WE VALUE LEARNING
WE VALUE RESPECT
WE VALUE SAFETY
WE VALUE CO-OPERATION

Friday 02 September

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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 remaining of Term 3, teachers and students are working hard to finalise lessons and complete assessment. Many year levels across Dimbulah State School will be completing vital learning and assessment right up to the last day of term, hence “Every Day Counts”. If your child/children are absent for any reason please contact the school at your earliest convenience. In line with departmental requirements for 2017, Dimbulah State School will be trialling same day absence notification next term. This will involve school staff contacting parents and caregivers every day that a student is absent without an explanation.

Two weeks ago, Dimbulah State School completed our four year review. Thank you to all students, staff, parents and community members who contributed by spending time speaking with the reviewers. Our school received a very favourable report card, with one area standing out above all others; the belief of staff at Dimbulah State School that every student is capable of learning successfully. The report on our fantastic school and staff will be available in the coming weeks on our website. Congratulations again to all staff at Dimbulah State School.

Students in Years 6-10 will be issued with mid-semester report cards at the end of this term. This is a progress report without comments. Reports will be issued in the last week of school on Thursday 15 September. While there is no formal time allocated for parent teacher interviews, if you have any queries or concerns please feel free to contact the school and a suitable time for an interview will be arranged. Parents and caregivers are always welcome at Dimbulah State School.

Under 8’s will be held at Chillagoe State School this year next Friday 9 September. It promises to be an exciting trip and fun filled day. Our Yr5/6 class will also be hosting a movie afternoon/night that same evening. Congratulations to the year 5/6 class for their initiative in suggesting and negotiating a movie night. Well done!

Our home Reading program is going from strength to strength. Two weeks ago on parade the school and I handed out certificates for a combined total of 3000 nights reading. What a great effort from all the students, teachers, teacher aides and parents. It is this combined partnership within our school community that will see our student continually improve and develop reading skills for life.

Regards

Tuki Brown
Principal

Milo Cricket Day
Reading in the Library
Deadly Australians
Congratulations to the following students for:

25 nights of reading
Anthea Archer

75 nights of reading
Nika Pros
Tyrone Aliya

100 nights of reading
Maheyla Brunjes
Tyler Triantafyllou
Josh Anderle
Esava Koroiwaca

125 nights of reading
Mia Dala Lana

150 nights of reading
Aisha Lam

175 nights of reading
Abbie Martel
Amaya Goldsworthy
GOTCHA! Students who are following our school values of LEARNING, RESPECT, SAFETY AND COOPERATION are automatically entered into the school’s weekly GOTCHA draw. The following students received free poppers over the last fortnight. Well done students!

Ally MacLeod – Learning ‘Reading’
Olivia Tiberi – Learning, Cooperating and Being Respectful and Being Safe
Manuesina Mahina – Learning, Cooperating and Being Respectful
Tyriahna Starkey – Learning
Lincoln Wells – Learning ‘Diary Entry’
Aisha Lam – Learning, Cooperating and Being Respectful
Ethan Redfern – Learning ‘Science’
Paige Carey – Cooperating and Being Respectful
Lara Martin – Learning and Smiling
Sophie Martin – Learning, Cooperating, Being Respectful and Being Safe even with a broken arm
Ayden Boswell – Learning ‘Spelling’
Marco Canzian – Learning, Cooperating, Being Respectful and Being Safe
Errol Martin – Learning, Cooperating and Being Respectful
Nika Pros - Learning
Joel Fitzgerald – Learning
Layla Genovese – Learning, Cooperating, Being Respectful and Being Safe
Last Thursday Years 4-6 students had a chance to play cricket, drink Milo and have a lot of fun. There were two St. Thomas’s school teams, one Mareeba State School team and a Dimbulah State School team. We all received a cricket poster, a cricket pencil and an invitation to play cricket in Cairns.

Scouts invited Will Collins to attend the up-coming Peninsula cricket trials after watching his skills throughout the day. Well Done Will!!

Cara Tiberi has qualified for the 2016 Junior State Gymnastics Championships, to compete in Brisbane during the September holidays. Well Done Cara!

**SCHOOL FEES**

School fees are due for payment. Please pay as soon as possible. Thank you to those who have already paid.

**Rotary Interact Update**

On Monday’s parade, we presented Siew, Bruce, Clinton, Sean and Aisha Lam with a gift on behalf of Rotary Interact and the school. This gift was to say ‘thank you’ for their generosity and for cooking delicious food - the exceedingly successful Vietnamese & Asian Lunch - for the school community.

- *Abbey Taylor (President) & Patrick Picco (Publicity Officer)*
Writers’ & Illustrators’ Camp

by Emma McDermott & Destiny King (Yr 6)

Over four days, we attended the annual Writers’ and Illustrators’ Camp at Daradgee College. At this camp we met published authors Elizabeth Honey and Craig Smith who taught us how to write and illustrate a realistic farm themed short story. We got to see a lot of their short stories as well.

We also ate a lot of homemade food! Our favourite meal was fish and chips. There was hot chocolate every morning with melted marshmallows and almost every morning, we had bacon with fresh eggs from the camp’s farm.

The camp’s farm had a friendly cow called Emma, an escape master goat called Oreo, a sheep with hard rough wool called Baa, lots of chickens, three geese, a few ducks and two turkeys. There were also a few ducks and chicks hatching out of their eggs. 😊

We met a lot of new friends from different schools, talked about our favourite stories with them and played volley ball and soccer. All our new friends had a good sense of humour.

We slept in a leaking tent, while others got cabins. Every day we had to clean out our tents for inspection. Emma got bonus points for having a beautiful butterfly pillow. On Friday, we found a leach and two earwigs in our tent.

Overall, it was a great four days of fun learning!
We've had a very busy term so far. We have welcomed some Year 3's into our class. We have also welcomed Christina Meyer in our class for the rest of the term, who is completing her third year prac.

In English we are reading the novel Forest of Silence by Emily Rodda and analysing the characters. We are working towards writing our own first chapter to a fantasy story.

We have been working on addition, subtraction, multiplication and division problem solving methods in Maths. As well we are working with decimals, equivalent fractions and calculating change with money.

Geography and Science have linked in well this term as we are investigating animal and plant adaptations and looking at the different types of environments and vegetation they adapt to.

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**Jarred's Character Analysis**

Jarred is a humble servant who was given to Endon, the future king. Jarred and Endon are from the fantasy novel The Forest of Silence, by Emily Rodda. The story is set in the kingdom of Deloria in the city of Del. The main idea of this story is a quest that will restore peace to Deloria.

Emily Rodda describes Jarred as a curious person, who questions the rule a lot. The immense difference between Jarred and Endon lies between how Endon the son of the king and queen who always obeys the rule, to Jarred the son of a servant and a curious child. Jarred is an extremely loyal friend to Endon, and really wants to know what lies beyond the palace walls.

As the plot goes on, Jarred faces his second dilemma. It was when he was going to jump into the trash cart. Because of this he ended up in the ruined city of Del. Jarred did the right thing when he jumped in, because if he stayed he would be found and killed.

Did some people have different opinions than me? Yes, 9 people thought Jarred did the wrong thing, and 10 people thought Jarred did the right thing. I thought Jarred did the right thing, and so did the people next to me, Sean and Josh. Though I did not have the same opinion as Lara (the person in front of me). She said that Jarred should have waited to tell Endon about the belt of Deloria.

Jarred has changed immensely after his decision, because he went from a friend for the prince and now king of Deloria to a normal black smith of Del. Jarred is always loyal to someone, either Crain (the black smith before him), Anna (his wife), or Endon, when he's a friend of a royal or a black smith.

By Leo
Fancy Dress Ball

Where: Dimbulah State School
Undercover Area
When: Thursday 15th September
Who: Prep to Year 6
Time: 6pm–8pm

Prizes for the Best Dressed Boy and Girl.

Free Entry
Games and great music

Come along for some great fun

Hot Chips $3.50
Hot Dogs $2.00
Poppers and Softdrink $1.00
It’s time again for us to

KNOCK OUT NITS!

Let’s work together again to get rid of head lice!

Thursday September 8th

Follow up Wednesday September 14th
DAY 1-Thursday September 8
DAY 2-Wednesday September 14

You will need a bottle of hair conditioner and a nit comb or a very fine toothed comb and some dedicated time.

1. Thoroughly check hair using the comb.
2. Wash hair.
3. Leave the conditioner on the hair.
4. Comb from the roots upwards checking for lice and nits and wiping the comb after each sweep.
5. Double check behind the ears, the back of the head and nape of the neck area.
6. Follow up on Day 2.

OR

Buy a lice killing lotion from the chemist and follow the directions. However, it is strongly recommended you follow the wet combing method as well.
With Queensland Child Protection Week occurring between the 4th and 10th of September 2016, I thought it was timely to provide parents and carers with information to assist in protecting our children regarding internet safety. Unfortunately internet based devices (phones, laptops, tablets, gaming systems) and applications have been used by sex offenders in order to gain access to children. Therefore it is just as important to educate our children about ‘chatting’ to people online as it is meeting new people in the real world. Parents should remain vigilant by removing laptops, computers and personal devices from bedrooms; setting up suitable study zones, eg the dining room to see what is being used all the time; and discussing with the children ways in which they are staying safe.

The following tips may help:

Never give out personal information on the net, like your full name, address, phone number or school.

Ensure your screen name does not reveal personal information about you.

Review your online profile. Predators can use this personal information to find you.

Only allow your friends to view your personal blog and profile.

Never send your picture to someone you don’t know.

Don’t accept invitations to view webcams from unknown internet users.

Never arrange face-to-face meetings with people met online.

Understand predators ask personal questions and attempt to become friends quickly.

Time chatting online to a person does not equal trust or knowing the person.

Sincerely

Senior Constable Paul Stanley
Dimbulah Station – Ph. 40935200
Well Women’s Clinics
Mareeba Hospital & Mulungu
(These clinics are available to Medicare eligible clients)

Mareeba Hospital – Thursdays 22nd & 29th September
Ph: 4092 9311

Mulungu – Tuesday 27th September
Ph: 4092 3428

Service includes Pap Smears, Sexual Health Screening, Breast Awareness, also info on Contraception, Continence, Menopause, Lifestyle Issues, Bowel Health, Domestic Violence, etc. All services are provided by a specially trained Women’s Health Nurse.