

Dubbo West Public School NEWSLETTER



Term 4, Week 7 - Tuesday 25th November , 2025

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL - JODY HALL

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Week 7. It is going to be very warm week so please remind all students to bring their school hats every day to protect them from the harsh sun. Staff will be offering options for students to play during breaks so they can keep cool during this extreme heat.

As we go into the final three weeks of the Term, high expectation of student behaviour maintains the same as it has throughout the year. Please talk to your children about the importance of being safe, respectful and engaged learners right up until the last day of the year. I appreciate your ongoing support in this area.

This is a jam-packed week for our students with visiting shows and opportunities to engage in extra-curricular activities across the grades from Preschool to Year 6. Thank you to staff who have organised and facilitated these activities for our very lucky students.

Week 6 Attendance

Congratulations to 1/2V and the Budyabudyas class, who both had the highest attendance in Week 6 with 87%.

Congratulations to 3/4H who had the most improved attendance in Week 6 with a 9% increase from Week 5!

Our whole school percentage for Week 6 was 79%.

Lunch Orders

When a child goes home early, if they have placed a lunch order in the morning and it has not been collected, we are unable to offer a refund as the food is disposed of when it has been left at school due to the possibility of the food being spoiled. Parents are welcome to collect the order from the canteen when picking up their child. Thank you for your understanding in this area.

Dubbo Regional Education Waste Program

Yesterday and today Hamish from Dubbo Regional Council has been visiting our school delivering an engaging program based on waste, reduction and recycling. Our students had a great time yesterday learning all about sustainable practices. Please keep an eye of Facebook over the next couple of days for some lovely photos.

Students Onsite

I am on duty each morning at 8:30am where students who arrive before our designated start time of 8:45am can be supervised under C-Block. There have been many children arriving earlier than 8:30am and this is unsafe as there is no adult supervision onsite at this time.

Questacon Incursion

This Wednesday our school has fully subsidised a visit from Questacon – the well-known educational, science-based program from Canberra. All students will have the opportunity to participate in the workshops and learn new and exciting scientific information. I look forward to hearing all about the experience.

Preschool Opal Visit

Our Preschoolers have developed a lovely relationship with residents from Opal Aged Care facility and will be visiting them on Wednesday 26th November. Our students look forward to visiting with their special friends and everyone always has a wonderful time. I am sure there will be lots of photos to share in next week's newsletter.

P&C Meeting

This Thursday 27th November, we will be holding our final P&C meeting of 2025. All parents and caregivers are welcome to come along and be involved with our amazing and committed team. We will meet in the Library at 5.15pm, and I would love to see you there.

Safe Parking

When dropping off or collecting students from school, please be mindful that you are not to stop in a Bus Zone or across a driveway.

Hats

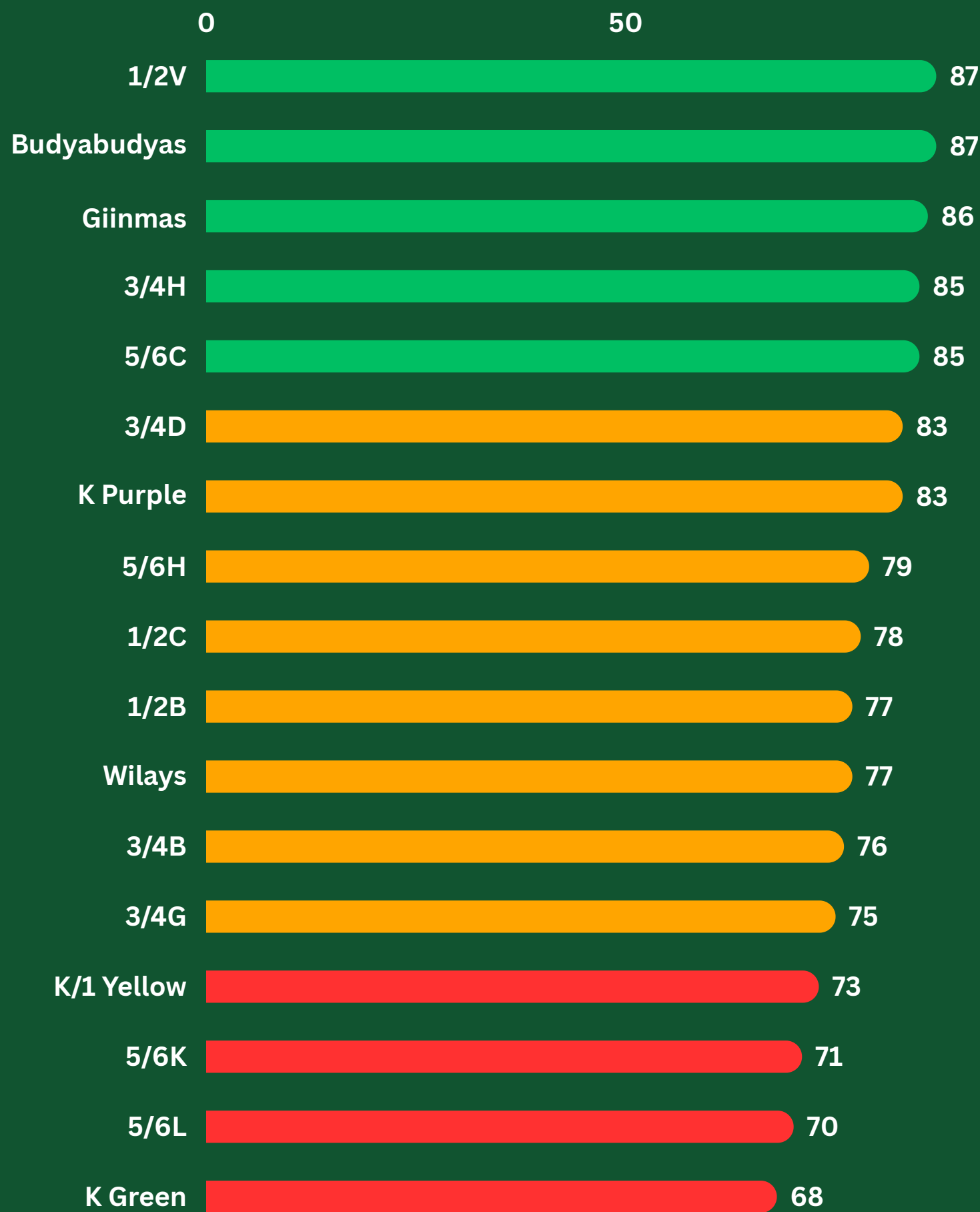
A reminder that all students need to be wearing a school hat whilst playing outside. They are available for purchase from the Front Office for \$10. A bucket hat is required for all students as we are a Sun Safe school.

Have a wonderful week,

Jody Hall
Principal

TERM 4, WEEK 6 ATTENDANCE

OUR GOAL IS 90%



THIS WEEKS WHOLE SCHOOL PERCENTAGE IS 79%

2025	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Term 4 Week 7	24th November Waste Education	25th November Ochre Up Year 6 Girls Hear our Heart Waste Education	26th November Questacon Incursion - Science Circus Preschool Visit to Opal Retirement Village Dinawan's Connection Program	27th November Preschool and Kindergarten Transition P&C Meeting 5:30pm in the Library	28th November PSSA Sports
	1st December	2nd December Ochre Up Year 6 Girls Presentation Day	3rd December Dinawan's Connection Program	4th December Preschool and Kindergarten Transition Year 6 Farewell	5th December PSSA Sports
Term 4 Week 8					



Presentation Day

2nd December, 2025

Year 6 Farewell

4th December, 2025

Year 6 Transition

9th - 10th December, 2025

Christmas Concert

11th December, 2025

Preschool Orientation



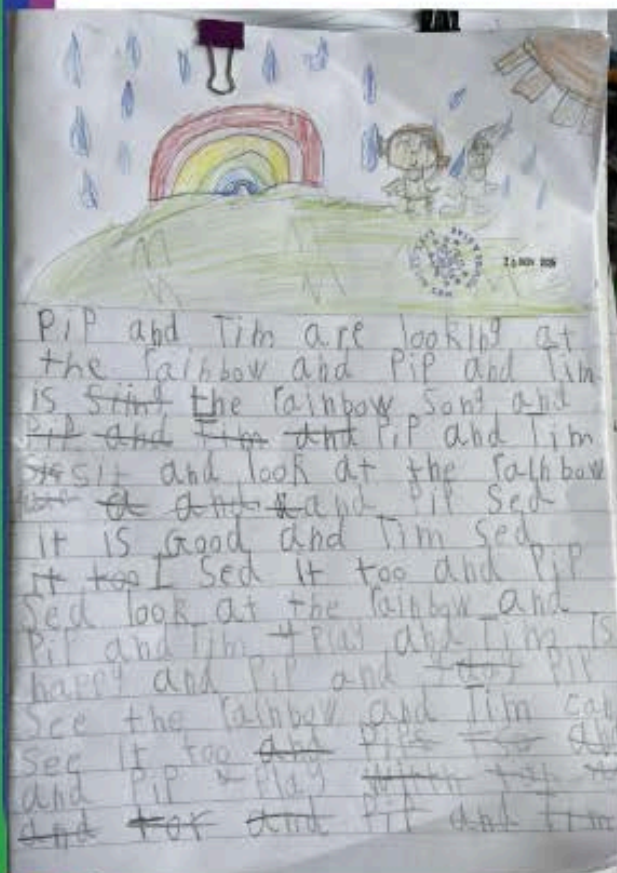
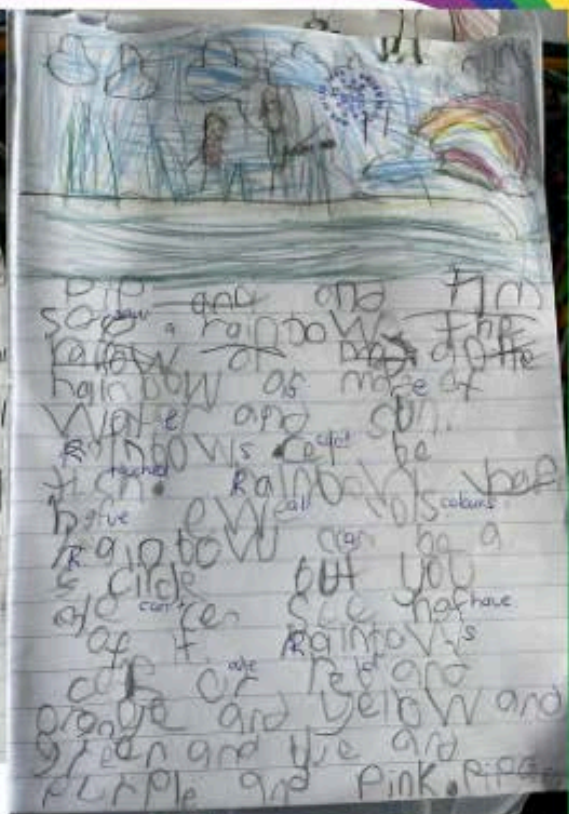
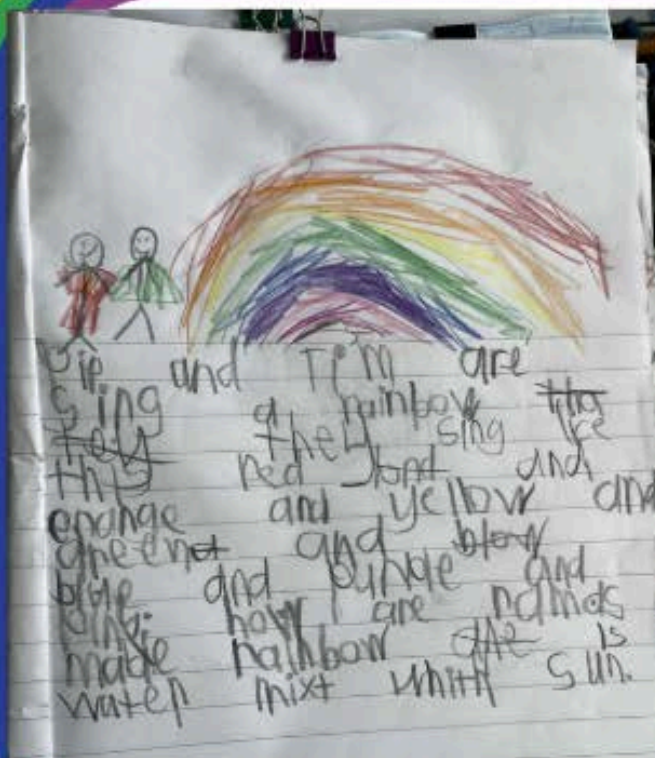


Kinder Purple

In KP we have been learning about rainbows.

We have been using them in our writing, reading and watching stories about them, as well as doing rainbow art and crafts. In Week 6 on Monday, we displayed our rainbow art and crafts on stage at assembly and we sang and signed the song “I can sing a rainbow.”





3/4G

This Term, 3/4G students have been enjoying two wonderful books: "Fire" by Jackie French and "Bindi" by Kirli Saunders. These stories teach important lessons about bravery, belonging, and respect for our environment and culture.

Fire tells the story of the bushfires, showing how people faced a dangerous situation with courage and determination.

Bindi shares a beautiful story connected to Indigenous culture, helping students understand the importance of identity, family, and community.

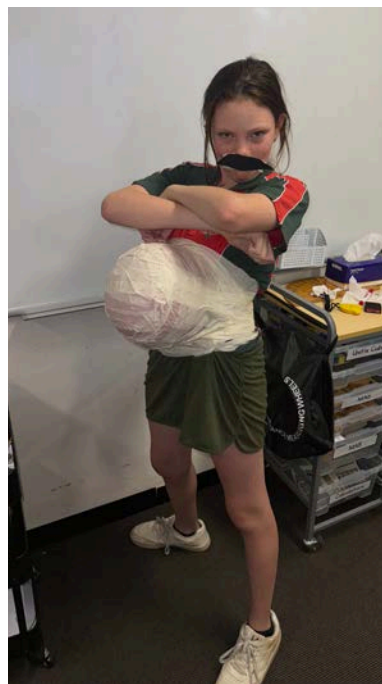


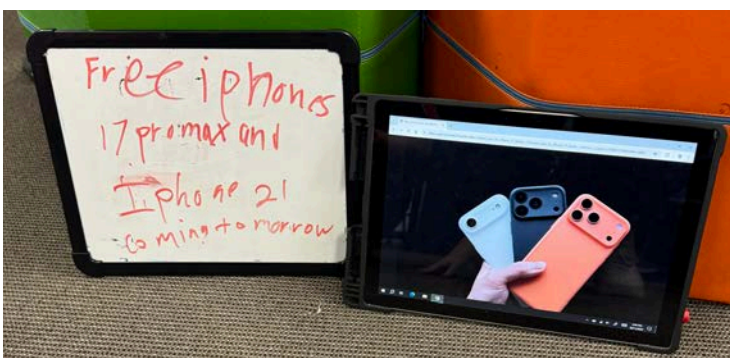
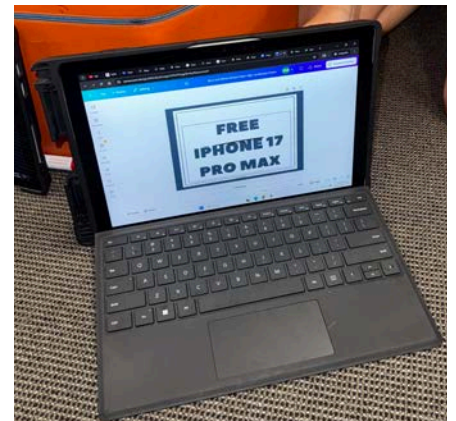
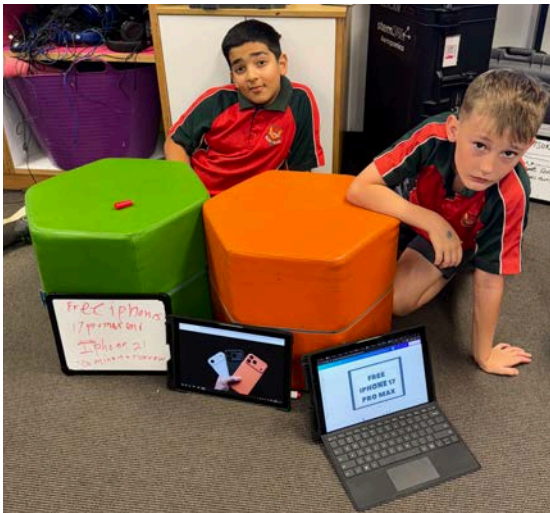
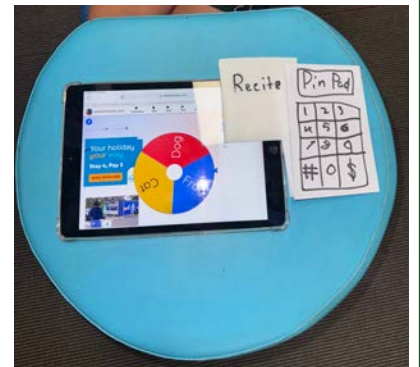
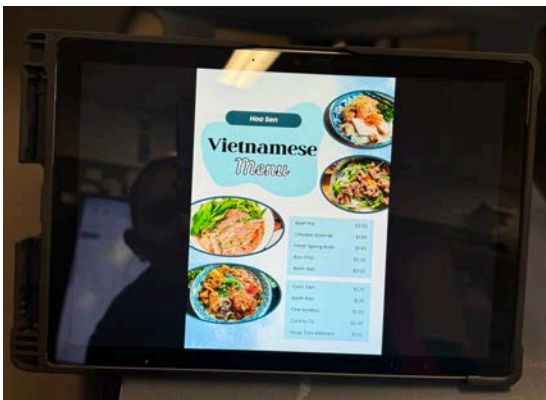
Inspired by Bindi, students have also learned about the Black Cockatoo, a special bird often featured in Indigenous stories. The students have created amazing artworks of the Black Cockatoo, celebrating its significance in both the story and Australian nature.

In addition to reading and art, students have been exploring poetry as a way to express their thoughts and feelings about the themes in these books. Writing poems about bravery, community, and nature has allowed them to use language creatively and reflect more deeply on their learning.

5/6C Drama

This Term in 5/6C, students have been enjoying the study of drama, recognising the importance of elements such as time, focus, space, mood, tension, genre, movement and symbolism in conveying meaning. Students are currently involved in the process of playbuilding, with each student having developed their own authentic character. Students are learning that quality character development starts with the character having a backstory and motive, understanding how a person's actions can be shaped by their culture, hobbies, strengths, weaknesses, and beliefs. For their playbuilding production, students have worked collaboratively on a script, developing their lines by considering stereotypes around different levels of status, age and personality. 5/6C have creatively chosen the setting of "The Sinister Dubbo Show" for their production, prepared to take their audience for a ride as the main characters, Karol and Kraig (who are an older couple) get tricked at each stall. Students have created a range of appealing stalls in groups, exploring categories such as food sales, technology assistance, animals and Halloween. The cohort has used the digital application Canva on their laptops to create inviting and aesthetically pleasing advertising signs for their stalls. Students are in the process of choosing their costumes and have used props such as a flip phone, glasses and walking stick to empathetically and humourously explore stereotypes around getting older and disliking change. 5/6C students are very excited to showcase their strong knowledge of performance. Each member of our class has worked hard, improving their skills in communication, negotiation and trust to develop a thoughtful performance that the audience can connect with on an emotional level.







Ochre Up





NSW Department of Education

Applying for my child to attend an opportunity class or selective high school

Why selective education?

Grouping high potential and gifted students together and using special teaching methods supports their:

- academic development
- emotional wellbeing
- friendships and social life.

Students tell us that they enjoy learning more when their classmates have similar abilities and interests.

Is it right for my child?

Here are some signs that your child may benefit from selective education.



learns quickly and easily



goal-driven



asks complex questions



good memory



curious and creative



deeply explores passions

Keep in mind, some children's high potential may be hidden. Being in an opportunity class or selective high school could help.

How can I support my child through the application process?



Talk to your child about the **benefits** and **challenges** of selective education and address their questions and concerns.



Ask your **child's teacher** (or other staff who know them well) whether they think selective education will suit your child.



Apply for any required **reasonable adjustments** for disability or medical conditions.



Encourage your child to use the department's **free resources** to prepare for the test.



Remind your child they only need to do a **small amount** of **preparation** for the placement test, and **don't** need coaching.



Support your child to continue **co-curricular activities**, see friends, eat healthily and sleep well in the lead-up to the test.

The **Equity Placement Model** reserves up to **20% of places** in opportunity classes and selective high schools for high potential and gifted:

- students from low socio-educational advantage backgrounds
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students
- students from rural and remote locations
- students with disability

Learn more: edu.nsw.link/equity

Resources in other languages:
edu.nsw.link/shsoc_languages



Financial support

edu.nsw.link/pubedu

The [Public Education Foundation scholarships](#) offer financial support to help young people at NSW public schools to access opportunities and reach their potential.

Please note there are no fees to apply and sit for the placement test, and there are no extra fees to enrol in a selective high school or opportunity class.

Get ready to apply

Learn more at our [website](#):



Telephone interpreter service

If you need interpreter assistance to speak with your child's class teacher please call the Telephone Interpreter Service on 131 450 and ask for an interpreter in your language. Tell the operator the phone number you want to call and the operator will get an interpreter on the line to assist you with the conversation. You will not be charged for this service.

education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc



DWPS CHRISTMAS CONCERT

THURSDAY 11TH DECEMBER
GATES OPEN AT 5PM
BBQ : \$4 SAUSAGE SANDWICH
\$7 STEAK SANDWICH
\$3 DRINKS

LOLLIES FOR SALE STARTING AT \$1
CONCERT STARTS AT 6PM.

**Tokens for sale through
School Bytes and front
Office - \$1 per token.**



HELPING MOB

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BIG SCHOOL**

Wednesday 3rd & Thursday 4th

December

10am - 2pm

YARRADAMARRA
CENTRE

DUBBO TAFE

BBQ LUNCH
FACE PAINTING
KIDS ACTIVITIES

INFORMATION
STALLS

LUCKY DOOR PRIZES
GIVE AWAYS
AND LOADS MORE

BEGINNING SCHOOL CAN BE A TRICKY TIME FOR NEW FAMILIES. CONNECTED BEGINNINGS AND THE NSW DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION HAVE PARTNERED TO CREATE A TWO DAY EVENT, BRINGING LOTS OF LOCAL SERVICES TOGETHER TO MAKE PREPARING FOR BIG SCHOOL EASIER. ALL FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND, HOWEVER THE FOCUS ON THIS INITIATIVE IS TO ASSIST WITH CLOSING THE GAP AND ENSURING ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER FAMILIES ESPECIALLY ARE PREPARED AND READY FOR MOVING INTO FORMAL EDUCATION SYSTEMS.

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ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

DUBBO WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL

Kindergarten 2026

Children can commence Kindergarten at the start of the school year if they turn 5 on or before July 31st 2026.

We take pride in delivering excellent education in a warm and nurturing environment "Where Individuals Matter."

Dubbo West Public School is a community school. It consists of a Preschool, Primary, Special Education Unit as well as an Opportunity Class.

ENROL NOW

02 6882 3086

<https://dubbowest-p.schools.nsw.gov.au>

Dubbo West Public School - East Street Dubbo NSW 2830

DUBBO WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL



Preschool Enrolment

A Bright Beginning for Your Child!

- Engaging, play-based curriculum
- Caring and experienced teachers
- Safe & stimulating learning spaces
- Social, emotional and academic development

Children are required to turn 4 on or before 31st July 2026.

Why Choose Us

Give your little one the best start on their learning journey! Our preschool offers a warm, nurturing environment where children grow, explore, and thrive. Department of Education Preschools enrol children for one year only- the year before commencing Kindergarten.



Now Enrolling for 2026

Limited Spots Available!

For further information

please call Dubbo West Public School on 6882 3086 or drop into the school office to collect a waiting list application.



TERM 4 2025 FLYER

DUBBO WEST SACC



For

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2025 MONDAY

Musical Beats & Dance
Grooves
10am - 12pm

Eat Well Feel Good
starting 19th August
1.30pm - 3pm
Only 5 spots available
book now on
68849961



TUESDAY

Supported Playgroup for
ages 0-5 years
no bookings needed
just walk in.
10am - 12pm

Walking Group
1pm-2pm
Come and join in and get
active

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL TANYA 0268849961

WEDNESDAY

Creative Mummy & Me:
Listen to a story, then
introduce your little one
to various forms of craft.
10am - 11:30am

Mother Goose with
Live Better
11:30am-12pm



THURSDAY

Supported Playgroup
for ages 0-5 years
no bookings are needed
just walk in.
10am - 12pm



LOCATED AT DUBBO WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL
ON THE CORNER OF NORTH AND EAST STREET DUBBO



Dubbo West Public School - School as Community Centre



PLAYGROUP

0 to 5 Years



10am - 12pm

Tuesday and Thursday
mornings during the school term
CNR North and East St, Dubbo

FREE



DUBBO WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL CANTEEN SUMMER MENU 2025

Order online at Spriggyschools.com.au or drop your order to the canteen before 9:15am



MINI SNACKS

Piece of Fruit	\$ 1.00
Fruit Muffin	\$ 1.50
Cheese and Jatz	\$ 1.00
Plain Popcorn	\$ 1.50
Jelly Cup	\$ 1.50
Custard	\$ 1.50
Sea salt chips	\$ 1.50
Grain waves	\$ 1.50
Mini Scroll	\$ 1.00
Pizza Muffin	\$ 2.00

SANDWICHES/ WRAP/SALAD BOWLS

Vegemite	\$ 3.00
Cheese	\$ 3.00
Ham & Cheese	\$ 4.00
Ham & Salad	\$ 5.50
Chicken & Cheese	\$ 4.00
Chicken & Salad	\$ 5.50
Salad	\$ 5.00
Salad Bowl	\$ 6.00
Chicken Salad bowl	\$ 6.50
Ham Salad bowl	\$ 6.50
Cheese Salad Bowl	\$ 6.50

(Salad includes lettuce, tomato, carrot and Cucumber)

HOT FOOD

Chicken Tender	\$ 2.00
Junior Pie	\$ 3.50
Chicken Fingers x5	\$ 3.50
Sausage Roll	\$ 5.00
Pie - Large	\$ 5.00
Lasagne	\$ 5.00
Go Go Garlic Bread	\$ 3.00
Hamburger, Cheese & Sauce	\$ 5.00
Add Salad	\$ 6.50
Chicken Burger, Lettuce & Mayo	\$ 5.00
Add Salad	\$ 6.50

GLUTEN FREE

Chicken Tender	\$ 2.00
Toasted Cheese Sandwich	\$ 3.50

Extras

Toasted	\$ 0.50
Bread Roll	\$ 1.00
Cheese	\$ 0.50
Extra Salad Item	\$ 0.50
Tomato/BBQ Sauce/Sweet&Sour	\$ 0.50
Teaspoons/forks	\$ 0.10

DRINKS

Water	\$ 2.00
Strawberry Milk	\$ 3.00
Chocolate Milk	\$ 3.00
Apple Juice	\$ 3.00
Apple & Blackcurrant	\$ 3.00
Mumble Peg OJ	\$ 3.50

FROZENS

Quelch Sticks	\$ 0.50
Snap Sticks	\$ 1.00
Apple cup	\$ 1.50
Slushi	\$ 2.50
Twisted Frozen Yoghurt	\$ 2.50

Spriggys Schools

Order online at
spriggyschools.com.au before
9:15am or write your child's name,
class & order on a paper bag & drop
into the canteen by **9:15am**

All items are subject to availability

Due to OH regulations we are unable to reheat food not purchased from the canteen. This includes filling noodle cups with water