



# DALMENY PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**Term 4 Week 8**

**Tuesday, 26 November 2013**

## VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you to the many families who have paid a Voluntary School Contribution (\$30 for one child / \$60 for two or more children) this year. Your assistance has made a significant contribution to the increased quality of learning materials available now in all of our classrooms.

## TERM DATES

**2013** - The last day of the 2013 school year for students is **Wednesday 18 December**.

**2014** - **Wednesday 29 January** is the first day back in 2014 for Year 1 - Year 6 students.

**Kindergarten** children will begin at Dalmeny PS on either Thursday 30 or Friday 31 January. Parents of Kinder students will receive a letter indicating starting time and date for their child.

## HOLIDAYS / LEAVERS

Parents of students who plan to return from their holidays **after** school begins in 2014 are asked to let the school know. This will help ensure we have the right number of staff to begin the new year.

If you are moving and/or not intending for your child to return to Dalmeny PS next year, please let the school office know as soon as possible.

David Eggins  
Principal

## SRC "RED" MUFTI DAY - THANK YOU

It was lovely to see a mass of "red" colour in the playground last Wednesday 20 November supporting the Red Cross Bushfire Appeal and Westmead Children's Hospital. A generous amount of over \$900 was raised by the school. Thank you for everyone's generosity.

Mr Brook  
3-6 SRC Coordinator

## AUSTRALIAN MARTIAL ARTS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Jayden Narayan of class 2B qualified for the Australian Martial Arts Championships NSW State titles in September. He will now be off to Queensland this weekend (30 November to 1 December) to participate in the Australian Titles. He will be competing in kata (karate routine), sparring and sword combat in his age division and freestyle weapons in 13 years and under. Best of luck, Jayden.

## P&C 2013 CHOCOLATE DRIVE

Thank you to families who have sold and returned payment for boxes sold. There are a large amount of boxes which haven't been returned. We ask that families return proceeds from the sale of these chocolates promptly - (\$50 if all sold) or to return any unsold boxes.

## SCHOOL BANKING

The last day for school banking will be Thursday, 5 December, 2013. Please make sure that all bank books are handed into the office by 9.00am on Thursday. Unfortunately no late bank books will have their deposits processed this term.

Congratulations to the students who have been saving weekly where children are developing money management skills.

P&C Committee & School Banking Co-ordinators

## TERM CALENDAR

Date	Event
Wed 27-29 Nov	Year 6 Berry Sport & Recreation Camp
Thurs 28 Nov	Kindergarten Orientation at 9.15am
Mon 2 Dec	"Thank You" Afternoon Tea in Library at 1.30pm and concluding at 2.15pm
Thurs 5 Dec	Year 1 "Lets Celebrate" Day
Mon 9 Dec	End of Year Student Progress Reports
Mon 16 Dec	Presentation Day
Tues 17 Dec	Yr 6 Farewell at Liverpool Catholic Club arriving at 6.15pm
Wed 18 Dec	Last day of school for students
19 and 20 Dec	School Development Days



## KINDERGARTEN 2014 ORIENTATION

Term 4	Date	Time
Week 8	Thurs 28 November	9.15am - 10.30am
Week 10	Thurs 12 December	9.15am - 10.30am

### SUMMER PSSA COMPETITION

PSSA semi-finals will be played this Friday, 29 November 2013. Students who are selected will need to ensure they wear school sport uniform and always have a school hat, water (please bring an extra bottle) and sunscreen with them on Fridays.

Team members are expected to attend training during school hours and need to pay their \$7 bus fares (\$10 for tennis, AFL walk to the Ash Road Complex) each week to their coaches on Friday mornings. Venues for Friday, 29 November, 2013 are as follows:

<u>SPORT</u>	<u>VENUE</u>
Cricket - Junior & Senior teams	Amalfi Park, Lurnea
Newcombeball	To be advised
Oztag	To be advised
Boys Softball/T-Ball	To be advised
Girls Softball/T-Ball	To be advised
Tennis	Phillips Park, Lurnea (\$10)
AFL Auskick	Ash Road Complex, Prestons (walking)

### SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES

Student and school achievements are recognised and classes have the opportunity to perform for their peers at our regular school assemblies. Parents and community members are most welcome to attend.

Yr 1 & 2 2.10pm Friday (Even Weeks)		Kinder 2.10pm Friday (Odd Weeks)	
DATE	CLASS HOST	DATE	CLASS HOST
29 Nov	Year 1 (no item)		
Yr 5 & 6 2.10pm Thursday (Even Weeks)		Yr 3 & 4 2.10pm Thursday (Odd Weeks)	
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### STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

We would like to congratulate the following students who will be awarded their certificates at assembly this week. These students were acknowledged by their teacher for class work, participation, attitude or citizenship.

*(This is common practice at Dalmeny PS. If you object to having your child's name and/or photo in the newsletter, please advise the office.)*



## Term 4 Week 8

### UPCOMING EXCURSIONS/ACTIVITIES

Our Direct Deposit Details  
(for payments over \$10) are:  
Westpac - Branch: NSW Gov Dept  
BSB: 032-001 A/C 148433  
REFERENCE: student/class/event

#### B8, M7 and 5/6M Special Swimming Scheme

**Date:** Thursday 28 November to Thursday 5 December 2013  
**Where:** Michael Wenden Centre, Miller  
**Time:** Leaving school at 12.45pm each Thursday.  
**Cost:** \$12 per lesson (\$72 for 6 lessons) which includes \$7 for instruction and \$5 pool entry and transport.

#### Year 6 Berry Sport & Recreation Camp

**Date:** Wednesday 27 to Friday 29 November  
**Time:** To be at school 9am and returning approx. 3pm  
**Payment:** \$270 with outstanding balances payable now please. Also, the medical and dietary information sheets needs to be returned to the office.

#### Year 1 Let's Celebrate Day

**Date:** Thursday 5 December  
**Where:** Dalmeny Public School Year 1 classrooms  
**Time:** All day  
**Info:** Classrooms will be decorated in a them of a celebration event. Students will be participating in craft activities and trying different foos such as cupcakes, Diwali sweets and candy canes.  
**Payment:** The school will fund most of the cost, however, a gold coin donation will assist to cover food and craft items. Please return permission note to the office by Friday, 29 November.

#### Year 6 Farewell Graduation Evening

**Date:** Tuesday, 17 December 2013  
**Where:** Liverpool Catholic Club, Hoxton Park Road, Liverpool  
**Time:** Arriving at 6.15pm and concluding at 9.15pm. Parents to join us at 8.45pm for presentation of Graduation certificates.  
**Payment:** Permission notes are required at the office by Friday, 6 December.

**Did you know that the school newsletter is available online at the school website?**

## THE WORLD'S OLDEST LIVING CREATURE

Care to guess what is .... oops .... WAS ... the world's oldest living creature? Here's a quick fact to get you guessing first, then impress your kids. Science fact:

<http://www.news.com.au/technology/science/year-old-clam-ming-worlds-oldest-creature/story-fnjwkt0b-1226759556979V>

## FACEBOOK PRIVACY

Have a look at this interesting infographic about the biggest Facebook privacy no-nos. Then ask your kids for their top ten: it could be interesting, indeed. Facebook privacy:

[http://allfacebook.com/the-best-computer-science-schools-infographic\\_b126800](http://allfacebook.com/the-best-computer-science-schools-infographic_b126800)



- 2 towels, toiletries, change of underwear, PJs, socks;
- Warm clothes;
- Spare pair of old sneakers;
- Sleeping bag or sheets with pillow case;
- Any medication labelled with your child's name and written instructions of administration in a zip lock plastic bag to be handed to your teacher on Wednesday morning at school;
- Pack your best manners and be ready to comply with the behaviour contract that you signed.

*Have an enjoyable stay!*



## Reminder & Information - Stage 3 Berry Sport And Recreation Camp

Year 6 students will be attending Berry Sport and Recreation Centre for two nights and three days leaving tomorrow Wednesday 27 November and returning Friday 29 November 2013. Year 6 teachers will be accompanying the students.

### Departure Time:

Leaving from Dalmeny PS on Wednesday 27 November at 8.30am. **Please be at school from 8.00am.**

### Returning Time:

Arriving back at Dalmeny PS on Friday 29 November at approx. 3.00pm. Parents will need to organise to have their child picked up on this day.

### What to bring:

Check you have packed everything as per the "What to bring note". Some key points are:

- Raincoat/spray-jacket for wet weather;
- No valuables including mobile phones and electronic games;
- No lollies, chips or junk food;