

# Newsletter

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Newsletter No. 1

Term I Week 2

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2019



#### **Swimming Carnival**

Our Annual Swimming Carnival was a great success again this year. Students travelled to the Tenterfield pool last Friday to participate in the carnival alongside Mingoola, Jennings and Drake Public Schools. All students had a fantastic day with a special congratulations to Kody for achieving junior boy champion. Well done Kody!

Notes will be sent home soon to those students who qualified to attend the District Carnival to be held in Glen Innes on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February.

#### Staffing

A warm welcome must go to Mrs Johansen who has joined our teaching team and is the K-2 classroom teacher Mondays to Wednesdays.

	Week 2	
	Thu 7 Feb	Library
	Week 3	
	Mon 11 Feb	Canteen
	Tue 12 Feb	School photo day
		School banking day
	Thu 14 Feb	Library
		Peace run
	Fri 15 Feb	PSSA swimming carnival
		Book club due back
	Week 4	
	Mon 18 Feb	Canteen
	Tue 19 Feb	School banking day
	Thu 21 Feb	Library
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**Coming Events and Important Dates** 

Through the Departments Rural and Remote Initiative, Ms Jones will now be the K-6 classroom teacher on Thursdays. Ms Jones' full time position for 2019 is at Mingoola PS. It will be exciting to share her expertise between our two small schools.

#### School Community Charter

In December 2018 the Minister announced a School Community Charter. This charter summarises the expected behaviours for whole school community engagement. The School Community Charter is attached.

#### **School Photo Day**

Photo day this year is next <u>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February</u>. Order envelopes have been sent home. Please return your envelopes with the correct money by Tuesday morning. Family photo envelopes are available from the office.

#### Canteen for Term 1

The new canteen menu for term 1 has been sent home today. Many thanks to Rashelle for volunteering to run the canteen this term. Please note that canteen will be held on Monday's commencing next week **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February**.

#### **Student Banking**

Student banking is available each Tuesday for all students. If your child would like to start school banking please see Mrs Garth in the office.

#### Library

Library day is Thursday this year. Students are asked to please remember their library bags each week to keep our beautiful library books safe when travelling home in bags.

Haven't got a library bag? Plastic bags or old pillow cases make great library bags. It just has to be something that protects books.

#### **Bell Times**

This year we have commenced opening the gate at 8:30am for morning supervision. The remaining times stay the same.

8.30am	Supervision commences
9am	Start of school day
11-11:30am	Recess break
1-1:35pm	Lunch break
3pm	End of school day

All parents and community members please wait at the Forbes St gate at the end of the day to enable students to collect their bags and be dismissed by teachers.

#### **Sun Protection**

Every student is to wear a brimmed hat whilst outdoors, hats can be purchased at the office. Please remember our school sun safe policy, "No hat...play in the shade!"

#### **Student Absences and Justifications**

We would like to remind parents and carers they <u>MUST</u> call, visit the school office or write a note to explain all student absences (whole day and partial). Student absences can <u>NOT</u> be approved by the principal if we have not been given an explanation. This is a legal requirement. Attached are some notification forms you can use.

#### Student Behaviour Code

All students have been reminded about the Departments Student Behaviour Code. These are the expected behaviours that DPS encourages. Over the last two weeks students have been thinking about some whole school expectations that will be published and placed around the school. So far we have:

- Listen while others speak
- Hands up to speak (when necessary)
- Be nice all the time
- Use kind words
- Be mindful, safe and sensible
- Be respectful of other people's personal space
- Face challenges
- Celebrate successes
- Try hard, strive for your best

#### Lunch boxes

It is great to see all the yummy healthy food being packed in lunch boxes. Please be mindful that fruit may need to be cut up before packing it into lunch boxes, especially for the little students who have trouble eating full pieces of fruit eg apples and oranges.



# Deepwater P & C Association Inc.

AGM Meeting – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019 @ 3:15pm in Multi-Purpose Room.

## General Meeting – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March convened, will follow the AGM.

All new school families and anyone interested from the Deepwater Community are invited to attend or join the Deepwater Public School P & C Association - AGM and General Committee Meetings. Financial Members fee of \$2 will be due @ AGM.

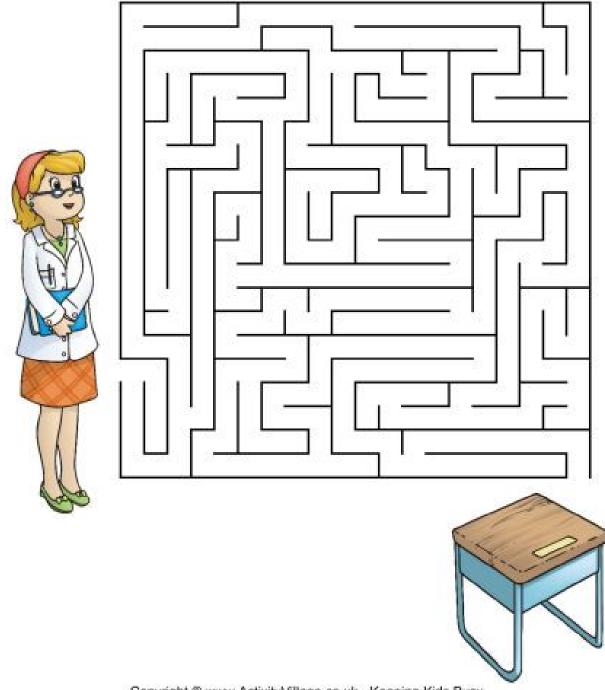
Thankyou - your time is appreciated.

### **BE ALLERGY AWARE**

Please minimise packing foods containing <u>any peanuts/nuts</u> this includes peanut butter and nutella sandwiches due to the risk of students suffering a <u>severe allergic</u> reaction.

# Back to School Maze

Help the teacher find her way through the maze to the desk.



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