



# Dargaville High School

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

He mihi nui ki a koutou  
Greetings to all Parent and Caregivers



Our senior prize-giving was a huge success, with a very interesting speech given by former Head Boy and now Family Court judge Noel Cocurullo. His message noted that we must take advantage of the opportunities that offer themselves while we are at school. He also noted that we must be aware that our actions have consequences.

### **Congratulations to:**

Our Dux for 2009	Stephen Lethbridge
Approxime Accessite	Hayley Flay
Sports Dux (Boy)	Shannon Tregidga
Sports Dux (Girl)	Jesse Moffett

On Monday 8 December we will welcome our 2009 Year 9 students into Dargaville High School. We expect the students' current teachers to come in to hand them over to their new school here. There will be a Karanga followed by the sharing of some food and drink to complete the process. The Year 8 students will then take part in an orientation process to familiarise themselves with the school.

Our Junior prize-giving will take place Wednesday 10 December at 1:30 p.m. All parents are very welcome and in fact I would encourage you to come along to celebrate the achievements of your children for this year.

*David Bargh*

**Principal**

## From the Board

Hello everyone,

We are now fast approaching the end of year. Good luck to all our students returning to our school in 2009.

If you were fortunate enough to attend our Senior Prizegiving you would have witnessed the success of our students. Congratulations to all school and you can all achieve.



It was very humbling to see the emotional speech from our head boy and girls on behalf of the Year 13 students. A very clear message – our teaching staff - “We have a lot to thank them for”. If it wasn't for their time and dedication we would not be the students we are today”. This has set the challenge for all students next year. You do the work, attend school and you can all achieve.

We have received a draft version of the ERO Report. Hopefully by the end of this year we will be able to provide the Full Report. Thank you to everyone for making the ERO Team welcome.

We hope all students, families, teachers & staff have a well deserved break and see you in 2009.

*Kelly Bryers*  
Chairperson

## Calendar and upcoming events.

### TERM 4

8 <sup>th</sup> December	Senior Reports issued
10 <sup>th</sup> December	Junior Prizegiving.

### TERM 1 2009

27 <sup>th</sup> January	Re-enrolment and finalise option decisions
28 <sup>th</sup> January	Teacher Only Day
29 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 9 and 13 Students Only
30 <sup>th</sup> January	Full School Attendance
2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Day 1 of Timetable. Normal Classes for the week.
11 <sup>th</sup> February	Swimming Prelims
13 <sup>th</sup> February	Swimming Finals
19 <sup>th</sup> February	Athletics Prelims
23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Athletics Finals Field Events`
24 <sup>th</sup> February	Athletcis Track Events

## Schedule for BOT Meetings

<b>2009</b>	<b>Term 1</b>	10 <sup>th</sup> February
		10 <sup>th</sup> March
		7 <sup>th</sup> April
	<b>Term 2</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> May
		9 <sup>th</sup> June
		30 <sup>th</sup> June
	<b>Term 3</b>	11 <sup>th</sup> August
		8 <sup>th</sup> September
	<b>Term 4</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> October
		10 <sup>th</sup> November
		8 <sup>th</sup> December

## From the Deans

### Year 9 DEAN

The last newsletter for the year! I cannot believe I have survived a whole year being in charge of your child/children. Well done me!

I would like to thank all of you for your support this year, the phone calls and the parent meetings. It is extremely important that we continue to work together again next year to ensure that your child gets the educational results that they deserve. I will always continue to welcome parental contact – school hours or after hours, so please keep this ongoing.

2009 will see some changes within the organisation of the junior school.

Firstly, I will be taking on the position of Junior Dean. This will mean deaning the new Year 9's as well as your child's level (year 10 for 2009). The following year, 2010, they will then move on to a new Dean who will see them through to Year 13.

The second change we will see from 2009 is that students in Years 9 and 10 will now have mixed ability form classes. This is what takes place currently in Years 11, 12 and 13. Please note that students **will continue to be taught in streamed classes for their core subjects** of Social Studies, Science, English and Maths, as it the current practice. If you have any queries about the changes, please don't hesitate to contact myself.

Your child will soon be bringing home their end of year report. In the Dean's comment box will be the number of times their name has been placed in the Dean's referral book for misbehaviour this year. If you require any further clarification on their misdemeanours, again, please ring me.

Lastly I wish you all a safe and happy Christmas holiday. May your child/children cost you lots of money during this break!

***Karen Exley***

### Year 10 DEAN

This is my final report as your Dean. I would like to say that it has been a real pleasure to have been your Dean for the last two years, I have really enjoyed it! I will be handing you over to Miss Troath and Mr Barnes who will be your Deans for the next three years.

I hope you all have a happy Christmas and a good holiday break and come back to school refreshed and ready to work hard next year (which is a very important year for you all). I will be keep checking on your progress with great interest over the next three years. All the best to you all.

***Eileen Schick***





## Interhouse Sports - End of Year 2008

### A BIG THANK YOU to the SPORTS PREFECTS:

ST DAVID Hayley Corfield & Scottie Grant  
 ST GEORGE Zelda Senekal & Mathew Taylor  
 ST PATRICK Jessie Moffett & Thomas Koloï  
 ST ANDREW Sarah Evans & Cole Windust

### Final results Interhouse Competition 2008

Activity	St Patricks	St Andrews	St Davids	St George
<b>Maths</b>				
Maths	8	6	4	10
<b>Academic Excellence</b>				
Academic Excellence	6	8	4	10
Activity	St Patricks	St Andrews	St Davids	St George
<b>Sport</b>				
Archery	6	8	10	4
Athletics Participation	6	8	4	10
Athletics	8	4	6	10
Badminton Jnr	8	4	10	6
Badminton Snr	4	8	10	6
Basketball Jnr	8	4	10	6
Basketball Snr	6	10	8	4
Cross Country	4	6	8	10
Futsal (Indoor Soccer) Jnr	8	4	6	10
Futsal (Indoor Soccer) Snr	10	6	8	4
Hash Cricket Jnr	8	10	4	6
Hash Cricket Snr	6	4	10	8
Juggling	6	10	6	8
Netball	4	10	8	6
Pirates Jnr	10	4	8	8
Pirates Snr	4	6	10	8
Strategy Tag Jnr	10	4	8	6
Strategy Tag Snr	6	4	8	10
Surfing	10	8	4	8
Swimming Participation	4	6	8	10
Swimming	4	6	8	10
Table Tennis Jnr	6	4	10	8
Table Tennis Snr	4	6	8	10
Tennis Jnr	4	6	10	8
Tennis Snr	6	4	8	10
Touch	8	6	10	4
Volleyball Jnr	6	10	10	6
Volleyball Snr	10	6	4	8
Unihoc Jnr	10	4	8	6
Unihoc Snr	6	8	10	4
Unicycle	6	10	6	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>250</b>



TOTALS:	St Patricks	St Andrews	St Davids	St George
TERM 1	50	48	58	70
TERM 2	102	100	126	122
TERM 3	160	146	192	180
TERM 4	220	212	254	250
POSITION	THIRD	FOURTH	FIRST	SECOND

## Sports Gear/Uniform Amnesty

If you have any Dargaville High School (DHS) sports gear or uniforms that may be sitting around your home....we would really appreciate them being returned to the School....THANK YOU....

## And it's Goodbye from Elsie

I would like say that I have enjoyed my time as Sports Co-ordinator for Dargaville High School and I would like to thank staff, students and parents for all their help and I wish the new Sports Co-ordinator all the best....

CHEERS...

*Elsie Paitai-Hovell*



**MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE**

**SEE YOU IN 2009**

