

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: 29th October, 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

24/31 Oct. 7/14/21 Nov. Swimming Lessons
30 Oct. Music—Count Us In
31 Oct. World Teachers' Day
4 Nov. Prep Orientation Day
6 Nov. School Discipline Audit
8 Nov. Mary River Festival
26 Nov. Gympie Excursion P-7
28 Nov. Swimming Carnival
2 Dec. Prep Orientation Day
4 Dec. High Ropes Course Year 5-7
12 Dec. End Term 4
EVERY FRIDAY @ 9.00 a.m. - PLAYGROUP

Afterwards we will head to the **Gympie Duck Ponds** for morning tea/lunch. In the afternoon we will travel to **Cooloola Rocks and Minerals at Kybong** for a presentation by volunteers on rocks and minerals and earth science.

The cost per child for this excursion will be \$15.00 per child. Parents are asked to complete and return the attached Permission Form with payment to the school office before **Wednesday, 19th November**.

HIGH ROPES Excursion, Thursday, 4th December....

We have invited students from Amamoor and Kandanga schools to join our students in **Years 5-7** for a day of challenges at the Gympie East State School high ropes course. This is an excellent opportunity for our students to challenge themselves personally—to learn more about their strengths/weaknesses and new skills. As well, they will participate in team building activities with peers from other schools. Students will NOT be made to go any further than where they are comfortable. The day is run by fully qualified instructors from Barambah Environmental Education Centre who are very supportive of every student's capabilities. Permission and medical form will need to be completed and returned to school as soon as possible.

Prep Orientation Day....

Children who will be starting school next year in Prep are invited to attend our Orientation days at Dagun. This year Miss Ryan will welcome pre-Preps for a full day next **Tuesday, 4th November** and then again for a half day on **Tuesday, 2nd December**.

SWPBS (School Wide Positive Behaviour Support)....

Our reminder this week for our children, both at school and at home, is to **Be a Learner**. In particular we are encouraging students to be prepared for learning by packing and unpacking their books from school bags before and after school, and having their books, pencils and erasers ready for lessons. Over the next few weeks Miss Ryan and I will be assessing children's progress for their end of year report cards. We ask parents to support and encourage children to have a good breakfast (brain food) and be ready for a busy day at school.

Congratulations go to Kacey and Bailey who received the Bee Awards this week. Both were spotted practicing our rule and were making great behaviour choices to Be a Learner.

Student of the Week....

Congratulations to **Kye** for working hard to get all of his daily tasks completed in **Week 3**.

From the Principal....

Swimming Lessons....

A reminder swimming is on this Friday!

Enrolments For 2015....

A reminder if you have a child you would like to enrol in Prep next year, or you know of families who wish to enrol any year level for 2015, could you please collect an enrolment package from the office and return it to school as soon as possible. Like all State schools, our enrolled student numbers for next year determine our funding and teacher and teacher aide allocations. So, please encourage any friends, neighbours or family who may be considering joining our Dagun community, to do so in the next couple of weeks.

Excursion Wednesday, 26th November....

On the **26th November** all our students will be travelling to Gympie for the day to experience a range of opportunities. Firstly, we will attend the live performance of *Where in the World is Xmas?* by the **FAME Theatre Group** at the Gympie Civic Centre. This production will be both educational and entertaining, with live dance and music featuring a cast of over 25 young performers. The storyline goes like this.....

The year is 2214. The traditions of Christmas are all but forgotten. A brother and sister play an old-school on-line game based around the 2014 traditions of the festive season. Suddenly, the game is hit by a virus whose sole purpose is to destroy all records of the messages of peace and goodwill associated with Christmas. Our heroes, the brother and sister team, must travel through a virtual reality to Holland, Japan, Mexico, Sweden and Australia in an attempt to destroy the Yule Buster Virus.

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Uniforms...

New school shorts, shirts and skorts will be arriving at school in the next few days. The P&C has chosen a different style of short which is smarter, easy wash and wear, and the children like them. If you are wanting new uniforms, please call at the school office.

School Photos....

A reminder that school photos are available for parents to view and collect.

Playgroup....

A reminder to come along to Playgroup this Friday at 9a.m. If you know of any family, friends or neighbours who may be interested in enrolling for Prep next year, please encourage them to come along to experience the atmosphere of our small school.

Jane Desmarchelier,
PRINCIPAL

**To our wonderful teachers at
Dagun State School,
Happy Teachers' Day this Friday.**



PREP—YEAR 7 GYMPIE EXCURSION BUS TRAVEL AND PARTICIPATION FORM

WEDNESDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER

(PLEASE RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER)

I, _____, give permission for my child/
children _____ to travel by bus to and from
Gympie and participate in our excursion on Wednesday, 26th November, 2014 and attach payment of \$15.00 per child.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

YEAR 5—7 HIGH ROPES EXCURSION BUS TRAVEL AND PARTICIPATION FORM

GYMPIE EAST STATE SCHOOL—THURSDAY, 4TH DECEMBER

(PLEASE RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WITH ATTACHED MEDICAL FORM)

I, _____, give permission for my child/
children _____ to travel by bus to and from
Gympie East State School and participate in the High Ropes Course on Thursday, 4th December, 2014.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date