

# A SMALL COUNTRY SCHOOL... WITH A BIG HEART!







**ABOUT OUR SCHOOL** 

Dagun State School is located just 10 minutes south of Gympie, nestled in the peaceful community of Dagun.

We are a multi-age, child-centred learning primary school with a focus on providing a safe and caring environment for all students with additional full time teaching support.

Staff and parents are committed to ensuring the best learning and support is provided through various activities that inspire fun learning opportunities.

Our school is an integral part of a very supportive local community which contributes generously to the progress of the school.



# **CURRICULUM**

Our distinctive learning environment recognises individual learning styles and offers a high teacher to student ratio to provide for student differences. Staff know and understand every student and employ strategies to challenge and extend them in a supportive environment.

Our regular school excursions to Mon Repos and Childers Reptile Park provide students with a new experience allowing them to observe and learn about different animals.

#### **TECHNOLOGY**

Dagun School currently boasts an excellent ratio of one computer per student. Computers are networked for easy student access to the Internet, colour printers and educational software at all work stations. Students can easily research, communicate and email.

Integrated units of learning incorporate interactive whiteboards, iPad's and technologies to enhance learning. Our 'state of the art' library software provides ready student access to our well resourced library.



#### Students learn to:

- Become independent workers
- Take responsibility for their learning and behaviour
- Work co-operatively with all ages and respect individual differences
- Promote values
- Accept no limits to their learning

# Dagun School offers high standards of literacy and numeracy through:

- Personalised attention and individualised learning plans
- Strategies to challenge and extend students
- Monitoring to track student progress and guide teaching and learning
- Specialist teachers Music, Physical Education (inc swimming), Japanese and Learning Support



# **BEHAVIOUR**

Our small school environment provides a distinct advantage for students learning to manage their personal behaviours and develop caring interpersonal and communication skills.

Our "family" atmosphere provides an environment where older students build good rapport with younger students, assisting them with many endeavours through buddy systems.

At Dagun we do not tolerate bullying. Our Behaviour Management Plan encourages and rewards positive behaviour choices which promotes high self-esteem and good citizenship.

# **FACILITIES**

Dagun School is very well resourced in material and fiscal terms.

Students enjoy large, open spaces for recreation, a protected rain forest habitat, tennis court and adventure play ground with sun protection.

Our outdoor learning area provides a hands-on space where our students gain knowledge and skills to grow fruit and vegetables, permaculture practices, composting and worm farming.

Through efficient waste, water, energy and biodiverse practices, students learn how to maintain a sustainable environment and become globally aware citizens.





# **OUR PHILOSOPHY**

- Nurture every child in a differentiated environment
- Provide a supportive, caring environment where children value differences
- Provide diverse, open-ended curriculum to develop life-long learners
- Commit to high standards of work strive for excellence
- Empower students with self-expression and independent thinking
- Encourage self-reliance, self-respect and respect for others
- Support long-term health and well being
- Encourage parent involvement as helpers
- Encourage cultural awareness through hands on learning activities
- Provide fun group activities including Country themed Monday's & line dancing





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