



A great morning was had by all who attended our Term One Garden Club. Attendees were treated to a delicious fresh cooked breakfast for all their hard work! Thanks to all who came and helped out.



The Enemy Within

On Monday, March 25, our school was lucky enough to host guest speaker Joe Williams. Although forging a successful sporting career, Joe battled the majority of his life with mental illnesses including Bi Polar . Joe felt his purpose was to help those who struggle with differnt forms of mental illness. His presentation was insightful and promoted a strong sense of support and focused on the building blocks of resilience.

Students Jonathan Gleeson, Rosa Buchanan and Kyle Spencer chat with Joe Williams. Photo: Daily Liberal/BELINDA SOOLE

What's on?

Monday 8/04/19

P & C Meeting in School Library at 7.30pm

Tuesday 9/04/19

2nd Clinic - Yr 10 Meningococcal Catch up for Yr 7 dTpa & HPV9p

Friday 12/04/19

Bronze Merit Excursion to DALC. **LAST DAY OF TERM 1**

Tuesday 30/04/19

TERM 2 COMMENCES

Monday 13/05/19

P & C Meeting in School Library at 7.30pm

Tuesday 14/05/19 to Thursday 16/05/19

NAPLAN Testing for Yr 7 & Yr 9

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Principal's Message

We have pleasing news that Linda Macleod has accepted the role of Principal of South Campus and will commence in Week 4 of Term 2. Linda comes to us as an experienced principal from Gulgong High School. She has had a long association with Dubbo College, having worked here previously as a Relieving Principal, Deputy Principal and Head Teacher Mathematics. I am sure you will all join me in welcoming her. Thank you for your support whilst I relieved in the Principal position. I am looking forward to working with Linda and returning to my role as Deputy Principal.

We have had lots of student activities occurring over the past two weeks. I

would like to thank staff for their organisation of these wonderful opportunities for our students. Year 10 attended the 'Get Real' pledge and assembly at Senior Campus and a careers event at St John's College.

Groups of students attended a Moorambilla Voices workshop and the College Band workshop. A small group of girls participated in a Bangarra Aboriginal Dance workshop. Year 8 English classes have been visiting infants classes to read them the story books they have written as a class project. Year 7 students participated in a Colour Run organised by Erin Sutherland in the PDHPE faculty. Well done to everyone for their involvement.

We are looking forward to this year's



Harmony Day activities which will occur on Friday 5th April and I hope to see many families joining us in our celebration of the schools diverse cultural backgrounds.

Science Matters Vol. 5

As the term begins to wind down, Science classes have continued to explore the biological world and broaden their knowledge. All classes have completed their second topic test which should help students evaluate the effort they have been putting into their studies this term.

Year 10 have continued to explore the wonders of biotechnology, with many classes being asked to debate the ethics of the use of stem cell research or human cloning. These debates have allowed students to challenge their own beliefs and to think "outside the square".

Year 9 have been eagerly learning about their immune system and how it fights diseases to keep us healthy. Several

classes have conducted experiments to test the claims of anti-bacterial soaps by growing bacteria colony on agar plates, with many being surprised at the end results. Some classes have also had the opportunity to see the creative ways the immune system can be presented by analysing the science behind the movie Osmosis Jones.

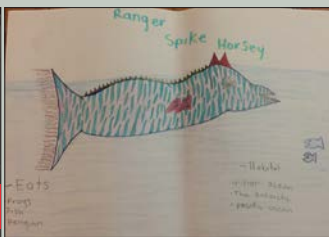
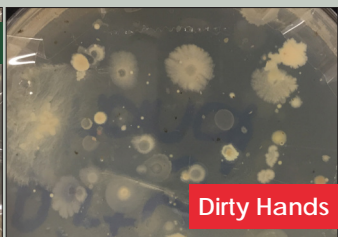
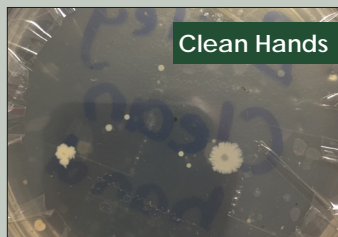
Year 8 have moved on from the human body systems to exploring the systems found in plants. This has given classes the opportunity to view plant tissue under the microscope or watch coloured water move through a stalk of celery while others have been lucky enough to dissect a variety of flowers to see how plants reproduce.

Year 7 Have been looking at how

ecosystems can be rehabilitated from natural disasters, like bushfires and the impact of humans, such as land clearing, to ensure that biodiversity continues to thrive in Australian ecosystems. As reported last newsletter, some Year 7 classes were tasked with designing their own animal with adaptations suited to a chosen environment. Below are just some of the fantastic beasts that were found in the classrooms of Year 7.

Next term will see all year groups tackling the world of Chemistry, which can only mean one thing - Bunsen burners will finally get used!!

May the cells be with you,
Mr. Davies
HT Science (Relieving)



Vaccination Time

Vaccination forms were handed out 8 February. If your child did not receive one, forms will need to be collected from the school administration office. The **1st Clinic** was held on Tuesday 26 March 2019 for Year 7. A **2nd Clinic** will be held on Tuesday 9

April 2019 for Year 10 - Meningococcal ACWY and Year 7 - dTpa & HPV9 catch up if not received at the 1st Clinic.

A **3rd Clinic** will be held on Tuesday 15 October 2019 for Year 7 - HPV9 (dose 2) & Year 10 - Meningococcal ACWY catch up if not received 2nd Clinic.

If you have any questions regarding vaccinations please do not hesitate in contacting Rebecca Groen or Sally Doohan on 6809 8962 or 6809 8980. If I am able to assist in queries about vaccinations please call our school and ask for me, Mr Paul Brandon, Learning and Support Teacher.

DON'T FORGET!

Please register for the Dubbo College South Campus Parent Portal if you haven't already received your email with the instructions, please contact the school.

web1.dubbosouth-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/portal

Chicken Little

This term, Ms Hockey's class incubated and hatched chickens as part of their Science and Agriculture units. Four fertilized eggs from the Ag farm were placed in a small incubator in the classroom.

Over the course of 21 days the students took turns every morning and afternoon, rotating the eggs and topping up the water, to maintain a consistent humidity inside the incubator. Three weeks into the process the students got to see the chicks hatch firsthand. Three out of the four eggs hatched successfully.

The three chickens were then transferred to a chicken coop with a heat lamp to continue to grow. The students all practiced taking care of and cleaning up after the little animals. One morning the students returned to the class to find a chick missing. Amazingly, later that day, a local community member arrived at school stating that their cat had brought the chick home in its mouth last night. Uninjured, the chick which was now named 'Lucky' and reunited with the others.

The chicks continued to grow and develop in the classroom until week 9



where they were taken down to the Ag farm to live in a larger enclosure. The students all enjoyed learning about the lifecycle of a chicken this term.



GIRLS ACADEMY NEWS



Shining Bright Attendance Awards & Lunch

Girls Academy celebrated the Shining Bright Awards on Tuesday, April 2. Thirty five girls were awarded the Shining Bright Award for having 85% and above attendance for Term One.

Girls Academy would like to congratulate our girls on this achievement and give a special mention to Emmerson Shipp, Graycen Shipp, Shanaya Button and Sarah Rose Smith for reaching 100% attendance during the term.



Graycen Shipp, Sarah Smith, Shanaya Button and Emmerson Shipp

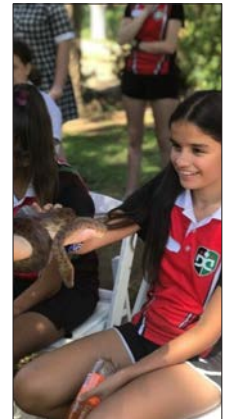
Holiday Activity - Cinema Under the Stars

Reminder, for any Girls Academy students wanting to participate in the "Cinema Under the Stars" event on Wednesday April 17 during the school holidays, they must write their name on the list outside the Girls Academy office. Transport can be provided to and from the event.

Girls Day Out

On Friday, March 22, twenty three girls attended Girls Day Out at the Zoo along with Girls Academy from both Delroy Campus and Senior Campus. The girls participated in a number of activities including yoga, Aboriginal culture, mindfulness and education around healthy relationships and sexual health.

The girls enjoyed lunch with their Grandmothers, Mothers and other influential women in their lives and finished off the afternoon with a pampering session.



Clontarf News - Week 10

Year 7 Induction Camp

Clontarf footy was the first item on the camp agenda. We played our brothers in Orange and showed great Clontarf spirit. All rules were explained and taught to the boys by Clontarf staff and the lads had a great go. Our Spirit Award went to Jaiden Pearce for always supporting his team mates and having a good go. The overnight camp was focused around bringing the lads together and teaching them the basics of Clontarf and how we can support these young men in their journey at school. Clontarf pillars were explained in detail & the young lads took part in some leadership based activities. They also took part in a clean up around Lake Canoblis as part of a community event.

had a laugh & involved his teammates. The next day we took a cultural tour with Uncle Charlie, he was able to teach the boys about some of the stories that took place on the reserve. We thank all the Brewarrina team for teaching us and putting on a great experience.



Titan Macquarie Mud Run

Ten clontarf members jumped out of bed on Saturday morning to help volunteer their day at the annual Titan Macquarie Mud Run. The boys had a great day out, helping the community get through a tough event. Our young men gave their time, energy & enthusiasm all day. They were very dedicated to the stations they were supervising and made sure that each community member got through with a helping hand and a smile. Well done to all these young men that have been a part of these community activities during the Term. It was a great way to inject some energy into our own little community. Well done.



Community Events - Relay For Life

Relay For Life is a community fundraising challenge for Cancer Council NSW. Teams of friends, families, schools and colleagues raise money in the lead up to an overnight event, where team members take turns walking around a track to signify that cancer never rests, so neither do we.

Over the weekend, students from Dubbo Clontarf Academy in Years 8 & 9, along with their siblings, participated in the event. The boys walked, ran and engaged in the Scouts Rope obstacle and shooting range.

The boys also had the opportunity to play a game of volleyball, which was a lot of fun. Thanks to the boys who made it on what was a cold and windy day.



Clontarf Brewarrina Touch Carnival

A group of select Clontarf members took an overnight trip to Brewarrina to take part in a touch carnival. The trip began with a cultural tour of town and some insight into the mine site & the work opportunities that can come with it. Our young men participated in a non-competitive touch footy competition with great spirit and character. The boys helped out other teams and were always smiling and having a great time. Dinner was provided by the local pool and the boys were able to have some free time in the pool after the carnival. Our spirit award went to Jaid Barker, who played with great energy, always