Dear Parents

Welcome to our first newsletter of 2016. It was great to see so many happy faces return last week as we settled into the new school year. I look forward to working with you in the months ahead.

Besides this edition, our regular newsletter day will be the same as last year (every second Tuesday) so please watch out for this publication in your child’s bag each fortnight.

2016 Classes
As of today our student numbers are still too close to call in terms of finalising classes. Of course, our hope is for the current 43 class model to be maintained but we are still waiting to hear from the families of approximately 12 children who have not returned (and who have not enrolled anywhere else in NSW).

Numbers need to be finalised and sent through to the Department next Wednesday (at the latest) and I hope to have more concrete news regarding our K-6 cohort for you all very soon.

Staff Changes
I extend an official welcome to three teachers who have started with us this term. Miss Lauren Warwick is teaching a Year 1 class with us after her permanent appointment late last year.

In addition, we welcome Miss Alexis Burrows (Year 3) to our permanent staff in 2016 after working with us casually last year.

Finally, I also welcome Mrs Selena Gandy to the role of Deputy Principal for 2016. Mrs Gandy is from Thirlmere PS and is relieving in the Deputy position in place of Mr Mazzitelli who continues at Carramar PS this year.

At the end of last year I reported to you that we have said goodbye to Mr Lachlan Hart (Armidale) and Miss Hayleigh Williams (John Warby PS) and I thank them both for their work at Dalmeny in previous years.

Finally, we welcome Mrs Kathryn Phippen to our school counsellor ranks in place of Mr Phillip Rich, who retired at the end of 2015.

Welcome Kindergarten!
Last week we said hello for the first time to 140 little ones who joined us in big school. All of our new children have settled in very well, and we have been extremely impressed with their behaviour and work so far.

Staff Car Park
A reminder to parents that the staff car park is not to be used as a drop off or pick up point for the children. We have up to 85 cars in our car park (and adjacent areas) on any given day and it is far too dangerous for children to be walking through this area.

In addition, we have taxis and associated transport vehicles dropping off and picking up our support students and they have recently been blocked by parents.

I understand that parking at 3:00pm is very difficult, but I ask that you support the safety of our students by not parking in the staff car park during these times. Thank you.

2016 School Leaders
Congratulations to the following students who were elected as school leaders at the end of 2015. I know that they will lead our school with enthusiasm, humility and good sense.

School Captains:
Message from Mrs Gandy

I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to the Dalmeny community and thank the staff, students and parents for the support I have received in the past week.

I have come from a school that is considerably smaller than Dalmeny called Thirlmere Public School. In 2015 I was the relieving Principal and prior to this the Assistant Principal.

In my first week at Dalmeny I have met many friendly students who have gone out of their way to greet me, ask me questions about myself and to assist me by answering one of my many questions about the school. I am looking forward to working closely with Year 5 in particular and the rest of the Dalmeny community to ensure our students have access to the very best of learning experiences in an environment that supports them to be the best students they can be.

Car Park Access

Further to Mr Reedie’s request, I have recently seen a number of parents walking their children through the staff car park on their way to and from school. I ask that you model safe behaviour with your children by using the pedestrian gate adjacent to the admin office when entering and leaving the grounds.

A reminder to parents to please follow the road rules when dropping off or picking up children. Parents are parking illegally around our school, including pulling into the bus bays to wait for their children.

Police and Council Rangers regularly patrol school zones and parents will be booked if they are parking illegally. Keep in mind too, that we have these road rules to ensure a well-ordered, responsible flow of traffic to keep your children safe. I ask that you support these directions.

Late Arrivals

This week has been our first full week at school for the year and unfortunately we have witnessed a large number of students arriving late. The start of the school day is most important and it is essential that students settle down quickly to get the best from the lessons given. As well, students entering rooms after the day’s lessons have started can disturb other students’ work and disrupt class routines.

We realise that on occasions, events occur beyond our control causing lateness but I would appreciate your efforts in ensuring your child is at school by the first bell each day. Please see Mrs Gandy if you have any concerns or require assistance in this area.

Selena Gandy
Relieving Deputy Principal

Riding a Bicycle to School

Please complete a “Request for Student to Ride a Bicycle to School” if you wish for your child to travel to and from school on a bike. Students must be at least 10 years old to ride their bike to school. This note can be obtained from the school office and needs to be returned to Mrs Gandy prior to commencing the use of a bike for transport.
pencils, ruler, pencil sharpener & eraser.

Year 3 (including Year 2 students in 2/3A)
- Pencil case
- 2 x HB lead pencils
- Coloured pencils
- 2 x glue sticks
- Small white eraser
- Pencil sharpener
- Scrapbook

Year 4
- HB pencils
- Coloured pencils
- Textas (to be used under teacher instruction only)
- Glue stick (not liquid glue)
- Barrel sharpener
- Eraser
- Highlighters
- 30cm ruler
- Homework book (A4 size) or scrapbook
- Home Reading Folder
- Library bag
- Dictionary – Australian School Oxford Dictionary recommended (available at the front office for $22)
- Donations of tissues, liquid soap, paper towels and newspapers are also appreciated.

Year 5
A pencil case with:
- HB pencils
- Coloured pencils
- At least 2 x each of blue, black and red ballpoint pens
- Glue stick (not liquid glue)
- Barrel sharpener
- Eraser (NO liquid paper)
- Highlighter
- 30cm ruler – not flexible
- Scissors
- Maths Geometry Set
- Textas (optional)
- 1 pair earphones
- 1 x A4 exercise homework book – covered please
- 1 x Document wallet or folder for Maths homework sheets
- Library bag
- Dictionary and Thesaurus – Australian Schools Oxford Dictionary
- Also appreciated are donations of tissues, liquid soap and paper towels

Year 6
- Coloured pencils
- Textas
- Black, blue and red pens
- Lead pencils
- Glue stick
- Ruler
- Eraser (no liquid paper)
- Geometry set
- Scissors
- Macquarie Junior dictionary & thesaurus
- Barrel-type sharpener
- Calculator
- Take away containers, and donations of tissues, pump soap, newspapers, magazines and paper towels are also appreciated.

Year 6 2016 Orders for Polo Shirts and Jacket
Our uniform shop are offering Year 6 students the opportunity to purchase a special polo shirt and/or jacket which will be worn as part of their school uniform during the school year. The cost of these uniform items is as follows:

- Jacket only $35.00
- Polo Shirt only $28.00
- Jacket & Polo $55.00

Sizes available will be from a children’s Size 6-16 and an adult size S, M and L. For sizing enquiries please contact Moorebank Uniforms & Embroidery or drop by the store where sample sizes will be available (see store contact details below).

An order form was sent out to parents of last years’ Year 5 students at the end of 2015. Please return the order form to the office of Dalmeny P. S. as soon as possible as late orders will incur an additional charge. NO PAYMENT IS DUE AT THIS TIME.

New Changes to Bus Passes and Introduction to School Opal Cards
The School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) gives eligible students free or subsidised travel between home and school, on the approved train, bus or ferry services.

From Term 1 2016, Transport for NSW will be issuing School Opal cards to students eligible for travel under the School Student Transport Scheme via a new online application process. Automatic Renewal—most parents, guardians and students won’t need to apply for a School Opal card if they have already been given a school student travel pass and will automatically receive a School Opal card 2016. However, parents, guardians and students will need to apply if the student:

- Is just starting school and has not had a pass before;
- Is in a transition year (ie Year 2 to 3, or 6 to 7);
- Is changing schools, including going between primary and secondary school;
- Or, if the student’s personal details have changed (e.g. address).

All new applications received for travel from the start of 2016 will be sent directly to the student’s nominated address.

Dalmeny Public School - School Uniform
Our uniform is on display in the school foyer and is available from MOOREBANK UNIFORMS & EMBROIDERY:
- Shop 30 Moorebank Shopping Village, Stockton Avenue, MOOREBANK
  Phone: 9602-4387
- Shop 2/190 George Street, LIVERPOOL Phone: 9601-0812
A small number of hats and library bags are available for purchase from the administration office.

Collecting Students at 3.00pm
Parents are encouraged, where practical and possible, to organise a meeting place with their child that is located away from the classroom, such as the COLA, outside library at the picnic tables, canteen silver seats, flag pole etc. This action will reduce noise and congestion outside classrooms and allow teachers to finish off the day without disturbances from outside the room and allow students a safer path when leaving their room. Your support is appreciated.

Dalmeny Public School App
The App is available for the iPhone, Windows and Android platforms and can be installed now. Push notifications will keep you up to date with all aspects of life at Dalmeny including events, excursions, newsletters and last minute changes to routine.
Occupational Therapy (OT) Parent Talk

Have you ever wondered how to help your child’s handwriting, co-ordination, concentration, or general participation in the classroom?

Please come and hear our guest speaker Katrina Davies (OT) from Educational Speech Pathology & Therapy Services for some hands on practical ways to help your child.

Monday 15th February 2016
9:20 - 10:20
Dalmeny Public School (multipurpose Room)
Administration of Prescribed Medications and health Care Procedures

Parents of children who require prescribed medication to be administered at school must complete a written request which is available from the office.

Students must not carry medications unless there is a written agreement between the school and the student’s parents that this is a planned part of the student’s health care support. Such as students suffering from asthma may have their medication on their person and, as part of their health care plan, need to be educated in the use of that medication.

Non Prescribed Medications

Schools do not administer medication which has not been prescribed by a medical practitioner for an individual student for a specific condition. Parents are asked to please do not send Panadol/Cold & Flu medications that have not been issued to students via a prescription form a doctor.

DOLLARMITE SCHOOL BANKING

School banking commences today (Thursday 4 February) but bank books can be brought in tomorrow morning (Friday). Don’t forget that Thursday is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit in the morning to the front office by Thursday before 9.00am.

At the morning assembly this coming Monday (8 February), Natalie, the school banking representative from the Commonwealth Bank will be attending with one of the Dollarmite characters. Natalie will be available from 8.30am for any enquiries, to open up new accounts and talk about new prizes.

Remember our school earns 5% commission on every deposit made (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit). Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at Dalmeny Public School. Keep up the great saving!

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BULLY PROOF YOUR KIDS & BUILD THEIR CONFIDENCE

FREE UNIFORM

FIRST LESSON FREE

*FITNESS *DISCIPLINE
*CONFIDENCE *BUILD POSITIVE ATTITUDE

CLASSES FOR BEGINNERS/ADVANCED & COMPETITIONS

MONDAY CLASS
LOCATION: PRESTONS DALMENY PUBLIC SCHOOL
CNR DALMENY DRIVE & SAN MARINO DRIVE, PRESTONS.
CLASSES HELD IN SCHOOL HALL
CLASS 1 TIME: 6:15PM - 7PM
CLASS 2 TIME: 7:00PM - 8:00PM

TUESDAY CLASS
LOCATION: CHIPPING NORTON PUBLIC SCHOOL
CENTRAL AVENUE, CHIPPING NORTON.
CLASSES HELD IN SCHOOL HALL
CLASS 1 TIME: 5:15PM - 6PM
CLASS 2 TIME: 6:00PM - 6:45PM

WEDNESDAY CLASS
LOCATION: HINCHINBROOK COMMUNITY CENTRE
CNR WHITFORD RD & PARTIDGE AVE, HINCHINBROOK.
CLASS 1 TIME: 6:15PM - 7PM
CLASS 2 TIME: 7:00PM - 7:45PM

THURSDAY CLASS
LOCATION: PRESTONS PUBLIC SCHOOL
CNR KURRAJONG RD & BOX RD, PRESTONS.
IN SCHOOL HALL
ENTER VIA BOX RD
CLASS 1 TIME: 6:15PM - 7PM
CLASS 2 TIME: 7:00PM - 7:45PM

SATURDAY CLASS
BEGINNERS
LOCATION: PRESTONS PUBLIC SCHOOL
CNR KURRAJONG RD & BOX RD, PRESTONS.
IN SCHOOL HALL
ENTER VIA BOX RD
CLASS TIME: 9:45AM - 10:30AM

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FOR MORE EXCITING INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE
www.oztaekwondo.com.au
SANDWICHES
Egg or Egg & Lettuce (G, V) $2.00
Ham or Devon or Chicken Salad add Boc (G) $2.20
Tuna Salad add Boc (G) $2.50
Salad (G) $1.80
Vegemite or Jam or Honey or Cheese (G) $1.50

WRAPS
Cheese Rocket - Melted Cheese (G) $2.00
Pizza Rocket - Ham or Chicken, Cheese & Pizza Sauce (G) $2.80
Kids Chicken Schnitzel & Lettuce Wrap (G, H) $1.90
Caesar Wrap Lettuce, Bacon, Egg & Caesar $3.50
Chicken Caesar Wrap Lettuce, Bacon, Egg & Caesar $4.50
Salad Wrap Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Beet, Carrot (G, H) $3.50
Chicken Salad Wrap Lettuce, Tom, Cuc, Beet, Carrot (G, H) $4.50
Chicken Breast Schnitzel Wrap Lettuce & Mayo (G, H) $4.20
Hawaiian Wrap Chicken, Lett, Pineapple, Mayo (G, H) $4.50
Sweet Chilli Wrap Chicken Tenders, Lett, Mayo (A, H) $4.20

SALAD BOWLS
Caesar Salad Lettuce, Bacon, Egg & Caesar (G) $3.60
Garden Salad Lett, Tom, Cuc, Beet, Carrot, Italian (G, V) $3.60
Add to Salad Chicken, Ham, Egg, Tuna or Cheese (G, V) $1.00

BURGERS
Chicken Burger 100% Beef, Lettuce, Mayo (G, H) $3.80
Hamburger Gourmet Beef, Tomato, Lettuce, BBQ Sauce (G, H) $3.80
Cheesburger Cheese, Tomato Sauce (G, H) $3.80
Fish Fillet Burger Real Fillet, Lettuce, Mayo (G, H) $3.60
Vege Burger Lettuce, Mayo (G, V) $3.40

HOT FAVOURITES
Garlic Bread Large Roll (G, H, V) $2.00
Fish Finger (G, H) $0.60
Corn Cob (G, V) $0.80
Potato Wedges With Sauce (G, V) $2.00
Cup of Noodles Chicken, Beef OR Oriental (G, H, V) $2.70
Nacho Cheese, Tomato, Salsa, Cheese (G, H, V) $3.90
Nacho Vegetarian, Tomato Salsa, Cheese (G, H, V) $3.90
Hot Dog With Sauce (All Chicken Meat - Not Pork) (A, H) $3.90
Chicken Nuggets Premium Breast (A, H) $0.70
Popcorn Chicken C. Premium Breast (A, H) $3.00
Hash Brown (A, H, V) $1.00
Cheese & Bacon Roll (A) $2.00
Mini Spring Rolls Vegetarian (A, H, V) $0.70

PIZZA, PASTA & NOODLES
Lasagna (Beef or Vegetarian) (G) $3.60
Lasagna (Beef) [A, Halal Certified] $4.30
Spaghetti Bolognese (G) $3.60
Spaghetti Bolognese (A, Halal Certified) $4.30
Macaroni & Cheese (G, H, V) $3.60
Butter Chicken & Rice (G, H) $3.80
Fried Rice (G, H) $3.60
Stirfry Noodles Chicken & Carrot (G, H) $3.80
Pizza Hawaiian OR Bacon & Cheese (A) $2.80
Cheese Pizza Homemade with Pizza Sauce (A, V, H) $3.50

SUSHI ROLLS
Tuna & Cucumber (G, H) $3.20
Chicken & Cucumber (G, H) $3.20
Vegetarian Assorted Veges (G, H) $3.20

FRESH FRUITS
Apple, Orange, Banana, Mandarin (G, V) $1.00
Watermelon In a Bowl Regular (G, V) $1.60
Fruit Salad Bowl Regular (G, V) $1.60
Grapes In a Bowl Regular (G, V) $2.00
Fruit Salad Bowl Large (G, V) $3.80

SNACKS
Fruit Nuggets 66% Fruit Gluten Free (V) $0.60
Mini Muffins Homemade with Berries (G, H) $1.20
Jelly Bowl Add Fruit or Custard 50c (G, H) $1.50
Popcorn (G, H) $1.50
Yoghurt Vanilla (G, H) $2.50
Jr's Chicken Crackers or Jumpy's (A) $1.20
Brownie (A, H) $1.00
Assorted Chips Honey Soy, Plain, Salt & Vinegar (A) $1.50

MILK DRINKS
300ml Plain Milk Fresh (G, H) $1.50
300ml Choc / Strawberry / Vanilla Oak Fresh (G, H) $2.20
Up & Go Choc / Strawberry / Vanilla Breakfast Drink (G, H) $2.50
Hot Chocolate (A, H) $1.80

COLD DRINKS
Pepsi 100% Juice Apple, Orange, Apple or Current, Paradise Punch (G, H) $1.60
Water 350ml (G) $1.40
Water 600ml (G) $1.80
Orchy 100% Juice Apple or Orange (G) $2.30
Appletiser 250ml Sparkling Apple Juice 99% (G) $2.50
Quench Blue OR Raspberry OR Mindal Water 350ml (A) $2.20

ICE BLOCKS
Frozen Fruit Yoghurt (G, H) $2.20
Jelly Sticks (A) $0.20
Fruit Ice A $0.60
Sour Snap A $1.00
Ice Momy (A) $1.20
Fandangles (A) $1.70

PIE & SAUSAGE ROLL LOW FAT
Mini Pie (A, H) $1.00
Sausage Roll (A, H) $2.70
Meat Pie (A, H) $3.10
Potato Pie (A, H) $3.50

CRUNCH & SIP SPECIAL ORDER BEFORE SCHOOL
Apple, Orange or Banana + Bottled Water 600ml (G, V) $2.00

EXTRAS
Tomato, Beetroot, Cucumber, Carrot $0.20
Sauce Portions (BBQ or Tomato) $0.30
Cheese, Pineapple $0.40

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Choose a Username & Password & complete the form
Add each child and their class
Top up the Account - Visa or Mastercard preferred
$4.90 MEAL DEAL

Choose Any One of These

- Chicken Nuggets x 4
- Salad or Ham + Salad Wrap
- Caesar Salad (Add Chicken $1)
- Hot Dog with Sauce
- Pizza
  - Cheese & Bacon OR Ham & Pineapple
- Garden Salad
- Fried Rice - Vegetarian
- Sausage Roll or Meat Pie
- Sushi Rolls - Terms 1 & 4
  - Tuna, Chicken or Vege
- Vege Spring Rolls x 4 (Oven)
- Pizza Rocket (Ham Cheese Sauce)
- Lasagna

Choose Any One of These

- Apple, Orange, Paradise Punch,
  - Apple & Blackcurrant
- Water 350ml
- OR CHOOSE A 300ML MILK
  - AND ADD
  - $5.40 Meal Deal With Milk

Choose Any One of These

Halal Items Marked on Main Menu
Healthy Canteens Australia
All Items Rated Green or Amber
OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT

The P & C Association is turning the school oval into an outdoor movie theatre! On Friday, 19th February, 2016 we will be holding an outdoor movie night, screening ‘Home’ (PG rated). All students, families and friends of Dalmeny are invited to attend!

**When:** Friday 19th February – gates open 6pm for a 7.00pm start

**Where:** School oval, please enter via front main gates only

**Cost:** $2.00 per person (children 3 and under are free)

**Movie:** Home (PG)

**Seating:** Please bring along picnic rugs and/or blankets for use on the oval

Movie-goers are welcome to bring along a picnic dinner, alternatively there will be Woodfired pizza available. On the night there will also be glow items, drinks, chips, Dippin’ Dot’s Ice Cream, popcorn, fairy floss, slushies, coffee, tea and much more available!

Due to viewing capacity, tickets will be limited and should be purchased in advance using the below form. Additional tickets may be purchased at the school on the night. The staff car park will be unavailable for movie-goers and parking may be difficult, so please consider walking as a family to the event if you are able to do so.

**This is strictly an alcohol-free event. Bags may be checked at the entry and any alcohol found will not be permitted inside the school grounds.**

*Business owners, if you are interested in holding a stall at the event or having an advertisement on the big screen prior to the movie, please contact the organising committee at dalmenypandc@yahoo.com.au.*

Please invite your extended family and friends along for an exciting and fun movie night under the stars!

**ALL STUDENTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A RESPONSIBLE ADULT AT THE EVENT**

If any parents would like to assist on the night it would be greatly appreciated. Please leave your name and number at the front office and a member of the organising committee will contact you.

**P&C Committee**

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**P & C OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT – 19.02.2016**

**Student Name:** _______________________________ **Class:** _______________________________

**I would like to purchase _____ tickets for $2.00 each.**

**I have enclosed a TOTAL of $_______**

**Signed:** _______________________________ **Dated:** _______________________________