PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Dear Parents

Welcome to our second newsletter of the 2015 school year. Our students have settled into routine exceptionally well and I have been very pleased with our start to the year. Congratulations all.

Parent Teacher Meetings

Our first formal parent meetings of the year, traditionally held this week, will now be taking place on Wednesday 18 March, 2015. Having the meetings later in Term 1 will allow time for the teachers to run assessments and see how the students settle in, therefore being better equipped to answer parent questions and pinpoint areas for future learning.

All information regarding curriculum and class organisation has been sent home in writing. Of course, parents are welcome to make contact with their child’s teacher at any time should the need arise.

Swimming Carnival

A reminder that the school swimming carnival is being held this Thursday. Please be aware that the cut-off for the return of notes is Wednesday morning.

Due to organisational restraints, no notes can be accepted on Thursday morning as numbers must be finalised. This date has been extended from last Friday and I urge parents to be aware of this information.

My thanks to Miss Moffatt and Mrs Powell who have coordinated the event on our behalf. I’m sure the day will be very successful.

School Parking

Again, I remind parents that parking, bus and drop off zones around our school must be adhered to. Our last P&C meeting was very well attended, with every parent raising concern with the driving behaviour of some people who are putting the lives of our students at risk and disputing the traffic flow.

Mr Mazzitelli has been monitoring the situation and issuing parents parked illegally with requests to move on. Please be aware that we have also been contacted by the local police who are actively patrolling school zones.

I understand the frustration that school parking is causing, but I ask you to follow the road rules and park appropriately every day. Thank you.

Mr Clayton Reedie (Principal)

Kindergarten Speech Project

Dalmeny Public School has chosen to employ a Speech Pathologist for a specific project throughout 2015.

Amanda Puljic is a qualified Speech Pathologist who works for Educational Speech Pathology & Therapy Services and will be working at our school each Wednesday throughout 2015. This is Amanda’s second year at Dalmeny Public School.

Amanda’s main role will be to work with our Kindergarten teachers in the classroom to support the skills of the children.

Parents, it is important to note that you cannot refer your child directly to Amanda. If your child already attends speech pathology outside of school please do not stop attending. The Educational Speech Pathology & Therapy Services programs cannot offer the same individualised therapy your child will receive through either Community Health or Private Therapy.

Ms Kerrie Lowndes (Assistant Principal)
Sport News!

**PSSA**
PSSA competition starts THIS FRIDAY. All students who have been selected must return permission notes by Wednesday 18th February to ensure teams are finalised in time for Friday competition. Good Luck to all our teams!

Students are reminded to attend their training session. They can find this information on the noticeboard at the back of the Planning Room if they are unsure of days or times.

Bus Payments of $7.00 each week are made to your coach on Fridays. Please note PSSA AFL walk to Ash Road reserve each week and therefore no money will be required.

**Swimming Carnival**
A reminder that our swimming carnival is being held this Thursday 19th February. All swimmers must meet outside 6M classroom on the seats by 8:30AM so rolls can be marked and the carnival can begin on time.

Please ensure your child wears their swimmers under their clothes as there will not be time to change at the pool. Students should wear their House colours on the day and bring towel, food, drinks and sunscreen. There is no canteen available on the day.

Please ensure all notes are received by Wednesday morning. Notes cannot be accepted on Thursday, which means students will not be able to attend if their notes are not in the office by 10:00am Wednesday afternoon. We thank you for your co-operation.

**Zone Girls Soccer Trials**
Girls Soccer trials are being held on Tuesday 24 February. If your daughter is a capable soccer player and in Year 5 or 6, please see Miss Moffat for a permission note.

**Zone Boys Soccer Trials**
If you are a Year 5 or 6 boy who plays soccer of a high standard (many boys want to try out so only those students who are of the highest ability should apply) please see Miss Moffat for a trial note. Trials will be held on Tuesday 3 March.

**Zone AFL Trials**
AFL trials will be held Thursday 26 February. Girls and Boys may attend who are in Year 5 or 6. As AFL is not commonly played we encourage all students who can run fast, pass and kick a ball with accuracy to attend. Please see Miss Moffat for a note if you are interested.

**Other Trials**
If your child is experienced in tennis, diving or lawn bowls and would like to compete at SSW Regional carnival in any of these sports please see Miss Moffat. Trial dates are:
- Tennis - Wednesday 4 March
- Diving - Thursday 26 March
- Lawn Bowls - date to be advised.

Please see the sport calendar in this newsletter with all the important dates for school, Zone and Regional carnivals and zone sports trial dates. Be aware these are proposed dates and may change slightly if necessary.

If your child would like to try out for a particular sport and dates have not been announced a week prior, please see Miss Moffat for further information.

**Miss Donna Moffatt (PSSA Coordinator)**

**SRC Induction Assembly**
Parents are advised that our SRC induction assembly is being held on Thursday 5 March 2015. The assembly begins at 2:00pm and is held in the hall.

**Miss Jackie Joseph (SRC Coordinator)**

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**CASULA HIGH SCHOOL UPDATE**

This week at Casula High:

- Casula High Open Night is nearly here. The challenge has been thrown down to our local community of Year 4, 5 and 6 students come and ask us any question you can think of. Can’t wait to see you all here.
- Casula High went international. A delegation of Danish educators visited and saw how we flip classrooms and explicitly teach our students. What an amazing experience!
- Can Maths be fun?? It is when you are working on ‘The World’s Smallest Computer’. It is amazing what can be made enjoyable these days.
- Our Peer Support leaders continue to demonstrate wonderful leadership as they teach our new Year 7 students how to develop resilience. They are doing a awesome job.
- NASA wants us!! The Deputy Head of NASA has requested the pleasure of company of our students at an upcoming video conference.
- Our Library has gone funky. New furniture has arrived making it the perfect place to find and enjoy a great read.
- For more updates on our exciting achievements why not like us on Facebook? Find us at [www.facebook.com/casulahighschool](http://www.facebook.com/casulahighschool)

If you have any queries please contact the school on 9602-4270. Simon O’Donnell, Relieving Transition Co-ordinator

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**CASULA HIGH**

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**Date:** 1st of February
**Time:** 4:30-7:30pm
**Venue:** Casula High School, Myal Road Casula

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**Conditions apply**
Dalmeny Public School Carnival Dates
Swimming  Thursday 19 Feb
Cross Country  Thursday 7 May
Athletics  Tuesday 4 Aug

Liverpool PSSA Zone Carnival Dates
LZPSSA Swimming Carnival  Wednesday 4 March
LZPSSA Cross Country  Tuesday 26 May
LZPSSA Athletics  Wednesday 26 August

Sydney South West Carnival Dates
SSW - Swimming Carnival  Tuesday 17 March
SSW - Cross Country  Thursday 11 June
SSW - Athletics  Wednesday 9 September

NSW PSSA Championships
Swimming and Diving  Wednesday 25 & Thursday 26 March
Cross Country  Friday 17 July
Athletics  Wednesday 14 and Thursday 15 October

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Classes for - Beginners / Intermediate / Competition

MONDAY CLASS
LOCATION: PRESTONS
Dalmeny Public School
Cnr Dalmeny Drive & San Marino Drive, Prestons.
Classes held in School Hall
TIME: 6:15pm - 7:00pm

THURSDAY CLASS
LOCATION: HINCHINBROOK
Hinchinbrook Community Centre
Cnr Whitford Ave & Partridge Ave, Hinchinbrook.
Class 1: 6:15pm - 7:00pm
Class 2: 7:00pm - 7:45pm

TUESDAY CLASSES
LOCATION: CHIPING NORTON
Chipping Norton Public School
Central Avenue, Chipping Norton.
Classes held in School Hall
Class 1: 5:15pm - 6:00pm
Class 2: 6:00pm - 6:45pm

Wednesday Class
LOCATION: PRESTONS
Prestons Public School
Cnr Kurrajong Rd & Box Rd, Prestons.
Classes held in School Hall
Class 1: 6:15pm - 7:00pm
Class 2: 7:00pm - 7:45pm

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