WELCOMETO DUNGOG HIGH SCHOOL



YEAR 7 CLASS OF 2025

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ABORIGINAL EDUCATION OFFICER (AEO)

- Introduction and Role of the AEO
- Culture Room
- Cultural programs







Aboriginal Education Officer
Kara Clements



YR 7 YEAR ADVISOR

- Welcome
- Role of the Year Advisor
- Class structure
 - Core class group KINGS
 - TAS classes
- Yr 7 Camp (next slides)



Year 7 Year Advisor 2025 Isaac Petersen

YEAR 7 CAMP

Monday 10th – Wednesday 12th March, 2025 (Term 1, Week 7)

This is a unique opportunity for the Year 7 class to bond with their new classmates and form new friendships









LAKE MACQUARIE





MORE CAMP FUN



















Principal, Mr Stephen Harper



Deputy Principal, Ms. Tina Pratt



Deputy Principal, Mr Brad Dives



Deputy Principal, Mrs Susan Judd







- Since Term 4, 2023 mobile phones have not been permitted to be used during school hours in all NSW government schools.
- Students are required to turn off their phones and place their phones inside a secure pouch before they enter the school grounds.
- This ban includes wireless earbuds, smart phones and watches with cellular function.

WHAT TO EXPECT IN HIGH SCHOOL

- A bigger school
- New students
- Different teachers for each subject
- New subjects
- New speciality classrooms
- New friends











DUNGOG HIGH SCHOOL'S THREE CORE VALUES

- RESPECT: Treating yourself and others in a considerate and caring manner.
- RESPONSIBILITY: Taking ownership of your actions and their outcomes.
- PERSONAL BEST: Trying your hardest to perform as well as you can.







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YEAR 7 SUBJECTS

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Human Society and its Environment (HSIE) History and Geography
- Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE)
- Languages Other than English (LOTE)
- Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) Music
- Technology and Applied Science (TAS)
- Library

SPORT



Sport Houses



FITZGERALD
(A-E)

NICHOLSON
(L-Q)

ROBINSON
(R-Z)







SWIMMING CARNIVAL











ATHLETICS CARNIVAL











CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL











HEAD TEACHER WELLBEING

- Introduction and Role of the Head Teacher Wellbeing
- Engagement and Wellbeing Centre (EWC)
- Wellbeing programs
- Learning and Support



Head Teacher Wellbeing
- Relieving
Aimee Fenton

BRAIN BREAK ACTIVITY





STUDENT ADMINISTRATION

- Compass and communication
- Student administration
- Buses
- Uniforms & Book Packs



School Administration Manager Hazel Craig

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STUDENT ADMINISTRATION



We use Compass as our school management system.

THE COMPASS APP

- Receive updates, reminders and communication from the school
- Receive or create attendance notifications.
- Online statement of accounts and payment centre
- Receive academic reports
- See student timetables
- View the school calendar
- > Book parent teacher interviews
- Online consent and payments for school excursions and online school photo ordering

SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS

- SMS for non-attendance notifications
- Compass App
- Fmail
- Facebook



STUDENT ADMINISTRATION

Attendance

• Please notify the school by phone, email or through the Compass app if your child will be absent from school. If we have no explanation by 10.30am you will receive an SMS and an email that your student is not accounted for.

Leaving early

• If you require an early leavers pass for your student please email or send a note before school, with the time and reason for needing to leave early. A pass to leave class will be issued and the student will then need to attend the office to sign out and be collected.

Arriving Late

• Please call, email or send a note with your student if arriving late. If no explanation is given you will receive an SMS notification for an unexplained partial absence.



STUDENT ADMINISTRATION

Sick Bay

• If a student is unwell, they should ask the classroom teacher to come to the sick bay located at the front office. Children who are too unwell to be at school will need to be collected within a reasonable time frame. We cannot have students in sick bay all day. We have first aid trained staff who will be called on to assess any serious injury or illness.

Buses

- All students who wish to travel by bus that live outside 2km radius need to apply for a bus pass at Transport for NSW link and more info on our website.
- Once your application is received the school will endorse the application and you will receive a notification of endorsement.
- Contact the bus company (Sheltons or LINQ) directly to enquire about times and pick up/drop off locations.

UNIFORMS AVAILABLE FROM LOWES RAYMOND TERRACE (MID-NOVEMBER)





When students wear a school uniform, they feel included in our school community



SHOES

- Proper footwear is important to ensure safety within our many speciality classrooms and around the school grounds
- School shoes must be leather or suede and offer adequate support to the foot.
- The shoe must cover the entire upper section of the foot to protect against falling objects or spilt liquids. No sandals, crocs, ballet flats or similar.
- The shoe must be completely black (including the sole and laces) with limited brandings or logos









TECHNOLOGY

- As a school we embed technology skills in everyday teaching and learning. We strive to provide an environment where students can:
 - access learning any time from any device
 - collaborate develop critical thinking skills through discussion and sharing of ideas
 - show creativity students have access to a wide range of software
 - become independent learners
 - be career ready

At Dungog High we believe technology is an increasingly important part of an effective learning environment. We encourage students to bring their own personal laptop to use in the classroom.

The advantages and benefits

Higher student engagement

Seamless learning between school and home. Streamlining communication, reducing lost work and increasing visibility for parents/carers of their child's learning.



Career-ready skills

When students bring their own device they will refine their basic computer skills and digital literacy on a daily basis, preparing students to take on more complex tasks and responsibilities of a modern work environment.

Anywhere, anytime learning

With personal devices in the classroom students can access their learning digitally, at school or at home. This fosters independent learning, organisational skills and an ability to express themselves creatively.



Using their own personal device students can access differentiated learning to meet their own personal needs, including the ability to utilise assistive technologies such as screen readers.



WHAT PLATFORMS DO WE USE?

- Department of Education NSW Student Portal
- MS Teams classwork and assignments
- Office 365 apps including Microsoft Word, PowerPoint etc. Files save automatically to student's OneDrive.
- Students can access files and classwork from any computer with an internet connection
- Compass student timetables







DOES MY CHILD NEED THEIR OWN LAPTOP?

- In Years 7 and 8 teachers book school laptops as required.
- Year 7 and 8 students can choose to bring their own laptop if they prefer. They can access the school wifi and printers on personal laptops.
- In Years 9-12 students are expected to have a laptop and to bring it to school every day. They can choose to bring their own personal laptop or to borrow one through the school loan program.



HOW DO I CHOOSE A LAPTOP FOR SCHOOL?

- If you are considering buying a laptop for your child, pick up a copy of our checklist.
- Choose a device that is compact (11–13-inch screen).
- A sturdy carry case is recommended
- IMPORTANT No additional software is required.
 Students can access all the software they need through the student portal free of charge.

DUNGOG HIGH SCHOOL BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD) CHECKLIST



Highly recommended

Choose a device that is durable and sturdy and invest in a tough, good quality, carry case. 2 in 1 touchscreen devices with a stylus are a great versatile option.

Software

Students already have free access to download Microsoft Office (including Word and PowerPoint) from their DoE student portal, as well as a free subscription to Office 365.



Operating system

Dungog High School can support all operating systems across a variety of devices. We do not recommend using an iPad unless it has a keyboard accessory.



Storage and RAM

We highly recommend a device with a solid state hard drive (SSD) for speed and durability and a minimum of 4GB RAM.



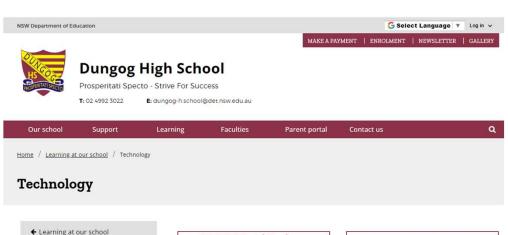
Screen size

11-13 inches. Screen size will affect the overall weight of the device; we recommend a lightweight computer for portability.



HP BYOD PORTAL – FIND IT ON THE TECHNOLOGY PAGE OF THE SCHOOL WEBSITE







HP BYOD Portal Purchases School Code: DungogHS

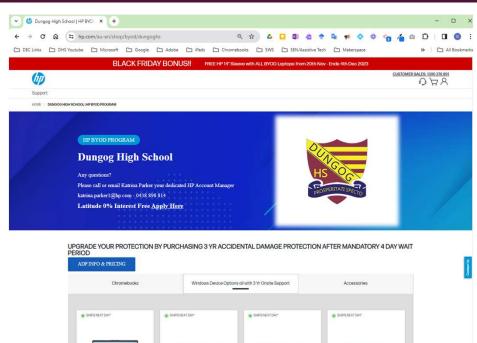
Dungog High School recognises the importance of equipping students with the technology skills they need to be sucessful in the future.

The facilities in our library have been designed to provide a future-focused learning environment integrating advanced technology and encouraging a high level of student collaboration and creativity. Students have access to multiple bank of laptops which can be used in any of the 5 learning zones.

Three dedicated computer laborare cituated

Digital Citizenship







SPECIAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (SRE)

- Year 7 students who have elected to participate in SRE lessons will be withdrawn from normal classes one day each week on a rotation.
- Students who are not participating in SRE will remain in their normal timetabled class. No new work will be delivered during the lessons that students participating in SRE have been withdrawn from.



 For more information: https://dungogh.schools.nsw.gov.au/learnin g-at-our-school/religionand-ethics.html

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PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION (P&C)

- The Dungog High School P&C looks forward to welcoming the parents/carers of the year 7 students in 2025.
- We rely on the wonderful support of parents and carers and kindly invite any new volunteers.
- For more information: https://dungogh.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-ourschool/parents-and-citzensassociation--p-c-.html





THE CANTEEN

- The Dungog High School canteen is open Monday-Friday from 8:30am -9:00am for breakfast and is also open during recess and lunch.
- The canteen offers a wide variety of healthy foods and drinks. Cash and EFTPOS are accepted (card only, not phone).





Year 7 School Vaccination Program.



What vaccines are given in High School?





Year 10

Human Papillomavirus

Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis

Meningococcal ACWY

1 dose

1 dose

1 dose

NSW Health - We acknowledge HNELHD Immunisation team for use of slides



Human Papillomavirus (HPV)



HPV is a group of viruses that affect both females & males.

Without vaccination 90% of people who are sexually active will have a genital HPV infection at some time in their lives.

HPV also causes cancers in other parts of the body, including the vulva, vagina, throat, penis and anus.

Vaccination protects against 90% of cervical cancers

Almost all cases of cervical cancer and genital warts are due to HPV infection.

Vaccine is **GARDASIL 9 – single dose**



Are there any side effects from vaccines?



Common reactions, such as:

Redness; swelling & soreness at injection site (10%)

Less commonly - mild fever (2%)

All students are observed for 15 minutes after the vaccine is given.

Severe reactions are extremely rare.



What happens on the day?



A team of immunisation nurses specially trained in the School Vaccination Program will attend your child's school.

The team will confirm that your child has been consented for immunisation.

An immunisation nurse will then ask some questions ensuring that your child is ok to proceed with immunisation.

Your child will be immunised and then observed for 15 minutes before they return to their usual school activity.



Look for the Year 7 consent information in term 1

Schools will send a URL & QR code to parents at the beginning of the 2025 school year.

Parents will need to:

Hunter New England

ocal Health District

- Follow the links to provide consent.
- Have their Service NSW login details

OR

Ask the school for a paper consent form.





What if my child missed vaccinations at school?



- If your child is away from school on vaccination day:
- The nurses will provide the vaccine/s on their next visit to the school.
- You will be sent an SMS 3 days prior to the next scheduled school clinic.
- Missed vaccines will be caught up in year 8.
- Is vaccination compulsory?

No, vaccination is not compulsory in Australia.

Information in other languages:

http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/publichealth/immunisation/index.asp



How do I provide consent?







Questions?



Thank you!





UPCOMING TRANSITION EVENTS

- Jump Start for students who require extra support to transition. Small group. By invitation only.
 - Tuesday 5th (Week 4) and Tuesday 19th October (Week 6)
- Inclusion & Support Transition
 - Tuesday 5th (Week 4) and Tuesday 19th October (Week 6)
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student Transition Day #2
 - Tuesday 26th November (Week 7)
- Orientation Day
 - Tuesday 3rd December (Week 8)

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FIRST DAY 2025

Years 7, 11 and 12 : Thursday 6th February 2025

Years 8, 9, 10 : Friday 7th February 2025

- Year 7 students will meet at the MPC for a 9am roll call and welcome
- First day schedule and information will be provided to students on Orientation Day

THANK YOU



What Next?

- Q&A with staff
- Uniform information and free items
- Student handbooks
- School tours