Dear Parents/Carers and Friends,

Quote of the week: “Don’t let yesterday take up too much of today” - Will Rogers

School Performance - Welcome to Week 6 of Term 3 as we move closer to our whole school performance show “Colour our World”. Classes of students and staff are practising and refining their items which will come together next Wednesday 27th in both a matinee and evening production. We look forward to seeing you all there to support your child and see some wonderful entertainment.

Mobile Phones - One of the challenges at school is managing the safe use of technology. Our school has a policy whereby students are asked to turn in their mobile phones to the front office at their arrival to school and pick these up at the end of the school day. This ensures both keeping the phone safe and away from unwanted hands and usage. Please encourage your child to follow this school policy if they do need to carry a mobile phone.

What is respect? - According to the Macquarie Dictionary one meaning of the word respect is to show esteem, regard, or consideration for... When chatting to a Year Two class last Friday one young chap summed it up nicely for me as he said, and I quote, “It is about treating others as you want to be treated”. Your respect for our staff as teachers and adults would be appreciated in all communication with school. Treat others as you wish to be treated.

NAIDOC Activities - Last week we saw a great range of activities in the school to celebrate NAIDOC week. Thanks to all the parents, carers and friends who came and supported their child and the school during one or all of these activities. The students certainly had fun whilst learning along the way. Annie Munro, Principal (Rel)

Book Club Orders
Orders for the latest Scholastic Book Club are to be placed in the library by Wednesday, 20th. Late orders will be processed but will arrive at a later date.

K-2 Assembly - Due to our performance the K-2 Assembly has been cancelled for this Friday and will now be on Friday 29 August 2014.

Premier’s Reading Challenge
Congratulations to the following students for completing the 2014 PRC: Oscar Courts, Bailey Stonestreet, Kate Allen, Zach Miller and Geordan Morris. Fabulous reading!

Students have only two weeks to finish their Challenge so please get busy reading. Most students have made an impressive effort, having read well over half the required books.

Parents of Year 1 students who are not registering online need to send in their child’s completed sheet (30 titles), by the end of this week.

Well done readers! Donna Thomas

Performance Costumes Required
If you have any of the items below and are able to lend them for our performance please pass onto Mrs Gersbach, Mrs Duncan or Mr Barnes: 1 blonde wig, 1 pink wig, 3 black waistcoats (to fit a 9yr old), 3 top hats, pink or black, 1 pink tie, 1 piggy bank (plastic).

District Athletics Carnival - We are the Champion School - we won both the trophies at District Athletics Carnival. This has not been achieved in eight years. Congratulations to all the students who participated. It certainly makes us proud.

Orana also had three age champions - Bailey Lacrosse, Jesse Spang and Emily O’Dea

Stage 3 Excursion
Please note: All money must be paid by next Wednesday 27 August 2014.

Medical notes are due this Friday 22 August 2014.

“Colour Our World”

Wednesday 27 August 2014 - 11.30 am - matinee in the OHPS Auditorium (limited tickets).

Wednesday 27 August 2014 - 6.30pm - night performance at Dubbo College Senior Campus.

Tickets available - NOW
(be quick - they are selling fast)
## Term 3 - 2014 Planner

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### Sport News

Wellington 6-a-Side Soccer Carnival - Sunday 10 August, two boys and one girls team competed in the Wellington 6-a-Side Soccer Carnival. The 24 children represented the school with enthusiasm and vigour and enjoyed the experience. This activity was part of a training program designed to prepare the children for the 2015 State Knockout. Thank you to all the parents who provided transport and support for the players on the day. A special thanks to Mrs Stewart and Mr Frost who coached and organised the boys teams on the day. This is the first time the school has participated in the carnival and it could become a regular event.  

*Gary Jones*

Pictured above - on Thursday the boys knockout touch team played Parkes Public School. It was a very exciting and close game and we came away 5-4 winners!

The boys now play Wellington Public School in two weeks. Good luck boys!
Congratulations to the following Award Winners

**Honour Awards**

Amelia Day
Brodie Alchin Wheeler
Matthew Adkins
Bree Gavin
Tenayah Barker

Douglas Willis
Khynan Roworth
Caitlin Petrie
Bhoomi Sagar
Anthony Charters

Nicholas Adkins
Lucinda Holmes
Paris Marshall

**Distinction**

Paris Marshall

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**P&C Meeting**

Next meeting will be held Tuesday 2 September at 6pm in the staffroom.

**Dubbo & District PSSA Athletics Carnival Canteen** – thank you to the people who helped out at the Canteen last week. There were many who helped in some way through bagging lollies, baking, organising morning tea and lunches for the officials, setting up and packing up, serving and cooking on the day.

A big thank you to the following people Amanda Furney, Angela Knox, Lauren Lockyer, Donna Parkes, Kelly Millington, Simone Bennett, Char Woodbury, Jo O’Dea, Lucy Holmes, Liz Darlington, Deanne & Darren Mann, Judy & Dale Keller, Louise Spang, Tracey Anderson, Lyn Cockrum, Nikki Simpson, Lesley & Brett Stewart, Greg French, Jodie & Scott Todhunter, Paul Davis, Laurie Bourke, Lyn & Alex Campbell and Robyn Hood. Hopefully we have not missed anyone. There is also the organising committee of Danielle Miller, Mandy Bourke, Mel Bass and Deanne Davis. We could not have had such a successful day without the help of these very generous parents and grandparents.

**Western Region PSSA Athletics Carnival Canteen** – is happening on Friday 29 August – this is the last one for the year – if you are in a position to help please contact someone from the organising committee or via Jemma Hall. There are a range of jobs that people can do to help and not all mean you need to be there on the day.

**5c Drive** - Our 5c drive is still going - all money raised will go toward a new item of playground equipment—at our half way point the top five classes are: 5L - 6775gm, 5B - 6015gm, 1M - 3953gm, KY - 3784gm, 2K - 3330gm. Our final weigh in will be on Wednesday 17 September 2014.

**Save the Date** - Friday 31 October 2014 School Fete.

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**Orana Heights Debating Team Wins Third Round Debate**

Our school debating team had a debate on Monday 18th August 2014 against a very strong side from Dubbo Public School.

The topic for this round was "That the internet is the best source of information for students."

Orana Height’s first speaker, Holly Darlington began by presenting the teams definition and introduced the teams arguments. Second speaker Kady Lake did an excellent job rebutting against Dubbo Public and presenting some strong arguments as to why the internet is the best source of information.

Third speaker, Emily O’Dea gave some strong rebuttals and successfully summed up the team arguments. The fourth speaker, Liam Boon although he did not have a speaking role did a great job of helping the team with persuasive rebuttal.

The Orana Heights Public School debating team were able to convince the adjudicator and win the debate.

Maddie Mann did a fantastic job of controlling the debating as the chairperson assisted by the timekeeper Haylee Fuller.

The Orana Heights debating team would like to thank the adjudicator Mrs Lyn Campbell who gave up her time to adjudicate the debate and for offering both teams advice after the debate. We would also like to thank Mrs Judy Aird and parents of the team for providing morning tea.

Well done to this very talented team led by Mrs Lockyer and Mrs Amos.

Photo: Mrs Lauren Lockyer, Haylee Fuller, Maddie Mann, Liam Boon, Mrs Lyn Campbell (Adjudicator), Emily O’Dea, Kady Lake and Holly Darlington.

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**Kindergarten Excursion**

Please remember to return your note and money for the Mystery Tour around Dubbo!

I wonder where it will take us?

Wednesday 3rd September 2014 (Week 8). Cost is $15
NAIDOC Day
Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our NAIDOC celebrations last week. NAIDOC took a different direction at Orana this year to allow the community to attend our cultural activities on a convenient day that suited individual work commitments.

A special thank you to Yvonne Hill and her family for supporting our NAIDOC celebrations and being a part of the Opening Ceremony. When you enter our school over the next few weeks you will also see a large artwork which was created during NAIDOC celebrations by local artist Allan Shillingsworth and a number of students from across the school. Local and non-local businesses supported our celebrations this year. A huge thank you to Early Rise Baking, Bourke Street Butchery, Mitre 10, Western Paint Supplies, Koori Kicks, Country Rugby League, Kumiai-Ryu Martial Arts, Dubbo RSL, Dubbo College Delroy Campus and Dubbo College Senior Campus. Without the support of the community our event would not have been as successful.

We look forward to the same support next year. Rebecca Carroll

Pictured above - K-6M’s Rainbow Serpent was created as part of our NAIDOC week activities. It incorporates a number of Indigenous images and stories that we read about in class. We had lots of fun using many different colours and techniques.
Hello parent/guardians and students,

As you may recall for the last two years in early September, the Dubbo Stampede, a running festival for everyone, has been held at the Taronga Western Plains Zoo. It is a wonderful community day and has been very successful.

Many of our local school students and their families have taken part which has been brilliant! It is great to see young people and families being active and enjoying the outdoors together. For those not aware, the Schools’ Challenge is a way of encouraging participation and community spirit. There are three categories within the Challenge, to account for schools in the region of different sizes. The idea is that each school tries to gather as many registrations as they can. When any member of your family (or friends) registers for a race, they should choose our school from the list of schools found in the stages of the registration process. The school with the most registrations attributed to them in each category receives a trophy and $300 cheque, to be presented at a special event where significant community members will be present and also the press. Wouldn’t it be wonderful if our school was able to win our category?

This year the Stampede falls on Sunday 7 September. It is the first weekend of spring and also Father’s Day; two great reasons to make The Stampede the start of a wonderful family day!

2014 will also see Dubbo have the privilege of Andrew Lloyd coming as patron of The Stampede. Andrew is a highly acclaimed distance runner, representing Australia at the Commonwealth Games and also winning many prestigious marathons with incredibly impressive times. Our own Jane Fardell is also on board as an ambassador. Jane is a very talented distance runner who competes at the highest levels with great success.

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<td>Dingo Dash</td>
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<td>N.B. ALL entries include a free day entry to the zoo on either Saturday 6Sept or Sunday 7 Sept. (You don’t need to pay entry the day of the race).</td>
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The Dubbo Stampede website (www.dubbostampede.com.au) showcases the festival and holds all the registration and other details; maps, training plans, blog, merchandise and other points of interest surrounding the festival and races. To enter click on the ‘Register Now’ logo or use the Registration tab and remember to select our school as your school! Please note you cannot enter on the day, only online registration is available. Since registrations have been open for some time and are streaming in, I wouldn’t wait too long to sign up!

We have a great community here in Dubbo as well as a beautiful zoo and river! Why not plan to be a part of the fun and enter a race. There will be runners and walkers of all levels competing, the onus being on participation, community and enjoyment... and of course cracking times for those so inclined.