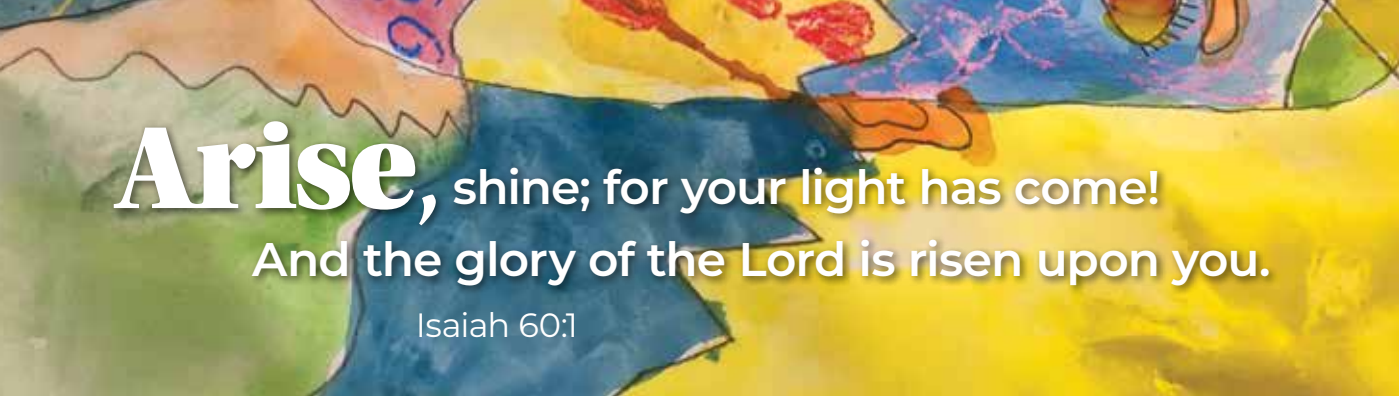


DUBBO CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Arise



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Arise, shine; for your light has come!

And the glory of the Lord is risen upon you.

Isaiah 60:1

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From our Principal



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I trust you have enjoyed Arise throughout 2018, our 35th birthday year.

Arise will conclude with this final edition and I hope as history looks back, this publication will provide a quality record of the life that is Dubbo Christian School as we celebrate a milestone year.

We have been focussing on term themes of Faith, Hope, Love and, finally, Service. 2018 has been characterised by drought. This term we were visited by the Duke and Duchess of Sussex who provided a



You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love.

Galatians 5:13

wonderful tonic to our region and spoke life giving words about the realities of the challenges drought affected communities face but also the hope we can have. DCS used its Day of Community Service in

November to raise much needed funds to support our farmers and drought affected communities. Galatians 5:13 reminds us that service is a choice. It behoves us to not focus on our own needs but to serve one another humbly in love. That's authentic service and an important part of a truly Christian education.

May God bless you all as we look forward to a break and to what lies ahead in 2019.



Warren

Warren Melville | Principal



NAIDOC DAY 2018



On Tuesday 13 November we celebrated NAIDOC Day at DCS with students participating in cultural activities which included indigenous dance and eating bush tucker.

Guests at Assembly included Riverbank Frank Doolan and Dr Paul Roe who talked about true reconciliation and Christ's command to 'love harder' and Mr Mark Naden who shared devotions. Jamie and Adam from Uniting Cultural Inclusion Project ran a dance workshop followed by a performance on Assembly

and our Prep class demonstrated their skills by counting and singing in the Wiradjuri language.

Lunch was a community affair with students tasting crocodile, emu and kangaroo, with wonderful live entertainment by Shane Riley.

We are grateful to all our guests for taking the time to come and share with our students.

Carolyn Brothers | NAIDOC Day Organiser

Celebrating Literacy and Numeracy

Literacy and Numeracy Week at DCS was another roaring success this year!

The theme, 'Mystery Mania', saw our children really digging into some tricky problem solving tasks during English and Mathematics. Activities ranged from rebus puzzles, riddles, find-a-words, crosswords, coding, tangrams and number puzzles. Mr Krause got us thinking together as a team with a fantastic puzzle to solve during Maths using circular stacking discs. This was a highlight!

As well as activities during lessons, each class created a cryptic puzzle for their classroom door based on a fairy tale. The students really enjoyed walking around the school at recess and lunch and solving these mysteries. The door displays were very creative.

We ended the week with a celebration muster where the students showcased what they have been learning in class through the week to their parents. A big thank you to all who attended!

Melanie Williams
Literacy & Numeracy Week Coordinator





YEAR 9 CAMP

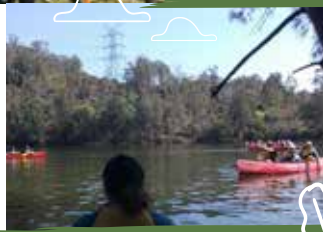
OUR ANNUAL YEAR 9 CAMP, HELD IN THE BLUE MOUNTAINS IN SEPTEMBER WAS A VERY SPECIAL TIME AWAY.

The camp was run by Anglican Youthworks and was held at Blue Gum Lodge in Springwood. The weather was very pleasant and ideal for bushwalking, canoeing and our overnight camping expedition.

Abseiling with a magnificent view was a real highlight, but there were also many other wonderful activities such as archery, rock climbing, constructing and using catapults, mountain bike riding, low ropes, Christian Discovery sessions and free time activities.

Staff at Blue Gum Lodge were very helpful, making this a fantastic time away together. Thank you to Miss Thielemans, Mr Francis, Mrs Chaseling & Miss Robins who accompanied us on this excursion.

Greg Stockings | Stage 5 Coordinator





In first term, Years 1 and 2 enjoyed their History excursion to the Western Plains Cultural Centre. Term 2 was busy with the Dubbo Eisteddfod and on the last day of Term 3, P-2 enjoyed each other's company in a colourful Athletics carnival on our school oval, with many family members in attendance to cheer us on. The parents' races are always a highlight!



We have had visits from Musica Viva, a travelling musical education program, who inspired us with their beautiful music, spent time with Year 9 as they coached Stage 1 in Touch Football, not to mention spending time together and learning how to put others first when playing games in the playground. What an enjoyable year it has been!



Rachel Bambrick | Lead Teacher Stage 1





In Term 3, Years 5 and 6 students from DCS and WCS set off on a 3 day Crusader's Camp adventure to Lake Macquarie to participate in sailing, rock climbing, orienteering, canoeing and damper-making.

Camp leaders taught us about God and how the Bible tells us more about Him. As a group we made new friends, ate great food and learnt more about our creator.

Courtney Troy | Stage 3 Teacher

Red Hill Environmental Education Centre at Gulgong was the destination for Year 4 students for their camp in October. Dressing up and attending an olden day school lesson along with outdoor activities made this a memorable time. Year 3 ventured out to Wambangalang Field Studies Centre where they enjoyed outdoor sports and environmental studies.

Jason Clark & Nathan Oliver | Stage 2 Teachers



INTERSCHOOL EQUESTRIAN COMPETITION



A number of Dubbo Christian School students competed in the Interschool Horse Extravaganza event in October.

The 4-day competition was held at the Australian Equine & Livestock Events Centre in Tamworth, with approximately 650 riders representing their schools.

Congratulations to Brooke, James and Abbey Lawson, Maisy O'Neill and Audrey Gill who participated in Campdraft, Working Horse Challenge

as well as Dressage and Jumping, showing great sportsmanship and representing our school so beautifully, bringing home numerous ribbons for their efforts.

Thank you to the DCS families who facilitate this opportunity for our students.



Techno and

Our TAS Faculty is providing an increasing variety of learning opportunities for DCS students. Year 8 have rotated through Food Technology, Textiles, Agriculture, Metalwork and Woodwork as well as Graphics and Programming in Computing.

In the Graphics unit, students have used 'Sketchup' software to design coffee tables with bevelled tops and shaped legs as well as houses with rooms, furniture and outdoor settings. Students have also extended their skills with their own student directed challenges, producing amazing results such as a scale model of Room 36 at DCS and the Tower of Gibraltar. Next year students will have the opportunity to use an industry-standard program called 'Fusion 360'.

Our first Year 9 Design and Technology (Software) students have created audio podcasts, short videos and an original movie trailer from a well-known movie. Later this term they will apply a promotional logo onto a product such as a coffee mug, shirt or cap. Year 10 Food Technology created a literary-inspired dessert as well as serving the local community by providing meals for Community Kitchen.

Stage 6 Hospitality commenced the year at the Orana Trade Training Centre and then moved to Bellotti's Restaurant, where they are learning how to serve food and beverages to a high standard. Other subjects studied include Software Design & Development and Primary Industries. Next year Textiles as well as Design & Technology will be offered in Year 11.

Construction on our brand new TAS facility will begin in 2019 and will include Wood and Metal workshops, a Textiles Room and withdrawal Computers area. This state-of-the-art building will provide increased learning spaces as well as features and equipment designed to enhance the learning experience of our students.

Graham Boyton | Head of TAS & TAS Teachers



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Applied Studies

Highlights for Food Technology 2018

Year 10 Food Tech class completed a task in which they were required to create a dessert based on literary inspiration. There was a great range of desserts produced.



Year 12 completed a task of creating a new pie product. Some very unusual new pies were produced such as 'pizza a pie'. All the pies were well made and tasted delicious.



Year 10 also cooked meals which were donated to the Community Kitchen. They did a wonderful job, and the meals were very well received, with one diner heard to say "This is the best feed ever". Mrs Jenny Parker representing the Kitchen, was presented the meals by some of the students in the class.





Dubbo Christian Preschool

Yiradhu marang (Good Day)! Prep have been learning Wiradjuri language this term.

We are able to count to 10 and identify some animals and birds in our environment. Our favourite is the Magpie or Garru who loves to visit us during meal times. On Assembly on NAIDOC Day we presented the song Heads and Shoulders, Knees and Toes in Wiradjuri language.

This term we have planted new plants in our vegetable garden. We are waiting for our tomato plants to flower so that we can enjoy eating tomatoes during our Crunch and Sip break.

As our 10th year draws to a close, we look forward to the expansion of our preschool in 2019, when we will be operating across two classrooms each week-day.

Michelle Broadley | Director





Excursions



Year 12 Chemistry

Year 12 Chemistry students visited the ANSTO Nuclear Reactor at Lucas Heights, the centre of the production of radioisotopes used in medicine all over Australia and Oceania and saw the neutron research hall which is acclaimed the best in the world. Students used a Geiger counter to test the radiation coming off some regular household items.

At the National Maritime Museum we studied Shipwrecks and Corrosion. Students saw a cannon from Captain Cook's ship *The Endeavour* and an anchor from the First Fleet's flag ship *The Sirius* and learned how these items have been conserved after two centuries under water. A highlight was a tour of the HMS Onslow Submarine.

Brett Haddon | Year 12 Chemistry Teacher



Year 9 Science & Geography Trip

Year 9 Science and Geography students visited Butler's Falls where they studied ecosystems and our impact on the environment.

Tim Knight | Head of Science



Kindergarten Zoo Excursion

Bright and early on Friday 9 November, our 28 Kindergarten children were bussed to Taronga Western Plains Zoo where they undertook our annual 'Kindergarten early morning Zoo walk'. This is always a highlight of the Kindergarten year.

Evelyne Clark & Georgia Beikoff | Kindergarten Teachers



Visit to Sydney Jewish Museum

Year 12 Modern History visited Sydney Jewish Museum during the year, hearing 98-year-old Eddie's story as a Holocaust survivor. His story was inspirational.

Raina Petterson | Modern History Teacher



Secondary News



Armistice Day 100 Years Commemoration

On Friday 9 November, Year 11 led our school in a solemn commemoration of 100 years since the end of World War I while our School Captains attended the unveiling of a memorial at Victoria Park.

Maths in Practice

Students are responding well to the Explicit Direct Instruction model in our mathematics classrooms. One strategy involves students answering questions using individual whiteboards - students write their answers, then at the appropriate time 'chin-it' showing the teacher their whiteboard. Students enjoy the interaction and teachers are able to gather immediate information on student learning.

Recently, Year 12 General Mathematics class participated in a surveying lesson, venturing onto



the oval where students were able to find the area of triangles and irregular polygons using trigonometry. Each student grasped the concept well, in an impressive display of practical mathematics.

Rod Krause | Head of Mathematics



Drought Angels

Over \$2,000 was raised for Drought Angels at our annual DCS Day of Community Service on Tuesday 6 November with a special Assembly and cake stall to raise funds for farmers in need.



Year 10 First Aid

Students studying Child Studies in Year 10 undertook a First Aid Course during Term 4, learning many valuable life-saving techniques.



The news from our place is one of goodness and thankfulness. We are nearing the end of our fifth year as custodians of WCS.

So much has taken place and we are thrilled at how far we have come as a school educationally, communally, culturally and operationally.

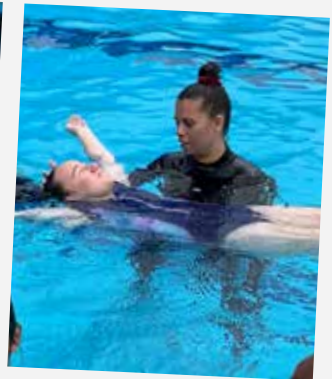
Our numbers are strong and we are looking at the future with hope, courage, plans and imaginings. Many people have contributed many things and I am so grateful and proud of the collective effort. Yet none of it holds a candle to God's involvement, leading, care and empowerment. This has always been His story and to Him be the glory.

Sarah Strahorn | Head of School

SWIM SCHOOL

For one week in November, all 150 of our Stage 2 and 3 (Years 3-6) children were bussed to Dubbo Aquatic Centre each morning for Swim School where they had the opportunity to develop their skills in the water, in readiness for our Swimming Carnival in the new year.

Nathan Oliver | Swim School Organiser



COMMUNITY NEWS



READY, SET, BIG SCHOOL

SERVICE NSW



Lachlan Meurer from Service NSW visited us earlier in the year to advise Year 10 about the requirements for getting their 'L's'.

COUNT US IN

Our Primary Choir joined in with schools around the country for the national Count Us In singing event during this term.

While 2019 Kindergarten children participated in their final Orientation visit, parents were equipped for school at our Ready, Set, Big School session in our school Library.

PREFECT INDUCTION



On 16 October our 2019 school leaders were inducted at a special Assembly.



DREAM CRICKET

A number of our students attended a Dream Cricket Gala Day in October. Thanks to Rotary for running this event each year.





FRIENDSHIP GAMES



Our annual Friendship Games between Dubbo, Orange and Parkes Christian Schools was hosted at our school on Friday 16 November.

Over 400 students participated across a variety of sports and activities, including Soccer, Touch Football, Netball, Basketball, Rugby 7s, Chess, Drama as well as a Food Challenge.

Funds raised via our Canteen on the day will go towards the Vietnam Cultural Trip in 2019.

José Monteiro | Sports Coordinator



Class of 2018

We have sadly farewelled another cohort of wonderful students and, in some cases, families, from Dubbo Christian School. A number of these students have been at our school since Kindergarten.

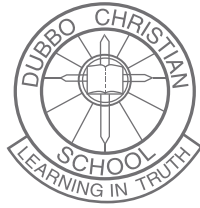
Farewell celebrations included breakfast with the staff, a 'wind down' Assembly and more formal Graduation Assembly on Thursday 27 September. A formal Graduation Dinner was held at Lazy River Estate on Thursday 15 November, when families joined in the celebration and everyone suddenly looked very 'grown up'!

Thank you to all involved with these end-of-year events and congratulations to Year 12 student, Shelby Mathieson and her sister, Laura, who baked the magnificent graduation cake.

We pray for these young men and women as they depart DCS to embark on their futures and thank them all for their contribution to DCS throughout their time with us. God Bless you, Year 12.

Diary Dates: Term 1, 2019

29 January	Term 1 Begins (Prep)
31 January	Term 1 Begins (Pebbles, K, 7, 11, 12)
01 February	Term 1 Begins (1-6, 8-10)
	7: Burrendong
05 February	7-12: Swimming Carnival
06 February	1-6: Swimming Carnival
12 February	Dedication Service
13 February	7: Welcome Information Night
	10: ROSA Information Night
20 February	10, 11, 12: Elevate Study Seminars
22 February	Zone Swimming Carnival (Wagga)
27 February	Term 1 Prayer Meeting
11 March	3-6: CSSA State Swimming
24-29 March	11: Outdoor Education Hike
27 March	Association Meeting
02 April	K-12: Cross Country Carnival
03 April	K-12: Parent Teacher Interviews
07-18 April	Vietnam Cultural Trip
09 April	K-12: Parent Teacher Interviews
12 April	Term 1 Ends
29 April	Term 2 Begins



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