

The Newsletter of Vacy Public School



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“Friendship and Learning”

Principal's Message

Our Dungog Community of Schools will be celebrating Education Week at Dungog High School in the hall on the afternoon of Wednesday 7 August where special Education Week awards will be presented. The event begins at 4:00 pm with refreshments served by the high school hospitality students with the ceremony to commence at 4:30 pm.

Our SRC representatives have been elected for Term 3 and have been presented with their badges. Congratulations to Jack Smith, Rose Washbourne, Hayden Reid, Kacia Rowles and Ethan Lechner who join our Captains, Zoe and Liam to represent the student body.

Well done to our competitors in the Zone Athletics Carnival held last Friday. The students competed admirably and special congratulations go to Mackenzie Peirce on gaining selection to the Hunter Regional Carnival in her 100 metres age race.

Good luck to our Public Speakers as they contest the 2013 Zone Public Speaking Competition. Bridgette and Darcy spoke yesterday in the Early Stage One heats. Tallon and Lincoln will contest in Stage One on Wednesday, with Imogen and Alec in Stage Two and Zoe and Archer in Stage Three are all competing on Thursday.

Congratulations to Brigette who was selected at yesterday's heats to go on to the finals! Sensational!

Our Active After School Communities program for Term 3 includes basketball (for K-3 the program has been extended to include Year 3 students) and rugby league/league tag (open to K-6). The program commences this week and will conclude in week 10.

Please join us for our Book Week celebrations taking place next Monday 12 August.

Our celebration commences at 12:00 noon with a whole school assembly and costume parade under COLA.

From the costume parade, one class will be chosen as the winning class based on participation and they will get to donate a book of their choice to the library.

Following the costume parade we will have a picnic lunch on the lawn with families at 1:00 pm.

The Library will then be open from 1.15 – 1.50 pm for parents and students to browse books which are for sale in the library. Proceeds from sale of books will be used to purchase new books for the school library.

At 1.50 pm children return to class to prepare for “Tony Bones” which is being staged in the K/1 room for the performance.

The shortlisted books for this year's Children's Book Council of Australia awards are on display in the office foyer. If your family would like to donate one of the shortlisted books please make the donation on our Book Week Celebration day.

We look forward to seeing you there, together with some of our 2014 Kinder students who will join us for our Book Week celebrations.

Regards,
Graeme

Quote of the Week



I am enough of an artist to draw freely upon my imagination. Imagination is more important than knowledge. Knowledge is limited. Imagination encircles the world."

— [Albert Einstein](#)



Dates to Remember

August

Tuesday 6	P & C meeting - All Welcome! AASCP - Rugby League (no vacancies)
Thursday 8	AASCP - Basketball 3.10pm—4.10 ~ K-3 only (vacancies available)
Monday 12	Book Fair Tony Bones performance 2.00pm
Tuesday 13	AASCP - Rugby League 3.10pm - 4.10pm
Thursday 15	AASCP - Basketball - K-3 only 3.10pm - 4.10pm

September

Friday 20	Last day Term 3
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October

Tuesday 8	Staff & Students return
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Class News

Year 1

Next week is Book Week and for homework this week the children have been asked to choose a favourite book and prepare a report on it. They will then present this orally to the class during their news time next week. If they could use the Flower Book Report Sheet provided and bring the book in this will form part of our Book Week display.

(Please ensure their name is in the book). If there are any questions please contact me at school.

Maree Greaves

Canteen News

We have been able to establish a canteen 'team' and thank the parents who have generously offered their assistance to keep our canteen operating. Food preparation by Sian Thompson, ordering by Mel Lutschini and rostering by Nat Convery.

Canteen Roster

Thursday 8 August	Emma Maslen Nyree Wiseman Belinda Holding
Monday 12 August	Bek Hancock Tim Carter Carrie Butler

Soft Drink Bottles

We have used all of the soft drink bottles that have been collected so far and are in need of many more.

Please collect any plastic soft drink bottles of 1.25L and larger for us to use as we build our recycled plant propagation hothouse. It really helps if the bottles are rinsed and the labels are removed.

Thank you to the families who are sending their bottles in.

Reminder

Our next P&C meeting is on tonight, Tuesday 6 August from 7:00 pm in the staffroom. See you there!



Community Announcement

Save The Date

**Saturday
14 September**

The Farmer's Hotel at Vacy will be hosting a Trivia Night in aid of Feeding Dreams Cambodia. Every cent raised will make a huge difference in the lives of those affected by poverty and give the children and their families the chance to a brighter future.

We are currently looking for people to donate prizes for the night and items for the silent auction.

Please contact Nicole Carter on 0400 148 586 or the Farmer's Hotel on 4938 8106 if you are able to contribute in any way.

More details will follow.

Thank you for your support—

The Rotary Club of Paterson

GIANT CAR BOOT SALE

& SPRING FAIR

Proudly supporting
The Salvation Army Oasis Youth Services.

Market Stalls

Fresh Food

Jumping Castle

Music and Rap

Adjacent to Tucker Park, Paterson

Sunday 8th September 9.00am to 2.00pm

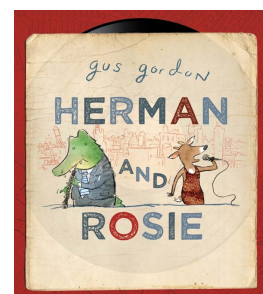
Come and grab a bargain and make a day of it and explore historic Paterson. www.prcevents.org

Book Week Celebrations

As part of our Book Week celebrations we have set up a display of books in the office foyer. We are inviting families to purchase a book to donate to our school for all children to share. There will also be a wide range of books for families to purchase on Monday 12 August 2013. Please join us on this day to celebrate Book Week with the school.

Please join us for the following events:

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| 12.00pm | Acknowledgement of Country.
Welcome from our Principal, Graeme Oke.
Book Character Parade under the COLA |
| 1.00pm | Picnic lunch on the lawn. |
| 1.15pm | Visit our library and browse the books for sale. Proceeds from sale of books will be used to purchase new books for the school library. |
| 1.50pm | Children return to class to prepare for "Tony Bones". |
| 2.00pm | Tony Bones Theatre Company presents Gus Gordon's "Herman and Rosie" in the K/1 room. |
| 3.00 | Children return to class to pack up. |



Please bring cash or cheque as there is no EFTPOS available. Thank you.

