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WE VALUE RESPECT
WE VALUE SAFETY
WE VALUE CO-OPERATION

Friday 25th November, 2016

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GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK
TO OUR YEAR 10 STUDENTS!

OUR P&C MEETS SECOND WEDNESDAY OF
THE MONTH AT 6:30 PM
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Dimbulah State School acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the country in which this school is located and pays respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.
Dear Parents and Caregivers

With only two weeks of school remaining for 2016, Dimbulah State School is as busy as ever. Students have a variety of assessment and school based projects to complete, as well as beginning the transition to 2017. For many that will mean changing rooms, teachers and locations of classrooms. We will be holding our Prep-Year 5 transition morning on Wednesday 7th December from 10.10-11.10am. This will involve students moving to their allocated classes for 2017 and learning about their room and the teacher/s expectations of them. Parents and carers are welcome to attend and participate in the program.

Next Thursday 1st December is the annual Dimbulah State School Primary Recognition Evening. The night begins at 6.30pm and will be a fun filled night recognising student success and marking the end of a journey for our Year 6 students. Looking forward to a great night!

Dimbulah State School is proud of our student leaders and the programs and opportunities afforded to our school leaders. Leadership is a skill that can be taught, but needs to be practised and consolidated on a regular basis. One avenue that Dimbulah Primary students have to display and improve their leadership skills is Primary Parade. Congratulation to all of our Year 6 leaders for their work with running and organising primary parades. Throughout 2016 it has been enjoyable to watch our Year 6 students take on more and more responsibility, to the point that they now run all Primary Parades unassisted. A great effort!

Prep/1 has completed their first week in their temporary classroom. Works will begin shortly on the full internal renovation of the old facility. A big thank you to Miss Michele and all the staff and students who helped relocated the entire classroom last week. Congratulations also to our Prep/1 students who have been relatively settled and eager to continue learning.

Today is a sad, yet exciting time for some of our Year 10 students, as they have been attending Dimbulah State School for the past 11 years. To all of our departing Year 10 students we wish you a happy and relaxing holiday and every success for the future. Well done, and stay safe!

Regards

Tuki Brown
PRINCIPAL
Congratulations to the following students for:

50 nights of reading
Tommy Evans

75 nights of reading
Rowan Turnbull

100 nights of reading
Layla Genovese

150 nights of reading
Jasmine Pritchard
An Invitation to our Primary Recognition Evening

Dimbulah P-10 State School

Thursday 1st December, 2016
Undercover Basketball Area

6.30pm - 7.00pm  Parents and friends view students’ work display
7.00pm           Formal Ceremony Commences
Moo Baa Munch – Getting down to the farm.

Years 2, 3 & 4 Excursion
Year 8 Science

This year in Science has been really cool because we have the best teacher in the school and we got to dissect flowers and look at them under a microscope. On the last day of Term 3 we got to look at all different organisms under the microscope. For example we looked at pineapple, red ants, ticks, finger nails, scabs and blood. Another highlight this year was making Rube Goldberg machines. A Rube Goldberg machine is a difficult way of doing something simple. We tried to get a ping pong ball into a bin. It was actually pretty difficult.

By Jack Schincariol and Deacon Hennessey

Year 9 Science

This year Science has gotten better because Term 4 is all about doing experiments with chemicals. We’ve been looking at exothermic and endothermic reactions. Endothermic is when the temperature decreases. We mixed Sodium Hydrogen Carbonate and Citric Acid. This made the water temperature drop by about 20°C. Exothermic is when the temperature increases. We mixed Calcium Oxide and Water and got the temperature up to about 97°C. Then the temperature dropped quickly for a bit then slowed down. The assessment wasn’t too bad, pretty interesting.

By Jonah Serafin and Jason O’Shea

Impressions of Science by Year 10 boys

The past three years of Science at high school have been pretty good, especially because we have had a good teacher. We have learned a great deal about the different types of Science and how they operate and intertwine. Some of the highlights have been making crystals and “rocking perfume” in Year 8. The Rube Goldberg machine in Year 8 was “good as” too. The highlight in Year 9 was getting a chemical reaction to go hot enough to heat food. We used Calcium Oxide and water. Also in Year 9 we dropped magnesium strips into a beaker with hydrochloric acid inside and made a wicked sound. Rodney made ‘the best’ mousetrap racer in Open Lab at the end of Year 8. We will miss Ms Smyth sooooo much!

By Darcy Rowling, Rodney McGrath and Jacob Cross.

The Three Mullet-teers!
You are invited to
Dimbulah P-10 State
School’s
Transition Day
Prep to Year 5
December 7th, 2016
Wednesday
10.10 am to 11.10am
Students will visit their new classroom and teacher for
2017
Parents are welcome to attend
WELLNESS HIGH TEA

On Thursday 10th Nov the 9/10 Food, Textiles, Technology Plus class supported The Staff Wellness Day by having a High Tea for all DSS staff.

Staff were treated to a wonderful array of sweet and savoury foods and the class baristas didn’t disappoint treating the staff with their legendary coffees.

It was a great culmination to the Staff Wellness Day, seeing all the staff sitting around the tables chatting, while eating and drinking the wonderful array of food made and served by the FTT+ students. It was such a great opportunity to see staff catch up and to see the students interact with the staff and work so well together to make the event a success. Events like these really give our students the opportunity to shine.

Some wonderful comments by staff included:-

“The coffee was lovely, the students did great.”

“The food was delicious & real coffee”

“Seeing the students shining in a different context.”

“Seeing the confidence of some students.”

“Great service, Lots of fun, happy conversations, Very nice.”

![Image of students and staff at the high tea event]
The Australian Curriculum: Digital Technologies requires students in Year 3 to 8 to learn to code with it being an option for students in Year 9 and 10. Students in Year 8 BIT and Year 9/10 Information Technology, in recent weeks, have been working on coding and programming tasks via the website www.groklearning.com. (Even though it is Australian based there is no au in the domain name).

Year 8 students have been working through a number of free short activities such as making the turtle draw a snowflake.

While the Year 9 and 10s have been working through a variety of tasks that required the school to pay a subscription. The tasks that the students have had access to have seen students:
- write as their first program; the traditional “Hello World”
- carry out image manipulation by change the colouring of each individual pixel
- play with a virtual pet (similar to a Tamagotchi).

Earlier this year the 9s and 10s took part in a Website Design competition where students needed to write in html eg

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<html>
  <h1>THE BIGGER THE BETTER.</h1>
  <h1 style="font-size: 36px">The bigger the better.</h1>
</html>
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This is the code that is running in the background when you highlight a phrase of text and click on size 36.

Students also took part in the National Computer Science School Competition which saw students receive a Certificate of Achievement from The University of Sydney.

Another great coding website is www.code.org. This website also offers free short activities via the Learn tab, Code Studio. Code.org are behind the worldwide Hour of Code event from Dec 5 to 11. The event is designed to show students what it takes to create the programs and apps they use. Secondary students will be participating in the Hour of Code on Mon 5 December.

Miss Page
The 3 years at Dimbulah S.S were enjoyable.
-Emma & Greg

Our Journey at Dimbulah is one that we will never forget.
-Abbey, Katrina, Meg

Eleven fun years have left us with amazing memories to last us a lifetime, we wish future students the best.
-Brooke, Kelsey, Isabella, Meg.

D.S.S was fun, a lot of memories were made.
-Daniel

It was alright, but all the detentions were jargon.
-Rodney

Like all good things, my time at Dimbulah has come to an end. But I have made some great memories and met great people.
-Noah

I will miss D.S.S and wish good luck for future students.
-Issac

Dimbulah was a fun and unforgettable experiences, all the best for future students.
-Nikita

Good times, Good times...
-Darcy

Year 10 Quotes (by Patrick)
BE PART OF SOMETHING LIFE-CHANGING
The Qld Government is giving parents and carers free access to evidence-based parenting support through the Triple P – Positive Parenting Program. Join us on Facebook to get quality parenting information, and visit www.triplep-parenting.net to see what programs are available. More seminars and group sessions coming soon.

SET YOUR KIDS UP FOR SUCCESS IN 2017
We all want our kids to do well at school – and in life! Set your kids up for success by learning how to positively parent. Find out how to encourage kids to be respectful, make good decisions and feel positive about themselves. And it’s all free! Why not do Triple P Online over the holidays (Teen version coming soon)? You can register online 24/7.

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