



# Dareton Public School Newsletter

## 12th December 2016

### Term 4 Week 10

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## Principal's Notes

**Welcome** to our final Newsletter for the term and year. What a wonderful and full year we have enjoyed at Dareton Public. Thank you very much for supporting our school programs, events and most all the learning and engagement of our students.

**Presentation Day—tomorrow @ 10am.** Tomorrow morning we celebrate the achievements of our students. It is day hosted by our School Captains and leaders in the Kangas' classroom and where Student Awards, Certificates and Scholarships etc are presented to worthy recipients. We hope you can join with us as we celebrate 2016.



**Swimming Program.** Our school swimming program continues this week (except for tomorrow) for students from Years 2 to 6. Students are reminded to bring their swimmers, hat and towel each swimming day.

**Student Reports.** Student Reports will be available for collection from the School Office Thursday afternoon. Reports can only be collected by a Parent/Carer and any uncollected Reports will be mailed home Friday after school.

**End of Term 4.** School will continue as normal til Friday afternoon when we dismiss at 3pm. Students will need to take personal belongings home. The last day of school is Friday 16th December.

**Vale Greg Snowdon.** Dareton Public School acknowledges the passing of BMEET CEO, Greg Snowdon. Greg's great contribution to our community is acknowledged. Our condolences and sincerest wishes go to his family and wife Deb. Details of Greg's funeral is on our last page (it is on tomorrow) and we regret that due to our Presentation Day, the school is unable to attend.

May I take this opportunity of wishing all a very happy and safe Christmas and I look forward to welcoming everyone back in 2017.

Hugh Twaddle  
Principal

*Merry  
Christmas*

## School Calendar of Events

**Tuesday 13th December**—Presentation Day—10am start

**Friday 16th December**—Last day of Term.

**2017 School Term 1** - Students in years 1 to 6 return Monday 6th February. Teachers, SLSOs and AEOs resume Wednesday 1st February.

**2017 Kinder** students start school on Thursday 9th February. School hours next year remain the same with a 9am start and 3pm finish.

## Principal's Awards

*Missy  
Tamzin  
Rowena*

## Students of the week

*Shylah  
Lydia  
Sylvia*

## Merit Certificates

*Daijon  
Hedley  
Ciera  
Dale  
Shianne  
Karniesha  
Rowena*

## Attendance Awards

*Jayden  
Andrew  
Ciera  
Angus  
Lamia  
Nicholas  
Rowena*

## Manners Matter

*Daijon  
Zaphaniah  
Mikalem  
Anthony H*



# Kinder / Year 1 - Kanga Room Class Christmas Lunch

When: Thursday 15th December 2016

Time: 11:30am

*This Thursday K/1 Kanga room will be celebrating our year together by having a special Christmas Lunch.  
Students will not need to bring any food on this day.*



## *End of year Student Work*

Please send a plastic bag with your child to school tomorrow. They have lots of work to bring home.



## Term 4 - Week 10

*Thank you Lisa*

*I would like to take the opportunity to thank Lisa Andrews who has worked in the Kanga Room this year. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.*

*A great big thank you from all the Kanga Room!*



# Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year

## Donna Gold & Lisa Andrews



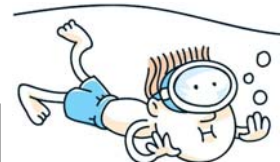




# EMUS

This week we went to the pool for our swimming lessons. We had fun at the pool. We used kick-boards to help us float and kick.

By Elsie Jones



**Student of  
the Week**

**Lydia**





# Merry Christmas from EMUS





# Murray Cod

Welcome to Week Ten. The last week of the term and of the year. We have swimming again this week. The Murray Cod Class hope you have a fantastic Christmas and a great holiday break.



Michael Weinert, Wendy Searle and the Murray Cod class.



# Goannas

Congratulations to Shianne and Karniesha who received Certificates of Achievement on Friday at assembly, and Sylvia is our Student of the Week.

As this will be our last newsletter for this year I would like to thank the staff who have helped in the Goannas classroom this year - Susan, Naomi and Jo. It has been an action-packed year, and I can honestly say it's been exciting teaching the 4,5,6 students this year.

Good Luck to our Year 6 students who are heading off to high school next year. You all have the potential to do great things, and I am very proud that you always keep trying to do your best.

I would like to wish all the students and their families a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

*Fiona Turner*

PS. **Don't forget** we don't finish school until Friday, Presentation Day is tomorrow, and we are swimming every day until the end of term (except Tuesday).



# Seasons Greetings



Jimmy



Andrew



Shylah



Shylah



Hedley



Lamyha



Harry



Andrew



Jahzech

Have a Safe and Happy Holiday Regards Mrs Shaddock

# Save the Dates!

## CHAC Christmas Community Day

**When: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2016**

**Time: 11am to 3pm**

**Where: Dareton Pool**

Come enjoy a BBQ lunch, activities and treats for everyone!

Rhonda's Amusements will be coming along!  
Rhonda's Ice Cream van will be coming along! – see

CHAC staff for voucher

Special Gift bags for the kids!

**Awards to be presented to community Members!**

**CHAC WILL ALSO HAVE A FEW RAFFLES GOING AS WE HAVE A RANGE OF PRIZES FOR ALL COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO TRY WIN!**

**Prizes include:**

- 5x Hampers with a range of goodies
- 3x Teen Coles/Myer Group Vouchers
- 3x Adult Coles/Myer Group Vouchers



If you require transport please phone CHAC to arrange  
03 5027 4824

**Tuesday 13th December #  
Presentation Day**



**Friday 16th December  
# Last Day of Term 4**



**FIGHT THE BITE!**

## Mosquito borne infections



**Information for people who live in or are travelling to flood affected areas in south west and western NSW**

- 1 Mosquitoes can transmit infections, including Ross River and Barmah Forest virus.
- 2 Stagnant water left behind by the recent floods and heavy rain in NSW provides ideal breeding conditions for mosquitoes.
- 3 Take simple measures to prevent being bitten by mosquitoes and reduce your risk of infection.

**Summary**

- In the last few months, inland NSW has experienced heavy rains and significant flooding, resulting in water lying around. This water provides ideal conditions for mosquito breeding.
- NSW Health has received reports of a large number of mosquitoes in south western and western NSW; mosquitoes in these areas have been detected carrying the Ross River or Barmah Forest virus.
- With the increased mosquito numbers, there is an increased risk for people to be infected with mosquito borne diseases, including Ross River and Barmah Forest virus. More rarely mosquitoes may carry Murray Valley encephalitis virus and Kunjin virus.

**Signs you may have a mosquito related disease**

Many people will have no symptoms if infected. However a few days after being bitten some will feel generally unwell, and may have sore joints, muscle aches, rash, fever and tiredness.

**Protecting yourself from a mosquito disease**

- Simple steps to avoid mosquito bites include:
- Checking fly screens on all windows and doors are in place and do not have any rips or holes.
  - When outside cover up as much as possible with light-coloured, loose-fitting clothing and covered footwear, especially in the early morning and evening.

- Apply mosquito repellent regularly to exposed areas (as directed on the container). Repellents containing Diethyl Toluamide (DEET) or Picaridin are best. Repellents containing oil of lemon eucalyptus or p-Menthane-3,8-diol (PMD) also provide adequate protection.
- Devices that use light to attract and electrocute insects are NOT effective.
- When mosquitoes are present inside the room use over the counter insecticide sprays, especially behind furniture and in dark places.
- When camping, make sure your tent is well protected with flyscreens, or sleep under mosquito nets.

**Further Information**

Detailed information on reducing the risk of mosquito bites at home and while travelling can be accessed from the following link:

[www.health.nsw.gov.au/infectious/factsheets/Pages/mosquito.aspx](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/infectious/factsheets/Pages/mosquito.aspx)

Detailed information on control of mosquitoes during floods and public events can be accessed from the following link:

[www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/factsheets/Pages/mosquito-control-floods-and-public-events.aspx](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/factsheets/Pages/mosquito-control-floods-and-public-events.aspx)



# Funeral Notice



## **FUNERAL SERVICE FOR GREG SNOWDON**

Will be held on the Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> December

**Mildura Rowing Club Lawns**

Hugh King Drive, Mildura at 11.00am followed by

**CELEBRATION & REFRESHMENTS: 2.00pm onwards – The SETTS  
FUNCTION ROOM, Eighth Street, Mildura**

In lieu of flowers, donations are welcome – please make out to  
**FOOD NEXT DOOR Community Garden Project**