Message from the Principal
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

New School Year
Welcome back to our school community, and particularly our new Kindergarten students, for another busy and productive school year. Students returned last Wednesday and have settled back into school routines nicely – especially our Kinders who are loving school and have settled in nicely.

New Staff
We’ve been fortunate enough to maintain the majority of our staff from 2014, but there have been a few new additions. Miss Karina Woods has joined us from Coonabarabran PS and will be teaching release across the school. Mrs Kathy Barlow has come to us from St Johns at Cobar and is teaching a Stage 2 (Years ¾) class and Mrs Jody Hall joins us from Buninyong PS and has taken on the roles of teaching 1/2H and Assistant Principal of Stage 1, in Mr Gray’s absence. Welcome to DNPS ladies, and I’m sure your time here will be fruitful and enjoyable.

Meet The Teacher Evening
This important event has been scheduled for Thursday, 12th February which is Thursday of Week 3. We’ve made a couple of minor changes this year but the evening will look like this:
6:00 – 6:30pm Sausage sizzle near the Aboriginal Community room
6:30 – 6:35pm Principal’s address by Mr Morgan at the same location
6:40 – 7:00pm First classroom session
7:00 – 7:15pm Second classroom session (for parents with more than 1 child)
7:15 – 7:30pm Third classroom session (for parents with more than 2 children)
This promises to be a fun and informative evening and I look forward to seeing a big turn out from our parent body.

Staff Development Days
The staff have spent two very busy days, on Tuesday the 27th and Saturday the 31st, attending and participating in mandatory Professional Learning. Staff have spent time developing our new school plan for 2015 – 2017 (thanks to parent input), completing PBL surveys, listening to new ideas about teaching Reading and Spelling and completing CPR training. We had a very productive couple of days and look forward to utilising this knowledge across all areas at DNPS to benefit our students.

Toby Morgan
Principal

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTION
Student  $40.00
Family  $80.00
(2 or more children)
P&C Uniform Shop
will be open on
Thursdays 3pm to 4pm
in Aboriginal Community Room in the front of the school.
If you cannot make this time, an order form can be left at the office & the order will be filled & can be collected on Friday.

Don’t forget to buy a school hat!
This Term only they are $5.00

Swimming Carnival
Tuesday 17th February
All children in years 3-6 will be attending. Students in year 2 who are turning 8 this year, will only be eligible if they can swim 50m (1 lap) unassisted. Students will nominate for their events & a note will go home this week.

Library Update

**Library Borrowing**
This week the children will begin borrowing from the library.
Kindergarten’s library day is Monday, Blue borrow on Thursday with all other classes borrowing on Friday. Please remember to treat the books with care:
- Carry books in a library bag
- Have clean hands
- No food or drink, pens or pencils around books
- Keep books away from small children and pets
Those children who still have outstanding books from 2014 will be given another reminder notice and will have restricted borrowing in Term 1.

**Library Monitors**
Have been nominated and the roster for all library monitors including those in training has been posted outside the library. Those monitors receiving their badges at this week’s assembly are reminded to return the note on to the office, identifying who will pin on their badge.

**Holiday Reading Bingo**
Anyone who has completed 1, 2 or 3 lines on their holiday reading bingo card has until Friday of this week to return it to Mrs. O’Reilly to claim their prize.

**Book Club**
Brochures for Book Club will be sent home this week. Scholastic are simplifying the process by matching the brochure to grade level, so each child will only need one brochure. If your child would like a brochure at different level, spares are located in a box on the library table as you enter the library.

**LOOP** – Linked Online Ordering & Payment system has been set up for our school and is available as an app through the App Store and online. LOOP allows parents and carers to make and pay for orders online and have the books delivered to the child at school.

Introducing

**Book Clubs LOOP**
for Parents

LOOP is the NEW Scholastic Book Clubs Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents. To order and pay for Scholastic Book Clubs by credit card visit: www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP

Now available for your iPad or iPhone
Welcome to our new Kindergarten

Kindergarten have settled nicely into the routine of "big" school. Students have participated in activities that explore their fine motor abilities, name writing, counting numbers and recognition of shapes and colours. We look forward to an exciting term ahead.

Please if you have any questions or concerns, come and see the Kindergarten teachers - Sally Cronk, Kellie Maskey and Zoe Young.
PBL News
The focus for the next two weeks is Safety
Walking safely on the concrete.

Be safe in the playground & earn yourself a Win Bin, go in the drawn for a prize.

Notice to Parents
All children going into Year 3 this year who catch a bus, will have to complete a new bus application. This form can obtained from the office or from Dubbo Buslines in White Street.

Community News
Hockey NSW: Under 9s & 11s coming in March:
Time U9s 5pm - 6pm, U11s 5pm - 6.30pm Cost U9s $68.90 U11s $92.00.
Dubbo Rangers Soccer Club: Registration Details for 2015. We strongly encourage all registrations to be done On-line: www.dubbocityrangers.com.au or in person: Saturday 21 Feb 11-1pm. Wednesday 25 Feb 6-7pm @ the Pastoral Hotel.

Dubbo Junior Rugby Union - Wallaroo Registration Information:
'Want to be a Wallaby rather be a Roo' Wallaroo Rugby is for players from the ages of 5 to 11 (U7, U9 & U11) and is played on a Friday Night at Victoria Park from 5pm to 7pm. U7 is two handed touch and U9 & U11 play tackle with modified rugby rules. The competition runs for approx 12 weeks from May through to August. Gala days are held in the region for Wallaroos most Sundays, but these are optional. Wallaroo Rugby provides a entry level for players to experience rugby, sportsmanship within a great family environment. When: Friday 13th & Friday 20th February 2015. Time: 4pm to 6pm. Where: Golden West Holden, Bourke Street Dubbo. Cost: $90 Please contact Mark on 0427 403 826 for further information.

Dubbo City Physical Culture and Dance: invites girls and ladies from 4 years to 60 years to our information and registration days: Saturday 31st January 2015 at Orana Mall from 10am to 1pm. Saturday 7th February 2015 at Dubbo Square (Centro) from 10am to 1pm. Classes commence on Monday 9th February 2015 and Tuesday 10th February 2015 at the Dubbo College South Campus Hall in Fitzroy Street. All enquiries to Helen - after hours - 02 6882 6270 or 0438 582 015.


Dubbo Soccer Association: 10yr Boys Representative Trials, to be held on the following dates: Sun. 8th Feb, Sun 15th Feb & Sun 22nd Feb, 4.30pm to 6.30pm LC 8B (Lady Cutler East). For information contact Gary Jones 0412 187 366.