From The Principal’s Desk
This week is the last newsletter for the year. Firstly, I would like to thank all parents for your support. I would also like to thank my fellow colleagues (teachers, teacher aides, cleaners, facility officer, chaplain, administration officers and members of the leadership team). 2015 has been a positive year in which students have been successful in the classroom, sporting field, music or cultural arena, as well as in the community. We have been able to showcase our achievements during the last two weeks at our ‘School Swimming Carnival’, ‘Awards Ceremony’, ‘Year 6 Graduation’ and ‘End Of Year Concert’.

This year, we say our farewell to a number of teachers on leave in 2016:

- Mr Kavney
- Miss O’Toole
- Mrs MacRae
- Mrs Bayles
- Mrs Tierney
- Miss Ellem

I would like to thank our departing staff members for their commitment and dedication to our students.

2016 will be a year in which we will continue to work collaboratively, with you, to create a strong and positive partnership to ensure that every child at our school achieves positive outcomes.

Have a wonderful and safe Christmas break and, please keep an eye on the school, and if you see anything unusual, please contact school watch on 13 17 88.

Have a wonderful break
See you back in 2016
Ms Mona Anau
Principal
News From The Deputy

Welcome to Week 10. Yes, Week 10 and the final school week of the year. What a wonderful year it has been, and it is still not over yet. There are still a few days remaining in the 2015 school year, with many fun events planned. Although my time at Dalby has only been fairly short so far, I have thoroughly enjoyed my first 6 months as a member of the Dalby school community. It is clear that traditional values are important at Dalby. This is evident by the larger number of second, third and fourth generation students that have walked through the school gates. Some of these students were farewelled at the ‘Graduation Ceremony’ on Tuesday. It has been a very busy 2015. I would like to thank everyone who has contributed, in some way, in allowing our students every opportunity to succeed and push themselves out of their comfort zone. Without the support of those people that assist us in our common goal of student success, we would not be able to achieve what we do. I would also like to thank the teachers and teacher aides of Dalby State School who work very hard to provide the children of our school with the best possible learning experiences, in a positive and encouraging school environment that is second to none. We are not a good school, we are a great school. This is only possible with a school community that works together, with the one common goal of students achieving every day, in a safe and supportive environment.

Graduates of 2015

To the graduating class of 2015. I am sure it is hard to believe that your time as a Dalby State School student is almost over. Whether it be a short time, or many years and a family tradition, I am sure that you hold fond memories of your time at Dalby State School. As the door closes on your time at Primary School, it is important to look forward to the future as a High School student. Your years at High School will be filled with fun, growth and many challenges, where you will be forced to make decisions, some of which you will look back on in years to come, and maybe even question why. It is important to remain focused and true to yourself to ensure you allow yourself every opportunity to succeed in High School and beyond. I wish you all the best for the years to come and know that you will succeed in what you set out to achieve, be it academically, sporting or culturally. I would like to also congratulate the 2015 ‘Student Leadership’ group. You have worked very well as a group under the guidance of Mrs Elliott, and should be congratulated on your efforts. You have been an asset to Dalby State School, and should be proud of your achievements. Thank you to all graduates for the time you have given as a member of the Dalby State School family.

Goodbye and Good luck

Staff Farewell

I would like to also thank those staff who will not be with us in 2016. I wish you the very best of luck as you travel a different path, and experience other options with Education Queensland. Your experience will be sorely missed, and I know that many staff and students will hope to see you back in 2017.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone in the Dalby State School family a very restful, and well deserved, holiday and Christmas break. I hope you find some time to spend with family and friends, and those that are special to you. I also hope that everyone finds some time to rest and recover, and recharge the batteries ready for 2016. Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Safe travels, and see you in 2016.

Until next year
Ben Edmunds
Deputy Principal

Merry Christmas and have a Happy and Safe Holidays
Congratulations graduating students from Year 6 all the best for the future.

2015 SWIMMING CARNIVAL TROPHIES

1. Champion House Trophy - Cunningham
2. House Encouragement Trophy - Parents & Citizens - McGregor
3. Boys Open 100m Freestyle Championship Trophy
   Donated by DSS - Winner (Individual) Jake Rynne
   Boys Open 100m Freestyle Championship Trophy
   Donated by DSS - Runner-up (Individual) Matthew Legge
4. Girls Open Freestyle Championship Trophy
   (Donated by Carrick Aland Services.) - Winner (Individual) Chantelle Callow
   Girls Open Freestyle Championship Trophy
   (Donated by Carrick Aland Services.) Runner-up (Individual) Betsy Duff
5. Age Champion Trophy
   Boy 8 Years - P&C Rep/ - Ben Smith
   Girl 8 Years - - Kaitlin Stimson
   Boy 9 Years - - Nicholas Legge
   Girl 9 Years - - Emma Donaldson
   Boy 10 Years - P&C Rep/ - Brock Sankey
   Girl 10 Years - - Chloe Donaldson
   Boy 11 Years - - Matthew Legge
   Girl 11 Years - - Sophie Campbell
   Boy 12 Years - - Jake Rynne
   Girl 12 Years - - Betsy Duff
   (Donated by the Parents & Citizens Assn.)

POINTS 2015
Cunningham 628, Leichhardt 373, Oxley 310, McGregor 304

2015 RECORDS
Boys 8 Years Freestyle Championship (Rec. B. Smith 2015 1.07.67s)
Girls 8 Years Freestyle Championship (Rec. K. Stimson 1.16.82s)
Boys 12 Years - Freestyle Championship (Rec. J. Rynne 2015 31.87s)
Boys 8 Years Backstroke Championship (Rec. D. Brown 2015 1.33.00s)
Girls 8 Years Backstroke Championship (Rec. K. Stimson 2015 1.26.45s)
Boys 12 Years Backstroke Championship (Rec. J. Rynne 2015 38.96s)
Boys 8 Years Breaststroke Championship (Rec. B. Smith 2015 1.22.16s)
Girls 8 Years Breaststroke Championship (Rec. K. Stimson 2015 1.40.82s)
Boys 12 Years Breaststroke Championship (Rec. J. Rynne 2015 42.92s)
Boys 8 Years Butterfly Championship (Rec. B. Smith 2015 1.22.16s)
Girls 8 Years Butterfly Championship (Rec. K. Stimson 2015 1.40.82s)
BOYS OPEN 100M FREESTYLE CHAMPIONSHIP (Rec. J. Rynne 2015 - 1.09.20)