Dear Parents and Community Members

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to all members of our school community for the 2015 school year. This is a special year for Dalmain being our 25th anniversary. A special welcome to those students and their families who are attending Dalmain Primary for the first time. I am sure that new families will find Dalmain to be a friendly and caring school and students will quickly settle in and enjoy the Dalmain experience. I would like also to welcome along our Kindergarten students who are starting out on their educational journey.

CLASSES
It has been a smooth and quiet start to the school year with all students quickly settling into their new classes. This year we have largely been able to structure our classes in straight year levels. Each year our class structures are primarily determined by our student enrolments in each year level. Thank you to parents for your assistance in ensuring your children were well prepared and ready to start the school year.

STAFFING
The staffing process, which is based on student numbers, will be finalised next Friday. At this point it is anticipated that our current class structures will not change. We have had some changes to our school teaching staff for this year and I welcome all new teachers to Dalmain Primary School and look forward to the contribution that they will make to this excellent school. Miss Olivia Hood joins our pre-primary team teaching in PP 1. Mrs Melissa Checksfield will be teaching Year 2 in TA 3 each Friday, while Miss Kirsten Perry will be teaching Year 2 in TA 4. Mrs Emma Menegaldo will be teaching Wednesday, Thursday and Friday with our Year 5 students in TA 5. Mrs Keilo Wise joins our staff as the art specialist and will teach students from Years 1-6.

25th ANNIVERSARY
This year marks the 25th anniversary for Dalmain Primary School and we would like to acknowledge and celebrate this special milestone. Dalmain was officially opened on 6 November 1990 by the Minister for Education at the time, the
Honourable Dr Geoff Gallop MLA. Students however, first attended the school at the end of term 1, 1990. So we have decided to mark this time for our 25th Anniversary assembly on Thursday 2 April. We hope that this special assembly will be attended by former students, families and staff as well as our current school community and will feature the opening of the time capsule set aside in 2000 to mark the school’s 10th anniversary. I am also very keen to hear from any former students or their families who may have a story to tell or to learn about what career path they may have followed. Please contact me through the school on 9309 3711 if you know anyone.

25th ANNIVERSARY FETE
Our school P&C is organising a fete on Saturday 2 May as a part of our anniversary celebrations. Jane McIntyre has already been very busy in planning for this event. Many hands make light work and Jane will certainly need the assistance of others to help with the organisation of this event. Please help out where you can. Funding from this event is planned to be used towards establishing Nature Play areas within our school. There are additional details inside this newsletter.

SCHOOL UNIFORM
With the start of the 2015 school year the phasing in period of our new school uniform is now complete. The old yellow shirts which have been accepted as a part of our school uniform over the past 12 months as we have transitioned to the new uniform have now been phased out entirely. Thank you to all families for their cooperation with this process and adherence to our school uniform policy.

PARENT INFORMATION MEETING (Tue 17 Feb)
Parents will have the opportunity to attend class information sessions on Tuesday, 17 February. These sessions are designed to provide parents with an insight into how classes will be run and information on areas such as homework and communication. An information flyer about this event has been forwarded home today to all families. A copy of this flyer along with the meeting times will also be posted on our school website.

COMMUNICATION
The school newsletter is one of our most important ways for communicating with our school community. This week we have published the newsletter in hardcopy for our Kindy students in an attempt to ensure that all families receive this first edition. After this, our school newsletter will be forwarded home via email and the Tiqbiz App. This is a cost saving and eco friendly way of providing this information to our community. In order for this to occur we do need to have a current email address for every family. If your email has changed or you have not provided this information to the school please do so as soon as possible to ensure that you continue to receive our weekly school newsletter or you can subscribe to the newsletter mailing list on the school website (http://dalps.wa.edu.au/newsletters/).

P & C AGM (Tue 24 Feb)
I look forward to meeting with parents at our P & C AGM on TUESDAY 24 FEBRUARY commencing at 7.00pm in the staffroom. The P & C plays a vitally important role within our school, supporting many programs and ventures. It would be terrific to have some new faces as well as our regulars attending. Kindergarten and pre-primary parents are most welcome. Please join us if you can.

ASSEMBLY
Our first assembly will be held on Friday 20 February in the undercover area. At this assembly our school leaders will be announced following the completion of the election process. This is always a much anticipated occasion and will be followed by morning tea in the library for all Year 6 parents and students.

SCHOOL GATES
Parents please note that our school gates close at 3:15pm each afternoon. I would ask that parents collecting students at the end of the school day to please remember this. Reasons for this time include the Care for Kids Out of School Hours Care program running after school on our site. A further reason is for duty of care considerations. In the past we have had several incidents with students left playing unsupervised on playground equipment for long periods of time resulting in injuries and near misses.

NO HAT NO SUN PLAY – ALL YEAR
Dalmain Primary School has a “No Hat No Sun Play” policy in effect at all times. It is expected students WILL wear either a ‘legionnaire’ type hat or a wide brimmed hat (both available from our Uniform shop) when playing outside the classroom.
STUDENT ABSENCES
Parents are reminded that they can advise the school of their child’s absence by SMS. Failure to contact the school will result in your child/children being marked as UNEXPLAINED on their attendance record.

STUDENT BIKES AND SCOOTERS
It is not recommended that students younger than Year 4 ride bicycles/scooters to school. Children riding bicycles/scooters to school are requested to park them in the racks provided. To prevent theft it is advisable for cyclists to lock their bicycles into the racks with an effective lock. Normally, children are permitted in the bicycle rack area only when going to or from their bicycle. **Students must walk their bicycles/scooters when in the school grounds.**

DOGS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS
Please remember that our school has a **No Dogs on School Grounds** policy.

TERM PLANNER
A term planner has been forwarded home with this newsletter and is also available on our school website. Please note that this planner does get updated during the course of the term.

Have a great week,

Don Boyes
Principal

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**SCHOLASTIC Book Clubs**

Last day for Book Club orders:
**FRIDAY, 13 FEBRUARY 2015**

Parents, when ordering Book Club books, please ensure that your **CHILD’S NAME** and **TA** are clearly written on the order form with the **CORRECT MONEY** enclosed.

Orders can be deposited in the **BOOKCLUB BOX** located in the **SCHOOL OFFICE**.

Thank you, **Lyn Ralston**

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After 5 years as Book Club Organiser Lyn Ralston would like to give up the position and pursue other interests. If you think you may be able to help out, please contact the school office 9309 3711

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**Uniform Shop News**

The Uniform shop will be open:
**Tuesday, 3 March 2015**
8.20am - 9.00am

Order Forms, Product Photos and Descriptions are now available on the school website

Uniform Coordinator: Kirsten Warren - 9408 0228

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**School Banking**

Available for students in the School Library

**Every Wednesday**
8.20 - 8.45am
**Healthy Heroes Canteen Roster - Term 1, 2015**


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**Absentee Notifications**

Parents are required to advise the school if their child is absent, with a valid reason.

You can notify the school in one of the following ways:

- Send a text message: 0409 885 439
- Phone the school (8am to 4pm) 9309 3711
- Speak to your classroom teacher

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**Direct Deposit Payments**

- **Bank:** ANZ
- **BSB:** 016-494
- **Account:** 3408-18845
- **Reference:** Child’s Surname / TA

Please confirm payment by email, or send your lodgement receipt to the office with the reason for payment - dalmain.ps@education.wa.edu.au

***PLEASE NOTE:*** Direct Deposit is **not available** for P&C payments (eg - uniforms, fundraisers). These items must be paid in cash.
25th Anniversary Fete

Volunteers Needed
We desperately need volunteers for small jobs and big ones.
Could you……
Make a few phonecalls to help get sponsorships & donations?
Help set up on the day?
Co-ordinate our raffle?
Co-ordinate a game on the day?
Do you have any new items to donate to our raffle?
Are you a member of a club who might like to do a demonstration?
Do you have a gazebo/shelter you could provide for the day?
Do you know a car wrecker that might donate a car shell?
From small jobs to big ones, every bit counts and we really need everyone’s support to make this fete a success!! Thank you!!

Items We Need
For one of our stalls we need donations of any surplus felt-tips pens, textas and crayons.
If you have any, new or used, that you’d like to donate, please drop them into the office in the P&C Box.

Market Alley
Our fete is the weekend before Mother’s Day!! Would you like to have a stall in Market Alley? Do you know anyone else who might like one?
Spaces are 3m x 3m and cost $20 + a raffle donation to the value of $20 (shelter, power, chairs and tables etc to be provided by stall holder).

Food Vendors
Do you have or do you know anyone else who might have a food vending business? Have you seen one at another Fete you’d like to have at ours?
Cost is $75 per vendor stall.

Sponsorship, Advertising & Donations
We are looking for locals and businesses to sponsor, donate to or advertise at, the fete so our expenses are at a minimum and our fundraising is at its highest.

Contact Details
For all enquiries about the fete please contact Jane McIntyre
0413 679 963
janemac@westnet.com.au
- Attention All Dalmain Families -

Mega Toy Sale - 2015 Dalmain Primary Fete

The Pre-Primarys are holding a Mega Toy Stall at the 2015 fete.

Donations of pre-loved toys in good order would be greatly appreciated.

Please bring any donations to Pre-Primary 2. We will be accepting donations up until the fete in May.

Thank you for helping to make our stall a success!

Fiona Hammill & Jane Ridley

Fill-A-Jar Fete Stall - TA 7

TA 7 would appreciate donations for their “Fill-A-Jar” stall to be held at Dalmain Primary’s school fete in May. Clean jars from your pantry can be recycled and filled with any new materials that would be considered very useful.

Examples include: marbles, mini toys, Lifesavers, hair elastics, cottons, jams, chutneys, chocolate, lollies, dry cake mizes, etc.

All donations will be greatly appreciated including any unwanted clean jars. Please forward to TA 7 whenever you can.

Many thanks,

Mrs Orchard & Mrs Berry
Before/After School & Vacation Care

Care for Kids provide care at Dalmain Primary School in a fun and stimulating environment - with qualified and experienced staff, the service is Accredited by NCAC. Childcare benefit and Government rebates apply.

kingsleyoshc@careforkidswa.net.au
9309 2300 or call into the school undercover area.

Greenwood Dental Therapy Centre

The Dental Therapy Centre is situated at GREENWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

DENTAL THERAPY CENTRE
Greenwood Primary School,
12 Merivale Way
GREENWOOD WA 6024

Phone: 9203 5611
Parking available from Ranleigh Way

Our Home Ground and Club Rooms are at Macdonald Reserve, Padbury

For more information visit our website: www.whitfordhockey.asn.au

2015 Season

Season runs April through to September

REGISTRATION DAY: 14th FEBRUARY
(Club Room: 11am-2pm, or online)

Come along and learn new skills, make new friends and enjoy some great family time!

ALL YEAR GROUPS & LEVELS CATERED FOR:
- Kindy to Year 4: play Saturday mornings at home grounds
- Year 5/6 and Year 7/8: play Saturday mornings
- Year 9/10: play Sunday mornings
- Year 11/12: play Friday evenings

OUR HOME GROUND AND CLUB ROOMS ARE AT MACDONALD RESERVE, PADbury

Primary School Challenge

The Primary School Challenge is open to students in Years 4-7 or aged 9-13 years.

Students are asked to watch Australia: The Story of Us on Sunday nights starting 8 February, then answer the week’s corresponding quiz questions on the yahoo7.com.au/StoryOfUs-Quiz website. There will be 10 student questions each week, either multiple choice or True/False, plus a bonus question for parents.

How to participate:
- Students will register their school to start the quiz. A parent/guardian must register and consent at the same time.
- The more students from the eligible grades who participate, the more chance the school has of qualifying for the $10,000 grant.

Community News
Looking for regular exercise to improve your wellbeing?

Try Yoga!

*What to expect during a session:* 
- Breathing exercises, 
- Sun salutation, 
- Twelve basic postures with simple variations, 
- Deep relaxation at the end of the session 
- Guidance and corrections by your teacher

*What to expect long term:* 
- Increase in flexibility, especially of the spine as well as strength of muscles and bones 
- Stimulation of circulatory, digestive, endocrine and immune systems 
- Calming of the mind, reduction of stress and many more benefits

Sivananda Yoga sessions running every Monday 7 - 8:30 PM in the Dalmain school library 
beginners and advanced practitioners welcome

$140 for 10 sessions, $20 casual, concessions apply

For more information or to book in please contact
Antje on 0431 320 782 
anandiniyoga@gmail.com 
www.anandiniyoga.com.au

SWEEPS UP FOR THE MCGRATH FOUNDATION’S PINK STUMP CHALLENGE

WE ARE HOSTING A

PINK STUMPS
DAY

So come along - bring the family and make your run count this summer... 
FOR A FUN DAY OUT TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE MCGRATH FOUNDATION!

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Kids & Today’s Technology - 2 Night Seminar

Technology is now being used by very young children and most teenagers are proficient users of many aspects of technology. Your knowledge of what’s out there, how it’s being used and how you manage it in your home will have a direct impact on your kids’ learning and safety.

**WEST LEEDERVILLE**
22 Southport Street
Monday, 23 & 30 March 2015
Wednesday 17 & 24 June 2015

6.30pm - 9.00pm
$35 per person
$50 per couple

Bookings essential - 9489 6322