At Dalton Public School we keep up-to-date with current teaching practices to make sure that all our students are given the best opportunity to learn and achieve. In doing so staff undertake Teacher Professional Learning (TPL) which is offered in areas such as literacy and numeracy, technology, syllabus implementation, planning and career development and aligns with the School Plan.

In the coming weeks Mrs Shaw and Mrs Watson will undertake professional learning covering Aboriginal education, school planning, and technology.

**A Friendly Reminder**

Although teachers and staff ask our students each day if they have any notes we occasionally have some students who forget to hand them in. As this can lead to misunderstanding about requests or arrangements we would ask families to assist the school by also reminding their children to hand in notes and preferably giving these notes to the eldest student in the family.

We thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

To further assist families we are now including a list of notes that have gone home.

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**Lunchtime Clubs**

We have had some wonderful offers for our lunchtime clubs with parents and community members offering a variety of art activities as well as gardening, cooking and sewing. We thank Maree Dowling, Renae, Karina and Kath, for your generosity and look forward to beginning clubs in the next fortnight.

For organisational purposes we would please request that our club volunteers complete the attached note indicating your preferred day.

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**Office of Environment and Heritage Visit**

Office of Environment and Heritage Queanbeyan Team Leader Ecosystems and Threatened Species, Damon Oliver, will visit our school next Monday to discuss local ecosystems with our students. We look forward to learning more about the threatened species in our local environment and what we can do to help prevent their extinction.

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**Book Club**

Book Club catalogues have been sent home with the students. Please return orders to school by Monday 16th March. Our school has opted in to LOOP (Linked Online Ordering & Payment) which means you can order and pay by credit card on-line. There is no need for parents to fill out any forms or receipt numbers — you do not need to return anything to school. All LOOP orders are delivered to the school as in the past.

The orders still earn the school reward points which we use to purchase library books.

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**Bingo Bash News**

Reminder that we will attending the Bingo Bash on Wednesday 18th March at the Gunning Shire Hall. We will be attending by bus, with the assistance of one car for private transport — thank you Kahli.

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**Growing Our Future**
Milo T20 Cricket Gala Day

Following last year’s participation we have again been invited to participate in the Milo T20 Blast Small Schools Cup on Friday 20 March at Carr Confoy Sports Fields, Goulburn. We will be leaving at 9:10am, travelling by bus at a cost of $5 per student and we will also require one driver for the day. All equipment is provided by Sydney Thunder Regional Zone and each student will be exposed to cricket in a fun, inclusive, learning environment. Collector Public School will be running a canteen so please complete the order form if you are interested in buying lunch. Please return the permission slip and lunch orders which are at the end of this newsletter.

Work Health and Safety Housekeeping

Last Wednesday students, staff and preschool families participated in an evacuation drill which is a mandatory requirement in all schools by Work Health and Safety (WHS). We were pleased with the responsible way our students conducted themselves.

As a result of the drill it was noted that we need to be aware of who is on the school grounds at all times to ensure the safety and well-being of all visitors and students. For this reason we ask that all families and visitors please sign in at the Front Office on arrival and departure.

Also if a student arrives late or leaves school early, parents need to come to the Front Office to sign in or out their child. Kerry will then contact the classroom for the student/s to come down to the office.

We thank you for your cooperation in this important matter.

Questacon Visit

Yesterday’s visit to Gunning Public School for the Questacon Science Show was a valuable learning experience for all our students. The two science areas covered were aerodynamics and sound with engaging experiments demonstrating these principles. Both Infants and Primary children gave the afternoon a big tick of approval. We thank Mrs Lawrence, Principal at Gunning for the invitation.

Bus Travel and Excursions

We are utilising the bus for excursions and other school events as much as possible however there will be some occasions where a small fee of $5.00 per student will be requested to help subsidise the costs.

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Our Photo Gallery

Tennis coach, Kevin instructs Brynn on the finer points of a forehand.

Infants constructed a model of the school in their HSIE lesson.

Kai, a study in concentration.

We are fortunate to have music lessons available at the school. Here Ellie practises with Keva from the Goulburn Conservatorium.