COMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY 1 MAY
Virtues Assembly

THURSDAY 6 MAY
Café Dalkeith

FRIDAY 8 MAY
PP2 Assembly

FRIDAY 8 MAY
Fotoworks Kindy

FRIDAY 8 MAY
Interschool Sport VS Nedlands

TUESDAY 12 MAY
NAPLAN

WEDNESDAY 13 MAY
School Board Meeting 3:30pm

WEDNESDAY 13 MAY
NAPLAN

THURSDAY 14 MAY
NAPLAN

FRIDAY 15 MAY
Virtues Assembly

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FRIDAY 15 MAY
Food Revolution Day

FRIDAY 15 MAY
Interschool Sport VS North Cott
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to school and the start of our longest term this year! It will be a very busy term with many sporting events, NAPLAN testing and of course Semester Two Reports just to name a few of the big items on the horizon.

Last Friday Dalkeith Primary School hosted an ANZAC service with a special focus on the commemoration of the 100 year anniversary of the Gallipoli Landing. The Student Councillors, the school choir and the student body in general were outstanding in the way they represented our school. I would like to most sincerely thank Doug Arrowsmith from the Nedlands RSL, Reverend Peter Smith, Charlie Tesser (bagpipes), The Christchurch Cadets, Ms Aude Mangharam (bugler), Lizzy Marsh (Cello), Sophie Kemp(violin) and Ellie Mangharam (piano) for all taking part in our service and helping to make it a very special one. Many thanks also to Nicole Hughes, Brooke Milianku and Janice Tesser for all their hard work in preparing our students for this wonderful event. It was a beautiful service and a wonderful tribute to all the men and women who have served their country.

During the final week of Term One, there were two very big events that must be recognised! First was the Interschool Swimming Carnival at Challenge Stadium. Dalkeith performed exceptionally well and ended up only 6 points from being the overall winners! I took time out to visit the stadium during the carnival and was pleased to see the level of enthusiasm from our competitors. Well done to our fantastic swim team, Mrs Dyde and all the staff that helped out on the day. Dalkeith were the organising school this year and did an outstanding job. I received a number of emails from other schools congratulating us on our organisation of the carnival.

Also during our last week of term, Room 7 hosted the final assembly for the term. It was an amazing production of the history of World War II leading up to the landing at Gallipoli. Congratulations must go to the Room 7 students for an outstanding performance to Miss Wholohan for all the work she did preparing her class for this epic event!

This term, the Executive Leadership Team will finalise our Mission Statement, Business Plan and Instructional Framework. These documents mark the beginning of a new era of strategic planning for Dalkeith Primary School. I believe our planning reflects the innovative ideas and directions that capture what DPS is all about. Once completed the Business Plan will be uploaded onto both the Department and the DPS website. I will communicate the completion of
these documents to all parents through the newsletter. As we move forward with implementing our directions, plans and actions, I am confident we can all look forward to another innovative and exciting term at Dalkeith Primary School.

Together we shape the future!

Honour Certificate Winners!

Room 7 Assembly Item

SUZANNE PEKIN
Principal

SCHOOL BOARD

DPS is an Independent Public School and the School Board consists of nine representatives; three parent/guardians of students; three staff members and up to three community members.

Due to the expiry of the term of one board member position the DPS Board is calling for nominations from parents or guardians of students who have an interest in taking on this position. Nominees should have an interest in supporting the school and who are data literate, have a background in management, legal, accounting disciplines and/or have experienced working on boards.

It is the intent of the Board to have gender balance and men are encouraged to apply. The term of membership is three years and elected Board Members will be required to sign a code of conduct. Meetings are held twice per term.

If you are interested in nominating for this position, please email Suzanne Pekin, Principal at suzanne.pekin@education.wa.edu.au by Friday 1st May.
Kindy Red enjoyed a game of ‘See and Do’ with their Teacher Ms Kay. (Left)

Kindy Blue got into the spirit having made a poppy for ANZAC Day (Right)

**SPORTS UPDATE**

**Interschool Swimming Results**

Congratulations to all our swimmers, it was the most successful Interschool Carnival we have had in many years. All the hard work training at school and at HBF Stadium paid off and the future of our swimming squad looks very strong. Thank you to all our wonderful staff and parents for assisting with training and preparing the kids for the big day.

Overall Winning results:
1st Nedlands 157
2nd Swanbourne 152
**3rd Dalkeith 150**
4th Rosalie 121
5th North Cottesloe 118

Meritorious Award:
1st Swanbourne 310
2nd North Cottesloe 243
**3rd Dalkeith 231**
4th Rosalie 212
5th Nedlands 157
Cross Country Training

Cross Country training will start this Friday at 8.00am sharp for all interested years 3-6 students, teachers and parents. Training is not compulsory but it is a great opportunity to get fit and become familiar with the course for the Interhouse Cross Country carnival (Thursday 21st May, week 5). We will meet on the netball courts and run down to Cruikshank reserve and run around the surrounding parklands (around the kindy and bowling club). We will be back at school by 8.30. The sessions will run in weeks 2, 3 and 4 and Orchestra will change to Tuesday for those weeks so kids won’t miss out on either. Parents if you can run, walk or ride we would love to have your support so that we have adequate supervision for all abilities.

Interschool Sport

Interschool sport for all year 5 and 6 students will commence this Friday straight after lunch. Soccer and AFL will train and play their home games at Cruikshank Reserve, Netball will be at school and Hockey will train at school but home games will be held at Lion Hockey Club on Melvista Rd. Students must bring the required equipment for training (ie. shin pads, mouth guards). We really need parent help with training and umpiring so if you are available on a Friday from 1.30 - 3.10 are have some knowledge of the winter sports please let me know libby.dyde@education.wa.edu.au

The fixtures for the term are as follows:
Week 3, Friday 8th May- Dalkeith V Nedlands 1.40pm kick off (home game)
Week 4, Friday 15th May - Dalkeith V North Cottesloe 1.40pm kick off (home game)
Week 8, Friday 12th June - Swanbourne V Dalkeith 1.50pm kick off (away game)
Week 9, Friday 19th June - Rosalie V Dalkeith 1.50pm kick off (away game)

The Lightning Carnival will be held on Thursday 25th June at College Park
NAPLAN

NAPLAN testing is scheduled for Tuesday May 12-Thursday May 14 for students in year 3&5. Below is the timetable for the tests.

TUESDAY May 12 – Language Conventions – 9.50-10.50
Writing – 11.10-12.10
WEDNESDAY May 13 – Reading – 9:50-10.50
THURSDAY May 14 – Numeracy – 9:50-10.50

Parents please note that catch-up testing is available where possible.

CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Virtues Award 2015 Term 1

Our Term 1 winner is a dedicated student who demonstrates a love of learning across all areas

This child is patient and kind and displays the most beautiful manners at all times

This junior school student shows maturity beyond her years in the way they communicate with their peers

Her gentle manner and concern for others makes her a sought after friend and team member

The worthy recipient of this term's Dalkeith Rotary Club Virtues Award is

GRACE T
Spare parts play and Creative play in the Early Years

The Early Years playground has been opened to all students this term and it has been wonderful to see the children mixing amongst the year levels. The fairy garden attracts students from all year levels and is constantly undergoing changes, achieving aesthetically pleasing results with the simplest of things. Shells, ribbon, wool, flowers, leaves and bells have been artistically arranged by the students to invite and inspire imaginative and creative play for all! If you haven't already seen this wonderous creation make sure to take a look, add your own ideas or come and play.

The school has recently purchased a membership to Remida, a not-for-profit organisation that collects off cuts and waste from factories that would otherwise be disposed off as landfill. Schools and individuals are able to visit Remida and take any resources or materials that they can find a use for. The Pre-primary teachers visited in the holidays and collected several tubs of equipment for spare parts play. Plastic and cardboard tubing, fabric offcuts, pieces of stone and timber laminate, recycled drink bottles and even giant seed pods have been used in many creative ways. Games involving cannons, ice cream shops, fairy gardens and garbage collection have all been inspired through the use of recyclable materials.

Play is our brain’s favorite way of learning.
—Diane Ackerman
The Australian Early Development Census (AEDC) is a nationwide measure of the development of young children.

Every three years, schools (both government and non-government) take part in the national AEDC data collection.

This gives each community in Australia a snapshot of how children have developed by the time they start full-time school. It helps schools, communities and governments to pinpoint the services, resources and support that young children and their families need to help shape the future and wellbeing of Australian children.

The Australian Government and state and territory governments are working in partnership with The Royal Children’s Hospital Centre for Community Child Health, the Murdoch Childrens Research Institute, and The Telethon Kids Institute, Perth, to deliver the AEDC. The Social Research Centre, Melbourne, is managing the AEDC data.

Following the success of the first national implementation of the AEDC, the Australian Government has made a commitment to collect this important data every three years. This represents a total investment of $28 million per collection cycle. The ongoing funding will ensure that governments, communities and schools continue to have important information about children’s development to help make a difference in the lives of young children and their families. The AEDC is designed as a population measure. This means it looks at whole groups of children in the community not individuals. It is not a test or assessment of a child’s development or performance in class.

Between May and July 2012 schools participated in the AEDC by completing Early Development Instruments for children in their first year of full-time school.

The next AEDC data collection will occur between May and July 2015.

More information regarding the AEDC will be distributed to parents of Pre-primary students in the weeks leading up to the collection period.
... celebrating success

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR 26 AND 27 MAY

“Design your own crown competition”

Create a masterpiece – Bring them to the Library on 25 may to enter the Competition. Good luck!!

The book fair earns points which are used to purchase books for the DPS Library, we have decided to donate half the points earnt to our Bali Sister School Library.
WEMBLEY DISCO

2015 DATES – 8 MAY 19 JUNE 7 AUGUST 11 SEPTEMBER 6 NOVEMBER 4 DECEMBER

JUNIOR DISCO AGE 4 – 10 YEARS FROM 5:30PM – 7:00PM

SENIOR DISCO AGE 10 – 15 YEARS FROM 7:30PM – 9:30PM

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