

DALTON DISPATCH 29th March 2019



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Principal's Message

School Fete Fundraiser

Thank you again to our small but dedicated group of parents for organising last week's elections BBQ and school fete. Your efforts and dedication are greatly appreciated by the staff at Dalton PS and we hope that you can put your feet up for a while and enjoy a bit of a break.

The weather managed to hold off just long enough for our community to pass through and pick up some wonderful cakes and treats, coffee and hot food, bag some bargain books and grab a few raffle tickets. Thank you to those community members who baked, planted or donated other goods to the school fete. The variety of goods on sale was incredible given the change in days for the fete. Please pass on the school's thanks to those community members both in Dalton and Gunning who contributed goods and time to support Dalton PS.

Cross Country

The cross country will be held at the Gunning Golf Course next Friday, beginning at 10.30am with a walk of the course. As it is a Friday there will be no additional teaching staff at school and all students are expected to attend the cross country event, regardless of their age. Parents will need to organise transport for students to and from the event on the day. Families and students are welcome to attend just for the event if they prefer, please let me know on the day when you are leaving. I will be at school between 8:30 - 10:00am so that families sharing the driving can pick up students at one place in the morning. I will remain at the golf course until all students have been picked up according to parent arrangements.

School Excursion

On Tuesday, 9th April all students will be attending an excursion to Canberra to visit the Canberra Botanical Gardens and the National Museum as part of their shared learning days with Laggan, Binda and Bigga this term. Students will be undertaking hands-on activities at both venues. The P&C is generously supporting all students by paying the full cost of the activities at \$17 per head. Please check student bags, a permission note has been sent home today. Thank you again to our hard working, small group of parents for supporting all of the students at Dalton PS.

ANZAC Day

I have only had two responses to the ANZAC Day march so far. I would like an indication of whether your child/children will be attending the ANZAC Day service in Gunning on Thursday 25th April (during the holidays). It would be disappointing not to have school representation at the event due to lack of interest. Please return the attached slip, indicating whether or not students will be in attendance on the day.

Alison Finlayson Principal

School Routines

| Teacher supervision is provided from | 8.30 am (please do not send your child earlier) |
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| Starting time | 9.00 am |
| Crunch & Sip | 10.00 am |
| Recess | 11.15 am - 11.35 am |
| Lunch | 1.10 pm - 1.40pm |
| Finishing time | 3.05 pm |
| Bus leaves | 3.10 pm |

Library News

<u>Book Fair</u> – The Fair was held last Saturday (23rd March). We received \$50 worth of books from Scholastic for holding our Fair and \$140 worth of Scholastic Rewards to use on Book Club orders was raised through our sales. There were 9 books purchased and donated to our library by families and community members. Thank you to everyone who supported our school.

P&C

Please remember to send your meal deal orders to school by <u>Wednesday each week</u> to avoid disappointment. We cannot guarantee lunch orders received on Thursday mornings will be filled.

Keep coughing kids home and see your GP.

Whooping cough (also called pertussis) began increasing across NSW towards the end of 2018, especially in children between the ages of 5 and 14 years. NSW Health anticipates that this increase will continue into 2019.

School-aged children who are infected with whooping cough usually experience a troubling cough that can persist for months, but they rarely get severe illness. However they can spread the infection to younger siblings and other more vulnerable people, who are at higher risk of severe disease. Whooping cough can be a life threatening infection in babies.

What can you do to prevent whooping cough?

- 1. Make sure vaccinations are up to date for all family members
- 2. Be alert for symptoms of whooping cough
- 3. Keep coughing kids home, to prevent them spreading the infection to others, and see your GP to get them tested for whooping cough

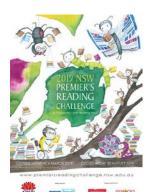
For more information on Whooping Cough and vaccination visit the <u>NSW Health Website</u> (https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/whoopingcough/Pages/default.aspx)

You can also find out about other important infectious disease alerts by visiting the <u>alerts page</u> (<u>https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/alerts/Pages/default.aspx</u>).

Upcoming Events

| 10 | Friday 5 th April | BLC cross country |
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| 11 | Tuesday 9 th April | Canberra excursion |
| 11 | Friday 12 th April | Last day of term |

Public Notices



Pop into Upper Lachlan Shire Libraries at Crookwell and Gunning to borrow titles on the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge lists.

The Premier's Reading Challenge is available for all NSW students in years K to 9. The Challenge aims to encourage in students a love of reading for leisure and pleasure, and to enable students to experience quality literature. The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge website has information and advice such as book lists, rules, FAQs and online registration - https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html

Photo Gallery



I wonder who this beautiful butterfly and pretty puppy could be?



Busy at the raffle ticket table.



You can run but you can't... wait! You can't hide but you can slide!



Some familiar faces called in as well.



Food! Glorious Food!



Busy book fair inside and outside.