From the Principal’s Pen.....

A PROUD SCHOOL COMMUNITY.

Jarjums Camp was a great success and special thanks goes to Michele Connell, Maree Goebal, David Christie and Elisha Iselin for leading the organisation of the camp. Special thanks to the community members involved in the camp including the personnel from DP World, Yulu-Burri-Bah, PCYC and the SLSC and the cultural mentors. At the farewell ceremony the CEO of DP World announced that they will proudly sponsor the Jarjums Camp, again, in 2015. Thanks to DP WORLD for also supplying many capable volunteers to assist with the camp.

“Kaumaakonga from the Solomon Islands and guests” were our special guests on parade on Monday. The group shared their culture through music and stories. The Music was played on instruments made from natural materials and it was mesmerising. The students had an opportunity to ask questions of the group. They asked very intelligent questions and really enjoyed this powerful educational experience about diversity. Special thanks to Nikki Michail from Island Vibe for organising this event. Nikki also organised the rotational activities today. The students had music and dancing at lunch time and then selected students were involved in rotational activities of weaving, slack rope/circus and storytelling.

Island Vibe is on this weekend and some of our students will be involved singing the Turtle Song with Clara Durbridge, assisting in the Turtle presentation at the ECO space or singing the welcome song in the afternoon. Parents are reminded that although Dunwich State School supports the students involvement, this is not a school organised excursion and parents are responsible for their child/ren at Island Vibe.

Tomorrow Dunwich SS is celebrating World Teachers Day! Thank you to our dedicated and talented teachers!!

All Grandparents are welcome to the classrooms tomorrow from 9am – 10.30am followed by a morning tea in the Library.

Don’t forget the Walkathon is on November 6th. Students are currently collecting sponsorship monies.

Jenny Wilson, Principal.
Thursday Nov 6th
All students leave Dunwich State School by bus for Cylinder Beach at 9.15am. Students may meet us at Cylinder ONLY if a note has been given to the school by November 3rd.
Community Welcome!

Other students who received buzzy awards were Kade, Kyla and Ashlyn

I loved learning how to bowl and I had a really fun time. Caitlyn
* I put a lot of tickets in a machine and I collected a colourful dice. Sol *I was the first person to get a strike, it was fun! Karna*
Friday was really fun and I came second when I bowled. It was the best excursion ever! Sasha*
I enjoyed when we bowled and I slipped and got a spare. Anthony * Everyone had fun and I learned how to improve my bowling. Chelsea
Year Two is studying ‘significant sites’ in history. Matthew Burns showed us two local, indigenous, significant sites: the midden and fish trap at Polka Point. Ask any of us why they are ‘significant; we can explain. Thanks Matthew!

Year 3/4 visited the Dunwich Museum to learn how daily life changed for the Aboriginals on Minjerriba after contact with Europeans. Thank you to Lisa Jackson for her presentation.

Students were amazed with the cultural information shared by Sandy, Smith and Kevin from Vanuatu and Willy from the Solomon Islands. We learned they speak 84 languages in the islands and where their islands are located in the world. Sandy told us there are 83 islands in Vanuatu and they have 4 active volcanos. They also have a ceremony before putting on their costume which includes leaves that symbolise different things like power and togetherness. They like to create music out of the nature around them. To say hello in their language you say na-wee.
Life Education Van

The Life Education van will be stationed at the school from Wednesday 12th to Friday 14th November. All students will be visiting the van for instruction on a variety of health related issues. They will also receive a workbook that reinforces the concepts learned.

The van has been fully funded by Sibelco, who have supported the Life Education van for many years. Sibelco recognises the importance of the Life Education programs and are proud to assist the students of Dunwich State School benefit from this excellent resource.

A summary of programs for each grade level and an information brochure went home last week. Please complete the bottom section of the summary if you would like to attend the Parent Session and return to the office or your child’s teacher.

Please take note!

LIFE EDUCATION PERMISSION FORM

You will have received the Life Ed program forms and at the bottom of this notice were two forms to hand in to the office. One was a permission form asking you to sign it and to send in $7.00. This notice was not meant to be on the form as all students will be attending free of charge thanks to SIBELCO. If you have already handed money into the office it will be returned to your student on Friday afternoon to take home. The other form is about the Parent Information Session that the educator from Life Ed will be conducting on the afternoon of Wednesday 12th November. This form needs to be returned to the office or your child’s teacher if you would like to attend.

Jenni Turner

Winning T-Shirt Design

Congratulations to Bayden who designed this year’s logo used to print the Quandamooka Jarjums camp t-shirts.

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