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8th December 2014

Yr. 6 Masquerade Disco



Coming up...

- Mon 08.12 Infants Intensive Swimming Yr. 11—Blood Bank
- Tues 09.12 Infants Intensive Swimming AWARD NIGHT—7PM
- Wed 10.12 Infants Intensive Swimming Yr. 6 Farewell Assembly
- Thur 11.12 Infants Intensive Swimming Yr. 9/10—White Card
- Fri 12.12 **DUN EE CAN**—Mufti Day (Gold Coin Donation) Yr. 9/10—First Aid Course
- Wed 17.12 Students last day of 2014
- Thur 18.12 Staff Development Day
- Fri 19.12 Staff Development Day



Award Night

Tuesday 9th December 2014
7:00pm
In the School Hall

Infants Intensive Swimming





IMPORTANT ROAD SAFETY REMINDER FOR PARENTS & CARERS THESE HOLIDAYS

As the school holidays approach, it is important to remember when walking near roads, on footpaths, near driveways and in car parks always:

- **hold your child's hand.** Until they are at least 8 years old children need to hold an adult's hand. Until they are at least 10, children should be closely supervised by an adult and hold hands when crossing the road.
- **talk to your child about road safety.** Talk about how to be safe when near roads. Be a good role model.
- **point out road safety dangers and differences** in new environments. This is especially important when on holidays in different surroundings. Roads, footpaths and pedestrian crossings may look different in holiday areas.

The best way to keep your child safe on or near the road is to hold their hand.

Talk with your child daily about road safety.

Remind other adults and carers about this too.

You can find out more at Transport for NSW.

Have a safe holiday break!



Please return

Any items borrowed from school throughout the year

Blazers, Jumpers, Shirts, Sports Equipment & Clothing, Library Books etc

Thank you





Principal's Message

Hello everyone. Week 10 continues to be very busy after an exciting Week 9, in which our cricket teams overcame the Nation's sadness at Australian Phil Hughes' passing, to produce quality performances. The Girls won the inaugural NSW Central Schools Super 8's Competition by defeating all four opponents on the day. The Boys had qualified for the Super 8 Finals Series as well, but decided to forgo the opportunity to concentrate on their Semi Final in the NSW Central Schools 40 Over competition which was on the following day. They qualified for the final with a fantastic win over Bingara, before succumbing to Molong in the Final, who defeated us by 5 wickets in a much closer

game than the scores indicate. Congratulations to all students for their great attitude and the tremendous effort they devoted to their respective games. For the boys, this is the second time we've made the final in three years and you often learn more about yourselves by coming second than first. Our time will come.

With sadness, we prepare to say goodbye to Mrs. Connell who leaves us at the end of the week after completing a fantastic 5 months relieving for Mrs. Scifleet. It was always going to be a "big" call replacing Mrs. Scifleet, who is highly regarded by both the students and the community. However, Mrs. Connell used her excellent background in teaching to keep our students on track and extract the best from them within the classroom. This was clearly evident in the presentation and preparation of a fantastic luncheon by her Year 11 Hospitality Class last week. Staff were feasted in a wonderful atmosphere by students, who rose to the occasion, gaining in awareness and self-esteem after a very difficult day in the kitchens. This was one of those special moments where a great deal of learning took place, during a very difficult assessment task, designed to test their ability to cook and handle the stresses of the work place, in real conditions.

I have good news to report, with Mrs. Scifleet returning to work from Thursday this week as part of her transition process. She will discuss classes, programs and curriculum development with Mrs. Connell this week and then teach some lessons next week. On her return she will resume the role of Head Teacher and I must thank Mr. Smith for the great work he has done this term performing the Head Teacher role at the school.

I would also like to congratulate Mr. Zed Simandl who has been working with staff in his role as an Intern for the past 6 months. He has supported staff in the Mathematics KLA by modifying programs to cater for all students amongst many other things. Mr. Simandl has qualified as a Maths/ Science Teacher and has accepted a permanent offer to teach at Wellington High School next year.

Congratulations also must go to Mrs. Stoddart and Mrs. Cluff who have accepted part time teaching roles with the new Virtual Selective School now called Aurora College. Mrs. Cluff. will also be performing the Head Teacher Science role with the college. Both teachers will still be teaching Dunedoo Central School classes next year as well.

I wish all students the best of luck for Award Night tomorrow night. Many students will be on show, whether it be as a recipient or as a performer in the Choir or the Band.

Infants Swimming continues with Year 10 students acting as tutors in the water to help our younger students gain confidence. The program is once again fabulous as was the Earlybird's program which transitions Pre-schoolers into our school environment. Mrs. Yeo needs to be congratulated on her excellent organisation and implementation of both these events. The P&C will be getting together this Thursday evening, at 6.30pm in the School Library, to round off the year with the usual Xmas Cheer. All parents are invited as we informally discuss the successes for the year, a range of issues pertinent to the well being of our students and the continued progress of our school. This is always a fun night!

Please don't forget to support the **Dun EE Can** fundraiser this Friday.

It is the Brain Child of Mr. Neil Stanford and is about supporting children who are a lot worse off than children within our town. It is important for our students to make that connection and understand that they are very lucky to have running water, a trained teacher and a school that has books and all the other equipment you need to learn properly. We can make a difference for a single student or a whole school by donating just a small amount.

Thank you for your continued support. Enjoy your week.

Peter Campbell

Principal

Infants in FOCUS

Our Annual Award Night will be held this Tuesday 9th December. All Kindergarten children will be receiving an award. Other children who will be getting an award should have received a note. All students must be in full school uniform (including Black Shoes) and be at school by 6.45pm.

Our Intensive Swimming Program has been progressing very well. Thank you to all our helpers. This program will continue this week. Remember your money, sunscreen, swim-shirt, hat, thongs (or sandals). We will be holding a small carnival and fun time on Friday. The Canteen will be open for the children to purchase some "goodies".

Mrs. Maria Abbott

Kindergarten: Welcome to Week 10. I hope you all enjoyed your weekend. We sadly said goodbye to Mr. Elsley last Friday—we will miss him but wish him the best of luck in his future teaching career.

We begin our second week of swimming today and already, we can see great improvement in many of the children. We are hoping for even bigger things this week.

Revision activities in English and Maths have started along with Christmas fun. I will be sending some finished school books home during the course of the week and their portfolios will go home on Friday. Don't forget Award Night tomorrow, 9th December. All kinder children will be receiving an award so full school uniform needs to be worn along with black shoes.

Congratulations to Rosie Quirk, our student from last week and to Hamish Carpenter and Lochlan Gale, who received merit certificates.

Mrs. E. Yeo



Year 1/2: Welcome to Week 10, the last full week of the year for the children. The year has flown by and the children have grown up and learnt so much. Reports went home on Friday. If you would like to see me to discuss your child's progress, please ring the office to make an appointment.

Mr. Morris has finished his placement on our class and has returned to Newcastle. We will miss him!

This week, we will continue with Christmas words for Spelling and complete associated activities. Both classes will be completing revision exercises in Maths.

This will be the final week for Home Readers. I would like to thank all the Mum's and Grandmother's who gave up their time to help out with this program. Thanks Natasha Brydon, Sam Wentworth-Brown, Vicky Dominey, Julie Redding and Hayley Fagerstrom. Your support of our students is appreciated.

Swimming has been going really, really well. One week to go!

Don't forget Award Night—Tuesday.

Have a great week.

Mrs. M Abbott



School Production DVD

Orders are now being taken for DVD's of the School Production. They are \$10 each and will be available for pick up before the end of year.

Name: _____ No: of copies: _____ @ \$10 each. Total \$ _____

Primary News

Welcome to Week 10.

K-6 student reports went home last Friday. If your child was away please see the front office to collect their report.

Award Night is Tuesday. Congratulations to all students who will be receiving an award—it is a great achievement and you all should be very proud to accept your award on stage!

The Year 6 Farewell Assembly will be held on Wednesday, 10th December, at 10am in the School Hall. All Year 6 parents are invited to attend.

Mr. Honeysett has selected students to compete in some cricket games with Gulgong PS this Friday at the Dunedoo Sports Club. This will be a great practice run before we enter the PSSA knockout next year!

Thankyou to all our Scripture Teachers this year who have so wonderfully given up their time to take Special Religious Education each Friday. It is a valuable service you provide to the school and our students, and well done on a great Scripture Assembly last Friday. Thankyou.

As always, if you have anything to discuss, please contact me at school. Enjoy your week.

Events to come:

- Award Night—Tuesday 9th December
- Year 6 Farewell Assembly—Wednesday 10th December @ 10am
- Cricket v Gulgong PS—Friday 12th December
- Last Day for Students—Wednesday 17th December

Mr. Joel Wilson

Assistant Principal Primary

Year 2/3: Welcome to the last full week of school for the year! I trust everyone received their school reports on Friday.

If you would like to discuss your child's report, please book a time through the front office to see me.

Don't forget it is Award Night tomorrow night. It would be great to see as many of the Year 2/3 families as possible there to support the wonderful achievements of DCS students throughout the year. All children attending the night need to be at school by no later than 6.45pm, wearing full summer school uniform.

To celebrate a fantastic year, we will be doing some special cooking on Thursday morning in the school kitchen. This is my way of thanking Year 2/3 for making 2014 such a wonderful year. We will be cooking Mr. Kline's Marvellous Muffins, and enjoying them all for recess.

This is the last week of homework and home readers. This week's news topic is "My Best Memories of Year 2/3 are..."

I would also like to make mention of how proud I was to attend the Dunedoo Sports Awards last night. There were so many DCS teams and sporting individuals nominated for awards, and you should all be very proud of your collective achievements. It is an honour to be involved in such a community.

Have a great week.

Mr. Ben Kline

Infants & Primary Weekly Awards Week 10

Yr			Yr		
K	Rosie Quirk	Great improvement in Reading.	K	Hamish Carpenter	Great effort in swimming lessons.
			K	Lochlan Gale	Trying hard in swimming lessons.
1/2	April Dominey	Trying hard in her swimming lessons.	1	Shane Hall	Fabulous swimming.
			2	Nick Stoddart	Fabulous swimming.
2/3	Charlie Kensit	For great help after the Production.	2	Bayley Platt	Wonderful improvement in his swimming.
			3	Karly Green	A great effort in Maths this week.
4/5	Kyle Smith	For being a great group member in Literacy group.	5	Jade Cowell	Being considerate to others.
			5	Roy Watton	Showing respect for his class members.
5/6	Harry Taylor	Showing maturity and leadership in the Classroom.	6	Cheyenne Smith	Showing maturity in Class.
			6	Jaycob Kelly	Showing maturity in Class.

Primary News

Year 4/5: Hello everyone and welcome to the penultimate week of school for 2014. You should have received your child's report last Friday and a note if your child is receiving an award at Award Night. I must congratulate every student on the determined effort they have put into their own learning this year. It has been a pleasure to see all students overcome their personal difficulties whether it is in spelling, reading, writing, problem solving in mathematics or improving their sportsmanship in physical activities. CONGRATULATIONS!!!

This week is a normal school week as possible for all students. We will continue with revision in most subjects as well as working on our Christmas booklets. This is also the last week of homework for 2014! Lastly, I hope to see each and every one of you at Award Night tomorrow night here in the D.C.S hall commencing at 7pm. Students need to be in full summer school uniform and at school by 6.45pm. **Have a terrific Christmas & New Year and thank you for a great year.**

Mr. A. Honeysett.

Year 5/6: Last week we had a wonderful transition day and awesome disco—well done Year 6 on having a go and enjoying yourselves.

This week we continue our normal routines, with spelling, maths and literacy groups all running as normal. Year 5 maths students have suggested topics to revise and we will continue that over the final two weeks.

Thanks to everyone for bringing baby photos in - I have scanned these and will return them with your child this week.

Mr. J. Wilson



P & C

FINAL MEETING

Thursday 11th December at 6.30pm

Please join us for refreshments and nibbles as it's the last meeting for 2014.

Everyone welcome.

Community Soap \$4.00ea - proceeds going to DCS P&C Fundraising

(available from DCS front office, Dunedoo Rural Hardware, Milling Stuart & Co., Dunedoo Newsagency, Swan Motel, Sullivan's Delta Ag & Swan Surgery)

Happy Birthday



Birthday Wishes to

8th Dec Lauren Sullivan
12th Dec Sophie Kensit

Year 9
Year 2

11th Dec
14th Dec

Mia Gallagher
Connor Fergusson

Year 2
Year 9

Wishing you a great day!

Secondary News

Cricket Report



On the 2nd of December ten girls from Year 7 to 11 travelled to Lady Cutler Oval in Dubbo for the Central Schools Super 8's Cricket State Finals. The team consisted of Nicole Cooke, Skye Leeson, Emma Gallagher, Elle Lane, Maddie Cox, Hannah Rhodes, Isabel Hanlon, Ceara Smith, Taylah Watton-Hogden and Courtney Auld.

We were pumped and ready to go for our first game against Yeoval who had beaten us pretty convincingly in the first round so we knew it would be a tough game. We lost the toss and batted first with our first batters being Taylah and Nicole. The team gained confidence after some big hits from Emma Gallagher and her batting partner Hannah. It was then our turn to field taking some good wickets which gave us the win.

Our next game was against Merriwa and nerves were running high in Elle Lane with it being her first time playing cricket and having to bat first with Ceara. Isabel gained some confidence batting with big-hitting Emma and when it was her time to bowl she improved immensely when she discovered the strength she actually has. We came out with a win against Merriwa and our spirits were high.

We were lucky enough to have the Homeground Tour of the Cricket World Cup 2015 come to Dubbo with two ex-Australian players Andy Bichel and Jimmy Maher who spoke to us about their cricket experience winning the 2003 Cricket World Cup in South Africa. There was also a moving tribute to the late Phillip Hughes and a minute silence. Our team was lucky enough to have a talk with Andy about bowling and how we could improve and he even watched us play a bit of our next game.

Our third game was against Trundle where we played exceptionally well getting 147 runs and 7 wickets. Taylah Watton-Hogden smashed 4's and 6's all over the park in her 2 overs. Nicole bowled a brilliant ball down the centre and within half a second she was taking an amazing catch saving our umpire/coach Mr. Bush's head. Maddie Cox also took an amazing catch in this game which was her highlight of the day being her first time playing cricket.

We knew our last game would be a tough one against Molong because like Yeoval they had beaten us previously. Our first batting pair Courtney and Hannah batted outstandingly giving us a good start. Our fielding in this game was the best we had done all day with Emma and Tay taking some awesome catches and Skye and Ceara bowling exceptionally well. It was a close game but we came out on top.

Presentation rolled around and we received our gold medals and trophy while Ceara Smith received the Most Valuable Player trophy of the Opens girls comp. We would like to thank our coach Mr. Bush and Amanda Leeson for getting us over to Dubbo, we had an awesome day!

By: Ceara, Emma & Hannah

2014 School Magazine

Orders are now being taken for the new and exciting 2014 School Magazine. They are \$10 each and will be available for pick up before the end of year.

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Chaplain's Chat

This is a funny time of year. We're all looking forward to the holidays, yet at the same time we are reflecting on the year that has been. 2014 was a very different year to 2013 and I suspect it will be different again in 2015.

I am trying to look ahead and plan what I need to do in preparation for 2015. Is there training I need to do – or a refresher course to help with presenting “Rock and Water” or “Resilience Doughnut” programs. I'm not a teacher so it helps to refresh my understanding of what is to be done and how I do it so the students benefit. I know already I will be refreshing my “Safe Ministry with Children” certificate which in my case includes working with adults to current (new) standards. Clergy and volunteer church workers need to refresh their training and update it every three years.

Yet planning ahead requires that I review what has happened before. This can be an encouraging time but also be a bit daunting if the outcomes you have set haven't been met. How to vary a program or activity to make it more effective is a puzzle to me.

How do you help the carer? Many of you are carers or support carers. I was reading how important it is for a carer to 'love' themselves with occasional time out patch to refresh the batteries. The writer was discussing self-care when working with the chronically sick, but it also holds true for parents or carers of the elderly, and for those who open their hearts and homes to children who need out of home care.

Self-care seems to be a maze of contradictions, but one thing it is not is selfish.

I'd like to encourage each of you to enjoy the coming holiday period and do something creative for yourself – it might sound funny, but a change of routine can be almost as refreshing as a holiday!

Try something new. I can remember exploring making ornaments for Christmas with our daughters one year. It involved lots of felt, glue, sequins, ribbon, lace, glue, ribbon, thread, foam balls, glue ... Yet the end product are still in use almost 30 years later and the grandchildren love the stories behind each one.

May I take this opportunity to wish each of you a happy and holy Christmas and a safe and restful January? I look forward to working with you again next year.

Beth Bowman
Chaplain



Canteen News

Hello for Week 10.

Please come and collect any uniforms that you have ordered before the end of Term. Any uniforms that have been ordered and NOT paid for will go back into stock when I do the stocktake at the end of the Term. I will only hold uniforms that have been paid for.

A thank you / Christmas afternoon tea will be held at the Canteen at 2pm on Wednesday 17th December. All my volunteers are very welcome.

Thank you to my volunteers, Nola, Nick, Donna and Annette for your help last week.

Jenny Farley

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Donna		Belinda	Nola	Annette

Community News



Our carnival is soon approaching and we will need helpers, so if you can help on the day please put your name down on the sheet in the clubhouse. Entries need to be in by the 3rd of December for the carnival so please fill out your Entry cards and give them to our Race Secretary. We will be having a raffle and 100 club on the day. Our raffle will be a hamper so we are asking every family to donate a non-perishable item. It would be very much appreciated if you could do so. We also will need to bring a plate to share for lunch for all the Volunteers. Keep training hard and we look forward to seeing you at the carnival.

Training times

Mondays with Jess Ewin

3.30 to 4.00pm—Infants

4.00 to 5.00pm—Primary

5.00 to 6.00pm—Secondary

Wednesdays with Lucy Besgrove

3.30 to 4.00pm—Infants

4.00 to 5.00pm—Primary

No training after 5.00pm due to Touch Football.

Teena Besgrove

Can Assist
CANCER ASSISTANCE NETWORK

Christmas Carols
St. Matthew's Leadville
7pm, Sunday 21st December
Come! Join in the joy and merrymaking of the Festive Season

*** 7pm refreshments + ice-creams followed by carols ***
~ Everyone Welcome ~

JACKEROO RANCH



Bingletree Station, Upper Turon Rd,
Upper Turon 2795
Ph: 6337 7173

Summer School Holiday Riding Camps

10th to 20th Dec 2014

3rd to 10th Jan 2015

10th to 18th Jan 2015

For further information, please contact Pattie Hudson on the above phone number or check out the website

www.jackerooranch.com.au

POSITION VACANT

Roof Plumbing Apprenticeship- Mudgee

Certificate III

Skillset is looking for a reliable, enthusiastic and dedicated person to undertake a Roof Plumbing apprenticeship with a local Roof Contractor in Mudgee.

Essential Requirements

- Willingness and commitment to undertake formal training in Roof Plumbing
- Demonstrate enthusiasm and motivation with a genuine passion for the building industry
- A willingness to develop skills and knowledge in this vocation
- The ability to listen and follow instructions and ask for help when necessary
- The desire to make a positive contribution to the workplace
- The ability to work as part of a team
- Must have completed Year 10 minimum
- Hold a current Driver's Licence and own transport-desirable
- **Be willing to travel to various work sites outside the region**

For those interested in this position, please contact:
Lithgow Branch 6353 1627

Or visit our website at www.skillset.com.au

Closing Date: Tuesday 16th December 2014

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Preparing you for your P's

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The Safer Drivers Course is available to learner drivers under the age of 25 who have completed at least 50 log book driving hours.

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To Book:
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Community News

Dun EE Can

Dunedoo Elimination of Extreme Poverty Campaign

Recently a not for profit organisation was established in Dunedoo to raise money to alleviate extreme poverty in the developing world. As you drive into the town of Dunedoo you are welcomed by a sign which proclaims a community of some 800 + people where people make a difference.

Dun EE Can would like to invite you, your family, friends, work mates or anyone you know with any connection to Dunedoo to join us in a campaign to make a difference to the lives of the most disadvantaged people, those affected by extreme poverty.

The basis of Dun EE Can is to ask for donations of 1 cent for every \$100 you make (gross) for example \$50,000 equates to a \$5 donation. You can donate using internet banking, cheque or cash and there are donation tins available. (**Remember** 1 cent for every \$100)

(**Account Name:** Dun EE Can **BSB:**032 646 **Account Number:** 576064)

So Far we have raised over \$600 and have sponsored a child in Cambodia through Sunrise Children's Villages. Her name is Nyra and she is 8 years old.



Dun EE Can
Phone: 0408 32 77 99
Email : duneecan@gmail.com

Dunedoo Central School is supporting this cause by having a Mufti Day on Friday 12th December asking each person for a gold coin donation.

Garage Sale

Saturday 13th December 2014

From 9am

26 Tucklan Street, Dunedoo

Community News



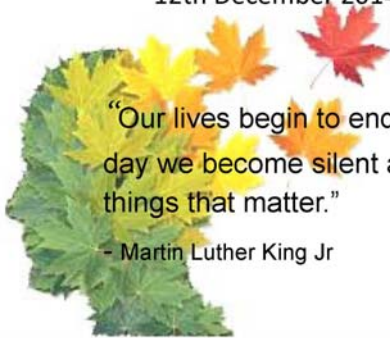
Health
Western NSW
Local Health District

TAKE A STEP FOR YOURSELF "A Healthy Wellbeing in Dunedoo"

Wednesday 17th December 2014
6.00pm for 6.30pm start
At
Dunedoo Sports Club

Featuring: Noted Bush Poet & Entertainer Murray Hartin
Information on Depression & Self-Harm, access to Mental
Health Services and the Mental Health impacts of
Drugs & Alcohol

RSVP: Dunedoo Multi-purpose Centre
12th December 2014 Ph: 6370 3000



"Our lives begin to end the
day we become silent about
things that matter."

- Martin Luther King Jr



LIONS CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL

🎄 SATURDAY 20TH DECEMBER 🎄

Commencing at 6.00pm

DUNEDOO SHOWGROUND

- Step up Dance Academy
- Performance
- Hot Chips
- Chocolate Wheel
- Face Painting
- BBQ & Refreshments
- Santa
- Disco/Karaoke
- Sleigh Rides
- Christmas Carols
- Talent Quest
- \$\$\$ Prizes
- Jumping Castle
- Show Bags
- Fairy Floss
- Knock em downs

"SUPPORT LIONS SUPPORTING YOUR COMMUNITY"

No alcohol to be brought onto Showground

DUNEDOO TOUCH

FOOTBALL

Dunedoo Senior Touch		A & B GRADE 10 TH December		
Round 1		REFEREES		
6.00pm	In Touch V Sammy's Boys	Dale Hogden	Mitch Darlington	Mitch Squire
	Can't Touch This V Wasted Potential	Effie Fergusson	Mark Gallagher	Beau Boyd
6.45pm	Chad's Bakery / DRH V Dan's Mowing	Ben Gallagher	Mark Gallagher	Mark Fitzgerald
	Sullivan's V Barbarians	Rachael Hogden	Emma Gallagher	Kerrin O'Malley
DUTY TEAMS : SULLIVANS & IN TOUCH				
DUNEDOO JUNIOR TOUCH - 5pm—5:45pm				
IN THE EVENT OF STORMS/BAD WEATHER ANNOUNCEMENTS REGARDING JUNIOR TOUCH WILL BE PUT ON FACEBOOK DUNEDOO TOUCH ASSOCIATION AND EMAILED TO YOU (if you provided an email address with your registration)				