Dear Parents,

Term Four is quickly drawing to a close with many exciting events occurring in the near future. Making news at Dalmeny PS this week...

Student Reports
I am currently in the process of signing reports, ready to be copied and sent home on Thursday. I encourage you to read each comment in consultation with the grades awarded and discuss these with your child. Please feel free to speak with your child's class teacher if there are any aspects of your child's report you would like clarified.

Dalmeny PS School App
My thanks to Mrs Woudsma who has coordinated the development of our very first App for Dalmeny PS. The App is available for the iPhone and Android platforms and can be downloaded and installed now.

TERM DATES
2014 - The last day of the 2014 school year for students is Wednesday 17 December.
2015 - Wednesday 28 January is the first day back in 2015 for Year 1 - Year 6 students.

Kindergarten children will begin at Dalmeny PS on either Thursday 29 or Friday 30 January. Parents of Kinder students will receive a letter indicating starting time and date for their child.

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NSW PUBLIC SCHOOL TERMS & HOLIDAYS
P&C 2014 CHOCOLATE DRIVE
PLEASE RETURN MONIES ASAP
Thank you to families who have sold and returned payment for boxes sold. As we are approaching the end of year, 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. All funds raised 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 ILV
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).

Please order photos online which are discounted at $14.00 per group.

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.

SUMMER PSSA GRAND FINALS
The Summer PSSA competition has now concluded for the year. Congratulations to the teams who competed in the Grand Finals last week.

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:

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.

The last assembly for the year will be this Thursday 4 December at 2.10pm by Year 3 & 4. This assembly will be hosted by Class 4H and Class 4C will be presenting an item.

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
We would also like to congratulate the following students who were awarded their “Student of the Week” certificates at the last assembly. These students were acknowledged by their teacher for class work, participation, attitude or citizenship at this assembly:
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Term 4 Week 8

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

Year 1 Let’s Celebrate Day
Date: Thursday, 4 December 2014
Where: Dalmeny Public School Year 1 classrooms
Time: All day
Info: Classrooms will be decorated in a theme of a celebration event. Students will be participating in craft activities and trying different foods such as cupcakes, Diwali sweets and candy canes.
**Payment:** Payment for this event has now been finalised.

**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. Payment for camp have now been finalised.

**Year 6 Farewell Graduation Evening**

**Date:** Tuesday, 16 December 2014

**Where:** Liverpool Catholic Club, Hoxton Park Road, Liverpool

**Time:** Arriving at 6.15pm and concluding at 9.00pm. Parents to join us at 8.45pm for presentation of Graduation certificates.

**Payment:** Permission note and payment of $10.00 are due back to the office by Tuesday 9 December.

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**2014 END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES**

**KINDERGARTEN FUN DAY:** Friday, 12 December 2014

Kindergarten students will be travelling to Dumaresq Street Cinemas, Campbelltown leaving school at 10.30am to watch the movie “Penguins of Madagascar” (G) (a popcorn an a bottled water will be provided at the cinema). Students are required to wear full school uniform, including a school hat and please send lunch as usual. Please do not order from the canteen. The cost to students is $21 which includes coach transport, movie, popcorn and a drink, and also craft activities at school (in the classroom until 10.15am). Permission note and payment MUST be returned by Monday 8 December.

**YEAR 1 FUN DAY:** Thursday, 11 December 2014
Students in Year 1 will have their fun day at school participating in activities such as cookie decorating, bubble art, afternoon movie viewing, inflatable obstacle challenge and a disco. Students may wear appropriate comfortable, casual clothing and enclosed shoes (joggers). Don't forget your hat. A sausage sizzle lunch will be offered. A packet of chips, a drink and an ice-block will also be provided on the day. Students may bring a small treat to eat during the afternoon movie session. Cost of the day is $20. Permission note and payment MUST be returned by Friday 5 December.

YEAR 2 FUN DAY: Friday, 12 December 2014
Students in Year 2 will travel to AMF Bowling, Liverpool Megacentre leaving school at 9.00am. Students will return by 3pm. Lunch will be provided however students will need to bring their own snacks and any additional drinks. No spending money is required. Students will need to wear full school uniform, school hat and bring a school jumper. Cost of the day is $30 which includes bowling, laser tag, lunch and bus transport. Payment has now been finalised.

YEAR 3 FUN DAY: Tuesday, 16 December 2014
Students in Years 3 will participate in activities that encourage teamwork, risk taking and co-operative learning. These activities include challenging inflatable obstacle courses, sporting games and watching the PG rated movie “Mr Peabody and Sherman”. Students will be required to bring their own lunch and recess. They will be provided with a “Fun Day Party Pack” including a drink, chips and an ice-block. Students should wear sports uniforms and joggers. Cost of the day is $26. Permission note and payment must be returned by Friday 12 December.

YEAR 4 & 3/4R CELEBRATION DAY: Thursday, 11 December 2014
Students in Year 4 will visit Stanwell Park Beach Reserve participating in a range of outdoor activities including soccer, cricket, sand sculpting, nipper activities and art. Students will not be allowed in or near the water. Students should bring a packed lunch and recess from home with adequate drinks. Full school sport uniform, school hat and joggers are required. The cost of the day is $16. Permission note and payment are due back by Tuesday 9 December.

YEAR 5 FUN DAY: Thursday, 11 December 2014
Year 5 will visit Bowlarama, Wetherill Park participating in 1 game of Laser Tag, 1 game of TenPin Bowling and a session of Karaoke singing. Leaving school at 9.30am and return to school by 2.30pm travelling by bus. Students should wear full school uniform including enclosed shoes and a school hat. All students should bring a packed lunch and recess from home including snacks and adequate drinks. No spending money is required. The cost is $25 per student. Permission note and payment are due back to the office by Friday 5 December.

YEAR 6 & 5/S FUN DAY: Thursday, 4 December 2014
Year 6 will visit Bowlarama, Wetherill Park participating in 1 game of Laser Tag and 1 game of TenPin Bowling. The duration of this outing will be approx. 3 hours. Students should wear full school uniform including enclosed shoes and a school hat. All students should bring a packed lunch and recess from home with adequate drinks. Students may bring spending money to purchase snacks and drinks from the café at Bowlarama. The cost is $25 per student. Payment has now been finalised.

SUPPORT UNIT FUN DAY: Monday, 8 December 2014
On Monday 8 December the Support Unit will be participating in activities in the school hall such as a disco, gross motor games (bean bag and tenpin bowling), a “sports combo” jumping castle has also been hired. There is no cost associated with this fun day. Students may wear appropriate comfortable, casual clothing and enclosed shoes with a school hat. Chicken nuggets and chips will be provided for lunch. Assorted party food and drinks will also be offered. Please return a signed permission note to the office by Thursday 4 December.