of communities can be too easily ignored.

Below are some consultations coming up, and we encourage you to lend your voice to them.

<u>EnergyCo</u> is the state government body planning the Central-West Orana REZ. They are seeking community feedback online to inform how they will coordinate community benefits and impacts.

<u>The survey</u> aims to collect feedback about a number of key topics and initiatives for communities in the REZ. It will take about 8 minutes to complete, and **closes this Friday 31 March 2023**.

Additionally, renewable energy company, ACEN Australia, is holding a drop-in information session in Gulgong.

It will be a joint session: how to gain employment or contracts on the Stubbo Solar project, and an information session on their newest proposed solar project, Narragamba Solar.

- Thursday 20 April, 8am-6pm (drop in any time)
- Gulgong Memorial Hall: 112 Herbert Street, Gulgong.

As always, please feel free to get in touch to raise a question, idea or concern. We're keen to work with you to see the best outcomes for our local communities.

Kate Hook

Community Engagement Manager, Central-West Orana, RE-Alliance



Community Noticeboard



APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Just Breath- STEM
April 13th 2023 10am - 12pm
\$13.00
Ages 9-12
Capacity 10

Students explore the inhalation/exhalation process that occurs in the lungs during respiration. Using everyday materials, each student creates a model pair of lungs. They will also get to explore the exhibition and board a replica of an RFDS aircraft.

The Beat Goes On- STEM
April 19th 2023 10am - 12pm
\$13.00
Ages 6-8
Capacity 10

In this activity, students learn about their heart rate and different ways it can be measured. Students construct a simple measurement device to measure their heart rate under different circumstances. They will also get to explore the exhibition and board a replica of an RFDS aircraft.

RFDS Easter Colouring In Competition April 8th 2023 to April 23rd 2023 Free

Ages 6-13

JOIN IN THE FUN TO WIN!

Have a go at our Easter inspired RFDS colouring in competition. Prizes for the winners in their age category. 1 entry per child.

To enquire or book
Ph: 1800 847 487
Email: dubboenquiries@rfdsse.org.au
We are located at
21 Judy Jakins Dr, Dubbo



Dunedoo Area Community Group

Junior Active Leader Landcare Program - Keep Active and Learn About

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HOLIDAY PROGRAM-5 DAYS Junior Program (8-13yrs- boys and girls) will encompass a combination of Golf & physical activities with exploration and discovery of our native birds, fauna, flora, aboriginal culture and astronomy. APRIL — Thur 13th, Fri 14th- MYGOLF 9am-11am; Mon 17th, Tue 18th- Dunedoo Woodlands 3-5pm; Wed 19th- Coolah Tops National Park-9am-4pm. Program will run over the APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2023. Program will be lead and facilitated by passionate Landcare members. Sessions will run for 2hrs. Cost-5 day Holiday Program =\$100 (ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER can be used- Dunedoo Area Community Group)-includes, activities, all equipment, transport to Reserves/National Park, morning/afternoon tea + Family Landcare M/Ship (Dunedoo-Coolah Branch). Other Option-\$15 per session/\$30 NP. Places are limited to 8 participants and we need a minimum of 6 Juniors for program to run. Please phone Sharon Nott to book your place. For further information, contact- Dunedoo Coolah Landcare Junior Activity Officer-Sharon Nott 0428859509/ nottsharon@hotmail.com

REGISTRATION FORM
Childs NameDOB
Address
Postcode
Please Note-Program will commence at Dunedoo Sports Club. Children will be travelling by bus to/from Dunedoo Sports Club to Dunedoo Woodland Learning Centre. If you would like to make other arrangement: please notify Sharon Nott by phone/email- 0428859509
agree to my child's attendance at the Dunedoo Area Community Group
Junior Active Leader Landcare Program.
5 Day Program-\$100 ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER NUMBER:
Parent/Guardians Details – Contact
Name
AddressPostcode
MobilePhoneE-Mail
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OPTION- \$15/\$30 per session- Sessions and Payment Amount:
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