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NEWSLETTER

Seek the Truth

18th September 2014

From the Principal's Desk

Welcome everyone to the final edition of the newsletter for term 3. I expect that all members of our school community are looking forward to the September holidays.

2015 School Captains

I am very pleased to announce, after a long and challenging selection process, with a brand new selection task involved, that our 2015 school captains are Declan Caruso and Emma O'Mealley. Rachel Garvey and Ben Hunter have been selected as Vice-Captains. I am really looking forward to spending time with our new captains in 2015. Congratulations to all of you!

Relay for Life

It amazes me to say that there were 180 students and 36 staff involved in the recent Relay for Life. This represents well over half of all participants at the Dalby event. This is an absolutely incredible achievement and of course also a major fundraising contribution for the Cancer Council. Many staff helped along the way but I would like to especially mention the efforts of Mrs Cheryle Williams who worked for months on end to coordinate our entry. Thank you Cheryle for everything that you do!

NAPLAN (National Assessment Program Literacy & Numeracy)

The results of the Year 9 NAPLAN results have been released and our Year 9 students produced some great results across all five tests. The most significant achievement has come from the Spelling test. This year's result was the strongest in spelling ever produced by a Year 9 cohort. Results in the other four tests were comparable to previous years. I am really pleased with how the year 9s approached their NAPLAN testing. They prepared well, listened to teacher feedback and took the actual tests very seriously. Congratulations to all Year 9 students and thank you to the teachers who have supported them along the way.

Year 7 - 8 Transition

Year 7 students from all of our local primary schools are visiting us right now as a part of their transition program. The students are participating in many of their 2015 classes and are also participating in other planned activities. Their behaviour and attitude has been spot on! I am very much looking forward to seeing them on board as a part of our school community next year.

Renewed School Vision & Values

The school staff and the P & C Association have been working on a renewal of the schools' vision and values. This is a draft of where we are at:

Vision: *Creating the future; every student, every day*
Values: *Positive Relationships, Student Diversity, Multiple Pathways, Teaching Excellence*

If you have any thoughts, feedback or comments regarding these draft vision and values, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school. Student will have their say in Term 4.

Until next edition...

Thank you to all students, staff, parents, carers and community members for your support during what has been an extremely busy term.

Please do not hesitate to make an appointment at the school office after the holidays if I can be of assistance with any matter.

*Dr Dean Russell
Principal*

Sports Dinner
Tuesday 28th October at 6:00pm
Dalby Leagues Club
Guest Speaker: Lee Wharton (Lecturer @ QUT and former DSHS Student)
Tickets on sale Thursday 18th September
\$31 adults and \$25 DSHS Students (2 course meal included)

Year 7 in 2015
You are welcome to an information evening for students entering Year 7 in 2015.
Enrolment packages will be available on the night.
Dalby SHS Great Hall
Tuesday, 21st October at 6pm

Date Claimers	
September	October
17 Performing Arts Night	6 Labour Day Holiday
19 Debutante Ball	7 Term 4 Commences
19 - 21 Year 11/12 Drama Trip	7 - 13 SET Plan Interviews Year 10
19 Last day of Term 3	13 P&C Meeting
20 Spring Vacation commences	9 - 12 All Schools Touch
	10 Music Extension Concert
	10 DD Cricket
	14 Apollo Information Session
	15 Aeschylus Excursion
	20 Student Free Day
	21 Year 7 2015 Experience Day
	21 Yr 7 2015 Parent Info Evening
	26 Spring Concert
	28 Sports Dinner

YEAR 11 UPDATE

There has been so much going on for the Year 11s over the past few weeks. School Captain selection process, DIP leader selection, study, Relay for Life and lots of other extra-curricular activities. I would like to congratulate our elected School and Vice Captains for 2015. Captains are Emma O'Malley and Declan Caruso, and our Vice Captains are Rachel Garvey and Ben Hunter. These four did an outstanding job throughout the selection process and are going to make incredible school leaders. Their speeches and interviews were epic and they should be very proud of their efforts. In the end, the whole selection process was very, very close. The unsuccessful applicants were exceptional as well. As their Year Coordinator, I am extremely proud of all 14 students who went through the selection process and the 8 students who were shortlisted. These students are speaking, writing and presenting themselves professionally, with style and sophistication. Well done to all involved.

I would also like to formally congratulate the 18 elected DIP leaders for 2015. Congratulations to Shanae Johnston, Emma O'Malley, Shania Richardson, Kirstie Johnston, Ashley Horsburgh, Annika Werny, Bianka Raddatz, Tahnee Stevenson, Mikeala Gordon, Rachel Garvey, Tess Ladd, Brenna Shannon-Dear, Ben Harwood, Andrew White, Lachlan Noller, Daniel Ash, Ben Hunter and Scott Burt. These students have already started their duties. They came to the Year 7 into Year 8 night on the 2nd September (see photos) and yesterday and today (15th and 16th) they are assisting with the Year 7 Transition days here at Dalby State High School. These students were selected to be DIP leaders because they are mature, they have leadership qualities and they uphold the school rules at all times. I look forward to working with all of these leaders this year and next.

Jersey forms were due back to the Dalby State High School Resources scheme by last Friday 12th September. I hope that all students and their families have a great holiday and come back refreshed and ready to learn for the last term of 2014. Pretty soon the Year 11s are going to be the top of the school! That's pretty scary... but also very exciting. As always, please don't hesitate to contact me,

Alicia Spanner, Year 11 Coordinator.

THE RETCHING NETCHES ROCK AT CREEKSIDE MARKETS

Dalby State High School Rock Band, The Retching Netches, did some serious rocking at the Creekside Markets on Saturday 6th September.

Matt Pearce (bass guitar) and his twin sister, Nicola (vocalist) along with Seth Quinn (lead guitar) and newest member, Daniel Scott (drums) played covers by their favourite progressive metal band, The Muse. Three tracks, Hysteria, Liquid State and The Resistance were convincingly performed and enjoyed by the crowd.

The group will perform again at the upcoming Music Extension Concert on **Friday, 10th October in Great Hall starting at 6pm**. Come and support Matt and Nicola for their final performances for assessment.

Year 11 Biology

As part of their studies in human physiology, Year 11 biology students recently constructed a full replica of the human digestive system. This activity not only bought their theory work to "life" but also proved to be a talking point amongst both students and staff (discussion was particularly focused on the end product of digestion...). Students used a mortar and pestle for the mouth, a plastic bag containing gastric solution for the stomach, pantyhose for the small intestine, and a plastic cup for the remainder. Wherever possible, authentic solutions and enzymes were used. Overall a messy, hands-on, and authentic experience for all involved!

Instrumental Music News

Hi everyone. Just a couple of dates to keep in mind for next term.

- **Saturday October 11th** - we are hosting a morning tea for a group of ex students who will be doing a tour of the school. Some students will be required to play at this - please see the note that was sent home at Concert Band Tuesday as **help will be required**.
- **Sunday October 26th** - is the date for Spring Concert. All students will be required for this as all groups will be playing. Details regarding this performance will come home early next term.
- **Tuesday November 18th** - Awards night - we will be playing at this.

Well done on what has been a very big term for Instrumental with many students also involved in numerous other extra curricular activities this term. We will be straight back into rehearsals in Week 1 of next term.

Katie Commens

P & C News

Keep safe during the holiday break and enjoy the warmer Spring weather.

Congratulations to those students that gained selection into Darling Downs Athletics team .

All are welcome at our next P & C meeting to be held on **Monday 13th October at 5:30pm. Please note change of date.**

It is an ideal time to become more involved in our School community. Do take the opportunity to support your students.

Year 12 Formal

As our Year 12's approach the end of their schooling so to approaches the Year 12 Formal. The school would like to remind everyone that although this is a time of celebration it is also a private event. The only people who will be allowed entry in to view the formal will be the Year 12's and their guests. All other members of the public who wish to spectate will need to remain outside the grounds of the venue.

Dalby State High School P & C Resource Scheme Outlet

To ensure that your student has the books, classroom materials and sports activities for their study areas in 2015, join the Resource Scheme. The fees for 2015 are \$230 for Years 7, 8 and 9 students and \$250 for Years 10, 11 and 12.

Resource fees for 2015 can be paid by instalment now. **A \$20 discount will apply for fees paid in full before 1st December 2014.** Layby of uniforms is also available.

A Security Bond of \$50 is required for each student and rolls over each year. Any queries please phone 4669 0953 or email dalbyhighpandc@bigpond.com.

Pay cash, credit or cheque. Eftpos is available.

Lockers are also available for hire through the Resource Centre for \$40 per annum (cash or cheque only). A Locker Agreement Form must be signed by student and parent prior to hire.

HOURS OF OPERATION
Monday to Friday – 8.30am to 2.30pm



A DVD of photos from the musical Footloose can be purchased from the school office for \$10.

Agricultural Department

The citrus orchard at the Bunya Campus is nearing completion; new irrigation pipes and drippers installed, serious cut back to remove old growth and using the unusable round bales as mulch. Now that the trees are able to be watered new growth is appearing on the citrus and mulberry trees. Hopefully we'll be able to pick some delicious black mulberries by the end of the year.

Year 9 agricultural science classes have been working hard to get their veggie garden plots ready for planting in term four. Seedlings are growing in the greenhouse; this time we are growing beetroot, carrot, broccoli, corn, lettuce, rockmelon and zucchini. Hope to have a nice harvest at the end.

The Year 9's have also been patiently waiting for the arrival the Bunya Campus's Dorper lambs..... and they have arrived. A few more ewes are to lamb but there is over 50 new black and white lambs. They will be ready for lambing operations after the September break.

*Lauren Britton & Steven Zell
Agricultural Science Teachers*

MATHS DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Tutoring - Did you know that the Math Department offers tutoring to students twice every week? Students can attend Tuesdays before school from 8am-9am in the support space (breakfast room) or Wednesday at lunchtime in D05. Stay the whole session or just drop in for 10 mins, it's up to you. All year levels and abilities welcome.

IXL Maths - Every student from DSHS has been signed up to IXL maths (au.ixl.com/signin/dalby), this is an online tool that they can use to practice all Maths skills. If a student does not know their login they can ask their Maths teacher or talk to Mrs Moody.

Homework - All year 8 and 9 Maths classes have a standard homework sheet every week in term 4. These homework tasks are designed so students practice general numeracy skills as well as new skills they are learning in class. If your child does not have their task sheet please contact their teacher or Mrs Moody and we can email them directly to parents.

Sports News

Sports Awards Dinner—This year's night for celebrating the sporting success of our students will be held at the Dalby Leagues Club on Tuesday 28th October. This year's guest speaker is former Dalby SHS student and QUT academic Lee Wharton.

This year the awards have been selected using a numerical formula with points allocated for participation at various levels.

Darling Downs Athletics—Students have recently attended the Darling Downs Track and Field carnivals in both able bodied and AWD events. Dalby SHS was well represented and performed well. Congratulations to the following students for their selection in Darling Downs teams:

AWD - Travis Bayles, Jade Milliotis, John Flegler, Jaiden Reilly-Combargo,

Able Bodied - Mitchell Bazley, Sean Melbin, Jessi Henning, Flora Scarffe, Daniel Scott

Darling Downs Waterpolo Trials—Congratulations to Kirsty Johnston on her selection last week in the DD Water Polo team to play at the State Championships in Brisbane 12th to 15th March 2015. Well done to Chloe Beresford in Year 9 who made 1st Reserve for the team.

Knock out Athletics—Dalby SHS has entered teams in the Athletics Queensland State Knockout competition. Students will be travelling to Brisbane on Thursday 18th September for the opportunity to compete on tartan and under lights. We wish all competitors the best of luck. Thank you Mrs Rosie Allan for your work with these teams.

Rugby 7s—For the past 4 weeks, our U16 boys have been training twice a week at lunch times in preparation for the All Schools Rugby carnival. The team was made up of students from years 9-11, with a mix of both Rugby players and "Leaguies". They competed on Friday 12th September at Highfields Rugby Club in Toowoomba against teams from Our Lady, Pittsworth, Concordia College and Centenary Heights. They registered 3 out 4 wins in the round robin stages, losing only to Pittsworth. They had another crack at beating Pittsworth in the 1st v 2nd play-off but unfortunately went down in a closely fought contest. The boys should feel very proud of their achievements and the way they represented the school. Special thanks to Mr Caruso for his assistance during the day and driving the bus.

U16 Boys Rugby 7s team

Beau Fermor (11)
Harrison Harvey (11)
Ashutosh Chand (11)
Zac Gleeson (11)
Matty Gilliland (11)
Mark McLaughlin (11)
Tyson Thomas (11)
Wyatt Wrigley (10)
Travis Tate (10)
Braedon Green (10)
Lewis Boyd (9)

Touch - Students are busy preparing for the All Schools Touch carnival which will be held in Brisbane from Thursday 9th October through to Sunday 12th October. Students who are in teams playing are reminded to keep checking the website for draw updates <http://www.qldallschools.com/index.php?id=15>

Thanks you to Mr Walker and Mrs Marini for their coaching expertise with these teams.

Upcoming events:

U14 Inner Downs Boys Cricket Trials – September 17th
U14 Boys Darling Downs Cricket Trials – October 10th
Junior Vicki Wilson Netball Carnival – November 2nd
OLSCC Sports Exchange – Monday 1st December

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Free Mobile Women's Health Service

Dalby Health Services (Dalby Hospital)
9th & 20th October, 3rd & 25th November
8.15 am—2.30 pm Appointments 4669 0517

Holiday Clinic & Tournament at Dalby Tennis Club

School Holidays: Monday 22 – Friday 26 September
Groups for all ages and standards
1 ½ hrs – 3 hrs; from \$15/day

All enquiries - Ben Campbell at Faultless Tennis Academy
e: faultless@samford.net m: 0414 645 916

Jandowae 80s Flashback Fun Run & Obstacle Course Followed by Oktoberfest & Pig Races

Saturday 18th October from 1:30pm at Jandowae Showgrounds in aid of Jandowae State School Chaplaincy & P&C. Mens, Ladies & Team Events. All entrants must register - \$100 prize money for 1st Place and \$50 runners up. For more information find them on facebook, phone 0402 313096 or email kellywaddell@bigpond.com

2014/2015 Cricket Season Sign-On

Saturday 11th October from 9:30—11am
Dalby Cricket Grounds at Owen Street. Nomination fee \$50 per player. Discounts for families. For more information call Scott Cosgrove 0447177678 or Tim Hart 0408 910557 or visit the Sportsfirst Store in Dalby.

Zonta Club Birthing Kit Assembly Workshop

Sunday 12th October at 10am at Dalby Girl Guides Hut in North Street. Morning tea and lunch provided. Call Chris on 0427 258323 or simply turn up on the day.

Toowoomba Supercamp—Basketball or Football

January 11th—15th 2015 at Harristown State High for ages 6—18 yrs and all skill levels. go to www.supercamp.com.au or 4637 9244

ManUp for Prostate Cancer Road Tour 2014

27th August—3rd October
2 vintage cars visiting 40 towns across 5170km in 37 days
Facebook.com/ManUp! or www.ManUpQld.com.au

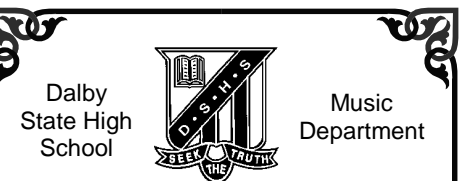
Touch Skills & Drills Clinic, Touch Coach the Coaches Clinic & Level 1 Touch Referee Course

Skills & Drills: Prep - Yr 7 Monday 22nd Sept 11am - 2pm
Training ideas for Coaches/Parents: Mon 22nd September 4:30 - 6pm. Dalby Touch Fields.

Level 1 Referee Course: Ages 12+, Tues 23rd Sept 5 - 9pm at PCYC. Cost \$40 (dinner supplied) Phone 0432 095080 to register

Swim Camp Dalby Aquatic Centre

22nd—26th Sept. 8am—11am every day. Squad level students only. \$80 per child.



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MUSIC EXTENSION PERFORMANCE CONCERT GREAT HALL

Featuring
Nicola Pearce
(voice/piano)
Matthew Pearce
(piano/electric base)

Special Guests
Seth Quinn & Daniel Scott
6:00pm
Friday 10th October