

# DALMENY PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

*We work together and learn as much as we can*

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Term 4 Week 9

Tuesday, 3 December 2013

## STUDENT PROGRESS REPORTS

A report of your child's achievement and progress during the second half of this year will be going home next Monday, 9 December. Should you wish to discuss any part of the report with your child's class teacher, please indicate this on the return slip which comes with the Student Progress Report.



We value communication between home and school so don't hesitate to contact your child's class teacher, or myself, if you would like any further information about your child's progress this year.

## ANNUAL PRESENTATION DAY

Our Annual Presentation Day is being held on Monday, 16 December. We hope you can join us.

- Kinder - Yr 2 Assembly at 11.30am and
- Yr 3 - Yr 6 Assembly at 9.30am

## PRESENTATIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL STUDENT PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

At these grade presentations we recognise the progress and success of each Dalmeny PS student:



- Kinder:** Tuesday 10 December, 9.30 am in the hall  
**Year 1:** Thursday 12 December, 12.30pm in the hall  
**Year 2:** Wednesday 11 December, 9.15 am in the hall  
**Year 3:** Monday 9 December, 2pm in the hall  
**Year 4:** Tuesday 10 December, 12.30pm in the hall  
**Year 5:** Tuesday 10 December, 2pm in the hall  
**Year 6:** Wednesday 11 December, 11.30am in the hall  
**Support Unit:** Tuesday 10 December, 2pm in Room 7

David Eggins  
Principal

## 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.

## SCHOOL BANKING

The last day for school banking will be this 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
Thurs 5 Dec	Year 1 "Lets Celebrate" Day
Mon 9 Dec	End of Year Student Progress Reports
Tues 10 Dec	P&C Meeting at 7.00pm in the Library
Thurs 12 Dec	Kindergarten Orientation at 9.15am
Mon 16 Dec	Presentation Day
Tues 17 Dec	Yr 6 Farewell at LCC from 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 10	Thurs 12 December	9.15am - 10.30am

### SUMMER PSSA COMPETITION

PSSA Finals will be played this Friday, 6 December 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.

Team members are expected to pay their \$7 bus fares (\$10 for tennis, AFL walk to the Ash Road Complex) to their coaches this Friday morning. Venues for Friday, 6 December are as follows:

<u>SPORT</u>	<u>VENUE</u>
Cricket - Junior & Senior teams	Amalfi Park, Lurnea
Newcombeball - Senior team (Juniors will be attending for support)	Homestead Park, Chipping Norton
Oztag	To be advised
Girls Softball/T-Ball - Senior team (Juniors will be staying at school)	Daruk Park, Casula - <b><u>please note this game will begin at 11.00am</u></b>
Tennis	Phillips Park, Lurnea (\$10)
AFL Auskick	Ash Road Complex, Prestons (walking)

***GOOD LUCK TEAMS!***

### SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES

This will be the last assembly for the year. 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 5 & 6 2.10pm Friday		Yr 3 & 4 2.10pm Thursday	
DATE	CLASS HOST	DATE	CLASS HOST
13 Dec	6M	5 Dec	3S

### 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 9

### SCHOOL BANKING - REDEEMING OF DOLLARMITTE TOKENS

Need to redeem your Dollarmite tokens for prizes? This Friday 6 December the school banking co-ordinators will have a stall in front of the library at 8.30am to hand in tokens for the appropriate prizes.



### 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

### 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 foods 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.

### 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.

### 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.

## PLEASURES OF FREE PLAY

Allowing free time for children to play on their own, making up games and activities, can help kids to be comfortable in their own company, teach them how to cope with boredom and, importantly, foster their imagination.

Under scheduling your child:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/benefits-of-underscheduling-your-child>

## SUMMER HOLIDAY FUN

Sport and Recreation is giving away a kids' camp for two. Simply tell them in 25 words or less why you'd love to win a Sport and Recreation holiday, and like their [Facebook page](#). The competition closes on 13 December, 2013.

Enter the competition: [dsr.nsw.gov.au/win](http://dsr.nsw.gov.au/win)

## FOR THE LOVE OF SCIENCE

Science is a method of engaging with, and trying to understand, the world. Professor Tim Flannery says if a child is interested in pursuing science, encourage them to develop persistence and humility - the idea that they won't always be right.

Listen to the podcast:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-projects/science/science-tips/for-the-love-of-science>

## IT'S TIME TO TRADE IN YOUR DOLLARMITES TOKENS FOR A REWARD.

If you have been saving this year with School Banking and collecting your silver Dollarmites tokens, then now is the time to redeem them for a reward before you miss out. You need to use your tokens before the end of Term 4 as you will not be able to use them next year.

Once you have chosen the reward item(s) you would like to receive, complete the coupon on your rewards card and take it, along with your 10 tokens per reward, to school with your next School Banking deposit.



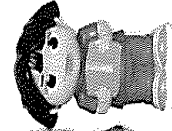
**Headphones**



**Calculator**



**Moneyboxes**



**Hand Ball**



**Knuckles**



**Important:** Our Dollarmites Moneyboxes will no longer be available from next year. Some rewards are in limited supply and are on a "while stocks last" basis.  
Commonwealth Bank of Australia ABN 48 123 123 124.



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

## 2013 END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES

### **KINDERGARTEN FUN DAY: Wednesday, 11 December 2013**

Kindergarten students will participate in cookie decorating, crazy hairspray, afternoon movie viewing and also tackle the inflatable "Backyard Obstacle Challenge" course and jumping castle. A sausage sizzle lunch will be offered. A packet of chips, a drink and an ice-block will also be provided on the day. Children are asked to bring a small treat to eat during the afternoon movie session. The cost to students is \$15 each which covers all activities. Students may wear comfortable, casual clothing (enclosed shoes please) and a school hat. Permission note and payment **MUST** be returned by Friday, 6 December.



### **YEAR 1 FUN DAY: Friday, 13 December 2013**

Students in Year 1 will travel to Dumaresq St Cinemas, Campbelltown to view the movie "Cloudy with the Chance of Meatballs 2". Students will depart school at 10.00am to watch the movie and be returned by 2pm. Students should bring morning tea and lunch as usual. Please do not place a lunch order. Students will be given a drink and an ice-cream at the cinema. Cost of the day is \$17. Permission note and payment **MUST** be returned by Monday, 9 December. Students must wear full school uniform including school hat.



### **YEAR 2 FUN DAY: Friday, 13 December 2013**

Students in Year 2 will travel to Imax Theatre to view the movie "Under the Sea 3D". At 8.15am students will be meeting at school and then will depart school at 8.30am sharp, returning by 3pm. Students should bring a packed lunch and recess as usual with adequate drinks. No spending money is required. After the film, students will have the opportunity to use the play equipment at Darling Harbour before having lunch at Circular Quay. After lunch students will view Sydney Harbour and the Opera House. Cost of the day is \$22. Permission note and payment **MUST** be returned by Wednesday, 11 December. Students must wear full school uniform including school hat.



### **YEAR 3 FUN DAY: Tuesday, 17 December 2013**

Students in Years 3 will participate in activities that encourage teamwork, risk taking and co-operative learning. These activities include challenging inflatable obstacle courses, water play and sporting games. Students will be provided with lunch consisting of a sausage sandwich and drink. Cost of the day is \$25. Permission note and payment must be returned by Friday, 13 December.



### **YEAR 4 CELEBRATION DAY:**

Students in Year 4 will participate in activities throughout the day at school including challenging an inflatable obstacle course and participating in sport, water and art activities. In the afternoon, students will view a movie. Students will need to provide their own lunch but will be provided with chips and a drink while viewing the movie. They will also have the opportunity to create their own ice-cream sundae using a variety of toppings. Please send children with appropriate clothing for water play activities (eg board shorts, rash shirt and a towel). Also students will need clothing (school sport uniform) to change into at the completion of the activities. The cost of the day is \$13. Permission note and payment are due back by Tuesday, 10 December.



### **YEAR 5 (INCLUDING 4/5S) FUN DAY:**

Year 5 will participate in fun-filled activities which will be provided by "Games 2 U" and will include water tag, game theatre, hamster ball and bumper balls. A barbeque lunch will be provided including a juice popper and an ice-block. Students should wear full sports uniform including enclosed shoes and a school hat. Please also bring a change of clothes, shoes and a towel. The cost is \$17 per student. Permission note and payment **MUST** be returned by Monday, 9 December.



### **YEAR 6 FUN DAY:**

Year 6 will participate in fun-filled activities which will be provided by "Games 2 U" and will include water tag, game theatre, hamster ball and bumper balls. Students must bring packed recess and lunch from home and wear full school sport uniform including enclosed shoes and a school hat. Please also bring a change of clothes, shoes and a towel. The cost is \$12. Permission note and payment must be returned by Wednesday, 11 December.

### **SUPPORT UNIT FUN DAY:**

On Tuesday, 10 December the Support Unit will be participating in activities such as a "Monsters Inc" jumping castle, disco, movie etc. There is no cost associated with this fun day. Students may wear appropriate comfortable, casual clothing and enclosed shoes with a school hat. A sausage sizzle lunch will be provided with assorted party food and drinks being offered during the day. Please return signed permission notes to the office by Friday, 6 December.

