Term 4 Week 7

Dear Parents,

Term Four continues to progress at an ever increasing pace - we are almost half way through Week 7, with only four weeks of our school year left. Making news at Dalmeny PS this week...

Global Links - G'Day USA
We have recently set up links with Henry Lee Elementary School in Chicago to provide sister classes for students at Dalmeny. We are currently in the process of developing a video about life at Dalmeny PS, where we introduce ourselves to the staff, students and parent community of Henry Lee. They are also doing the same to be sent here.

One of the hurdles to overcome is that we re-class at the beginning of 2015, whereas our American friends begin their new school year after their Summer break in July. For this reason, Term 4 is being used as a time to introduce our schools and plan for next year.

I will keep you informed as this exciting opportunity for our students unfolds.

2015 School Captains
Congratulations to those children selected by their Year 5 peers to progress to “speech” stage of the election process. Speeches are being held tomorrow morning at school, and I am looking forward to hearing them present prior to the school ballot. Good luck to all candidates!

Student Reports
A reminder that progress reports are being sent home on Thursday 4 December 2014.

Thank you
Mr Clayton Reedie
Principal
clayton.reedie@det.nsw.edu.au

2015 ENROLMENTS
Planning is now underway for our class formations in 2015. Indications are that student numbers at Dalmeny school will continue to grow. It is of vital importance that if you are not returning in 2015 that you please inform the office. The numbers of students enrolled will impact on how many classes we are entitled to have and also on students being placed into 2015 classes. We really want to start the classes as soon as we can in 2015 so information about students who will NOT be returning is vital for this to happen.

Also, parents of students who plan to return from their holidays after school begins on January 28 2015 are asked to let the school know. This will help ensure that class positions are held for your child/ren.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION 2015

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PUBLIC SPEAKING WINNER

Congratulations to Kiranjot Kaur of 3/4R for her wonderful achievement in coming 1st place at the Regional Public Speaking Final today! Christian Valensise of 5/6S is also one of the finalist at the competition but as of publication, no results have been forwarded. Good Luck Christian!

“DESIGN AND AD” COMPETITION

This competition conducted each year through the Fairfax Community Newspapers network and sponsored by local businesses gives students the opportunity to follow through a design and make process. The end product is an advertisement for a specified business. Bianca Samperi of 5/6S was last week announced as 2nd place in the Primary Schools section with her vivid advertisement for Events Cinemas in Liverpool. Her artistic work was published in last week’s Liverpool Champion. On Wednesday she attended a Presentation event at Liverpool Megacentre where she received her prize of $350 from the Sales Manager of the Liverpool Champion and the manager of the Liverpool Megacentre. Congratulations go to Bianca on an outstanding design.

Mrs Sue - Co-ordinator

YEAR 5 & 6 SURF AWARENESS BEACH PROGRAM - PAYMENT DUE

The program is offered by Surf Educators International and is subsidised by the NSW State Government. It has been developed to increase the level of awareness students have about surf safety and also boost their confidence in the surf including surf survival and rescue skills, rip identification and basic first aid/CPR instruction. The program is suitable for all children regardless of their swimming ability. Students will be in the water and closely supervised by teachers, course conductors and qualified lifeguards.

Permission notes were handed out to students/parents who expressed an interest to attend this program. Please return the permission note and payment of $25.00 to the office by this week.

Mrs D. Powell – Surf Awareness Co-ordinator

P&C 2014 CHOCOLATE DRIVE

Feeling peckish or have an event coming up? We have over 20 boxes left of Cadbury chocolates. Anyone interested in purchasing or selling a box of chocolates ($50), please see the office staff and we will be happy to assist you. Fundraising activities such as this help us to make a vital contribution towards improved facilities.

SPORTS, DANCE & SPECIAL GROUP PHOTOS

Sporting teams and other school group photos are now available online for viewing and purchase from advancedlife. There are 4 easy steps to online photos ordering:

Step 1: Go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter your school code: MR6 RR2 1LV
Step 2: Select “GROUPS” and choose the images you would like to purchase
Step 3: Enter your Students details (all orders will be returned to the school for collection)
Step 4: Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page).

The cost of these photos online are discounted at $14.00 per group.

Order forms are also available from the office. Please include cash (exact money) or cheque in the envelope. Orders for these photos must be in by Friday, 28 November 2014.
INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEOPLE WITH A DISABILITY

Dear Parents and Community,

On Wednesday 3 December (Week 9) it is International Day of People with a Disability.

At Dalmeny Public School we are celebrating this day early. On Monday, 24 November 2014, in the hall from 9.30am to 10.30am, there will be a power point presentation highlighting the Support Unit performances over the years and a variety of videos and film clips including: Disability Awareness, Autism song, Autism 2014 theme song and Matty B True colours about bullying - all featuring a variety of different disabilities.

A simple morning tea of tea, coffee and biscuits will be available in the hall for parents and community members.

Following this, the Support Unit classrooms in Homebase 7 and 8 (Classes K/6D & K/6M) will be open for all visitors.

In week 9 all school students will take part in classroom programs and activities to raise awareness and to celebrate diversity and inclusivity.

Please come along on Monday 24 November to join us in celebrating International Day of People with a Disability and sharing the great work done here at Dalmeny Public school in supporting our students with disabilities and their families.

A Butterfly in the Wind

A child is like a butterfly in the wind
Some can fly higher than others,
But each one flies the best it can.
Why compare one against the other?
Each one is different.
Each one is special.
Each one is beautiful.

BUS PASSES for STUDENTS in Yr 3 2015

A note and new bus pass application form will be sent home to all students in Year 2 who may be eligible for a bus pass in 2015. This is a clerical requirement for Year 2 students only as they move from Year 2 to Year 3. Please return this application as soon as possible or your child will not automatically be issued with a bus pass next year.

Students in grades 3 to 6 are now only eligible for subsidised transport if they reside more than 1.6km (radial distance) from Dalmeny P. S. or 2.3km or more by the most direct practicable walking route to the nearest point of physical entry to the school. In order to ensure that new passes are processed promptly in readiness for the 2015 school year, please complete a bus application form and return it to the office by Friday 5 December.

PAYMENT OF INVOICES

Invoices requesting payment of school contributions and current excursions will be distributed this week. As we approach the end of the school financial year on 30 November, it would be greatly appreciated if you could finalise any outstanding amounts by Friday, 28 November. Please also note that - no money can be accepted via the Parent Online Payment option or via direct deposit to the school account between Friday 28 November and Tuesday 2 December.

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.

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SUMMER PSSA COMPETITION

Due to the games being cancelled last week, this round (Round 11) of the summer PSSA competition will be played this Friday, 21 November 2014.

Students who are selected will need to ensure they wear school sport uniform and always have a school hat, water (adequate bottles) and sunscreen with them on Fridays. Team members are expected to attend training during school hours and need to pay their $7 bus fares each week to their coaches on Friday mornings. This commitment is for the entire PSSA season.

In the event of inclement weather on a Friday morning, please still assume that games will be
played and send your child in the correct sport uniform and with the appropriate equipment and bus fare. Students will attend even if they “forget” to bring their bus fare – please pay the following week. Venues for Friday 21 November are:

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UPCOMING EXCURSIONS/ACTIVITIES INFORMATION
Payments can also be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. Go to the schools website: www.dalmeny-p.schools.nsw.edu.au then select $ Make a payment and follow the prompts.

Tiger Tag Gala Day (selected students)
Date: Thursday, 20 November 2014
Where: Victoria Park, Minto
Time: Meeting at school at 8.10am and returning by 3.00pm
Info: Travel to and from the event will be by bus with Mr Mathews and Miss Joseph. Students are to wear full sport uniform including a school hat. Your child may wear plastic studded football boots or joggers. Also students are to bring recess and lunch (canteen facilities maybe available), a water bottle and wear sunscreen.
Cost: Permission note and payment of $10.00 are due back to the office today.

Year 5 & Year 6 Surf Awareness Beach Program
Date: Tuesday, 25 November 2014
Where: Cronulla Beach
Time: Buses will leave promptly at 8.30am and will return by 3pm.
Info: Students to wear their sports uniform with their swimming costume underneath (and a pair of board shorts - a rash shirt will be provided) and have sunscreen applied at home. Wear a school hat. Bring sunscreen for “top up” application, a towel, jumper, underwear and a plastic bag for their wet clothes. Bring lunch, afternoon tea and adequate drinks.

Year 6 Berry Sport & Recreation Camp
Date: Wednesday 10 December to Friday 12 December 2014
Time: Be at school 8.00am and returning approx. 3pm
Medical & Consent Form: Sport & Recreation needs parents to complete this form on behalf of your child and is available online at dsr.nsw.gov.au/schoolcampmedicalform.
Payment: $255 to cover accommodation, transport, meals and activities. Payments are now being accepted and you may elect to forward part payments. Full payment must be finalised by Friday, 28 November 2014.

Year 2 Fun Day - AMF Bowling
Date: Friday, 12 December 2014
Where: AMF Bowling, Liverpool
Approx. Cost: $30 which includes 2 games of bowling, laser tag and lunch.
Info: Permission note, payment of $30 and lunch order are due back to the office by Friday 28 November.

P&C 2014 CHOCOLATE DRIVE
PLEASE RETURN MONIES ASAP
Thank you to families who have sold and returned payment for boxes sold. We ask that families return proceeds from the sale of these chocolates as soon as possible ($50 if all sold) and to return any unsold boxes. Invoice reminders have been sent home to families who have outstanding chocolates to be returned. All funds raised help us to make a vital contribution towards improved facilities.

COMPREHENSION HELP FOR TEENS

LOST PROPERTY
As we are approaching the end of year, please check the lost property draws located in the admin foyer if your child has lost any personal property at school. In order that any lost items are able to be returned to your child, please write your child’s name on everything! You can:
- use a permanent laundry marker to label clothes, hats and shoes, or sew or iron on personalised labels;
- check that labels haven’t faded with washing or
- go through your child’s bag with them each night.

HEADLICE
If you find any eggs or lice in your child's hair, please commence treatment as recommended. Further information on head lice is available on the NSW Health website (details above) or through the Department's website at: http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/student/support/studenthealth/conditions/headlice/index.php.

Did you know? Anyone can catch head lice regardless of their age, sex, or how clean their hair is.

How can you get rid of head lice? Daily combing using white hair conditioner with a fine-tooth comb is effective in getting rid of head lice and eggs (nits).

How can you help reduce the spread of head lice?

- Regularly check your children’s hair.
- Teach older children to check their own hair.
- Tie back and braid long hair.
- Keep a fine-tooth head lice comb in the bathroom and encourage all family members to use it when they wash their hair.
- Please advise the school if your child is affected. Notes can be sent home to ask parents to check their children's hair.

There is a great video about preventing and treating head lice at: www.youtube.com/watch?v=RmhOMrP_XqE

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TELEPHONE INTERPRETER SERVICE

If you need help with English to make an enquiry contact the Telephone Interpreter Service on 131 450 and ask for an interpreter in your language. The operator will call the number you provide and get an interpreter on the line to assist you with your conversation. You will not be charged for this service.
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