

Dirranbandi P-10 State School

Dazzler

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“Success Follows Effort”



Striving for an engaged and motivated school community, fostering individual achievement, social responsibility and well being

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'Rio Olympics - Playgroup Style'

Flag waving, Rhythmic Gymnastics and the tricky Balance Course



SNAPSHOTS OF THE WEEK



Senior school students hard at work
Health class with Miss White - 'What causes disease?'
Indigenous Language Classes with Mr Geary
Learning their numbers and finding some yummy indigenous food recipes.

Great work
Students of the Week - Week 3
Emily, Cooper, Olivia,
Lilly, Julia
William, Emma



Fantastic Effort
Active Learners
Week 3
Chloe, Henry, Hewie,
Lucy, Elizabeth



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Katie Macmillan

Groundsman

Boyd Hopkins

Tuckshop Convenor

Belinda Saville

PBL

I am responsible when I am

- An active learner
- Safe
- Respectful

FOCUS THIS WEEK

- ◆ Challenge Myself
- ◆ Exit & Enter in an orderly manner

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

We are now at the half way mark of the term. As I visit classrooms it has been great to see students engaged in learning. In many classes students are completing assessments to provide a snap shot of learning gains over the past 5 weeks. Class assessments help Teachers to make important decisions about the learning needs of students for the following units of work. Feedback following assessment also provides students the opportunity to reflect on their results and celebrate their success.

School Priorities

This year at Dirranbandi **Attendance** is one of the focus areas for school improvement. **A student's ability to learn is improved by regular attendance at school. Every day counts!**

Strategies that are being implemented across the school to ensure we are reaching our school improvement attendance targets, include;

- ◆ We celebrate great attendance at our weekly parades - Classes receive points for attendance over 90% and also improved attendance each week. The class with the most points for the week receives a certificate. Points are collated and at the end of term the winning class negotiates a whole class reward e.g. Pizza Party.
- ◆ At that the end of term we recognise students that have 100% attendance (0 days away) and 95% attendance and above (less than 3 days away). Students receive a certificate and go in the draw for attendance prizes.
- ◆ Teachers review attendance data to monitor trends and actively promote attendance.
- ◆ Currently our school attendance is at 84%. This is below our attendance of 84.5% at the same time last year.

Every Day Counts promotes four key messages:

- all children should be enrolled at school and attend on every school day
- schools should monitor, communicate and implement strategies to improve regular school attendance
- truanting can place a student in unsafe situations and impact on their future employability and life choices
- attendance at school is the responsibility of everyone in the community.

You can help by ensuring your child attends school every day.

Positive Behaviour Learning (PBL)

At Dirranbandi we strive to provide a safe and supportive learning environment for our students. Our Positive Behaviour Learning committee meets regularly to discuss consistent and positive approaches and strategies to addressing behaviour and learning needs across our school. **We will be meeting next Wednesday 17 August at 3.15pm, in the A block staffroom. Parent representatives are welcome to attend.**

School Uniform Expectations

As a school we communicate school pride in a variety of ways and **our strong commitment to uniform is a key priority in the school.** By identifying Dirranbandi P-10 State School through our uniform we unify our students and build a cohesive understanding of being a strong school community. We urge parents to keep up the very high standards already set in the wearing of uniforms and we, as a school, will maintain the high standards in the community.

Expected uniform includes:

maroon/mid-blue polo shirt with school logo
maroon shorts
maroon wide brimmed or bucket hat
closed in shoes
white socks
clear nails (no coloured polish)

For Winter:

maroon or white skivvy / maroon jacket or jumper
maroon track pants/leggings or jeans
maroon or white stockings
any additional apparel (such gloves or scarf) is to be plain maroon
any beanie worn (outside only) is to be plain maroon and to finish on the head (no dangles)

Congratulations To ...

- ◆ **Year 9** winners of week 3's **Class Attendance Award**, with 100% attendance and **Year 2** winners of week 4's **Class Attendance Award** with 95% attendance
- ◆ **Lucy Sullivan** who has been selected to compete in the **South West Softball Team at the State Carnival in Logan**
- ◆ **To our students who represented Dirranbandi at the Balonne Athletics Carnival**, great sportsmanship and team spirit.

Thanks to...

- ◆ Officer Shelley for visiting our senior classes and teaching us about bike safety.
- ◆ St George SHS for hosting the Balonne Athletics. Andrea Killen - Principal

2016

Term 3 Semester 2

Saturday - 13 August

JRL Home Game

Week 6

Monday - 15 August

Parade

Year 5-6 Library

Tuesday - 16 August

Year 3-4 Library Day

Sporting Schools

DPA AGM

Wednesday - 17 August

Prep Library Borrowing

Tuckshop

PBL Meeting

Sporting Schools - Cricket

Seniors Morning Tea

Thursday - 18 August

Instrumental music

Uniform Shop 3pm

Homework Centre

Friday - 19 August

Playgroup

Blue Light Disco

Week 7

Monday - 22 August

Parade

Year 5-6 Library

Tuesday - 23 August

Year 3-4 Library Day

Sporting Schools

Wednesday - 24 August

Prep Library Borrowing

Tuckshop

Sporting Schools - Cricket

Thursday - 25 August

Instrumental music

Uniform Shop 3pm

Homework Centre

Book Club orders Close

Friday - 26 August

Playgroup

Payment for Camp due

P&C TUCKSHOP NEWS

Tuckshop back to normal Wednesday 17th August

Campdraft is on the 26th & 27th of August if anyone can assist with serving or donations please contact Libby Price on PH: 0418 237 371. Thanks



BRISBANE SCHOOL CAMP



Camp payment Plan -

3rd Payment of \$30 due 12th August

4th Payment of \$30 due 26th August

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

Instrumental music every Thursday - Bring your instrument!

HOMEWORK CENTRE AND SPORTING SCHOOLS NEWS

Homework centre every Monday and Thursday for Weeks 2-9 of the term. Homework centre finishes at 4:00pm, please ensure your children know how they are getting home following the sessions. Free afternoon tea is provided.

Sporting Schools Please ensure you have a hat and water-bottle.

A healthy snack is provided. Sporting options on offer this term are as follows:

Tuesdays (Weeks 6-9) - Cricket

Wednesdays (Weeks 2-9) - Netball

Sporting Schools finishes at 4:15pm please ensure your child/ren know how they are to getting home (pick-up / walk). If you have filled out a permission form this year, there is no need to complete a new form. If not, forms are available from the school office.



BLUE LIGHT DISCO

WHEN: Friday 19th August

WHERE: Dirran Civic Centre

TIME: 5pm to 7pm

ENTRY: \$5 includes Free Hotdog

WHO: Ages 4-16

Strictly NO pass outs

P&C will have Chips and Drinks for sale

BOOK CLUB - ISSUE 6

Please return all Book Club orders by Thursday 25th August.

BRONZ ASDAN AWARD PROGRAMME

This semester our Year 9 students are participating in the Bronze ASDAN Award Programme.

This program develops the following Key Skills:

- ◆ Improving Own Learning and Performance
- ◆ Working with Others
- ◆ Problem Solving
- ◆ Communication
- ◆ Application of Number and ICT

The program is self-paced and the skills taught are highly valued by employers and institutions of further and higher education.

Currently our Year 9's have selected to research Sports and Leisure Activities available in our community. In doing so, this week they have visited the Dirranbandi Rail Museum. Thanks to Mrs Pam Crothers for her time in taking the students through the museum and rail shed.

The students looked through old artefacts and newspapers and were amazed to find old photographs and articles about people they know. Sheldon's story about guinea pigs on the train was most entertaining! This visit allowed the students to use their skills in communication and working with others as well as developing their knowledge of Dirranbandi's past.

The students will visit the town Library and participate in an organised sport in our community as part of their project. *Monica Hadenfeldt*

PREP NEWS

On Tuesday the Preps went on a walking tour of Dirranbandi as part of our Geography unit. We learnt about the different features of the town as well as experienced some yummy food at the service station!

I would like to say a big thank you to the Dirranbandi Service Station, the Dirranbandi Post Office, the Dirranbandi RTC and the Dirranbandi Motor Inn for hosting us, we really appreciated your time and effort towards making our excursion such a success!! *Thankyou - Miss Lucy Gardner*



CHEERS AND A BIG THANK YOU TO THE...

Dirranbandi Service Station, the Dirranbandi Post Office, the Dirranbandi RTC and the Dirranbandi Motor Inn



SPORTING SCHOOLS

Cricket

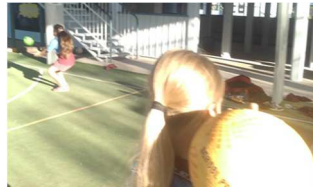
Has begun! We modified the game a little and focused on space and ball skills. We had a great afternoon!



Netball

We have got some awesome skills. We always want to play games, "One more go Miss Bron!" is the cry. So we go one more!

A thank you to the older students who attended, great mentoring of the younger ones.



SECONDARY SNAPSHOT

Week 5 has been very busy. Students are completing assessment and monitoring tasks in most subjects.

Year 9 Maths: Students have been looking at statistics and this aligned very nicely with the Census. Below are facts that we found:

- *Census Day is Tuesday 9th August*
- *Census occurs every five years*
- *The Census is called the Census of Population and Housing*
- *The Census is a detailed snapshot of every Australian household on one night*
- *The Census helps plan roads, parks, hospitals, schools, transport and infrastructure*



Bike Safety: On Wednesday Officer Shelley spoke to the students about bike safety. Officer Shelley congratulated the students for their listening and questions asked. Below are some points discussed:

- ◆ *statistics of fatalities due to the introduction of bike helmets being compulsory since 1990*
- ◆ *safety tips – be aware of your surroundings and be predictable with your riding path*
- ◆ *equipment needed to ride bikes on the road*




We thank Officer Shelley and look forward to many more informative talks.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

JRL HOME GAME

Junior Rugby League games in Dirranbandi this weekend
Parents and Community welcome to come along
and support your favourite teams.
Children under the age of 12 not playing JRL
will need parental supervision!

ARTS COUNCIL



from little things...

*A Celebration
The Music of
Paul Kelly*

Celebrating Dirranbandi Arts Councils 40th
Birthday
Supported by BSC Community Drought Fund

please RSVP for catering:
event @ Dirranbandi Arts Council facebook

Dirranbandi Polocrosse Grounds
9th September @7pm BYO CHAIR
Tickets \$20pp Bar opens 6pm
Finger food & Dinner Available

big things grow...
Performed by six piece band

DATE CLAIMER

Dirranbandi Arts Council presents:
Jally Entertainment's Production
"An Evening with Groucho"
4th October, 2016 at the Dirranbandi Civic Centre

COMMUNITY NOTICES THALLON TRIVIA NIGHT



Thallon State School P & C invites you to

Thallon Trivia Night

2ND SEPTEMBER, 2016

THALLON COMMUNITY HALL

*Doors open 6.00pm, trivia starts at 7.00pm sharp
Lots of raffles and prizes to be won on the night
Bus available to and from Mungindi \$10 per person*

*Bar will be available on the night, cash only (closes at 12 sharp)
Bring your own snacks with pizza available from the Francis Hotel
Pizzas must be preordered and prepaid by 5pm Thursday 1st September*

*Childminding available on the night for school aged children
\$10 per child, own snacks and drinks to be provided
Please note that this is an adults only event.*

*Prebooked tickets \$10 per person (tables of 8)
Tickets at the door \$15 per person
Only 18 tables available, so book early!!!*

*For further information or to book your tickets please contact
Thallon State School on 07 46 259 139
Or email the.principal@thallonss.eq.edu.au*

UPHOLSTERY WORKSHOP

Dirranbandi Arts Council Inc. is holding an
upholstery workshop on 2nd, 3rd & 4th October 2016,
at the Dirranbandi Showgrounds, with tutor Peter Schulze.

Limited Positons Available

For further details please contact Gerry Grant ph.46258245;
email dunwold@bigpond.com

We acknowledge the support of RADF for this workshop -
the Regional Arts Development Fund is a Queensland
Government and Balonne Shire Council partnership
to support local arts and culture.

DIRRANBANDI PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

AGM

TUESDAY, 16th August 2016.
6:00pm in CWA ROOMS,
CNR KIRBY & COWILDI STREETS
DIRRANBANDI

For the election of a new committee.
General meeting to follow

For further details PH: 46207 000 or 0408 981 960
DPA's Seniors Morning Tea on Wednesday 17th August
from 10:00am to Midday at Trafalgar.