



Dalmain Primary School NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, 18 February

Leadership and
Merit Award Assembly

Bookclub Orders Due
(NOTE: now only accepting
online orders - no cash)

**Monday, 22 February
to Friday, 5 March**

Swimming Lessons
PP - Year 6

Thursday, 25 February

P&C AGM
Staffroom - 7:00pm

Monday, 1 March

Labour Day Public Holiday

Thursday, 11 March

Merit Award Assembly

School Board Meeting
Staffroom - 6:30pm

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Perhaps a late, but never-the-less warm welcome to all members of our school community particularly those who have just become a part of the Dalmain community this year. It has been a most eventful start to the school year with our state impacted by the pandemic, bushfires and floods. With the first week of term one spent in lockdown it has been wonderful to have all of our students and families returning to school this week. A big thank you to all school community members for your support with the way in which school has commenced this week. The staggered start times for our younger students in the junior classes enabled all to enjoy a calm and supported beginning to school. These times were put in place just for the first week of school. From Monday all classes will start and finish in line with our normal school day – 8:45am and 3:00pm. Importantly, our students have also adapted to staff wearing masks very well and there have not been any concerns raised. So all things considered, it has been a very good start to the term.

CLASSES

All students have quickly settled into their classes very well, including our two Kindergarten groups. I am sure that everyone will quickly be back into routine with much to look forward to this term. Once again this year we have formed several split classes across our school. This is a common practice in government schools. Each year our class structures are primarily determined by our student enrolments in each year level. The numbers of students enrolled in each cohort varies significantly across our school. For example, we currently have 44 students in Pre-primary and 27 students in Year 1. There are also recommended class sizes put in place by the Department of Education and these vary greatly across the year levels. This makes the process of forming classes each year a complex one. Classes are not streamed and the process of determining classes is undertaken carefully, with input from staff and administration. Thank you to parents for your support with this process and ensuring your children were well prepared and ready to start the school year.

STAFF

This year Dalmain welcomes two new teachers to our staff. Mrs Natalie Kazandzis will be teaching in our early childhood area in Pre-primary Two, along with Miss Sarah Miller who will also be teaching in this area in Pre-primary One.

Both teachers are very excited to be a part of the Dalmain School Community and look forward to settling in to their roles. We also welcome Mrs Claire Willis who has also joined our school staff as School Chaplain. Mrs Willis has already been busy getting to know staff and students this week. See inside for further details.

PARENT INFORMATION MEETING

Planning too far into the future is somewhat difficult in these very different times, however we are hopeful of being able to hold our Parent Information Evening once again. We are looking to hold these in week 4 (22-26 Feb), but will need to wait to see just what restrictions remain in place after this weekend. As soon as we have further information around these guidelines, information will be communicated to families via text (School Star app) regarding the holding of parent information meetings.

SCHOOL TOILET PROJECT

Congratulations to our P&C for the outstanding efforts made with the School Toilet Project. Amanda Haddock and Danae Taylor, along with their helpers have certainly made an enormous difference to the way in which our senior student toilets look. Their efforts are greatly appreciated by the Dalmain community. See inside for photos.

INTERM SWIMMING LESSONS

This year our swimming lessons will occur early in Term 1 once again. Lessons are scheduled to be held across Weeks 4 and 5 of this term (22 February – 5 March). An information flyer about the lessons has been sent home to all families of students from Pre-primary through to Year 6.

COMMUNICATION

The school newsletter is one of our most important ways for communicating with our school community. Our newsletter is sent out via email each Friday to Dalmain families. Further communications will be made to parents via text using the School Star app as well as through the online Seesaw app. If your contact details change at any time during the year, please advise the school office so that your details can be updated.

P&C AGM

I look forward to meeting with parents at our upcoming P&C AGM on **THURSDAY 25 FEBRUARY** commencing at 7:00pm in the library. 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 next Thursday, 18 February in the undercover area. At this assembly our Year 6 school leaders will be presented with their leadership badges. Merit certificates will also be presented to those students chosen by their class teacher. Please note that due to Covid-19 restrictions around physical distancing, only one adult per family is requested to attend the assembly. Thank you in anticipation of your support with this requirement.

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 bucket hat (both available from Tudor Uniforms in Wangara) when playing outside the classroom.

STUDENT BIKES AND SCOOTERS

It is not recommended that students younger than Year 4 ride bicycles/scooters to school without supervision. 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 students today 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, *Dan Boyes* Principal

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

** NEW BANK DETAILS **

Commonwealth Bank
Account Name: Dalmain Primary School
BSB: 066-040
Account Number: 1990 6029

sms

STUDENT ABSENCES

0409 885 439

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.

'School Star' Communication App

Dalmain is now using a new school communications app - **School Star**.



School Star is available for download for both iPhone and Android devices - simply search for "MGM School Star" and install.

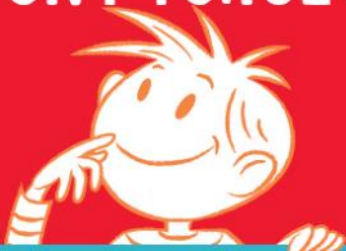


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Available on the
App Store

DON'T FORGET!



SCHOLASTIC
Book Club
orders are due:

Thursday, 18 Feb

SCHOLASTIC

Book Club **LOOP** for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.

To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:

www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP



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App Store

Chaplain's Chatter

My name is Claire Willis and I am very excited to be coming on board as your new school chaplain. A warm welcome to those of you who are new to our school and welcome back to those who are returning.

A little bit about myself – I am married with 2 daughters, aged 6 and 8. During my career, I have worked in the Education and Training sector across various roles, with the last two years as a school chaplain. A common thread in all these roles has been being a listening ear and support to the people around me.

I believe that being available and being a listening ear is a vital part of being a school chaplain. I may do this through speaking with students individually, spending time in classrooms or running small group programs.

What does a school chaplain do?

Whilst every day can be so varied, my focus is on the wellbeing of our school community.

A school chaplain is present in the school to:

- Provide pastoral care for students, families and staff
- Link schools with the local community, support agencies and organisations
- Play an active role assisting with and supporting school events
- Support, mentor, encourage and empower the school community

What might a child like to talk about?

- Friendship issues
- Family/home life
- Grief/Loss
- Transition to a new school
- Anxiety
- Resilience building
- Self-regulation strategies

What is the process for seeing the chaplain?

If you or your child would like to meet with me, please contact the office so we can arrange a time. I will be onsite on Thursdays and my office is located in the administration building. I look forward to becoming a part of this wonderful school community.

Claire Willis

School Chaplain



SCIENCE ✓



Friday Maths

Friday, 12 February - Addition Set 1

Best Class

TA 6

Runners Up

TA 9



Dalmain Dockets

Term 1 - Week 2

Junior Draw Winner

Kevin W - TA 3

Senior Draw Winner

Alice J - TA 6



Dalmain Delights Café

Proud sponsors of the weekly 'Nude Food' winners



Thank you!

Thank you to this week's canteen helpers:

Sue Hogan,
Kirralee Dyke
& Kylie Wild



CAN YOU HELP?

Extra help is ALWAYS welcome!

Barbie - 0428 850 191

Please remember to
order your Friday Sushi
before 3:00pm
Thursday!



Dalmain Delights Cafe

Order Bags
Available at Canteen
Counter for 10c each
or 15 for \$1
Please Avoid Staples or
Taping Order Bags

2021 Term One Lunch Menu
Open Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
8:30am-2pm

Please Ensure
Allergies are
CLEARLY Marked

ALL ORDERS MUST BE PLACED PRIOR TO 9AM
Substitutes will be Offered to Late Orders; Additional Charges May Apply

Find us on
facebook

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| Wednesday | ☆☆Hot Dog | Served on Freshly Baked Bun with Tomato Sauce | \$3.50 |
| | ☆☆☆Macaroni & Cheese | Pasta Paired with a Family Recipe Cheese Sauce | \$3.50 |
| | ☆☆☆Junior Mac & Cheese | | \$2.50 |
| | ☆☆☆Beef Taco | Beef Con Carne on Soft Tortilla with Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Cheese & Salsa | \$4.50 |
| | ☆☆☆Bean Taco | Mexi-Beans on Soft Tortilla with Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Cheese & Salsa | \$4.00 |
| | | +Sour Cream | .30 |
| Thursday | ☆☆☆Homemade Pizza | Choose from: Hawaiian, Ham & Cheese, Veggie, Cheese, or BBQ Meat | \$3.50 |
| | ☆☆☆Lo Mein Noodles | Mixed Veggies with Asian Noodles, Sesame & Soy | \$4.00 |
| | ☆☆Chicken Nuggets (5) | Baked Crispy Chicken Breast Nuggets | \$3.50 |
| Friday | ☆☆Homemade Sausage Roll | Pork & Vegetable Wrapped in a Flaky Pastry | \$4.00 |
| | ☆☆Junior Serve Sausage Roll | | \$2.00 |
| | | +Tomato Sauce Portion Control Pack | .30 |
| | ☆☆Chicken Tenders (2) | Crispy Chicken Breast Tenders | \$3.50 |
| | ☆☆☆Sushi Rolls (6 pack) | Pre-Order & Pay Thursday by 3pm California, Chicken Teriyaki, Tuna or Combo | \$6.00 |
| | ☆☆☆Junior Sushi (3 pack) | Available as Chicken Teriyaki or Tuna | \$3.50 |
| | ☆☆☆Caesar Salad | Lettuce, Cauliflower, Spinach, Croutons, Bacon, Egg, Parmesan & Side of Creamy Dressing | \$4.50 |
| Offered Daily | ☆☆Vegemite & Butter Sandwich | Served on Wholemeal Bread or White by Request | \$2.50 |
| | ☆☆☆Salad Rolls Choose Ham, Chicken or Egg | Wholemeal Bread Roll Filled with Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Carrot & Mayonnaise | \$4.50 |
| | Toasties | ☆☆ Cheese | \$3.00 |
| | | ☆☆☆Cheese & Tomato | \$3.50 |
| | | ☆☆☆Cheese & Ham | \$4.00 |
| | | ☆☆☆Cheese, Ham & Tomato | \$4.50 |
| | ☆☆☆Meal Deals | Chicken Nuggets or Fish Fingers (3) with Salad | \$3.50 |
| | | Meatballs (5) with Cob Corn & Salad | \$4.00 |
| | ☆☆☆Salad Box | Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Carrot, Beetroot & Choice of Chicken, Ham or Egg | \$4.00 |
| | ☆☆☆Add Salad to Any Lunch | Please Specify Fruit or Vegetable | \$1.00 |
| Drinks | ☆☆Juice | Apple, Orange or Apple/Blackcurrant | \$2.00 |
| | ☆☆☆Hi-Lo Milk | | \$1.50 |
| | ☆☆☆Bottled Water | | \$1.00 |
| | ☆☆☆Sipahh Flavoured Milk | Chocolate, Strawberry, Cookies 'n Cream, Choc-Mint, Supplies Vary, Visit Counter | \$2.00 |
| Treats | ☆☆Fruit Juice Icy Pole | Various Flavours Available | .50 |
| | ☆☆Paddle Pops | Rainbow, Chocolate, Banana, Choc-Mint | \$2.00 |
| | ☆☆Froyo Frozen Yoghurt | Flavours Vary-Check at Counter | \$2.50 |
| | ☆☆☆Frosty Ice | Chocolate, Banana, Strawberry, Choc-Mint | \$1.00 |

Healthy Options Traffic Light Food Rating: ☆☆☆Green ☆☆Amber ☆Red (not Available)



As mentioned in a recent communications, Seesaw is one of our ways of communicating and sharing your child's experiences. The information below will highlight key elements you need to know about Seesaw and its functions. There are 2 apps for parents to use at home. Please ensure that you have both apps downloaded.



Seesaw Class

Students complete assigned activities and read announcements when at school or at home.



Seesaw Families

Parents are able to view student completed work, access notifications and communicate with the teacher (not to complete student activities).

FAQs

Why can't I access the activities section from home?

Parents can only access completed student work from home using the 'Seesaw Families' app. In this app, students are unable to access activities or upload work. This is done in the Seesaw Class app.

Why can't I message the teacher from my Seesaw account?

Check that you are in the correct app. Parents can message the teacher through the 'Seesaw Families' app.

Our account is coming up with an error and we cannot log on anymore?

It seems that if you have not logged into your account for a while, the code expires. Please contact the class teacher or school office if you experience issues relating to logging on. We can text you an updated code, if required.

Can my partner see what a student is doing from another device if they're not home?

Yes, this is done through using the 'Seesaw Families' app; to view student completed work at school, at home or anywhere.

Parents (Seesaw Families App)

This tutorial will explain the 'Seesaw Families' app and its functions and explain the access you will have. Remember this app is used to view students completed work, access notifications and to communicate with your child's teachers.

Video Tutorial: [Seesaw Family App](#)

Student Tutorial (Seesaw Class App)

This tutorial will guide students through the functions of the app and how to use each part. From posting work, accessing lessons, announcements and teacher communication.

Video Tutorial: [Seesaw Class App](#)

If you require additional information or support, please contact your class teacher or contact the school office on Dalmain.PS@education.wa.edu.au



Fitness Club 2021 - Beginning Week 4

Our before school morning Fitness Club will be returning for 2021.

Fitness Club is open to all students from PP - Year 6 and is held on the oval every Wednesday and Friday morning from 8:00am - 8:30am. This will begin in **Week 4 on Wednesday, 24 February**.

Kids will participate in a range of fun games and activities that cater for all levels of skill and physical fitness and complement our Physical Education program. Parents are welcome to stay and watch but there is no obligation to do so, unless you have a student in Pre-primary in which case we do ask that you stay to support their involvement.

We would love to see you there and if you have any questions please contact Mr. Valentino - paul.valentino@education.wa.edu.au

Important Sporting Event Dates

Term 1 - Week 8 - Friday, 26 March

Dalmain PS Cross Country Event (PP - Year 6)

Term 2 - Week 2 - Friday, 30 April

Interschool Cross Country Event (Selected Years 1-6)

Term 2 - Week 10 - Friday, 25 June

Interschool Lightning Carnival (Selected Years 5/6)

Term 3 - Week 5 - Friday, 20 August

Dalmain PS Jumps and Throws Event (Selected Years 4-6)

Term 3 - Week 6 - Friday, 27 August

Dalmain PS Faction Carnival (Years 1-6)

Term 3 - Week 10 - Monday, 20 September

Interschool Jumps/Throws/1000m (Selected Years 4-6)

Term 3 - Week 10 - Wednesday, 22 September

Interschool Athletics Carnival (Selected Years 1-6)

Thank you

A very special THANK YOU to **Danae Taylor** & **Amanda Haddock** for taking the lead on our *School Toilet Project*.

I would like to thank both of them for their time & the effort they invested in preparing and successfully executing this project.

The girls' & boys' toilets in the senior block have received a whole new design and look absolutely marvellous.

Of course, also a big thank you to all the amazing volunteers that supported our team during the summer holiday. I am looking forward to the make over of the junior block toilets and the continuation of this wonderful P&C project.

Sabine Steegmann
P&C President





P&C News

P&C Meeting - AGM

The first P&C meeting of the year is our AGM, it will be held at 7pm in the staffroom on Thursday, 25 February. At this meeting the key positions for our 2021 P&C will be elected. Come along and become a financial member at a cost of 50c, this will allow you to have your say and vote on items throughout the year. All are welcome and remember coming along does not mean you are volunteering to take on a role. We look forward to seeing you there.

P&C Sundowner

The P&C are planning a family sundowner with food and fun for Dalmain families. The date is TBA so keep an eye out for more details.



Facebook Page

The P&C would like to invite all parents at Dalmain to join our Facebook page. Just search Dalmain Primary School P&C and join the page. This will keep you updated about everything P&C including upcoming events and projects.

School Toilet Project Update

The School Toilet Project in the Senior Toilets is now complete. We are hoping to arrange a time for parents to have a look at the completed toilets as the reveal we had planned was postponed due to Covid restrictions. For now you can head to the Dalmain Primary School P&C page on Facebook and look at the reveal videos, there are also a few photos below for you to look at.

Teachers in the senior area will be giving their students a follow up survey to make sure the project has had the desired effect of improving the bathrooms for our students. The junior block students will be getting started on their initial survey of potential issues they may have with the current toilets and what they would like to see. Planning for the next phase of The Toilet Project is well under way. If you would like to help out please e-mail Amanda Haddock and Danae Taylor at toiletproject.dalmainps@gmail.com

Thanks!

A huge thank you again to all our volunteers who helped to transform the senior toilets in the holidays: **Rob L, Mel L, Mel H, Sallie H, Brianna H, Lacey H, Imogen H, Sabine S, Luke E, Hama O, Dave H, Courtney B, Hayley S, Jenny S, Bethaney S, Sheryl K, Nadia D, Jane T, Elisa W, Palak A, Bronwyn M, Rob M, Jane M, Ben H and Cameron T.**

Thanks also goes to **Bunnings Wangara** and Dulux for their donations and advice at the beginning of the School Toilet Project, and to **Kat and Nic @theartistnook** who were able to complete our uplifting quote designs in the senior toilets.



Community News



Dalmain Netball Club – Come & Try Afternoon

Are you thinking of what sport to play this Winter?

Are you a boy who is interested in playing Netball?

Come along and have some fun as we show you what a fantastic community sport netball is.

This is also a great opportunity for returning players to meet their 2021 coach and teammates.

When – Thursday 18th February at 3:20pm
Where – Dalmain Primary School netball courts

Uniforms will be available on the day to try on!

Please contact us via the below contact points if you have any queries.

We look forward to seeing you there!



dalmainnetball@gmail.com
<https://www.facebook.com/DalmainNetballClub/>



Kingsley Junior Football Club (inc)

Girls (Come and Try) Afternoon

Bring A friend all age groups to Kingsley Junior Football Club, its going to be a bigger and better year for the girls!!!!

Wednesday 17th Feb

6 – 7 pm

FREE sausage sizzle

Girls that play Aussie football learn teamwork and goal-setting skills.

They also make friendships that last forever.

Please so If your daughter or friends are wanting a game that is competitive and a contact sport that is safe and builds fantastic self esteem with great rewards from the club sponsors come to Kingsley oval for a fun intensive training session coached by the top girls from Kingsley women's team.

RSVP Tania Lagana 0435871017

KJFC Girls coordinator.

Come and try Auskick at Kingsley Junior Football Club!

Activities will be set up for each age group with our experienced coaches on hand to take auskickers and their parents though Auskick activities. All children trying out on the day will receive a football jumper to participate in and take home!

- Where: Creaney Oval, Kingsley.
- When: Sunday 21 February 2021 at 8.30am.
- Who: Pre-primary to Year 2 aged boys and girls.



Auskick Season 2021

The season commences on **Saturday 24 April 2021** and runs each Saturday morning from 8am until 28 August 2021. There will be a break on the June long weekend and during the July school holidays.

Registrations

Please go to - <https://play.afl/auskick> to complete your 2021 Auskick Registration. The website also provides a great insight to the Auskick program and what your child will experience while participating.

Enquiries - Please feel free to email any enquiries you may have regarding Auskick to the Kingsley Junior Football Club Auskick Coordinator - Renae auskick@kingsleyjfc.com.au

For information regarding registration for girls (year 3 plus), modified, and open rules (Year 3 –Year 12), please visit - http://www.kingsleyjfc.com.au/docs_registration.html



Come be apart of the Kingsley Junior Football Club!