COMING EVENTS

FRIDAY 14 AUGUST
- State Cross Country Championships
- Derby Day

FRIDAY 21 AUGUST
School Development Day
Student free day

WEEK 6, 24 – 28 AUGUST
BOOK WEEK

MONDAY 24 AUGUST
Bookweek Dress Up Day

TUESDAY 25 AUGUST
Year 3 Robogals

WEDNESDAY 26 AUGUST
Kindy Bookweek Dress Up

THURSDAY 27 AUGUST
- Kindy Bookweek Dress Up
- Year 4 Robogals
- House Jumps

FRIDAY 28 AUGUST
- PP1 Assembly
- House Throws

Congratulations to all Certificate Recipients
Dear Parents and Caregivers,

There is less than two weeks left until Mrs Pekin returns from her holiday. She is currently in Germany and having a great time. Here is a picture of her in Scotland. Looks a tad like the weather here so helps me to not feel too jealous!

The App 101 PL is on next week Wednesday August 19 in the library from 6:30-7:30pm. You are welcome to bring your family. If you need a loan iPad for the evening please let me know in the enrolment survey below so we are prepared. If you would like to enrol please click here. I look forward to seeing you there.

Students are madly preparing for the upcoming athletics carnival which will be held on September 4 at College Park. Thanks in advance to Mrs Dyde and Ms Hughes for their organisation of this event. Thank you also to the P&C who have arranged the annual cake stall and lunch fundraiser. There are many different athletics events on this term so I continue to encourage parents to focus at home on throwing, catching and general fitness to ensure all students are fit and prepared for the different athletic events scheduled on the planner.

Next week on Friday August 21 is our School Development Day. Students are not required to attend on this day as it is set aside for teacher development. Our focus this term is on the Positive Behaviour in Schools initiative, National Quality Standards, and mathematics. Many hours of work goes into preparing for this day and want to acknowledge Ms Hughes and the PBS team, Miss Cunningham, Miss Redmond, Mr Glanville and Mrs Ikin for their hard work in preparing for the day.

Congratulations to Ms Brooke Milianku and the Dalkeith Primary School Orchestra for receiving an excellent score at the Aboda Orchestra Festival on Saturday last week. Well done to all the year 3-6 students who have given up their time to be involved in that program. A big thank you to Ms Milianku for always providing time for the development of our students in this area. Your award score is a well-deserving acknowledgement of your dedication to our orchestra program, thank you Brooke.

I am not sure if you are aware but we often have many schools requesting to come and visit Dalkeith Primary School, especially to view our exceptional technology program. Principals, teachers and school board members who would like to see iPads being used effectively in the curriculum as a tool to enhance learning often stream through our doors. Our students are very adept at hosting different adult educators in their classrooms and articulate very clearly what different tasks and outcomes they are working towards. Our teachers also often go to schools to provide professional learning for schools and networks of schools in the area of technology and the curriculum. We have hosted or provided PL for over 40+ schools and networks so far since our 1:1 program kick-off. Some of these include Rosalie, Subiaco, North Cottesloe, Duncraig, Tuart Rise, Rockingham Lakes, Kapinara, Gibbs Street Primary Schools, Shenton and Curtin...
Networks and Apple delegates from across the world. We are also part of the NAPLAN Online trial and provide advice and support to all the schools participating in this system-wide initiative. Thank you to Ms Doig, Miss Redmond, Mr Glanvill and Ms Iannello for always opening their doors for our visitors.

On that subject I am delighted to be able to congratulate Ms Tamara Doig on becoming an Apple Distinguished Educator. She was invited to participate in the Apple Distinguished Educator Forum last week in Singapore with other successful delegates from around the world. Ms Doig was one of only two public school award winners in Western Australia. Well-deserved Tamara!

Keeping our students safe is one of our top priorities. We have had a report of some students riding their bikes without helmets on to and from school. Although we are looking to provide students training in this area I would like to remind all parents that students under year 5 are recommended not to ride to school without parent supervision. Also please ensure that all students are provided with a helmet for riding to and from school. We all need to work together to ensure that our students stay safe on the roads.

Thank you for your time. Have a fantastic fortnight.

Sarah McCormick  
Acting Principal

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT PROGRAM

Dalkeith is currently implementing a positive behaviour support framework, an initiative from the Department of Education. The first stage of this initiative is to develop a set of school wide expected behaviours. These are 3-5 short, sharp statements that best represent the needs and context of Dalkeith Primary School. The PBS team, in consultation with staff, students and school community, have completed the initial stage of the process.

**Respect, Responsibility and Resilience**

The school will focus on one of these expectations on a fortnightly basis for the next six weeks. This fortnight our focus is **Responsibility**. The whole school, students, staff and community are asked to reflect on ways to demonstrate responsibility and act in a responsible manner in the classroom, around the playground and in the community. Students are awarded with a raffle ticket when they are seen to be responsible around all areas of the school. We invite parents and community members to be on the lookout for students being responsible, we have raffle tickets at the front office for you to award to the students. Thank you for your support in this initiative.

VIRTUE

**Responsibility**

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This Friday we are celebrating Derby Day.

We encourage all students to come dressed up in their supporters gear. This can be any team and any code. Please remember to wear appropriate footwear.

HOUSE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

This year our school athletics carnival for PP - Yr 6 will be held at College Park due to Cruikshank being under construction. This has meant the program of events and carnival set up has needed adjustment. Staff are working hard to come up with the best possible option and as soon as the carnival program and student events are finalised they will be emailed and displayed at school.

We have also been working hard on our Positive Behaviours program at school and focusing on rewarding students who demonstrate our virtues and expected positive behaviours. This flows nicely into our Athletics carnival as we are working to prioritise positive sportsmanship in all games and races as well as teaching children how to win and lose graciously and using this as an opportunity to build resilience. As we know, not everyone can win a running race and we need to accept that some of us can run faster than others. The carnival is all about giving it your best shot whichever division you’re in and celebrating those who win and get a ribbon and supporting those who don’t get a ribbon. With this in mind, as a staff, we have also decided that stickers for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place in team games are not necessary but a pat on the back, a hand shake or a “great game Sally, well done” are more valuable together with some positive cheering from parents on the sideline.

SEMESTER TWO HOUSE CAPTAINS

Congratulations to the following students who were presented with their House Captain and Vice Captain badges for semester two.

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BLIND BOOK SWAP

Do you have lots of books you have read cluttering up bookshelves and cupboards in your house? Well read on, this is for you....

During Book Week and Literacy Week we have decided to hold a “Blind Book Swap”. We are asking students to donate a book from home that they have read and enjoyed.

Students are to wrap the book in plain brown or white paper and then write a short (no more than 50 words) blurb, including:

1. age group the book is suited to
2. the type of person who would enjoy the book
3. description of the book, without giving away the title.

Students are asked to bring their donated book to the library during “Book Week” (week 6) where they will receive “Blind Book Bucks” that will entitle them to select a “blind book” during week 7.

We believe that this will be an exciting, new way to recycle and share fantastic books. Hope you will support our innovative project.

Don’t forget – SSSSHHHHHHHH don’t tell anyone the title of your book. It’s a secret.
Thank you to everyone for their amazing enthusiasm with our school Lap-A-Thon. The teachers and parent support was fantastic and the kids loved having everyone cheer them on. The students’ fitness was so impressive and it was hard to stop them when they reached their maximum lap. So after all that amazing effort it is good to see so many sponsorship forms and money being handed in. Keep them coming. Thank you again.

CROSS COUNTRY

This Friday 14 August our State Cross Country team will compete at McGillvray Oval. The team of year 3-6 students will depart school on the bus at 8.50am and return by 1.10pm. Student must take in a small bag their morning tea, water and wet weather gear and wear their white PE shirt. Parents are encouraged to come and watch and we still need two parents (share the role) to assist with marshalling on the course, please email libby.dyde@education.wa.edu.au if you’re available.
iPad 101 Parent Workshop
Wednesday 19th August in Library
6:30-7:30pm

Learn how to use the apps your child uses to create and learn at school.

In this workshop, participants will learn how to navigate several apps used by students at Dalkeith Primary School to enhance their learning with the iPad. Teachers will demonstrate the features of each app and how they have been used in the classroom by different year levels. Time will be given to explore the app as you move through the different learning centres. You are welcome to bring your child to learn with them.

Bring your child's iPad (year 4-6) or a school device can be provided with the apps used for the workshop. Please RSVP your attendance via the survey link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/C2WX3N6
MINI MUD RUSH

The **Mini Mudd Rush** is back again in 2015!! If your students are looking for a challenge, this is it!

**WHERE & WHEN** - Held on Sunday 16th August at the State Equestrian Centre Brigadoon, the Mini Mudd Rush is a great day out on our kids mud obstacle course for ages 7-13!! **Start up a school team** and get the kids involved!

**TICKETS** – Only $40 +bf! The kids get 1 hour of muddy fun, an event t-shirt, finishers medal, sausage sizzle and a juice box - this is the best value event ticket in town! There are also group discounts for teams of 10+!!

*We can also provide assistance with setting up a team if required!*

What kid doesn’t like getting out and dirty! Check out our website now - [http://muddrush.com.au/](http://muddrush.com.au/) and see what all the fuss is about! There are also distances for kids aged 14+ and the adults too!

For more information or to receive some promotional flyers and posters, please contact us on (08) 9244 5200 or email Andrea – andrea@trievents.com.au

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ZUMBATHON

**The Melanomawa Zumbathon Charity Event**

Shake it’ Till you make it – Take up the 8 hour Zumba challenge & help raise valuable funds for Melanoma WA. Sign up as individual or groove as a team of four. Visit our website to register and start fundraising today! [www.mycause.com.au/events/zumbathon](http://www.mycause.com.au/events/zumbathon)