



DUMBLEYUNG PRIMARY SCHOOL

"EVERY CHILD, EVERY DAY, COMMITMENT TO ACHIEVE!"

NEWSLETTER

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11 DECEMBER 2024

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents/Carers and Community Members,

Here we are, the final week of school and what a flat out last few weeks it has been! I'm not sure how anyone else is feeling, but golly the days and weeks seem to be rolling by? Hug your children extra tight tonight at bed time, before long they will be big and grown!

A few special mentions to staff members at DPS who have been exceptional in their efforts of late, the first being Mr Dave Stephens who is always stepping in to ensure things are done in the background that keep things rolling at school, but particularly in his volunteer capacity and what he does as a local Fire Volunteer Service member. We have all been very saddened to hear of the horrific crash just out of town on the weekend, I'd like to make a special mention of all the Dumbleyung Volunteer Services who attended the incident and provided their valuable service to the community. Today the students are having a sausage sizzle lunch and viewing the local St John's Ambulance and Fire Brigade Truck and will thank Mr Stephens and fellow community volunteers for the service that they provide. Be sure to thank all the crew when you see them next.

More thanks to Mrs Sophie Justins, who has been instrumental in her part-time role, in just a few short weeks I might add, in aligning our banking and payment system to contemporary practice and ensuring we have full EFT payment ability. This has been a tedious process but something that has been wanted for a few years and is now up and running. Invoice payments will be streamlined and fast, now that cheques will be phased out. Thank you for your commitment in seeing this process through Sophie, and ensuring it has been done with rigour and full alignment to Financial Policy and Process of the Department of Education.

Miss Shena coordinated a wonderful Graduation Ceremony last week, and her thoughtful speech and personal touches to ensure Sky, Mia and Lara had a fitting celebration to mark the end of Primary School was very heartfelt! The girls all presented their own reflective speech and all who attended were very moved by their words! We were very moved by their words, we all cried! Well done girls and all the very best for the next chapter of your stories and beyond!

A huge thank you to School Council and particularly our much loved School Chair, Karen Ward, Community Representative. We wish to express our sincere gratitude to you in your role of governance and accountability processes you have led and given in your volunteer position as School Chair. Your skill in keeping to the Agenda, and decisiveness on pertinent outcomes at hand, all in a timely no nonsense manner have been diligently observed over the years. This skill is hard to master, but Karen does so with ease and finesse. Thank you Karen, and I hope to one day be as skilled in this area as you. We hope to see you out and about very soon.

To all DPS Staff, thank you for your amazing efforts throughout another great year and for the End of Year Concert. The energy that is required when the tank is nearly empty, for our small team, to pull off a wonderful end of year celebration, for our students and families, is a great feat! Well done TEAM!

Farewell to Miss Shena, Sky, Mia and Lara. We wish you well and look forward to hearing of your news in the future. Thank you to our P&C and families for another wonderful year. Wishing all our students, families and Dumbleyung Primary School community a joyful and restful holiday season!

See you all on Wednesday 5th February for the first day of learning for 2025!

Kind regards
Mrs Melanie Ball

Dates to remember:

TERM 4

10 December 2024
End of Year Concert

11 December 2024
Volunteer Emergency Services BBQ
Lunch
Nerf Target Obstacle Course

12 December 2024
Good Standing Movie Day
Last Day of Term 4

TERM 1

5 February 2025
Students Resume



A big congratulations to past student Cleo Ward, who attends St Mary's College, for being awarded the 'Silver State Medal Winner' for the National History Challenge in the category 'Using Primary Sources'. We are very proud of her achievement and love seeing our past Dumbleyung Primary School students soar and achieve on a bigger stage! Well done Cleo!



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GRADUATION

3 DECEMBER 2024

Year 6 Students, Sky, Mia and Lara, along with their families, came together to celebrate the end of their Primary School chapter. A wonderful evening with speeches, laughs, giggles, tears and celebration. Congratulations on your achievements!

You will all be missed at Dumbleyung Primary School.



END OF YEAR CONCERT

10 DECEMBER 2024

Congratulations to all award winners and thank you to all our book award donors.

Award	Recipient	Donated By
Year K/PP/1 Class Award	Spencer Hall	Dumbleyung Landcare
Year K/PP/1 Academic Award	Kenzie Knight	Hon. Peter Rundle MLA
Year 2/3 Class Award	Casyn Roether	Dumbleyung Landcare
Year 2/3 Academic Award	Emmy Jefferis	Hon. Peter Rundle MLA
Junior Science Award	Emmy Jefferis	Wagin Youth Centre
Year 4/5 Class Award	Kelsie Smith	Dumbleyung Landcare
Year 4/5 Academic Award	Dylan Ball	Hon. Darren West MLC
Commitment to Achieve Award	Chloe Gooding	Dumbleyung Primary School
Senior Science Award	Eloise Bartram	Wagin Youth Centre
CCC Award for Good Manners	Bailey Cronin	Hon. Steve Martin MLC
Senior Arts Award	Mia Francisco	Mrs Patricia Holmes
Sports Award	Lara Thompson	Hon. Rick Wilson MP
Citizenship Award	Skyleira Hansen	Shire of Dumbleyung
Year 6 Academic Award	Skyleira Hansen	Hon. Shelley Payne MLC



CALENDAR

TERM 1 - 2025

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
1	3 Feb Start of Term	4	5 Students Resume	6	7	8	9
2	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
3	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
4	24 Interm Swimming Lessons	25 Interm Swimming Lessons	26 Interm Swimming Lessons	27 Interm Swimming Lessons	28 Interm Swimming Lessons	1 Mar	2
5	3 Public Holiday	4	5 Cricket School Cup in Lake Grace	6	7	8	9
6	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
7	17	18	19	20	21 Swimming Carnival Kulin	22	23
8	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
9	31	1 Apr	2	3	4	5	6
10	7	8	9	10	11 End of Term 1	12	13