



# DALTON DISPATCH

## 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018



Next Newsletter – 6<sup>th</sup> December

### Principal's Message

#### Yellow-Spotted Bell Frogs and Endangered Species Talk

Last week, we had some special visitors from Taronga Zoo, Landcare and the NSW Department of Environment and Heritage. They did a presentation for our students on the Yellow-Spotted Bell Frog and other endangered species including Superb Parrots. Students enjoyed asking lots of interesting questions and listening to the information about these very special frogs from Blakney Creek.

#### Bird Expert Visit and Planting Day

We had another visiting expert last week. Her name is Nicki Taws and she works for Greening Australia. Our students did a walk and talk with Nicki in our Bush Block where we spotted quite a few different birds. Students enjoyed using Nicki's bird books and binoculars to identify which species we saw. We then spent the next hour planting small bushes and small trees to encourage Superb Parrot habitat in our school grounds under Nicki's guidance. It was great to see our students working together to plant 50 plants!

#### Year 3-6 Sydney Camp

A permission note for the Sydney 3-day excursion was sent home last week. Please return all forms and contact the office if you have any questions.

#### Save the Date – Musical and Presentation Night

Our wonderful students will be performing a musical on Wednesday the 12<sup>th</sup> of December at 6pm at the newly renovated Dalton Hall (next to Wayne's). Please mark this event on your calendar. Students took home a note this week regarding costumes and practices. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

#### Gymnastics

Did you know that gymnastics is part of our Physical Education Curriculum? Our students are really enjoying their gymnastics sessions in Yass each Friday morning. It is fantastic to be accessing specialist coaching, equipment and transport through a Sporting Schools grant.

#### Gunning PS Musical Excursion

As part of the Creative Arts Curriculum, next week on Thursday, students will be travelling to the Gunning Shire Hall to view Gunning Public School's performance of 'Alice the Musical'. A permission note was sent home this week. There will be another performance on Thursday at 6pm if you are interested in going along.

#### Last Kindy Orientation Session

We had our last Kindy Orientation session this week and we look forward to 2019 when we will be welcoming our new friend Siarra into our wonderful, little school.

#### Swimming Lessons

From Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of December, our students will be participating in daily swimming lessons for a two-week period. This is provided by the Department of Education. Permission notes went home this week.

#### Yass Yr.5 & 6 Tennis Doubles Competition

Recently, Clarissa participated in a tennis doubles competition held in Yass. She teamed up with Jasmine Taylor, a student at Wee Jasper PS. This was a great opportunity for Clarissa to play competitive sport and interact with her peers.

#### Dates for 2019

Next year, students will return to school on Tuesday the 29<sup>th</sup> of January 2019.

#### Gabby Dickson – Relieving Principal

## Upcoming Events

|       |                                                 |                                               |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 7     | Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> November              | Excursion to Gunning PS's musical             |
| 7     | Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> November                | Gymnastics @ Yass                             |
| 8 & 9 | Every afternoon both weeks                      | Swimming School @ Gunning                     |
| 9     | Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December             | Our school musical & presentation night - 6pm |
| 10    | Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> – Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec | Years 3-6 camp @ Sydney                       |

### Yass Gymnastics

This year we are offering a Drop and Shop program so parents can get some much needed Christmas shopping done after dropping kids off to us, this will include some Pizza for dinner for each child. Bookings can be made online [www.yassgymnastics.com.au](http://www.yassgymnastics.com.au)

### Drop and Shop - December

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> 3.30pm til 8.30pm;      Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> 4pm til 9.00pm;      Friday 21<sup>st</sup> 4pm til 9.00pm

Christmas School holiday program on the Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> and Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December from 08.30am til 4.00pm

### Photo Gallery



**Clarissa played in the Yass  
Doubles Tennis Competition**





**Yellow-Spotted Bell Frogs and Superb Parrot Talk**







# Kindy Orientation







# Gymnastics







## Superb Parrot Planting Day

