



SCHOOL

SNIPPETS

We have had a **FANTASTIC** start to the new school year and staff and students have really 'hit the ground running'. Swimming lessons went without a hitch and learning is full steam ahead in every classroom. New teachers and admin have settled in well and are on board with the Dowerin DHS direction.

We are very grateful for the fabulous work done by our cleaners and gardeners over the Christmas break - the school looked terrific when we returned! Over the holidays, tradespeople installed a fireproof door between the General Teaching Room and Home Economics room, and the panelling on the external wall of the primary verandah was replaced, and painted.



We are thrilled that Mrs Ebony Gard has taken on the role of **STUDENT WELLBEING OFFICER**. This role is similar to the one previously undertaken by the School Chaplain. Mrs Gard will work in this role from Wednesday to Friday between 11.00am and 3.00pm. Please get in touch if you think Mrs Gard can support your children in any way.

Shortly, we will invite parents to have an input into whether we have a **SCHOOL PRODUCTION** in 2023 and how they can be involved if they choose to. A message will go out on Schoolstar and email when a date has been set.

We have done preliminary investigations into a **SCHOOL TRIP TO CANBERRA** for secondary students in 2024. The provisional itinerary looks very exciting—thanks Mrs Kym Metcalf for arranging this. We will be canvassing parent interest at a face to face meeting shortly. An invitation to attend will come via email and include this year's Year 6 students.

Please remember to label your children's belongings...hats especially! Remember we have a **NO HAT NO PLAY POLICY**—no exceptions.

The **SCHOOL BOARD AGM** is on at 6.30pm on Monday Feb 20th—immediately prior to the Protective Behaviours Presentation. There are still vacancies on the Board so, if you are interested, call the school to arrange a nomination. Not sure if you should? -ask a Board Member.

Don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any concerns or questions.

Enjoy the photos from our first couple of weeks.

CONGRATULATIONS to the parents who took advantage of the Parent Information Evening to catch up with teachers and make sure they were aware of the routines and expectations for the year. Remember, if you aren't sure about something, get in touch with your child's teacher.

GOOD TWO WAY COMMUNICATION allows us to support you and your family in the best way we can. **SCHOOLSTAR** is the app we use to communicate whole school messages to parents. The **SEESAW** app is used by primary school teachers to communicate with families and the secondary teachers use **EMAIL**. If you need to support to get access to these tools or don't have access to a suitable device, please get in touch and we will make a plan to suit you.



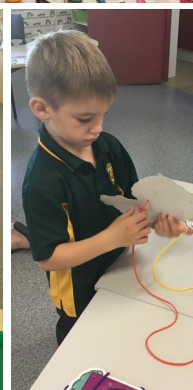
WHAT'S ON?

- Feb 16, 23, Mar 2 Teen Mental Health First Aid (secondary)
- Feb 20, 21 Protective Behaviours student staff and parent workshops.
- Feb 24 Faction Swimming Carnival
- Mar 6 Labour Day Holiday
- Mar 10 Interschool Swimming (Merredin)
- Mar 13 School Photos





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