The Principal decides if the reason given for your child’s absence is acceptable.

Avoid keeping your child away from school for:
• birthdays, shopping, visiting family and friends, if they sleep in, looking after other children, minor check ups or care such as hair cuts. Routine medical or other health appointments should be made either before or after school or during the school holidays.

What should I do if our family is going on a holiday in school time?
You are encouraged not to schedule holidays during school time. If your family holiday is during school time, let the school know in advance and talk about what arrangements can be made for your child. Depending on the circumstances the school may be able to provide tasks for your child to complete while they are absent or assist you to organise an exemption from schooling.

Do I need to let the school know if my child has been away from school?
Yes, you must let the school know the reason why your child has been absent from school within two school days of their return. If possible, advise the school beforehand.

To assist your student to come to school every day a set routine can help
• have a set time to go to bed
• have a set time to get out of bed
• have uniform and school bag ready the night before
• have a set time for starting and finishing breakfast
• set a time for daily homework activities
• speak about school positively
• be firm, send your child to school every school day.

At Dunwich SS we are aiming for 95% attendance in 2013. We will do all we can to ensure that every student is provided with the best chances for achieving to their full potential.

Jenny Wilson
PRINCIPAL
We are sorting the things out in colours. So all the greens go in one section and pink go in one section. It was fun because we are learning to put colours in order.

By Chelsea Henderson.

We are sitting reading books. This is our reading corner. I like to read books because we can learn.

By Leroy Kaden-Webb.

We have chickens they need water and food so they can keep alive. They live in the chook pen so nothing can eat them. Living things need water and food.

We all need food and water and shelter, don't we?

By Leila Jarman-Clacher.

What am I looking for? I am looking for a beetle. I found two lady bugs. They are living things one was yellow and one was red. It was fun because you could see stuff and it was big.

By Hunter Hammant.

We are learning to write our letters. These are number words. I can read the word “four”. It was fun cause we can learn.

By Nathaniel Mazzoni.

I am writing about a book that we read. We had to talk about school and read the book then we had to write about the book. I liked reading the book.

By Keenan Lusk.

Hunter and I are copying off the reading books and learning what starts with “a”. This is because we want to know our ABC.

By Loreli Mazzoni.
This Week’s Hamper Winners were
JACK BURLING and JESSIE DWYER

Students of the Week—Congratulations

Leah and Keiron joined us for parade this week to speak about the NEED FOR FEED Cooking and Nutrition Program for students in Year 6. The program is conducted out of school hours and aims to improve student’s confidence to prepare and cook healthy meals and improve attitudes and behaviours associated with healthy eating. Thanks Leah and Kieran.

YEAR ONE CLASS REPORT

Year One Students are fortunate to have Jess Scott working in their classroom helping with the Art Program. Last week the students learnt about primary colours and have put some fantastic work into their Visual Art Diaries. Eugene and Chevelle are sharing their visual art with you!
**DUNWICH STATE SCHOOL**  
**Bingle Road**  
**DUNWICH**

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**MUSIC TUCKSHOP**  
The Music tuckshop days have been decided. Please fill out the table below and return to school if you would like to help.

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**DENTAL VAN**  
Children who are 4 years old and over who have not started school yet are invited to get a free dental check up at the van. Phone this number to make an appointment: 0407735445

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**THE WORLD’S GREATEST SHAVE**  
The Leukaemia foundation’s Worlds Greatest Shave is on again from the 15th – 17th March.

This year the staff of seashells Café will be colouring their hair or wearing crazy wigs for the fundraiser. Come and join us on Saturday 16th at 3pm. We will be conducting a shave. Myself and Kelly Swan will be taking part in the shave at this time so please come and support us on the day! Donations can also be made before the event at Seashells café and also the “Bowls Club Kitchen”. Hope to see you all there and thank you for your support. Sorelle Routledge.

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**SWIMMING CLUB AGM**  
**Dunwich State School Amateur Swimming Club**  
**NOTICE OF AGM – Thursday 21st March 2013**  
6.30pm - AT DUNWICH RSL  
Adult Swim Members and Parents of Junior Swim Members are invited to attend our annual AGM.

Nominations for committee members including President, Assistant President, Secretary and Treasurer are invited but don’t feel pressured to nominate – we’d just love your input to the running of YOUR club.

Being a committee member of our club DOESN’T require fund raising or any time consuming tasks, just your attendance and input at our casual meeting each month over FREE coffee/tea and DOES entitle you to free membership & swimming for the year.

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**STRAADIE SHARKS FOOTY CLUB**  
Karaoke this Friday night 1st March 8pm until late!

More players are urgently needed in all grades, Under 6—Under 12’s. Training Wednesdays 3.45pm  
Shark’s Tooth Kitchen has a new Chef called Simon.

EASTER CARNIVAL: Easter Saturday, all the fun of the Fair. Stall holders wanted. Please contact the Club on 34099216 if you would like to hold a stall. No cost to hold a stall. Wrist Bands pre sold $25, on the day $30.00

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**EXPRESSON OF INTEREST**  
**INDIGENOUS LIAISON OFFICER (A03)**  
**DUNWICH STATE SCHOOL**  
**IDENTIFIED POSITION**

**TEMPORARY POSITION**  
FROM 18 MARCH TO 21 JUNE (with the possibility of extension)

PROPOSED 21.75 HOURS PER WEEK

(Region has given approval to extend the closing date for this position in order to attract a larger applicant pool)

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Australians are invited to apply for the position of Temporary Indigenous Liaison Officer based at Dunwich State School.

Contact Dunwich School for further information.