From the Principal’s Desk

Dear Parents and Community Members

CHANGES TO THE COMPOSITION OF THE SCHOOL DAY

It has been under discussion for many months, with the School Board’s involvement, and we have finally made the decision to reorganise the school day for term 3 and 4. For many years educators have been putting forward the premise that the prime learning time for children is in the morning.

http://home.uchicago.edu/~npope/morning_afternoon.pdf

Prior to the change, our school day had been organised with four periods of 40 minute duration in the morning and three in the afternoon. From term three, there will be five periods in the morning and two in the afternoon. Starting time will remain 8.45am and finishing time will still be 3.00pm. We chose this model because we could still achieve the desired outcomes without any inconvenience to our parents’ work and day care arrangements.

This timetable allows for the third period every day to be used for whole school spelling - cross setting students according to their ability. Specialist teachers will have this session for the preparation time, which means there will be very little disruption to the core subject programs.

As students will be waiting until 11:00am for recess, Crunch and Sip time will be brought forward to 10.00am.

We will be seeking your feedback on the changes in our next parent survey, or at any time, if you have concerns. The teachers will also be making note of any positive or negative impact on students’ learning. Please see inside this newsletter for the new timetable.

STUDENT REPORTS

Teachers are busily compiling student reports ready for distribution on Monday 27 June. Inside this newsletter is information on how to read and understand your child’s report. If you have any concerns, do not hesitate to contact your child’s teacher.
Parents are reminded that payments for school incursions and excursions (with the exception of School Voluntary and P&C Voluntary Contributions) must be handed in to the class teacher.

INCURSION AND EXCURSION PAYMENTS CANNOT BE RECEIVED AT THE OFFICE AT ANY TIME

Thank you.

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.

SOCIAL DANCE (Tuesday 28 June)
Tuesday 28 June is the final dance class in this term’s series of lessons. Warwick has worked his wonders with our students and they are ready to trip the light fandango and demonstrate what they have learned. Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend the demonstration lesson from:

Pre-Primary: 9.20am - 10.20am  Year 1 & Year 2: 11.00am - 12.00pm.

In the evening the students from Year 3-6 will have their social dance at the GREENWOOD COLLEGE GYMNASIUM 6.30pm - 8.30pm. Please come along and join in the fun - it is always an entertaining family evening.

FOOT WEAR
As the children participate in morning fitness daily and spend time in our Nature Play area where the terrain is uneven, we ask that they wear suitable footwear at all times. Children are coming to school wearing fashion footwear that does not support their feet when they are running or climbing. As you know, I love fashion footwear but on this occasion, joggers are the right choice.

NEAR MISS
It has been brought to my attention that there was a near traffic accident this morning outside the school on Malden Road. A parent/grandparent who could not find a parking bay on Malden Road, drove down the footpath at some speed to drop the children off closer to the gate. It was only sheer luck that a child was not exiting the parked car as the car on the footpath drove by. Getting to school on time is important but not at the expense of our students’ safety. DO NOT DRIVE ON THE FOOTPATH PLEASE!

WILD MAN INCURSION
I am happy to note the positive response by students and teachers to Philip Green’s outstanding incursion - Wild Man. It was given a universal tick of approval, with several teachers stating that it was the best incursion Dalmain has ever had. By the focus and engagement of the students - I would have to agree.

ASSEMBLY
TA 9 have their assembly on Thursday 30 June 8.45am in the undercover area. Mrs Kaluzinski always puts on an extravaganza and I am sure this year’s assembly won’t disappoint.

Enjoy your week!

Eileen Buswell
Acting Principal
How to Read Your Child’s School Report

Student Reports will be issued on Monday 27 June and we wish you to be aware of the following information to interpret the grade or achievement descriptors allocated to your child. Using the guidelines and exemplars provided by the Department of Education, teachers are compelled to allocate grades in keeping with this set of criteria. This may mean slight changes to your child’s grades this semester. It does not mean that your child has not performed as well as last semester – it just means some adjustments have been made to grade allocations in keeping with the department’s guidelines.

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<td>A Grade / Excellent</td>
<td>A grade or Excellent achievement is extremely hard to achieve. Most cohorts, in the Dalmain context, would have less than 10% of students achieve this grade. In Year 3 and beyond, students need to be performing at two Bands above the Australian mean to be awarded an A grade.</td>
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<td>B Grade / High</td>
<td>B grades or High achievement indicates that a student is performing well above what is expected at their year level.</td>
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<td>C Grade / Satisfactory</td>
<td>C grade or Satisfactory achievement indicates that your child is working at the expected level for their year group. This means that at this time they are making the progress expected of them and there is no cause for concern.</td>
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<td>D Grade / Limited</td>
<td>D grade or Limited achievement indicates that although your child has made some improvement throughout the semester, it has not been at the expected level.</td>
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<td>E Grade / Very Low</td>
<td>E grade or Very Low achievement indicates that your child’s achievement is very low.</td>
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Hopefully this information will assist with your interpretation of your child’s report. If you have any concerns, do not hesitate to contact Mrs Buswell.
Enrolments are now open for Kindy 2017

Applications for enrolments of students entering kindergarten or changing schools in the 2017 school year should be made

BY FRIDAY 22 JULY 2016.

As schools are closed between Saturday 2 July and Sunday 17 July 2016, parents/persons responsible are encouraged to submit their application before the end of Semester 1 (1 July 2016).

Application for Enrolment forms can be obtained from the school’s website or the school office. Parents are encouraged to bring along their child’s Birth Certificate, Proof of Address and ACIR Immunisation History Statement when applying.

Friday Maths
17 June 2016 - Addition Set 4

Best Class - TA 5 (49.65)

Runner Up - TA 5 (48.26)

Most Improved
TA 3

Runners Up
TA 4

School Uniform Shop
The Uniform Shop will be open:

Wednesday, 3 August 2016
8.45am - 9.15am

Order Forms, Product Photos, Descriptions, Sizing Charts are available on the school website.

Uniform Coordinator
Mel McBride: mcbridemelanie@rocketmail.com

School Banking
School Banking is available in the School Library

Every Wednesday Morning
8.20am to 8.45am
NEW Banana Bread $1.00 ea
(Available at Recess)

NEW Shepherd’s Pie $3.50 ea

The Canteen Menu can be downloaded from the ‘Canteen’ page on the school website: http://dalps.wa.edu.au/canteen/

*** NEW Volunteers Needed - Training Provided ***

Please contact Nicole 0419 005 490 or Donna 0410 636 930 (Canteen Coordinator)

$5 Canteen Voucher
morning tea and refreshments provided for volunteers!

P&C CANTEEN FREEZER SALE

8.15am – 8.45am on Thursday 30th June 2016

The Dalmain P&C are currently in the process of reviewing our Healthy Heroes Canteen Menu and will be selling some freezer stock ready for a new and improved menu in Term 3. Items are limited and will be available on a first in, first served basis.

The items available will be:

Beef & Cheese Cruiser Pies $2 ea
Chilli Chicken Strips $1 ea
Honey Soy Chicken & Rice $2 ea
Chicken Fried Rice $2 ea
Snack Pies $1 ea
BBQ Meat Lovers Pizza $2 ea
Lasagne $2 ea
Welcome to Arlene Doherty and Barbie Connick who are presently assisting with the Support-A-Reader Program.

We are still in need of more tutors to listen and encourage children to read each day. Without your help the program cannot continue.

Mrs Winterton (TA 8)
Hilary.Winterton@education.wa.edu.au
or 0434 210 609.

Thank you,
Hilary Winterton

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School Disco - ‘Pyjama Party’ Theme
Friday, 24 June 2016

The discos are held in the school undercover area.

The canteen will be open and we will be serving Pizza.

Drinks, Snacks and Glow Products will also be available.

Parents, carers and siblings are more than welcome to enjoy all available foods and drinks at the canteen.

Individual Passes $5.00 available at the door

**JUNIOR DISCO**
(Kindy to Year 2)
5.00pm - 6.30pm

**SENIOR DISCO**
(Year 3 to Year 6)
6.45pm - 8.45pm

**Volunteers are required** to help with the Junior and Senior Discos.
If you are able to help, please contact: Melissa Verna - 0419 609 007

Lightning Carnival
Wednesday 22 June
*Kingsway Sporting Complex*

Soccer
A Team: 1st Place
B Team: 2nd Place

Netball
A Team: 3rd Place
B Team: 1st Place

Well done to the AFL team!
- FOUND -
Pair of Children’s Glasses
Please contact the school office if they belong to you.

Book Donations Wanted for P&C Book Fair - Children/Adult Books
Please drop any book donations at the school office or call Kate on 0408 926 785.

Greenwood Dental Therapy
The Dental Therapy Centre is at GREENWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL
Please note the Dental Centre will be CLOSED from 4 July to 13 July

Emergency Centres for this time:
4 & 5 July - Halidon DTC 9409 6362
6 July - Landsdale DTC 9302 2969
7, 8 & 11 July - Halidon DTC 9409 6362
12, 13 July - Landsdale DTC 9302 2969

12 Merivale Way, GREENWOOD
Phone: 9203 5611
Parking from Ranleigh Way

Community News

Term 3 Enrolments
Enrolments are open for Term 3 with Ready Steady Go Kids, Australia’s largest and most reputable multi-sport and exercise program for preschoolers (aged 2.5-6 years).

With eight locations in Perth’s northern suburbs, our high quality, physio-designed program teaches children the fundamentals of 10 different sports in a fun, non-competitive, team-based environment.

Ready Steady Go Kids seeks to develop a lifelong passion for physical activity and sport, decrease childhood obesity, increase confidence and prepare children for participation in school and the broader community. We’d love to offer a free trial for your 2.5-6 year old child.

Please visit www.readysteadygokids.com.au or call 1300 766 892 for more information.

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
Phone: 9309 2300 or call into the undercover area.