Dear Parents and Carers,

We had a very exciting start to last week with a visit from the Honourable Peter Collier, MLC, Minister for Education and the Honourable Bill Marmion, MLA, Minister for Finance. It was a great pleasure to welcome these dignitaries into our school and showcase the amazing initiatives we have in place. The tour started in the Pre-primary 1 classroom where Mr Collier and Mr Marmion were enthusiastically greeted by the children who demonstrated their brilliance with letters and beginning sounds.

We then proceeded to a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) extension class where the students were able to showcase computer assisted design and 3D printing as well as solar powered cars they had built themselves. I was very impressed with the level of discussion and knowledge exhibited by our students. Mr Collier and Mr Marmion visited Miss Redmond’s class next and saw a very adept display of how students use iPads to reflect on their learning in Mathematics using the ‘Explain Everything’.

We finished the tour with a short presentation from some very enthusiastic Year 6 student leaders—Finn L, Gabby H and Scarlett H. These students conducted a short presentation to Mr Collier and Mr Marmion on the new Year 6 Leadership Challenge initiative.

Mr Collier and Mr Marmion were very impressed with our students and their high levels of achievement and engagement. I would like to thank Jules Allan and Jodie Winnett for representing the School Board and P&C and also to Nicole Hughes and Tamara Doig for assisting me with showcasing our school. The staff must be commended on their exemplary teaching which of course, without them, none of our wonderful results and programs would happen. Together the staff and community have made DPS a lighthouse school. I was very proud to walk around and feel so confident in our ability to deliver the very best education possible for our students.

I am looking forward to meeting up with many of you at the parent picnic on Sunday. Many thanks to Jodie Winnett and the P&C for organising this wonderful get together for our school.

Suzanne Pekin
Principal
CELEBRATING SUCCESS – HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS

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COMING EVENTS

Friday 11th March
Room 2 Assembly

Wednesday 16th March
House Swimming Carnival

Tuesday 22nd March
Crazy Hair Day Fundraiser for World’s Greatest Shave
LIBRARY NEWS

BOOK CLUB
ORDERS FOR ISSUE 2 ARE DUE: Monday, 21 March 2016
No cash payments or paper orders please.
Please use LOOP on scholastic website www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP
Any orders placed after the closing date and time will be charged $4.99 for home delivery.

INVITATION TO ALL YEAR 3 TO 6 PARENTS
SCHOLASTIC LITERACY PRO (LEXILE) INFORMATION SESSION
Year 3 to 6 Parents are invited to a Lexile information session with our Scholastic Representative, Mrs Alyson Bezuidenhout:
Location: DPS Library
Date: Monday, 21 March 2016
Time: 2:30pm

What is Lexile Reading?
Lexile Reading is an innovative computer-based Literacy resource that motivates, encourages and monitors guided and independent reading. The Lexile Reading Program takes the guesswork out of matching students to appropriate level books. The program is based on over twenty years of research and has been developed in consultation with the Australian Centre for Educational Research. The program has been used extensively in the school for the last 5 years with students from years 3-6.

Come along to the information session and find out how Lexile can benefit your child’s reading.

SCIENCE
Do you have a small fridge for our Science room??

We are in need of a small fridge for our Science room to store items that need to be kept cold for various Science topics.
Does anyone have a fridge that they no longer need and would like to donate to our school?
We are looking at about a 60cm square base and no higher than 1 metre.
KINDERGARTEN NEWS

Kindy Red and Kindy Blue along with Miss Freeman worked hard at the final stages of the “Sculptures by Kindy” project. The end result is amazing. The children thoroughly enjoyed participating in making the Chinese dragon and particularly enjoyed playing with the final product. Our sculpture is now hanging from the ceiling with pride at our Kindy.

KINDY PHOTO DAY IS COMING!

A reminder that the Kindergarten photo day is on Friday 1st April at 9:15am. The recommended method of ordering your photos is online through Kapture’s website as your payment is secure and can be easily verified at any time. Alternatively you can pay by cash and return the provided envelope to the school on the photography day. If you place your order online please DO NOT return your envelope to school.

Any parent who forgets or is unable to supply their envelope on the photo day will have five (5) days to complete an order online. Late payment envelopes cannot be accepted by the school office or by Kapture.

Kapture offer a money back guarantee for any parent who is not fully satisfied with their photo package. Should you have any queries before or after photo day, please direct them to the Kapture office on 9240 1714 or email enquiries@kapture.com.au.

All students will be photographed individually on photo day for school administration records AS WELL as included in their class group photo available for purchase to all families. Should there be any reason why your child should NOT be included in the photo shoot – please contact the school office.
The House Swimming Carnival is only a week away. The draft version of events has been placed around the school. We ask that you or your child read through to ensure that they are placed in the correct house and in at least 2 events. If there are any issues please contact Nicole Hughes (years 3-6) or Lynne Hamilton (P-2).

Our P-2 carnival will start at 8:50 with the aim to be finished by 10:50. The 3-6 carnival is from 11:00 until the end of the day. Students in P-2 are asked to be at school by 8:30 to ensure a prompt start. Students are to bring their House shirts, bathers, towel, goggles, water bottle and come to school with sun cream already applied.

**Students are not to bring food into the pool area.** There are designated breaks throughout the day for students to eat recess and lunch. We have a number of students with food allergies who can be put at risk by food in the bays. Any food in the bays will be confiscated until the break time. Please support us in keeping all children safe.

**RIDE TO SCHOOL DAY**

Last Friday it was National Ride to School Day. Over 40 parents, students and teachers met at Masons Gardens to ride together as a school. It was fantastic to see so many members of our school community enthusiastic about keeping healthy and fit. National Ride to School Day took place the day after our Cycle Safe incursion for pre-primary to year 4 students. It was wonderful to see our students putting their new skills and knowledge into practice. Keep on riding everyone!
CRAZY HAIR DAY

Tuesday March 22 is Funky Hair Day and The World’s Greatest Shave to raise money for the Leukaemia Foundation. Students who are brave enough to shave will do so at a special assembly at 1.50pm. All students are invited to take part in the Funky Hair Day – colour your hair, wear a whacky style, go crazy with clips and scrunchies or wear a wig. Your gold coin donation will also go to the Leukaemia Foundation.

P AND C NEWS

FAMILY PICNIC:  The annual Dalkeith PS Family Picnic is on Sunday 13 March and starts at 4pm. It is a great afternoon to relax and have fun on the school oval with other DPS families. Bring along a plate of nibbles with your favourite beverage and catch up with old friends and get to know new families to the community.

There will be entertainment for the kids, sausage sizzle and drinks, lucky dips, raffle tickets, and much more.

We look forward to seeing you there.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL:  There will be a P&C cake stall for the duration of the swimming carnival on Wednesday 16 March. The wonderful year 5 parents will be running this on the day, we ask that you bake something delicious for the kids and parents to purchase or donate instead. Anything decorated in house colours is usually a big hit!

Billiecart's coffee van will be at school on the day, 50c from each cup purchased will be donated back to the P&C.

LUNCH ORDERS are also available on the day of the carnival. As a parent, you can also order. Please add yourselves onto the list which will enable us to keep parents orders separate.

BOOT SWAP.  With winter sports looming we’ll all be pulling out the footy, hockey and soccer boots to realise the children have grown out of them AGAIN!

Don’t rush out and buy new ones just yet. As we all know our children grow out of these things long before they wear out so we thought we’d organize a Dalkeith boot swap.

Get all your boots cleaned up ready to go for week 9, bring your boots in along with a $5 donation and we’ll give you a ticket. In week 10, you can swap your ticket for a pair of boots. Any remaining boots will be donated to those in need.
T-TOWEL FUNDRAISER DRIVE

The Dalkeith P & C are running a T-Towel drive.

The T-Towels on offer are one of ENJO’s most popular products and are very highly rated by those who have tried them before. Softer, greener and more absorbent that its cotton counterparts, the combination of bamboo and cotton fibre dries dishes, cutlery, glasses, cookware and more.

There are 4 stylish colours to choose from. Yellow, grey, red and green chevron adding a nice touch to any kitchen. The high quality T-Towel is priced at a very reasonable $15 each.

For every T-towel sold, $3 will be raised, and as an added bonus for every 250 T-Towels sold $300 worth of Enjo products will be donated by Michelle, our local ENJO consultant to either raffle or can be used as a silent auction.

Please return forms and payment to the office by FRIDAY the 11th of MARCH

For further information contact Michelle - 0433659604 or mich.jay.w@gmail.com
... Celebrating success

ENJO Bamboo Kitchen Towel Fundraiser Drive
Cast places for WA Children’s Theatre’s latest school holiday production are now open!

Like all WA Children’s Theatre school holiday programmes, Bling it on! will empower young people with positive life-skills.

Boys and girls aged 6 to 14 years are invited to be a part of Bling it on! a unique production that teaches young people the four powerful concepts of being good with money: Being positive, managing money, how to save, and how to give.

The school holiday programme will from Monday 11th to Friday 15th April 2016 or Monday 18th to Friday 22nd April 2016.

Participating children will attend the programme at Lords Recreation Centre, Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 4.00pm. The programme will be held in fun, social and relaxed environment and in addition to rehearsing the play, children will learn how to earn and manage their pocket money.

Children will also be encouraged to speak to Mum or Dad about how to earn pocket money and receive instructions on how to construct their own boxes/jars so they can start to manage their money as they earn it.

The programme will conclude with a performance for family and friends on Friday evening at 7.00 pm at Subiaco Arts Centre. The show is light-hearted and has plenty of toe-tapping songs for the audience to enjoy.

Places are strictly limited and early registrations are encouraged; please go to www.wachildrensththeatre.com.au for more info our call Louise Towler on 041 073 1820

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**AKKA Karate Mount Claremont and Nedlands**

Karate for all the family from ages 4yrs plus
5 lessons and a free uniform trial for $29.99

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**Art of Resilience/Bright Spark Market**

Interested in what the young and young at heart are inventing?

This is for you, an afternoon of showcasing innovative ideas, original handmade products and inspirational charity initiatives.

**When:** 3rd April – 2 to 5pm

**Where:** Christ Church Grammar School Refractory

For further details contact Lorna Bunney 0411 895 101 or gbunney@bigpond.net.au

www.art.resilience@webs.com.au to find out more about holiday classes and the **Thought Challenger Program** starting in May at the Art Space. This fun art program gives children and their parent’s tools to deal with thoughts and worries that are unhelpful, cause worry and anxiety over making mistakes and stop kids from trying.

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**Hip Hop Classes**

Hip Hop classes for children between 3 and 10 after school hours at John Leckie Pavilion, College Park. For further information contact: Dayna Osborne, 0420 841 615, www.thefreestylecompany.com.au