We celebrated World Teachers Day, last Friday. The P&C provided lunch and it gave us the opportunity to thank our amazing teachers. Their dedication to the students of this school speaks for itself in NAPLAN data that is higher than the nation.

“It is not ok to stay away because we learn every day”

This is the mantra for Dunwich State School regarding attendance and all of the students know this saying. We have an incentive to encourage students to attend school every day and that is the “High 5” prize that happens on parade every Monday. The names of all of the students who have attended all day, every day for the previous week are put into a jar and one name is selected.

It is essential that students attend school every day so that they can reach their full potential. At Dunwich State School we aspire to every student learning and achieving every day. The percentage attendance in Semester One was 90% and at the moment the percentage attendance at Dunwich State School for this Semester is 88.2%. It is disappointing to see the drop in attendance and I know that with the help of every family we can reach the target goal of 95% attendance.

“We are a proud school” and one way to express this is by wearing the uniform with pride. We have a great uniform and it includes wearing black shoes. It was disappointing on Monday to see that a small number of students were wearing the incorrect shoes. Wear the uniform with pride!

Walkathon Money. Congratulations to the students who were announced as the prize winners for raising the most amount of money from each class on Monday’s Parade and to Paris (Year 6) for raising the most money for the school. We know that some students have outstanding monies to return to the school and they can hand in their money to the school office this week.

Jenny Wilson
Walkathon

Congratulations to students in each class who raised the most money in sponsorship for the walkathon they received a voucher from the gelati shop. The overall winner receiving an iPad mini was Paris Prior-Dallas.

The baby polar bear looked so cute
Jumping around in his white fluffy suit.
Alexis

I saw a lady with a pen
Drawing a picture of a man. Denzel

RHYMING COUPLETS

I saw the seal detective show
After that we had to go.
Caitlyn

The dolphins were so mad
Nobody thought it was bad.
Jakobi

I touched the slippery stingrays
They are so slimy, they love to play. Caitlyn

The shark skin was so grey and thin
The shark had a big fin.
Darren

All the dolphins jumped in the air
I’m sure they could see the baby polar bear. Maya

The dolphin show was a big blast
Lucky no one was in cast. Jesse

The dolphin show was a blast
It made me walk fast. Sasha

Shark Bay was very dark
Inside was a big grey shark.
Keely

The shark show was a big blast
It made me want to drool. Karna

The penguins were in suits
I loved that they were so cute.
Sol

A jetski rider went over a bump
And it made him jump. Marcus

The penguins were in suits
I loved that they were so cute.
Sol

Baby bear was so white
It was so small and so bright.
Darren

The dolphins were so fast
Every time they made me laugh. Satchi

The dolphin show was a blast
Lucky no one was in cast. Jesse

I saw the seal detective show
After that we had to go.
Caitlyn

The dolphins were so mad
Nobody thought it was bad.
Jakobi

I saw a baby polar bear
Just before it returned to it’s lair.
Krystal

The dolphin show was a blast
It made me walk fast. Sasha

Shark Bay was very dark
Inside was a big grey shark.
Keely

The dolphin show was a big blast
Lucky no one was in cast. Jesse

The dolphins were so fast
Every time they made me laugh. Satchi

The Polar bears were so cute
In the white and fluffy suit.
Sasha

I saw a lady with a pen
Drawing a picture of a man. Denzel

The dolphins were so mad
Nobody thought it was bad.
Jakobi

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Tightrope Workshop

The wonderful performers from Elephant Slacklines visited our school while on Straddie for the Island Vibe. They demonstrated how to balance and perform on a tightrope. Some students participated, showing us some great balancing skills. Thanks so much to Josh Manix at Elephant Slacklines.

Gordon Tallis kindly donated autographed limited edition footballs to students who showed lovely manners when they visited Main Beach for the walkathon. Congratulations!

The Life Education van will be stationed at the school from Tuesday 5th November to Thursday 7th November. All students will be visiting the van and taking part in the excellent program it has to offer FREE OF CHARGE.

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

All students will not only visit the van for instruction on a variety of health related issues, but will also receive a workbook which will reinforce the health concepts learned. A summary of the programs each grade level will receive is as follows:

Prep: Safety in the environment and healthy food choices
Year 1: Friendship, healthy food choices and cooperation
Year 2: Amazing Body Adventure - appropriate remedies and safety issues
Year 3: Safe use of medicine and safety in the environment
Year 4/5: Developing coping strategies if bullied and healthy food choices
Communication, self-esteem and the use and misuse of medicines
Year 6: Effects of nicotine on physical and social development
PCYC have advertised for the **Position of Co-ordinator** for the Outside Hours School Care at Dunwich SS. Applicants need a Certificate III or a Diploma. If you are interested in the position please contact Ms Jenny Wilson at the school 3409 6333.

**HAVE YOU MISSED OUT ???**
**EDUCATION TAX REFUND** For 2009 2010 2011
**NOT CLAIMED BY ABOUT 25% of PARENTS**
**ARE YOU ONE OF THEM ?**
Do you THINK you COULD MAKE GOOD USE of **UP TO $2500** [Average ] BEFORE CHRISTMAS!!

**Swimming is on every Wednesday**—Students are reminded to bring their togs, a towel and a bathing cap.

**The Amity Point Cricket club have kindly donated $800 to Dunwich State School ($400 to prep & $400 to the primary). A big thank you to all the members of the cricket club. This money will go towards new indigenous mats for the prep and for the painting of games and educational items on the new green concrete. Thank you**