



The Phoenix NEWSLETTER

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Term 3 Week 3

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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Our P&C's big fund raising push for 2009 is to be held next Saturday night [15 August] at the Dapto Leagues Club. Please make contact with our Admin office if you are keen to become involved. All funds raised will be directed towards improving our hall as a performance space. Individuals and small groups will be organised into tables of 10. Good fellowship and a chance to grow your brain. Be there!

Mrs Swan is off to the UK and Spain; makes us proud.

Last Sunday our State Premier, Mr Rees announced that **Ms Jane Swan** had been selected for the 2009 Premier's Teacher's Scholarship for Agriculture. Proud HT, **Ms Morgan** represented the school at a glittering Government House ceremony when the announcement was made. **Mrs Swan** will have 5 weeks to visit schools and colleges, all expenses paid. The challenges of organic farming are a particular focus. This award is a great acknowledgement of **Mrs Swan's** skilful, committed work.

'Y10 Decision Time!'

All Y10 students and their families are urged to become fully engaged with our 'Decision Time!' process. Following the Curriculum Expo last Wednesday night, students will need to complete their online subject selections. This school is able to offer a wide range of curriculum options, student selections will dictate which subjects are finally taught. VET subjects are available both here, at school and through our local TAFE colleges. Students not planning to go to Uni straight from school are strongly urged to include a VET subject in their choices. Students are being encouraged to talk to people who "know them well and love them". Our most focused students are those that have made thoughtful choices about their abilities, interests and life plans. Our Careers Advisor **Ms Crump**, and Year Advisor **Mr Horsley** are a great sources of both wisdom and factual information.

Mature aged students welcomed at Dapto High School.

Community members from 20 - 99 who would like to obtain their HSC or SC are welcomed. Potential candidates should make an appointment as soon as possible. Part time enrolments are possible.

HSC Showcase delights.

Ms Cooper and her team are feeling encouraged and proud. Tuesday night's performances and exhibition showed the strengths of the creative arts at our school. Many thanks to students, community members and staff who were able to attend.

The Laptops are coming!

Year 9 and their parents are requested to attend an information evening on Tuesday 1st September, the first day of Spring, for 2 hours from 6pm. The focus will be on the laptops to be issued to Year 9 students later in the term but, a range of other issues will be discussed. This is an important event. Please email **Mr Moore** Darcy.Moore@det.nsw.edu.au to confirm your attendance.

Andrew FitzSimons Principal

Teacher of the Week

JANE SWAN

for winning the
Premier's Teacher Scholarship—Agriculture

UNIFORM SHOP

Due to the Year 9 Snowy Trip the Uniform Shop will not be open on Thursday 27th August but will be open on Friday 28th August from 8am—12pm.

DAPTO HIGH SCHOOL needs *your* help...

Dapto High School P&C are holding a Trivia Night on 15th August 2009 to raise much needed funds for the refurbishment of our 50 something year old school hall. We are asking for your help in any of the following ways:

- * Donate any new, non-perishable goods which you would like to win (e.g. chocolates, gourmet foodstuffs, linen, cosmetics, tools, alcohol, sporting goods, clothing, wooden items, electrical items, toys, games etc.). Please deliver to school office with your child's name and year for acknowledgement.
- * Donate any service (e.g. Lawn mowing, electrical, plumbing, carpentry, babysitting, ironing, dog-walking, cooking etc.)

- * Buy a ticket for \$15, come along ready for fun and make some new friends on the night. Pay at school office.
- * Get a group of 10 of your friends together, have a laugh and a catch-up.
- * Donate any amount of money over \$2 to the Dapto High School Building Fund for a tax deductible receipt and know you are helping a worthwhile cause. Pay at school office.

For any further enquiries please telephone the school office or: **Warren Neil** (President) 0421057026 or **Alison Perry** (Vice-President) 0437265808

Coming Events for Weeks 4 & 5

WEEK 4 B WEEK

Tuesday 18th August

- Dapto Learning Committee P&C Meeting 7-9pm
- Yr 10 Youth and Road Trauma Excursion, Homebush

Wednesday 19th August

- ICAS Maths Competition

Friday 21st August

- Year 7 Vaccinations

WEEK 5 A WEEK

Monday 24th August to Friday 28th August

- Trial HSC (until Friday 4th September)
- Year 9 Snowy Excursion

Friday 28th August

- Year 11 Physics Enrichment Day (UOW)

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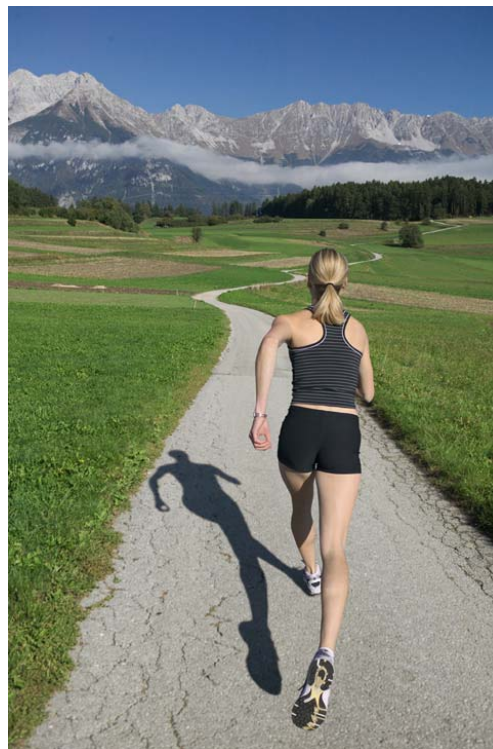
MARTIN, MORRIS & JONES CHALLENGE CUP

On Thursday 10 September (Week 7) the annual interschool visit will be held between Dapto High and Kanahooka High. This day involves sporting and cultural competitions between the two schools. Most of the events will be run at Dapto High School with a few outside venues being used for activities such as 10 Pin Bowling. All students are expected to attend school on the day and either compete or offer support from the sidelines. There is a vast choice of activities to take part in and over the next few weeks students will be invited to try out for teams. The day will begin with a roll mark for all students at 8.30am with activities beginning shortly after. At the conclusion of competition an assembly will be held at approximately 2.15pm to award the trophy to the winning school. Students are required to wear full sports uniform on the day. A canteen and BBQ will be run from the back oval all day; proceeds will be forwarded to the Travel Fund. Any queries can be directed to:

Mr Wright PD/H/PE

THURSDAY'S SENIOR GIRLS TOUCH FOOTY

Player's Player Winner (for last game) "V" Albion Park. **A's** won 6 to 2, equal 1st **Ashleigh Delli Fiori** and **Ashley Cartwright** 10 points, **Stephanie Kates** 9 points and **Melissa Turner** 8 points. **B's** won 3 to 0 still undefeated, 1st **Gemma Smith** 15 points, 2nd **Kirsty Stewart** 11 points, 3rd **Shayna Graham** 10 points.



CHS CROSS COUNTRY

Teira Humby (Year 10) and **Amy Woods** (Year 12) represented Dapto HS at the CHS Cross Country Championships held at Eastern Creek. Both Girls gave their best with Amy finishing in the top 20 in the 18 Years age group. Well done girls!

RUGBY LEAGUE EXCELLENCE RECOGNISED

Blake Spencer (Year 10) has been awarded the Under 16 Years Illawarra Rugby League Player of the Year. This is a fine achievement from a most talented and dedicated young man. Hopefully, it is only the beginning of greater honours in the future. Well done!

FROM THE CAREERS OFFICE

Year 9 students not attending the Snowy Excursion have the opportunity to complete a week of work experience. All Student Placement Records (SPR's) should be completed and returned to **Mrs. Crump** in Careers. Please hand in yours or you miss out! Students will be given their copies of the SPR + 'instruction' next week. They must phone their employer and remind them of their arrival on Monday 24th August, 09.

Year 11 non TVet students can also complete a week of work experience in Week 10. SPR's should be collected from Careers and returned ASAP please.

Mrs. Crump Careers

TERM 3 VACCINATION PROGRAM

On Friday 21st August, Year 7 and 10 students will be having their next round of vaccinations. This will be the last time for vaccinations this year.

- Year 7 students will be offered their 2nd and final Hepatitis B needle. Information packs, including the

consent forms went home to the 139 eligible Yr 7 students this week. Please return these to school ASAP and before Friday 14th August.

- Year 7 girls will be offered their 3rd and final HPV needle. The school already had the signed consent forms for these needles.
- Year 10 students who missed the DTP (Diphtheria, Tetanus and Whooping Cough) vaccination in Terms 1 & 2 will be offered a catch up needle.

See **Mrs. Meredith** or **Mrs. Robinson** in the PDHPE staffroom with any queries.

A reminder about the Duke of Edinburgh meeting every Monday Week B in Library. Bring documentation and ideas

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PARENTING COURSES

CatholicCare is running the following Parenting Courses at various venues and times throughout the Illawarra:

Parenting Toddlers- explores ages and stages of pre-schoolers.

Three Choices (123 Magic)- easy to follow steps in disciplining children age 2-12

Ideas for Parents- understanding behaviour and management strategies.

Parents, Kids and Anger- for parents of children 2 and above.

Parenting Children with Challenging Behaviour- for parents of children 2 and over

Parenting Teens- explore way to deal with parent/teen issues.

How to Raise Resilient Kids- for parents of children 5-12 years.

Keeping Kids in Mind (a post-separation parenting program).

For more information, details on locations, times and costs of any of these courses and for bookings which are essential phone 4227 1122.

DAPTO JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB

Registration Days 2009/10 will be held at Sportspower Dapto on:

Sunday 23 August and Saturday 29 August 2009 from 10am-1pm.

* Under 10 \$75

* Under 11-14 \$95

* Under 16 \$105

* Birth certificate is needed for all new players

Email: ericaredman123@optusnet.com.au

DAPTO JUNIOR CHIEFS BASEBALL

Club Rego Days: Sat. 29 August and Sat 5 September

10am to 2pm at Reed Park, Dapto

U'8 - Tee Ball Fee \$70

U'10- Zooka (machine ball) Fee \$70

U'12/U14/U16- pitch ball Fee \$85

All games played on Sunday. Ph. 0432491352

2 Bee Wax

at Revive Hair Shop 3/32-34 Princes Highway, Dapto.

Opening 1st September, 2009.

Specialist in Waxing/Tanning/Eyebrow/lash tinting.

Taking bookings now on 0438422530. Book now for your Formals.

Spring and School Special—all services ½ price for the month of September.

Specials include: \$10.00 Spray Tan (normally \$20), ½ Leg Wax: \$10 (normally \$20)

Eyebrow and Eyelash tint—get both for \$11 (normally \$22)