Principal’s Message

Uniform
At the Dorrigo High School P&C meeting on Wednesday the recommendations of the Uniform Committee were tabled for approval. I am very pleased to report that the recommendations were endorsed and that the new uniform has been approved for immediate implementation. The committee, in various forms, has engaged in an exhaustive and collaborative process that has ensured that the school uniform reflects school community standards and expectations, and is based on a strong student and parent voice. On behalf of the students and staff of the school I congratulate the committee for their work and for the quality product they have produced.

Details of the uniform, the costings, the purchase details etc will be forthcoming as will information about the transition from the current uniform to the new one. It is important to note that no family, or student, will be disadvantaged or discriminated against if they continue to wear the current uniform. The full transition process is expected to take a couple of years. We welcome the opportunity to work with the school community to establish our new uniform and encourage students to wear it with pride.

Tell Them From Me (TTFM)
Staff and students have previously engaged in the TTFM surveys and the data obtained has been of great value in determining the plans and priorities for our school. We have been offered the opportunity to utilise the TTFM parent survey to access more information and feedback to inform our planning. The survey tool will be available until early next term. The school has committed to a number of strategies to facilitate parent access to the survey tool. Please look out for information on the TTFM survey tool and make a commitment to completing the online survey. The information you feedback to us will help us to enhance the learning experience at Dorrigo High.

Mr Bleakley

Tournament of Minds
On Sunday 23 August 2015 our team of students will compete in the regional finals of the Tournament of Minds competition. This will be held at the Coffs Harbour Education Campus. Team members are Olivia Atkins, Alexandra Cranston, Maddison Dickings, Izabelle Hansen, Emma Webster and Christina Woods-Schepis. Their major performance will be at 9.30am followed by a short impromptu presentation at 10.30am. Winners of the competition will be announced at 3.00pm on the same day. Good luck to our team of representatives and thank you to Ms Evers for co-ordinating our team entry.

Important Dates
August
23 ........Tournament of Minds competition

September
3 ...........Yr 7 - Yr 10 Scripture
4 ...........SRC nominations close
3 - 5 .......State Athletics Carnival at Homebush
8 - 9 .....D & T Major Work marking
9 ...........P & C Mountain Mind Trivia
10 .........Captain nominees speak on assembly
............SRC elections
14 ........Social
16 .........P & C meeting, 5.00pm
18 .........Yr 12 Formal Assembly
.............Last day of Term 3

Senior Design and Technology
Major Projects
The day has arrived! After many weeks of work the major Design and Technology projects were due yesterday 20 August 2015. The HSC markers will mark the projects on 8 September.

There has been a wide range of projects this year and we would like the whole school to be able to view these. Arrangements are still being organised and we will notify the school when our faculty has finalised this.

Mr Mayo, Mrs Hitchcock, Mrs Cotton.
**Food Technology Requirements**

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| **Kebabs** | Individual work  
Each student needs to bring 100g lamb OR beef OR chicken | Monday  
24 August  
P5 & P6 |
| **9/10A** |  |
| **Glazed Apples** | Between two  
Students need to bring 2 apples and sultanas OR dried fruit eg. dates, craisins | Monday  
24 August  
P3 & P4 |
| **Senior Hosp** |  |
| **Fried Rice** | Individual work  
Students need to bring 1 egg, bacon, cooked meat (pork or chicken), 2 spring onions, vegetables of choice | Tuesday  
25 August  
P3 & P4  
(rice to be cooked on Monday) |

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| **Mexican Potato** | Individual work  
Students need to bring 1 medium potato and 1 small piece bacon | Thursday  
3 September  
P5 & P6 |
| **9/10A** |  |
| **Fish en Papillote** | Between two  
Students need to bring 1 medium potato and 3 shallots | Monday  
31 August  
P5 & P6 |
| **9/10D Prac 1** |  |
| **Fish en Papillote** | Between two  
Students need to bring 1 medium potato and 3 shallots | Tuesday  
1 September  
P3 & P4 |
| **9/10D Prac 2** |  |
| **Dorrigo High Brownie Bake Off** | Between two  
Students need to bring ingredients as per food order sheet | Friday  
4 September  
P5 & P6 |
| **Senior Hosp** |  |
| **Chicken Stir Fry** | Individual work  
Students need to bring ingredients as per food order sheet | Monday  
31 August  
P3 & P4 |

Running this survey will help our school understand parents’ and carers’ perspectives on their child’s experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school’s support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, however, your responses are very much appreciated.


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**Canteen Roster**

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**Careers**

**The Indigenous Australian Engineering Summer School (IAESS)**

Apply by 13 November 2015. School held 10 - 16 January 2016 at Curtin University. Experience engineering studies and careers for Years 10, 11 and 12, for six days giving students a taste of engineering as a university course and career. Fun activities and visits to engineering companies. For more information, contact Tim Keely on 0892667884 or engineeringoutreach@curtin.edu.au


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**The Partners in Learning Parent Feedback Survey**

Our school will also be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey, another part of the Tell Them From Me suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.