

THE DAGUN DIGEST



The Newsletter

of

**DAGUN STATE SCHOOL
&
P&C ASSOCIATION**



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

DATE: 25th March, 2015

Our 2015 School Improvement Goal: to improve student outcomes in Writing, Reading Comprehension and Spelling.

Our 2015 School Rules: Be RESPONSIBLE * Be RESPECTFUL * Be SAFE * Be a LEARNER

DATES TO REMEMBER

26 March	Beach/Surf Awareness (School)
28 March	Working Bee
2 April	Beach/Surf Awareness (Mooloolaba)
2 April	End Term 1
20 April	Term 2 commences
14-16 May	Gympie Show
15 May	Gympie Show Holiday

EVERY FRIDAY @ 9.00 a.m. - PLAYGROUP

From the Principal....

Welcome to Taylah, our newest student to Dagun. Already she has settled in well to class, and we trust her time at Dagun will be fulfilling and successful.

Ukulele Festival....

Thank you to all our parents and community members who volunteered to help the Mary Valley Lions at last weekend's Ukulele Festival. Your efforts helped raise \$350. Our P&C are very appreciative of your support.

Student Awards....

Over this term our students have embraced the challenges of new routines and learning. All students have worked hard and achieved some excellent progress. Congratulations go to the following students:

Week	Student of the Week	Bee Award
2	Tenayah	
3	Sienna	
4	Isabella	
5	Connor	Kayla
6	Jack	
7	Kane	Kacey
8		Tenayah

Over the past 2 weeks, our Year 6 students, Sean, Hailie and Amelia, have enjoyed participating with peers from other Gympie schools in Gympie Primary Leaders Day and, as well, the Science Discovery Day organised by the University of the Sunshine Coast. Early next term, we look forward to investing our Year 6 students with their leadership badges and shirts.

Auskick.....

Next Monday will be our last session of Auskick. Our children have thoroughly enjoyed the weekly sessions of ball skills and games. We thank our P&C for this great opportunity for all our students to participate.

Beach/Surf Awareness....

This **Thursday, 27th March** we look forward to lifesavers from Surf Life Saving Qld. working with our students to learn about beach and surf awareness. This lesson will be followed up with real life, practical skill development on the last day of term, **Thursday, 2nd April**. Please see attached for further information. Qualified Lifesavers will conduct the following program:

2 groups of 6x30min rotations

Warm up 5 min of first rotation

Activity 1

Identify - Rips, currents, dangers, read the information board

Sprints - Staying down low and high knees

Beach Flags

Relay Races

Activity 2

Rotation 1

Wading - basic technique training

Dolphin Diving – basic technique training

Rotation 2

Body Boards – Basic Techniques

Activity 3

Rotation 1

Tennis ball Cricket

Water Flags

Rotation 2

Tube Rescues – Basic Techniques

Children will depart Dagun School at **8.00a.m. sharp**, travelling by bus to Mooloolaba. We will return to Dagun School by 3.15 p.m. If you wish your child/ren to participate in this great opportunity, please complete the attached Permission Form and return to the school office by this **FRIDAY, 27TH MARCH**.

Working Bee—Saturday 28th March....

This Saturday we invite families to join our working bee to help clean up the grounds around our school. In particular, we would like to clear the rainforest track in readiness for cross country running through this area. Our working bee will start at 10.00 a.m. and end at around 12.00 noon. Please bring your gloves, spades, forks, secateurs for pruning and digging.

After the working bee, our P&C invite families to stay for a sausage sizzle and relaxed barbecue to celebrate the end of our busy Term 1.

Gympie Show Roster....

With the Gympie Show only 7 weeks away, we are now **'full on'** scouting for all families, friends and relatives, and community members to help with our major fundraiser. Basically our responsibility is to check wrist bands on people entering the show and directing them to the correct areas—either 'entry' or to 'purchase' a wristband. Volunteers working shifts will be given a **free pass** to the show. Each shift is for 5 or 6 hours. But, if you have difficulty working the full time, we may be able to adapt times with another volunteer.

In previous years, the P&C, chiefly through our work at the Gympie Show, has been able to contribute significant money towards student activities such as tennis lessons and Auskick. To be successful with this major fundraiser, the P&C needs the support of every family. We need families to work as many shifts as possible and to ask friends, relatives and neighbours if they can help with shifts.

Please fill in the attached Show Roster with your name/s, contact phone number/s and preferred shift/s — and those of any willing and much appreciated friends and relatives. We'd appreciate the return of your form by end of term. An early

indication will be helpful in trying to fill spaces, as it takes a lot of jiggling and to-ing and fro-ing to chase up more volunteers for unfilled shifts and to ensure times suit everyone. Families are welcome to keep chasing up helpers over the holidays.

Early next term, when the roster is completed, we will contact all volunteers to advise everyone of duties and responsibilities, and to allocate **free entry wristbands** to workers.

So please keep these dates free, ask all your friends and let's make this another successful fundraiser for our school:

14TH, 15TH, 16TH MAY

Tuckshop...

Our tuckshop is seeking donations from anyone with a surplus of plastic storage containers. If you can help out please drop them off at the school office.

Thank you to all our parents for completing the tuckshop survey. The results are very encouraging and indicate parents and children are looking for healthy choices with tuckshop food. Next term menu choices will change accordingly. Thanks to Jess for co-ordinating these changes.

Playgroup....

A reminder that playgroup is on this Friday. Please invite your friends and neighbours who may be interested in joining our group for an hour of organised activities on a Friday morning.

Jane Desmarchelier,
PRINCIPAL