Principal’s Message

It was great to have our 2015 Kindergarten children and their parents here yesterday for the first of our kindergarten orientation sessions. There are two sessions remaining over the next two Wednesday mornings. A big thank you to Mrs Shaw for all of her preparation and energy in organising the orientation sessions.

We had a slight hiccup in communication with our first cricket session this week. Our next two sessions will be over the following Tuesday afternoons. The children can wear their sports uniforms on these days.

The bush block information and planning afternoon was a success. It was great to have all the stakeholders present. See the report in the P&C News section of this newsletter. Thank you also to everybody who supplied slices for the afternoon tea – they were delicious!

Thank you to those people that have returned the previous survey regarding the teaching and learning of Human Society and Its Environment. These surveys help us to plan future directions in the school. There will also be another survey distributed in the coming weeks. Your cooperation in returning these is appreciated.

On the 21st November, we are having an Aboriginal Cultural Awareness day. The school is being visited by Duncan Smith, an aboriginal man from Queanbeyan, who will be discussing the Aboriginal customs of this area, showing us some dance and doing some art workshops with the children.

Reminder that the School Swimming Program starts on the 24th November for two weeks.

Thank you everybody for your involvement and support of our dynamic school.

Regards,
Ross Copland
Acting Principal
P&C News
Next P&C meeting - Wednesday 26th November, 6pm - school library. Everyone is welcome.

Christmas raffle – thank you to our families for donating items for our gourmet hamper, which will be one of our prizes in our P&C Christmas raffle.

Raffle tickets are now on sale – 9 raffle tickets will be sent home with the children today for each family. I hope that you can all help out and sell these tickets. Please return sold/unsold tickets to Kerry at the school office by Monday 1st December.

Dalton School Bush Block – We would like to thank Bob Spiller, Genevieve Starr and John Walsh for sharing their expertise and answering an abundance of questions thrown at them by the enthusiastic Dalton School children and parents who attended the bush block meeting last Wednesday afternoon! It was a productive gathering, which resulted in a review of the site and some timelines being formed. Nicki Taws from Greening Australia has commenced the process of identifying the points of interest within our bush block. Our next project will be working with Nicki to finalise where the paths will go to best access these key features. I hope that we will also commence installing some seating for the area soon. Unfortunately, the Cape Broom weed is not giving in! Keep your eyes peeled for our bush block busy bee date – this will be a day when we will put a huge call out to all of our families and friends to come and give us a hand with some specific jobs.

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Dalton School P&C Christmas Raffle

Prizes include:
- Gourmet hamper
- $50 fuel voucher – Dalton Garage
- 2 x $50 vouchers – Gunning Butcher
- Hume café voucher & hot chocolate pack
- Questacon family pass – valued at $70
- 2 x National Dinosaur Museum family passes
- Powerhouse Museum – 2 entry tickets
- Sports pack – cricket set, soccer ball & high bouncers!

Tickets are $2 each or 3 for $5
Drawn on Wednesday 10th December at the school presentation night.