

DALTON DISPATCH 30th August 2018



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Principal's Message

Local Police Officer Visit

On Friday the 24th of August, we hosted Daniel Wise our local police officer, to talk about pedestrian and bike safety and also to have a general question and answer session with the students. This was a great opportunity for our students to develop a positive relationship with Daniel. They also learnt about ringing 000, the equipment he wears as part of the job and in his car and many of the duties he carries out as part of his job. Students enjoyed learning about bike and pedestrian safety and then putting these skills into practice by riding safely up and down the street outside the school and also crossing the road safely as pedestrians.

Our students also loved having the opportunity to ride bikes and scooters at recess and lunch. I was very proud of the students for the way they took the opportunity to get to know their local police officer, the way they shared their bikes and scooters with each other, making sure everyone got a go and their encouragement for each other – some students are still learning to ride. Some students were heard to ask if they could have a bike safety day every week! ©

NAPLAN Readiness Testing

In the next month, our Year 3 and Year 5 students will be taking part in NAPLAN readiness testing. This will have no impact on the tests they took earlier in the year. The purpose of this testing is to assess the readiness of NSW schools to take the test online.

Yass High School Transition Roadshow

On Tuesday the 28th August, our students in Years 4 and 5 had a visit from Yass High School as part of the transition program. Brendan Roberts (Deputy Principal), Scott Anderson (Year Advisor) and two Year 7 students Joe and Billie visited our students to discuss what high school is like. Students discussed the key learning areas, high school teachers, the electives that are available (there was much discussion here about agriculture, food technology, textiles, media and the other electives), how Sport and PE works, the lunchtime clubs, the peer support program between Year 7 and Year 10 students, how the playground works, school uniform, SRC and the behaviour system at Yass HS. This was a very worthwhile visit, helping prepare our students for their transition to high school.

Small Schools PSSA Touch Football Game with Wee Jasper against Nimmitabel

Some of our Year 3 - 5 students will be playing a Small Schools PSSA touch football match against Nimmitabel PS in Yass tomorrow. This is a great opportunity for our students to experience playing on a team in a competitive environment and to meet students from other schools.

Tee Ball – Binalong

We have been invited to play tee ball in the Arabin Cup, as organised by our friends at Binalong Public School. We will be playing against other small schools from the Yass and surrounding districts. This will be a fun day, where it is about participation, playing a team sport and meeting new friends. We are also teaming up with some students from Rye Park Public School – a new friendship! A permission note will be coming home shortly. We have been learning to play tee ball through our PE and Sport program.

Rob – Stamp Talk

Rob our local post master, will be visiting our school as a special guest speaker. This will be happening on Thursday the 13th September. He will be talking to our students about the postal system in Australia.

Information Talk for Families – Kindy Transition 2019

We will be holding an information session for prospective families for Kindergarten 2019. This will be held on Monday the 17th September at 11am, following the Dalton Playgroup.

Gabby Dickson – Relieving Principal

Library News: Students in Years 3 - 6: Premiers Reading Challenge book lists need to come back to school to Mrs Harrison for validation.

Upcoming Events

6	Friday 31 st August	PSSA Small Schools Touch Football vs. Nimmitabel PS
7	Saturday 8 th September	Gunning Fireworks
8	Monday 10 th September	P&C Meeting 7pm
8	Thursday 13 th September	Rob – Post Office – Talk about Postal System
8	Friday 14 th September	Tee Ball – Arabin Cup @ Binlalong

Photo Gallery



Yass High School Transition Talk



Bike and Pedestrian Safety Day with Constable Daniel Wise



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Todd Woodbridge Cup - Yass Gala Day