Clothing Pool
Opening hours
8:45—9:30 Tuesday
2:45—3:30 Thursday
Friday after Gathering
No EFTPOS available
Layby available

WANTED
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Term 1 Week 2
Welcome to the 2015 school year after what I hope has been a refreshing break for all our students, staff and families alike.

I offer a particular welcome to all those students and families beginning their time at Drummond. I am confident that you will find your involvement with our school a very positive and rewarding experience.

As you may be aware Mrs Crompton is taking some well-earned leave for 2015. During this time she plans to read a lot of novels, spend time with her family and watch a lot of movies. She will return in 2016. In her absence, I feel privileged to lead the fabulous staff at DMPS, who work tirelessly to ensure exceptional teaching and learning opportunities, along with a wide range of extra-curricular opportunities occur within a caring and supportive environment. I come to Drummond with considerable experience working in rural communities. I began my teaching career in my hometown of Collarenebri, and then spent several years at Tingha Public School. I moved to Guyra Central School as an AP and my current substantive position is as a Teacher Quality Advisor. I live on a farm with my husband and two teenage children. In my spare time I enjoy reading, cooking and shopping for shoes!

Just as we have welcomed new students, it is a pleasure to introduce a number of new staff who join us this term: Mr Jeremy White joins us from Bronte PS in Sydney. Mr White has considerable interest in Mathematics and sport with a particular interest in circus. Miss Jenna Walsh has returned to Armidale after some time working in the Northern Territory. Mrs Justine Watts will be our teacher librarian, she comes to us from Guyo Central School and already has some great ideas for the library. Ms Susan Elgar returns from some time teaching in the Northern Territory as well as Trisha Mollwain who will be working in the Karayuna Learning Centre. Mrs Lisa Cuskelley also returns to Drummond.

Our classes for 2015 are:

K- Mrs Jenny Platts
K/1- Miss Jenna Walsh
Year 1- Miss Amy Jones
Year 2- Mr Darren Lester
Year 3- Mrs Lynne Clarke/ Mrs Vanessa Harwood
Year 4/5- Mr Jeremy White
Year 5/6- Mrs Angela Muir and Miss Rachel Rich
MC- Mrs Kristy Curry/ Mrs Lisa Cuskelley

Instructional Leader: Peta Deiderick. Miss Susie Caton will be the Release from Face to Face teacher as well as teacher of Reading Recovery. Mr Moir will support teachers in K-2 as well as teaching in the Armidale Teaching and Learning Centre. Mr Clifford Cutmore will continue in the relieving Aboriginal Education Officer role.

If you have any queries or concerns regarding your child please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher. I ask that you do not interrupt during class times as this is disruptive to student learning but rather make an appointment so that we can ensure that your questions or concerns are given the necessary time needed.

I look forward to meeting you all in the coming weeks and seeing many of you at our welcome sausage sizzle and information evening.

Louise Moffatt
**What is YCDI Education?**
Welcome to 2015 and the weekly YCDI! News.
To begin the year I would like to provide a quick overview of the program. You Can Do It! Or YCDI! Was developed by Professor Michael E. Bernard. The program which is adopted by the school focuses on the 5 keys to Success and Happiness. These keys are clearly displayed around the school and out the front of the school. The purpose of YCDI! Education is to support communities, schools and homes in a collective effort to optimise the social, emotional, and academic development of our students. Its unique contribution is in identifying the social and emotional capabilities that all our students need to acquire in order to be successful in school and at becoming effective good citizens and members of our community.

These 5 keys include:
- CONFIDENCE- Academic and Social
- PERSISTENCE
- ORGANISATION
- GETTING ALONG
- RESILIENCE

This year we will be focusing more on each of the 12 habits of the mind that underpin each key to success and Happiness. The students will undertake weekly lessons to develop the habits of the mind and gain a deeper understanding on what these behaviours look like, sound like and feel like.

This term we will focus in on the key of ORGANISATION. Mrs Vanessa Harwood.

**Diary Dates**

**Term 1—2015**

- **Tuesday February 10**—Sausage Sizzle to welcome families to Drummond and an information evening for parents, please refer to note sent home
- **Tuesday February 17**—Swimming Carnival
- **Thursday February 19**—PSSA Swimming Carnival
- **Friday February 27**—Multicultural Day
- **Monday March 2**—P & C Annual General Meeting starting at 6.45pm
- **Saturday March 14**—Autumn Festival

The P & C made over $2500 at the Fun Fair last year. Thank you to the many people who worked to raise this outstanding amount.