Coming events

FRI 12TH AUG
Japanese Assembly
School Sport WA Cross Country

TUES 16TH AUG
UNSW Maths Y 6

WED 17TH AUG
Café Dalkeith

THURS 18TH AUG
hooRRRh Assembly

FRI 19TH AUG
School Development Day

WEEK 6
BOOK WEEK

TUES 23RD AUG
Book Week Dress Up Day

THURSDAY 25TH AUG
Lap-a-thon

FRI 26TH AUG
Fathers Day Breakfast
Room 13 Assembly
Lap-a-thon

Message from the Principal

It has been a very busy few weeks with some amazing incursions and some significant state and national testing.

Last week we conducted PEAC testing for all of our year 4 students and the year 6 UNSW English competition. Earlier in the year the students sat the UNSW Science competition and we have now received those results. Four of our students were placed in the 99th percentile resulting in a ‘High Distinction’ which is an outstanding result! These students will receive a Principal’s award at the assembly on Friday.

We also had a significant number of students (18) scoring in the top 10% of Australia and will therefore be awarded with a ‘Distinction’ at the assembly as well. In addition, we had a further 43 students in year 3-6 receive a ‘Credit’ – placing them in the top 11-25% of students in Australia. It is very pleasing to see our students performing so brilliantly in this national Science assessment. The UNSW competition is a very challenging and rigorous one and therefore it is a great credit to our students to do so well. All of our focus on Science and Technology is definitely benefiting our students.

Our students have benefited from some great incursions over the past two weeks. Last Thursday and Friday we had a visit from ‘The World of Maths’. Our new undercover area was put to good use as students rotated around the displays with corresponding worksheet Maths activities. All strands of Maths are covered in the activities and are all linked to the Australian Curriculum. Students were asked to solve problems, discover number patterns, identify geometric properties, think logically and apply mathematics to the physical world. Many thanks to Mrs Ikin for organising this wonderfully educational incursion for the whole school!

Mrs Ikin also organised the StartSmart incursion this week which involved students learning about managing money. Once again, our students were engaged in interactive workshops that were fun and designed to equip our students with confidence to make smart decisions.

As part of the nationwide National Schools Tree Planting Day, two classes at Dalkeith PS got involved by planting seedlings around the school grounds. We were lucky enough to have Bunnings Claremont support our school with this project. Bunnings provided 3 trees and 150 seedlings, and on the day a representative from Bunnings came to the school to help the students with planting. Miss McCabe and Miss Redmond’s classes planted along the boundary and in the flower beds around the school. Despite the weather everyone involved had a great afternoon. I saw a lot of muddy but very excited students enthusiastically planting seedlings all over the school! Many thanks to Miss McCabe and Miss Redmond for organising this fantastic activity.

I would like to remind parents that in the interests of forward planning at Dalkeith Primary School, it is imperative that you email me and let me know formally if your child will not be attending our school next year. Student enrolments have a huge impact on our funding and therefore our ability to staff our classes. If I don’t have written notification, I have to assume your child will be returning next year and therefore will be counted in as an enrolled student and I will staff the school accordingly. This can result in the school being in the situation of having a shortfall in funds at start up 2017. If you intend to take your child elsewhere next year, please email me directly rather than the classroom teacher.
On the 4th of August the Year 3-6 students participated in a forensic science incursion called "A Case of Emergency". This incursion involved students being presented with a missing persons case and using a variety of different forensic tools to solve the mystery such as ultraviolet light, scatology, fingerprint analysis, forensic botany and digital footprints.

The case was an adapted version of a real case in NSW where a 12 year old boy with diabetes ran away to follow a circus in hope of rehoming a baby koala he had found on the road. The students thoroughly enjoyed being detectives for the day!
Outstanding Contributions and Charges

Contributions to our school are vital to the ongoing delivery of specialised programs and initiatives.

The school runs on a very tight budget and relies on income from parents and carers, to offer students a range of curriculum related activities.

Annual contributions and charges provide supporting material for various specialised programs which enhance the National Curriculum.

Specialist program areas, which benefit from this funding include: History, Geography, Literacy, Music, Physical Education and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics).

All contributions and charges are approved by both the teaching staff and Board to ensure that they are relevant to the curriculum and considered a necessary part of your child’s education.

We would appreciate full payment of any outstanding amounts by Friday 14th October 2015 (Friday Week 1 Term 4).

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

Please reinforce with your children the need to be vigilant about people who may try to entice them to go with them. There was an alleged incident last week involving a student from a Mosman Park school where a man tried to entice that student into his car and claimed he was sent by her father to pick her up.

Please encourage your children to walk in groups wherever possible and tell them to never get into a car with someone they don’t know.

Suzanne Pekin

PBS

The focus for the fortnight is:
‘Lining up quickly and quietly’

This semester the school is focusing on one expected behaviour every two weeks. This particular behaviour is part of

Responsibility in our School Community

National Schools Tree Planting Day
**STE(A)M STUDENT PROJECTS**

Dalkeith PS is continuing to provide exciting opportunities for our students to engage in learning that integrates skills and knowledge needed for the future. We have several teachers participating in the STEM Innovation Partnerships initiative with the Department of Education this year. These teachers are planning engaging ways to link core curriculum areas such as literacy and numeracy with digital technologies including robotics and 3D printing while also providing the opportunity to collaborate with their peers. One project currently underway in year 5/6 and Ms McCabe’s year 2 classroom is a 3D narrative project. Students have planned narratives using storyboards that involve different locations, characters and some exciting action. The next step is to produce some 2D artwork on giant card to recreate the setting of each group’s story.

The story is then brought to life with craft. 3D printed characters designed using the Makers Empire app and a robot which will travel across the artwork as the main character. Students will need to code their robot to navigate to the different locations in their story. Year 5/6s are using an app to code their robot and will incorporate at least one circuit (eg a flashing light or a buzzer that makes sounds) into the story while the year 2s are using BeeBots that can be programmed using buttons on the top of the robot. This term long project asks students to apply skills learnt in literacy, mathematics, science, art and digital technologies. The project is well underway and we can’t wait to see the finished stories! Thanks must go to Aoife McCabe, Shauni Redmond, Lisa Iannello and Brooke Milianku for their commitment to being involved in this professional learning and planning these experiences for our students.

**CODE CLUB**

Dalkeith PS launched a lunchtime Code Club for students in years 3-6 this week. We have some very clever kids who are already coding in their spare time and others who are curious to learn how. The aim of Code Club is to bring students together to share their coding knowledge and learn from each other. Students were using apps such as Hopscotch and Scratch Jr while others had a go programming Dash the robot to move around the room and even play the xylophone! All students in year 3-6 are welcome to join Mr G in our new upgraded learning space every Wednesday at 1:20pm.

**YEAR 5/6 STEM ENRICHMENT**

Students in this program have also been applying their new skills in 3D modelling to design and make an object that could potentially be sold at a market stall. Applying design thinking methodology which asks students to brainstorm ideas, test designs and reflect on their learning, the students have started to print their designs on the 3D printer after creating with the Makers Empire app. Each student also needs to calculate the cost of the print and set a fair price that will deliver a profit. We have encouraged students to design objects that would be useful to someone they know or themselves. One of our year 5s designed the earring box below and we also have designs for mobile phone stands, jewellery holders and a device that attaches to the seat pocket on a plane to hold all your bits and pieces. Fantastic to see our senior students innovating and designing in this class.
Last Friday, the 5th August, Kindy Blue and Kindy Red enjoyed another trip up to "the big school" yet again. This time we attended the "World of Maths" incursion. We got to explore many maths games. These hands on games really made us think. We were also very lucky to have four of our lovely senior school students help out. Thanks girls!
**Library News  Book Week**

**DRESS UP DAY Tuesday 23rd August**


**LUNCHTIME STORY TIME Every day**

Enjoy a story in around the campfire every lunchtime all week.

**COMPETITION**

To enter you need to CREATE a POSTER advertising your favourite Australian Author or book.

**Needed for the Book Week Activity**

Do you have anything faux wood, or log cushions, beanbags and camp rugs? We would love to borrow them to create an ‘around the campfire story scene’ in the library.

Contact Jane Zupp
Jane.Zupp@education.wa.edu.au
Congratulations to our new Sports Captains. Our captains have a busy time ahead as we train and prepare for our Interhouse Athletics Carnival on Friday 2nd September 2016 (week 7).

**SPORTS CAPTAINS**

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**STATE CROSS COUNTRY**

**Friday 12th August**

*Meet at the outside undercover area 8.30am-1.15pm*

This Friday 12th August our inter school Cross Country team will be heading to McGillvray Oval for the School Sports WA State Cross Country competition.

All students must meet with Mrs Dyde at 8.30am sharp in the outside undercover area to have their names checked off and school singlets issued.

Students just need to take a small bag with snacks, 2 water bottles, hat and raincoat if necessary. There will be one school tent for shelter.

The bus will depart school at 8.50am and return by 1.15pm. The timetable for the day is:

- 10.00 year 3 and 4 girls
- 10.30 year 3 and 4 boys
- 11.00 year 5 girls
- 11.30 year 5 boys
- 12.00 year 6 girls
- 12.30 year 6 boys

**JUMPS COMPETITION**

**Thursday 18th August**

The Inter-House Jumps competition will be held on Thursday 18th August (week 5). The timetable for the day will be:

- 8.30-9.50am all Y 6
- 9.50-10.50 all Y 4
- [Recess]
- 11.10-12.10 Miss Wholohan Y 3
- 12.10-1.10 Ms Bright + Miss Boyle's Y3
- [Lunch]
- 1.50-2.50 All Y 5

We will need parent helpers to assist with recording and raking the pit for the sessions. Please let Libby Dyde know if you can help.

**INTERHOUSE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

**Friday 2nd September**

*David Cruickshank Reserve, Beatrice Road*

*8.30am-3:10pm*

All Students from Pre Primary to Y 6 will be participating throughout the day and will need to be dropped off by 8.30am and picked up at 3.10pm.

We will need 4 parent helpers to assist with recording and place judging. If you are available for the day please contact Libby Dyde.

**CONTACT LIBBY DYDE AT**

libby.dyde@education.wa.edu.au

These photos are from the LAPS (Little Athletics) incursion we had last week. Some of our students in Y 3-6 were lucky enough to get some extra assistance with their long jumps, triple jumps and vortex long throws!
Achievements

HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS WEEK 3

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YOUNG ICT EXPLORERS

Congratulations to Marco and Mack in Year 6 who have been selected for WA judging in the Young ICT Explorers competition with their innovative product 'O Buzzer'. This invention attaches to a mobile phone and uses an Arduino board, sensor and speaker to alert people looking down at their phone when they are about to hit something. A 3D printed case will be the finishing touch. We are very proud of you!
ELECTION DAY FUNDRAISING

It was a hugely successful morning of fundraising with all the wonderful baked goods selling by 9.30am. We raised just over $2,500.00! Thank you to everyone who brought in their baked goods and to those who volunteered on the day. We would like to say a huge thank you to Sharon Marron, she worked very hard organising and coordinating everything and everyone for the day.

FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST

This year’s Fathers Day breakfast will be held on Friday 26th August at 7.30am. Order forms will be emailed to you next week, there will also be forms in the office.

LAP-A-THON

This year’s Lap-a-thon is now being held in week 6 on Friday 26th August. Look out for the sponsorship forms coming home with your children and come along to cheer them along on the day.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The school athletics carnival is on Friday 2nd September. As always we ask all parents to bring a plate of baked goods to the oval in the morning to be sold at the cake stall.

DALKEITH KINDY BUSY BEE

There will be a busy bee at Dalkeith Kindy on Sunday 11th September, from 10am. The jobs on the list are general maintenance, gardening, pruning and painting. We ask that you please bring along any tools or equipment you have at home for these jobs. All volunteers are welcome and much appreciated. It is amazing to see the difference after a busy bee day. When the community comes together we are extremely productive – it’s a lot of fun too! If you’d like more information please call Rachael Criddle on 0419214531

Jay Freeman (front office) will be attempting the 100km Oxfam Trailwalker challenge this September. She, her mum, her uncle and her best friend will be walking 100km in 48 hours!

If you’d like to support Jay and donate to this worthy cause, visit the ‘Jay Walkers’ team page below:

https://trailwalker.oxfam.org.au/my/team/23601

Trybooking link: https://www.trybooking.com/218134

All funds raised go to the National Breast Cancer Foundation

Friday, 12 August
The Windsor, Nedlands
6:30pm for Drinks, 7pm Movie (Rated M)
$20 per person

Please join us for a special screening of Absolutely Fabulous The Movie
And help support a great cause!

The Pink Ladies

Absolutely Fabulous
THE MOVIE