HipHop Kids Starting Term 1!
The award winning HipHop Kids program is starting at our school in Term 1, 2013. The program is running on Monday afternoons in the school hall at the following times:

Hippers (Ages 5-8) = 3:30 – 4:10pm
Hoppers (Ages 9-13) = 4:20 – 5:00pm
Cost = $8 per lesson (Family discounts available)

HipHop Kids is an exciting fusion of modern music and hiphop moves that’s all about fun and participation. Who knows… we may help create the next Justice crew!

There are limited spaces available in each class so bookings are essential. Payment is not required until the program starts in Term 1, 2013.

DALBY SWANS CLUB SIGN-ON DAY
When: 15/2/13, 4-5.30pm
Where: Dalby Swans AFL Ground, Owen St.
Cost: $60 (U8-U10); $100 (U12-U16)
Canteen/BBQ Operating
Come and meet (6) Brisbane Lions Players at the sign on day
Every child that registers receives a FREE Lions Bag, Sausage Burger & Drink
## Registration is FREE for Health Care & Pensioner Concession Card holders #

Western Down Winds – Starters Band Want to learn a band instrument? Have you played one in the past? Come along and have a blast at the “Western Downs Winds Starters Band”. Rehearsals start on 12/02/13, 7-8pm at the Dalby Silver Band Hall in North Street Dalby. Bring along your own instrument and pencil. Music, books and folder will be supplied. Membership is $50 single/year. To register your interest, and for further information, send your email to westerdowntwendswinds@gmail.com

The Glennie School Parents and Friends’ Association AQUATHON
Glennie Pool
Sunday 10 March
7.30am Registrations & Warm-Up
8.30am Start
Entry
$10 Individual
$15 Teams (1 Swimmer & 1 Runner)
For further details
P: 0427 802 448
Day 8 figures and the Creation of a year 1 class:
I would like to thank everyone for their support in enabling our students to have a great start to the year. Our Day 8 numbers were positive; therefore we have gained an additional teacher who will take a year 1 class. Miss Keira Laurentiz will commence on Monday 18th February.

There will be minimal changes to students in classrooms, however, the Prep/1 class will be divided into a straight year 1 class and a straight Prep class. Some slight movement will occur with our year 2 and 3 classes. Please understand that creating a class in year 1 was to reduce the high numbers in Prep. This had an impact on our year 1 classes which impacted on our year 2 classes and this then impacted on our year 3 classes.

Changes were made to the Education Queensland staffing model at the end of 2012 and schools were told by Regional office to consider the worst case scenario when creating classes for 2013. If schools were to lose 2 students, then a teacher would be lost for one day a fortnight, the loss of 4 students would cause that teacher to be lost for two days a fortnight. We then had enrolments come in during the last week of school in 2012 and the first week of this year, which precipitated the need for some adjustments to be made.

Our predicted numbers in late November were 460 students, however, by day 8 this year our numbers increased to 473. If you have any questions around the changes, please call me or see me in the administration building. I am happy to assist you in any way to support your child at our school.

Staffing for 2013:
I would like to welcome Miss Noeleen Donald, who previously taught in Mt Isa, to our school. Miss Donald is taking a Year 4 class. Welcome back to Mr Scott Bach who is working in the Learning Education Centre. Mrs Penny DeWaele has transferred from Dalby South and is now team teaching with Mrs Amanda Rodgers on the Year 3/4 class. I would hope that you have begun to communicate with your child’s classroom teacher around curriculum, school expectations, extra-curricular or general classroom or school matters.

Meet and Greet on Monday 18th February 2013:
Our Annual Meet and Greet is on Monday 18th February from 3:30 p.m. – 5 pm. I would like to invite you to our school so that you can meet our classroom teachers. This is also a good opportunity for you to visit classrooms. A BBQ will be provided at 3:30pm with a short introduction by me, during which I will introduce our teachers for 2013. Once the introduction is over, you are welcome to visit your child/children’s classrooms.

Leadership Ceremony on Monday 25th February 2013:
The Dalby State School Leadership Ceremony will be on Monday 25th February in Kavney Hall. This is a special ceremony during which we will induct our school leaders in front of our students, staff and parents. The ceremony will commence at 9am and will finish at approximately 10am. Morning tea will then be offered to the parents and guardians of school leaders and invited guests. I would like to thank the P&C for providing morning tea for this special occasion.
Principal’s Pen continued……..

Project 600:
This is a Regional initiative at Dalby State School where a group of students in Year 5 will participate in a program called Project 600. Project 600 is a program delivered through Distance Education that will work to improve students who gained sound results in previous NAPLAN testing. Project 600 will be managed by our Deputy Principal, Mr Wood with the support of the year 5 teachers and myself. Students will participate in online lessons once a week to improve their skills in NAPLAN, as well as developing their general capabilities as described in the Australian Curriculum. These include Literacy, Critical and Creative Thinking and Information and Communication Technology Capability.

Unify:
Unify is a new initiative at Dalby State School offered to students with a strong interest to participate in extension courses. These extension courses explore pathways towards secondary and tertiary education. This involves creative thinking, the use of ICT’s and building the student’s capacity to learn on line. This opportunity will also engage parents in supporting their child’s participation and progress in the project. Students enrolled in Unify can access the course at school and home. Students achieving at a very high level academically may apply to participate in this course. Enrolment in this course is a user pay system, however, it will also be subsidised by our school. For more information, please contact Mr Wood.
Finally, this term is a short term. Swimming will commence in Week 4 and will run until Week 8. New History units are also being introduced into the classroom and students will continue to work on the Australian Curriculum. If there are any queries, please book an appointment to see me or continue to talk to your child’s classroom teacher. Have a wonderful week.

Regards, Mona Anau

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to students who were awarded "Student of the Week" certificates last week on parade.

P&C NEWS

The Annual General Meeting of the P&C will be held on Tuesday 19th March commencing at 6.15pm in the staffroom located near the office. This will be followed by the normal monthly meeting. We welcome and encourage new members to come along to have your say and support our school. The P&C will be catering at the Open Garden Weekend hosted by the Roberts Family on 16th and 17th March. We would like to thank the Roberts Family for nominating Dalby State School to be the recipient of the funds raised. More information and request for helpers to come in the near future.

SPORTS NEWS

- Canoeing will start this Friday. Students from 7E who are not involved in AFL training will have the chance to canoe.
- Swimming Commences next week. Swimming notes have been sent home with students. Please remind your child to bring togs on the correct day.
- Bunya Swimming Carnival is on Wednesday 20 Feb until 11.30am. Yr 7B/7E swimming will be made up on Friday 22 Feb

DALBY STATE SCHOOL SWIMMING TIMETABLE TERM 1 2013 Prep to Year 7

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DALBY STATE SCHOOL CREED

“I am proud to be at Dalby State School. I will try my best to make the right choices and will respect others, all property and myself. Ever Onward.”
KOPING Adolescent and KIDSTALK Children’s’ Programs

Two new programs to assist teenagers and children to discuss their experiences of living with a parent affected by mental illness will be offered across the Western Downs schools during the Easter school holidays. Children and young people may feel isolated from support, embarrassed to talk to friends, fear for their parent’s wellbeing, and feel stressed by family and school pressures. KOPING is for teenagers in High School and KIDSTALK is for Primary School aged children.

The programs are free, and will run from 10.00am to 4.30pm each day. Parents are asked to provide their children with morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

KOPING for teenagers will be offered over three days – 5, 11 and 12 April. KIDSTALK will be offered over two days – 11 and 12 April. Only one program will be run – priority will be given to the age group with the highest enrolment numbers.

Please phone Robyn at Dalby Child & Youth Mental Health Service on 4669 0501 or Noelle at Chinchilla Child & Youth Mental Health Service on 4662 7711 by Wednesday 20 March 2013 to enrol your child.

IN June-July students from over 20 countries around the world will be arriving in Australia to study at local high schools for 5 or 10 months. Opportunities exist for families to act as a host family, in a volunteer capacity. Hosting can be on a temporary, short or long term basis. Host families help provide international students with the chance to study and experience life in Australia. This is a great way to learn about another country and culture, establish a lifelong link to a family in another country and contribute to international goodwill.

To hear more about this wonderful opportunity or our student exchange programs out of Australia Call Student Exchange Australia New Zealand on 1300 135 331 or visit www.studentexchange.org.au/host-a-student

Our tuckshop menu has been sent home, this contains the food available and all the information you need to help you order your children’s lunches. Please keep it to refer to. Please note that tuckshop orders need to be filled out at home, money enclosed and placed in the tuckshop boxes provided in each child’s classroom at the start of the day. This system prevents long delays at the tuckshop as staff & volunteers are busy with uniform sales from 8.30–9am.

Volunteer notes have also been sent home. We really need volunteers this year, please read the note and if you would like to help out please fill in the details and return as soon as possible, to the school office or the tuckshop.

Thank you.

Thank you to all the students, teachers and parents for taking part in the Woolworths Earn & Learn last year. As you can see in the photo we earned some awesome rewards. Thanks again for your dedication and effort with collecting stickers and making sure they got handed in to the office.

SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE

The School dental service will be offering treatment to students in years 3, 2, 1 & Prep. Registration forms for these year levels will be sent home with the newsletter, one form per family. Please fill out the form and return to the school office, as soon as possible.

Appointments are at the Dalby Dental Clinic, Bunya Street Dalby, near the Dalby State School multipurpose courts. Ph: 07 4662 2510