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Welcome to Term 1 Week 3 2019

11th February,

Catholic Value – Compassion: This Term
"Each individual should have a sensitivity to
and concern for, the well-being of other
people."

Thank you: A big thank you to each of
you for your attendance at our Opening School
Mass & support at our Swimming Carnival.
These events are not the success that they are
without your support.

**Congratulations to Dezie, Annabelle
& Ollie on their induction as our
school leaders for 2019.**



Our swimming carnival was very enjoyable. The children showed great
sportsmanship and determination by the way they entered into all the events.
Well done to everyone and congratulations to the age champions and the winning
house **Saturn**. Thank you to Mrs Foran for her organisation and coordination of
the events. A note will go home during the week, with those chosen for
Northern Region Carnival next Wednesday 20th March. It will be held in
Mudgee. Our Age Champions were: Junior Girls – Mads; Junior Boys – Noah; 11yr
Girls – Matilda; 11yr Boys – Harry B; Senior Girls – Annabelle & Senior Boys –
Oliver.

School Fees: Going home with the Newsletter today is the Invoice for
Term 1 fees as well as **School Fee Agreement**. I ask that it be completed and
returned to school by **Friday 15th February, even if you have direct debit
in place**. I am well aware that a number of people are doing it hard at this
present moment, so please if I can assist in anyway please don't hesitate to
contact me. If I don't know I can't help. Year 6 parents please be aware that
your child's School Fees covers the cost of the Christian Living Camp which will

*We respect and embrace
the Wiradjuri people of
this region as the
traditional custodians and
cultural knowledge holders
of this land.*

IMPORTANT DATES

**12th March: Mum's
Night Out – Thai
Restaurant
Gulgong @ 6.30pm**

**8-10th May
Christian Living
Camp (Yr 6)**

**28th & 29th August
School Play**

**6th Dec End of Year
Mass, Graduation
& Family Night
6pm.**

***Please mark on
your calendar***

Grade Meetings & P & F AGM: It is most important that a parent attend the Grade Meetings tomorrow evening to learn what our Goal is for your child & the school for 2019.

K/1/2 @ 6.30pm

3-6 @ 7pm

followed by the P & F AGM @ 7.30

There will be refreshments & an opportunity to catch up with each other.

If it is impossible to attend please talk to your child's teacher for an update.

Please make every effort to stay for the P & F AGM.

It doesn't mean you will get a job.

Student Goals: The students' individual Goals for Term 1 will go home on Friday. Please discuss them with your child, fill in the parent part and return to school on **Monday, Tuesday at the very latest.** It is very important that you spend some time with your child discussing these and that they are returned to school.

School Counsellor: Grant our School Counsellor will be here on Wednesday. Some of you may have met him at the Dunedoo Show on Saturday. He was part of the Centacare Team. If you feel you or your child would benefit from assistance please don't hesitate to contact me and we can arrange a suitable time.

Swimming: All children will go to the pool after lunch on Tuesday. Please ensure that they have swimmers, towel, sunscreen & rashie. Pool entry is being covered by a grant.

Systems Day: I will be away on Friday attending the Systems Day. On this day we are given an outline of all the documents etc that are required to make us compliant for 2019.

Have a good week.

A Margaret Hood.

Sr Margaret

Inspired by the example set by St Mary MacKillop and Julian Tenison Woods, St Michael's Catholic School aims to foster a love of learning, allowing all children to reach their full potential through a supportive partnership of school, parents and parish.

THIS WEEK

11th Feb School Fees home with Newsletter

12th Feb Grade Meeting & P & F AGM

13th Feb Grant School Counsellor

15th Feb Student Goals go home

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"Gentleness, patience, unselfishness will acquire for you forgetfulness of self."

Mary MacKillop

Important Information Please Read

Coalition Government's Drought Community Support

Initiative: I reiterate Mr Coulton's words as expressed on page 8 of the latest edition of Dunedoo Diary, "I strongly urge eligible farmers to access these vouchers and cash which are practical means of lessening the financial burden many households are experiencing right now due to the drought.

The packages on offer are up to \$2000 in cash and \$1000 in vouchers per household, delivered through St Vincent de Paul here in Dunedoo. It is available to a farmer, a farm worker or farm supplier/contractor. For more information please contact Chris Sullivan who is willing to assist you with the application.

The money is there so please don't say there are others worse off than us. Yes that may be true but if you are eligible please consider contacting Chris.

Book Covering : Please do not keep any of the children's books at home if you are unable to cover them immediately. The children need their books DAILY! It is a really difficult for students and teachers when they do not have their books with them. Teachers are happy to send books home when you CAN do it, just contact your child's teacher. Many thanks



Birthdays

Congratulations & Birthday Wishes to:

**Chelsea Miller
&
Abigail Whitten**

AUSSIE OF THE WEEK - Lily Beer



Congratulations to Lily Beer.

Lily was seen to be very generous towards others and when she saw someone had missed out on a prize, was willing to give her prize to that person. She has been very generous with her things such as her spare hat and has been very helpful to those around her. What a generous and caring member of our School!

Sacrament Dates

1st May Parent & Child Meeting @ 6.30pm

5th May 1st Eucharist Enrolment 10am Mass

23rd June 1st Eucharist celebration 10am Mass

28th July Confirmation Enrolment 10am Mass

8th September Confirmation 10am Mass

11th August First Reconciliation Enrolment 10am Mass

19th September First Reconciliation @ 6pm.

Please mark on your calendar.



MERIT AWARDS

Annabelle Brennan,

Dezie Spargo,

Oliver Gaden,

Ellie Wentworth Brown,

Matilda Obst

Emilia Berry

COMMUNITY NEWS

"Fishing at Golf Club Dam"

Great to see young people enjoying fishing at the dam and we are fortunate to have an area within town limits that people can easily access. Afternoon sunsets, water birds, and kookaburra's laughing is a nice way to wind down for the day whilst you wait for that elusive carp or bream to take your bait. However, there is quite a bit of rubbish being left behind around the banks of the dam - plastic bags, soft drink cans, empty milk bottles, fishing line and plastic and tin bait containers.

Please be responsible for your rubbish(leave no trace- take it with you) and better still, if you do see rubbish- pick it up. Let's show that everyone can make a difference and help make Dunedoo a place for all to enjoy'. **Sharon Nott**



COOLAH-DUNEDOO ANGLICAN CHURCH VALENTINE DINNER

FRIDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2019

7.00 PM FOR 7.30 DINNER

DUNEDOO BOWLING CLUB

GUEST SPEAKER - SALLY BRYANT ABC RURAL REPORTER

If you are a regular listener to ABC Radio Rural Report the dulcet tones of Sally Bryant's voice will be very familiar to you, but her life story is not just one of a Rural Reporter - she has also been a member of the Australian Classifications Board, (which determines the ratings on TV programs and movies).

She was also a Polo Groom and worked with Fine Art Auctions in Ireland, but her heart still resonates with the outback and her early life growing up between Louth and Wanaaring in far west New South Wales.

Sally studied at Mitchell College (now Charles Sturt University) at Bathurst and claims she is still studying life. We would love for you to join us and hear her story on 15 February.

Tickets \$30 each available at
Milling Stuart

For further information contact:
Please RSVP By 8 Feb to
Winsome Rowbotham
63751590
or
Sue Graham
63751218

PARISH NEWS

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Coolah: Saturday 6pm

Mendooran: 2nd & 4th 8am

Elong Elong: 1st, 3rd, 5th 8am

Ballimore: 2nd & 4th 8am

Dunedoo: Sunday 10am

Altar Servers:

Sunday 16th February –

I Baker & F Hogden

***If there is any child
from Years 3 -6
who would like to
be an Altar Server
please let us know
ASAP.***

DID YOU KNOW?

***Grade
Meetings
tomorrow
night 12th
February.***

***K-2 @ 6.30 in
their
classroom.
3-6 @ 7pm in
5/6 room.
These will be
followed by
the P & F
AGM.***

***Everyone
invited to
nibbles &
drinks.***