The Dagun Digest

The Newsletter of the
Dagun State School
and
P. & C. Association

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“P. & C. Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month”

DATE: 13th August, 2014

Our 2014 School Improvement Goal: to improve student outcomes in Writing, Reading Comprehension and Spelling.

Our 2014 School Rules:
Be RESPONSIBLE ● Be RESPECTFUL ● Be SAFE ● Be a LEARNER

DATES TO REMEMBER

19 August  P&C Meeting 5.30 p.m.
23 August  Mary Valley Show, Imbil
29 August  Bush Poetry, Amamoor
19 Sept.    End Term 3

EVERY FRIDAY @ 9.00 a.m. - PLAYGROUP

From the Principal….

Welcome…. We extend a very warm welcome to Zac (Yr 3) who joined our school recently. We hope you enjoy your time at Dagun School.

Tennis Lessons…. Children have been thoroughly enjoying tennis lessons with Matt. Wednesdays have become a popular day for students with back to back tennis and music lessons. The Hot Shots program is well suited for our range of ages and enables all students to participate at their ability level. Today students will start to receive free t-shirts for being members of the Hot Shots program. Parents are welcome to view the website: www.hotshots.tennis.com.au.

Mary Valley Show Exhibits…. Students are busy preparing their entries for the Mary Valley show. These include handwriting, art, cooking cupcakes, photography and art, which are due this Friday. The Show will be held at the Imbil Showgrounds on Saturday, 23rd August. Parents are encouraged to visit and see our School display and all the children’s work.

Mary Valley Bush Poetry…. After this Friday, it will be full on practice for the Bush Poetry competition to be held on Friday, 5th September at Amamoor State School. This will be a great day for parents to come along and watch our children performing their poetry recitals.

School Opinion Surveys…. As you are aware, School Opinion Surveys were conducted in a different manner this year - online. Your feedback highlights areas and provides useful information and direction for our staff to make improvements. This information also forms an important part of our annual School Reports which are available on our school website or in the office at school. Thankyou to all our parents, staff and students who contributed to our survey. Next year, we will be holding an even larger search for feedback when we conduct our Quadrennial School Review.

School Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS)…. In the past and presently, our school encourages positive student behaviours through a counselling approach by helping students to develop good social skills. This term our school has introduced a more formal framework (SWPBS) through which we can continue to manage and encourage our students to make responsible behaviour choices. Consequently, you will start to see signage around the school which will be reminders for our students. Our staff have been working hard to prepare resources and develop our existing system of promoting, teaching and rewarding positive behaviours. Watch for our new banners which should be installed very soon.

On 6th November this year, it will be our school’s turn for a Discipline Audit, to be conducted by Education Queensland. Please see the attached flyer for more details around the program which we are implementing.

Playgroup…. Last Friday we re-started our Playgroup again. It was wonderful to see 7 pre-school age children enjoying the stories and activities that Donna had prepared for them. Thank you Donna for putting so much time into making our program so enjoyable for our little ones.

This Friday, Donna is planning a teddy bear’s picnic. It would be terrific if our playgroup children could bring their favourite soft toy and a morning snack to share with their “teddy” at the picnic.

Dagun Growers’ Market Volunteers…. On Saturdays I have been taking produce from our garden and craft made by students to the markets held on Saturdays at the Dagun Railway Station from 2.00 p.m. If your child/ren would like to help prepare our school cart with their products, I welcome student assistance for an hour or so from 1.00 p.m. The markets run from 2.00 to 6.00 p.m.

Jane Desmarchelier
Principal
**From the P&C....**

School Tracksuits....

Our school tracksuits have finally arrived! They look terrific and, as some children have discovered, are full of secret pockets! Thank you Jaye Shaw for organising the purchase and screen printing of these. If you had an order for tracksuit jackets/pants, please call at the office to collect them. We have ordered some extras for anyone who didn’t place an order and wish to make a purchase. Jackets are $30.00 and pants are $21.50.

**TRIVIA Night....**

It's on again! Our P&C will be holding a family fun Trivia Night on Saturday, 11th October. Please save the date and start gathering family and friends to make a table of 8 adults. We have attached some flyers and ask if families could please post them in public places to promote our fundraiser.

During the night, we hold raffles and give away lots of prizes. We are looking for donations of produce, vouchers and products that would be suitable for prizes or raffles and ask parents to please start approaching businesses and friends for sponsorship. Last year we had an amazing response of generosity from a wide range of sponsors.

**P&C Meeting....**

Our P&C Meeting will be held next Tuesday, 19th August at 5.30 p.m. We encourage all parents to come along and help with planning our upcoming Trivia Night.

**ALMA STREET PRE PREP**

- has vacancies for 2015
- for children born between 1/7/10 & 30/6/11
- 5 day fortnight program

Please phone, email or call in for more information

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**MARY VALLEY BLUE LIGHT**

Disco - Kandanga Hall
Friday 5th of September 2014
6.30 pm till 8.30 pm
$5 entry - 8 to 15 years old only
High school IDs needed

*Some great door prizes on the night*

See website for more info: mvbl.wxw.com.au