Relieving Principal
Toby Morgan
Executive
Yrs K - 2
Paul Gray
Yrs 3 - 6
Jasia Sluiter
Support Staff
Barb Singh (Rel)

Message from the Principal
Dear Parents and Caregivers,
It’s already week 3 and the year is now well underway at DNPS. Last week we welcomed all our new Kindies to school and I’m glad to say they have all adjusted well to school life and are doing an excellent job. They have quickly learnt the school rules and have made new friends which has been great to see. Mrs Clark and Mrs O’Reilly have done a fantastic job ensuring your kids have a great start to their schooling life. If you have any questions or queries regarding what goes on at school please don’t hesitate to contact your child’s classroom teacher.

Last Tuesday we held our annual Swimming carnival and it was a tremendous day. It was great to see students participating in races and having a go at the novelty events throughout the day. Thanks to Miss Lander for her organisation of the day and congratulations to those students who were named age champions on the day. I look forward to the District Carnival on Thursday the 28th February.

Please ensure that you contact myself or the relevant member of staff if your child has an issue at school. We are all here to ensure your children are safe and happy at school and will do what we can to resolve issues that may arise. Be assured that staff at DNPS deal with problems at school that are manageable; it may be necessary occasionally for us to contact parents to become involved when problems are of a serious nature or are repetitive, but generally most issues are dealt with at school by our caring and professional staff. At no time are parents to approach other students on school grounds and attempt to resolve an issue, this inevitably leads to further conflict and generally creates more problems than it solves. If this occurs, parents/carers will be warned and then further action will be taken if it happens again. If you feel issues haven’t been dealt with please make an appointment through the front office to meet with myself or the teacher involved and we’ll meet with you.

Attendance at school is vital for the academic and social development of all students – if students aren’t at school then they will miss out on important learning that is taking part in the classroom. Children do get sick from time to time and of course should be kept at home but please try to arrange doctor and dentist appointments and holidays for after school and for the holidays. This may not be possible on all occasions but the longer students are at school the more chance of success they have. If your child will be away for an extended period of time please contact me at school and we’ll discuss options for the time the student is away from school.

We were lucky enough today to receive a visit from the Royal Far West speech bus who brought with it 4 speech pathologists who worked with a number of our students who were referred by their teachers from 2012. Early detection is the key and I’m sure these students will benefit from today’s visit. Parents should receive a report once the assessments have taken place.

I hope to see lots of parents at our special assembly tomorrow as we celebrate and recognise our leaders for 2013 where they will receive their badges and take on their leadership role for the year. Have a great week.

Toby Morgan. Relieving Principal
Canteen Meal Deal
Thursday 14th February
Cheeseburger +
Ka-bluey Ice Block
$5–00

Swimming Carnival
The Carnival was held last Tuesday 5th February. What a great day! Thank you to all those people who came along and made the day so successful.

Congratulations to our 2013 swimming champions.

Junior Boy           Isaiah Moses Bird
Junior Girl           Shenaye Moses Bird
11 yr Boy             Jordan Fuller
11 yr Girl            Ruby Sinclair
Senior Boy            Clay Brown
Senior Girl           Chloe Goedee & Lilli Campbell

Congratulations to our winning house **Phillip**

- Phillip (Yellow) 330 points
- Farrer (Red) 297 points
- Macquarie (Blue) 234 points
- Macarthur (White) 225 points

Well done everyone!

Keeping up with Kinder
Kindergarten ...what a week.
Borrowing for the first time from the library on Friday, so send in those library bags as soon as you can. The Liberal will be here bright and early on Thursday to take our pictures for the Kindergarten Special Edition- I'll let you know when its out.

Wednesday our New Class Captains will receive their badges. Congratulations Harley from KOR and Logan from KC.

Home readers or should I say Parent readers went home yesterday, please return daily even if you didn't read them. It is important to create the habit. Talking of habits, Thank you to all for wearing their badges, these are no longer required.

House Captains for 2013
Congratulations to our House Captains for 2013.

- Phillip (Yellow) Krystal Dallinger
  - Clay Brown
- Macquarie (Blue) Zoe Boon
  - Ethan Roberts
- Farrer (Red) Laura Williams
  - Bradley McKinnon
- Macarthur (White) Georgia Josephs
  - Callum Triplett

Supa Breakfast
Breakfast will commence again next Tuesday morning from 8.30am to 9.00am, in 5/6E, Mrs Elton’s Room.
Come along and enjoy “Good News” stories and have breakfast.

News from the Library
Borrowing has begun! Wouldn’t it be lovely to have every student in our school borrowing books to read at home? How their reading would improve! Our school has a fabulous collection of children’s books for our students to choose from, PLEASE encourage your child/ren to borrow books regularly for their enjoyment.

Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2 students borrow on Fridays; while Years 3,4,5&6 students borrow on Tuesdays.

“Sticks, Stones, Broken Bones” is the first performance that our students (Years 3-6) have the opportunity to attend at Dubbo Regional Theatre. It is a shadow puppet comedy that is sure to appeal to this age group. A separate note is with this newsletter. PLEASE remember: only the first 40 students with their note & money will be able to attend.
**Community News**

**Dubbo City Ranger Soccer Club:** Registration day, Sat 16th February, 10am-12noon at the Pastoral Hotel. Contact Deena Robinson for further details on 0438725767.

**Apollo Netball Club:** Registration day, Sunday 17th Feb. Garden Hotel Gipps Street 10am - 2pm. For more information contact Karen 0409 844 832 or www.apollonetball.org

**Dubbo Junior Rugby Club:** Roos Registration days, Fri 15th Feb. 6pm No 1 Oval Dubbo. All ages & new players welcome.

**Western Plains Cultural Centre:** Due to the refurbishment of its concrete floors, the gallery, museum & café will be closed from 29th Jan to 1st Mar 2013. The Community Arts Centre will remain open during this period. A temporary exhibition will be housed at the Dubbo Library during February. For more information please contact WPCC Ph 6801 4444.

**Circus West:** offers a Circus Arts Class to all Dubbo students in Yrs 5-12. This class runs at Delroy Campus on Thursday afternoons from 4pm to 5.30pm & is conducted by Circus West Director, Paul Woodhead. The first class for 2013 is Thurs 14th February. $20 per term. For more information call school on 6882 7955.

**Girl’s Brigade:** Do you like cooking? Making crafts? Playing games? Going on Camps? We do all this and more! Come & join the fun, Tuesdays 6-8pm Orana Baptist Church, 4 Palmer St, Dubbo. For more information contact Julie Nott 68824369.

**East Dubbo United Football Club:** Registration day at Bunnings car park at BBQ from 1pm-3pm. Saturday 23rd February.

**Charity Golf Day:** Sunday 17th March. Support Dubbo & District Deaf Club & Hear our Heart Ear Bus Project. Event is a 4 man Ambrose. Prizes, raffles, sporting memorabilia, $30 per person. BBQ provided. Arrive & reg 9.30am. For further information & agenda contact Jason Chatfield 0498261227.

**80’s Trivia Night:** Raise money for the Ear Bus. Fri 22nd February, 6.30pm Dubbo Golf Club. Pay online $10, Pay at the door $15. Tables of 6 or 8 BYO nibbles. Prize for best dressed table. Online payment at www.trybooking.com/40442. Enquiries to Colleen 0418617931 or Rowena 0432344755.

**MILO in2CRICKET:** Dubbo Sportsworld, Sheraton Rd, Dubbo. Everyone bats & bowls every week. Runs from Sat 16th February to 23rd March. 6 weeks of fun for boys & girls 7-10. Cost is $20 for existing In2cricket participants (no pack) or $65 for new participants (includes pack of bat, ball, bag & much more) for more information contact Matthew on 0425297719.

**Dubbo Physical Culture:** is looking for girls interested in dance. This dance form is a combination of jazz, yoga/pilates, hip hop and contempory. Our dance club is open to females from 3 yrs to 65+ & is fantastic for exercise, fun and friendship. If you are interested, please contact Helen on 6882 6270.

**School Uniform Shop**

The shop is run by our P&C and will be open every Thursday from 3pm - 4pm in Mr Shipp’s Office. If you are unable to attend, then orders can be left at the office & they will be ready for collection on Fridays.

**NO Uniforms can be purchased from the Office.**

**Active After School Communities Program**

The program will run on Tuesdays & Thursdays, starting today Tuesday 12th February, 2013, 3.30pm to 4.45pm & then children are collected If you would like any further information regarding the program, please contact Kevin Shipp on 6882 4689

**P&C Meeting**

Tomorrow 13th February, Staffroom 7pm All Welcome.

**Annual General Meeting, 13th March.**