## **Dungog High School News**

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Term 4 Week 9 6th December 2010



## From the Principal

## Year 7 2011 Orientation Day

We had a very successful Orientation Day last Thursday for our incoming 2011 year 7. Parents and students seemed happy with the information given and the opportunity to meet current students and

school leaders.

Thanks to Mr Wilson for organising the day and to the peer support leaders for their work with our new students throughout the day.

This was also the first chance to see one of the new school uniform additions – the polo shirt has arrived and will be very popular.

#### End of year assemblies

There will be two important assemblies over these final weeks of school. The Presentation Day assembly will be held in the MPC this week, on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> commencing at 10.30 am. Year 10's final assembly will take place on Monday 13<sup>th</sup>; this will be an informal barbecue starting at 5.30pm followed by presentation of certificates at 7.00pm.

## The Trade Training Centre....at last!!

I feel as if I have been endlessly promising the start of the Trade Training Centre without delivering anything tangible. Last week this changed – the work compound fence and the interior work fences are in place. If you have ever renovated your home, you will know that this is the reality of work starting. Or at least that is my sincere hope.

### My School delay

You may have read in the newspaper that the My School website launch has been delayed. We don't know when it will occur, but I am assuming the new year.

I have posted information about the financial details that will be on DHS page on our own website. It is a very complex area – we appear to have a very large amount of funding for every student but this amount includes all staff salaries and all DET operations costs.

When I complete our school budget, I know that the figures we actually work with are very tight, particularly because many parents refuse to pay their contributions or elective fees. As I have said before, running an operation that is essentially a small business with an outstanding debt of over \$40,000 makes budgeting very difficult.

## Last newsletter for the year

This will be the last newsletter for the year. On behalf of all staff, may I wish you and your family the best wishes of the season and a happy and safe New Year.

School resumes for year **7**, **11 and 12** students on **Monday January 31**<sup>st</sup>; all students will be at school on **Tuesday February 1**<sup>st</sup>.

Maureen Jarvis

#### **Sports Report**

All students will go to the pool for sport this Thursday. Please bring \$3.00. DO NOT wear board shorts to school.

#### **FOUND**

A pair of sunglasses and thumb drive were found on Thursday 2nd December, Orientation Day. If you think you may have lost these items please contact the school to arrange to collect them.

#### **DUNGOG HIGH SCHOOL CANTEEN**

#### Roster

Week 9:6th to 10th December

Mon S Hallett, J Bambach, K Fardell Tues L Clarke, S Benson, R Rolfe Wed K Drinkwater, A Howton

Thurs J Czapiewski, S Murray, G Magno

Fri D Legge, C Easdown, R Warland, H Unicomb, R Kirby

#### Week 10: 13th to 15th December

Mon T Schumacher, M Gibbs
Tues R Rolfe, D Marquet, T Cushway

Wed

#### **Coming events**

#### Dec

- Open Boys Cricket Barnes Oval
   Y9 Commerce to Dowling St, Dungog
- 7 Y10 Woodwork excursion to Stockton
- 8 Annual Presentation Day, 10.30 am MPC
- 9 U14 Cricket Barnes Oval
- 13 Aboriginal Cultural Day

Y10 BBQ, 5.30pm; School Certificate Presentation 7.00pm

15 Last day for students

16-17 Staff Development Days

#### Jan 2011

28 Staff Return

31 Yrs 7, 11, 12 return

#### Feb

1 All students attend.



## **Dungog High School Uniform Shop**

Special Opening Hours 2010 – 2011

#### December 2010

Tuesday 7th December	8.00 - 4.00
Tuesday 14th December	8.00 - 4.00

#### January 2011

Monday 24th January	8.00 - 4.00
Tuesday 25th January	8.00 - 4.00
Friday, 28th January	8.00 - 4.00

THEN EVERY TUESDAY: 8.00 am - 4.00 pm



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Share the spirit of Christmas
ALL WELCOME
Yummy Christmas lunch
Christmas carols
Santa has a little gift for everyone

When? Christmas Day, Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> December 11.30am to 2pm Where? Dungog Primary School Cnr. Dowling & Chapman Streets, Dungog.

# This is a special Christmas lunch for everyone

# Call 49921133 to arrange transport if you need a lift

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## Free Legal Consultations

Dungog Shire Community Centre in partnership with Hunter Community Legal Centre has free monthly legal consultations. The last one for the year is Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2010.

A lawyer with the Legal Centre will be available to consult on family law issues, local court issues (AVO's, traffic matters, minor offences), wills/estates/power of attorney/enduring guardianship, debt/financial issues involving a legal aspect, or other legal issues you may have.

It is essential that you call to book a consultation; 4992 1133.

## School holiday fun for 12-25 year olds:

Youth Drop-in at Doug Walters Pavilion
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> January 10-3pm
Both days there will be creative workshops/ awesome facilitators.

Bus to Sydney's Factory Outlet shops
Thursday 13th January: SHOP til U DROP!



## Free Day at the Cinema

The James Theatre together with the youth worker is offering free movie afternoons for 12-25 year olds! A free choc top upon arrival!

Thursday January 6th & 20th 2pm start





For more info on any of the activities call/ text Kylie 0428 329 643 Dungog Youth Worker/ Dungog Shire Community Centre

### Where to from here Dungog?

#### **PUBLIC MEETING**

## Wednesday 15th December, Doug Walters Pavilion, Bennett Park DUNGOG

#### Commencing 7pm

The Dungog District Chamber of Commerce and Dungog Shire Community Centre, with assistance from Dungog Shire Council, have arranged a public meeting for Wednesday 15th December to provide local community and business people the opportunity to discuss and reassess the economic and social future of this area following the NSW Government's decision to refuse the Tillegra Dam project.

We will invite relevant State politicians, including the premier Kristina Keneally, and request that they confirm their political parties' commitment to the Dungog Community following four years of uncertainty over the Tillegra Dam proposal, Hunter Water Corporation has also been invited.

We urge all interested members of the community to attend, Dungog has suffered real losses and disadvantages stemming from the initial announcement four years ago and now faces lost business opportunities from the state government decision not to build the dam.

This is NOT a forum to debate the rights or wrongs of the Dam decision. This is a proactive attempt to recognise that there are real issues that need to be addressed now that the dam is not going ahead.

For Further information contact :

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