### **DEANMORE PRIMARY**

An Independent Public School

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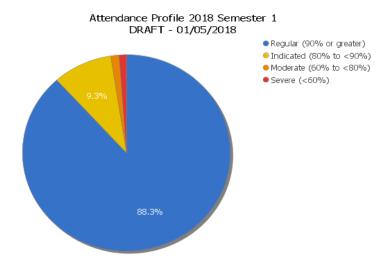
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#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I would like to welcome everyone back to Term 2 and I am sure everyone had a thoroughly enjoyable two week break. This week we have had several new children and families join the Deanmore PS community which is always a pleasure. I know they will all quickly fit in and get the most out of their time with us.

For those parents who have had the opportunity to read through our 2018 – 2020 Business Plan, Key Focus Area 4: School and Community, outlines very rigorous targets and milestones for school attendance. One target is increasing 'Regular School Attendance' (attending school at least 90% of the time) to greater than 90% by the end of 2019. As can be seen in the table below for Term 1, approximately 88% of students are considered to have 'Regular' attendance.



This is a somewhat pleasing start to the year, however we do know that with the winter months approaching more children become sick and require staying home from school. A second target is an overall school attendance above 95%. Currently the school's attendance rate is 95.5%. Over the course of Term 1 358 children were at school at least 95% of the time; 97 children attended 90% to 94% of the time; and 51 children attended 89% of the time or less.

Next Monday (May 7) is our first **P&C meeting** of this term. Our P&C do a tremendous amount of work in supporting the school and its children by helping to provide additional resources. Everyone is welcome to come along and be involved, big or small, or in any capacity that they can. It would be lovely to see as many parents as possible on Monday at 7:30pm in the staffroom.

During Week 3 children in Years 3 and 5 will participate in the annual NAPLAN (National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy). It is important that we all treat the days as normal school days and reassure the children that there is nothing to worry about. From a parent's perspective, just ensure that your children are always getting the right amount of sleep and eat a healthy breakfast, not just on NAPLAN days, but every day. This is how children are best prepared for school and more importantly, learning.

## GEORGE CRAIG PRINCIPAL

#### DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### **NAPLAN**

The students in Year 3 and 5 will complete the National Assessment Program in Literacy and Numeracy in Week 3 of this term, 15 May to 17 May.

The Language Conventions and Writing activities will be administered on Tuesday 15, the Reading test will be given on Wednesday 16 and the Numeracy assessment will be set on Thursday 17 of May. All tests will be administered in the morning. All stationery will be supplied by the school.

A Parent Information booklet was distributed to all students/parents in Term 1. It included information on withdrawals, exclusions, allowances for disabilities, etc. If you would like a copy of the booklet please contact the school. If you have any questions please contact the school.

Please do not book any holidays or appointments during the testing times.

#### **IN-TERM SWIMMING LESSONS**

The students in Rooms 1, 2 and 21 have been offered in-term swimming lessons in Week 4 and 5 of this term. A note has been sent home. Please send the money and the completed note to your child's teacher.

GREG DOWNES
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL



#### **CONGRATULATION'S**

Mr Rodgers on being selected as a finalist in Cricket Australia's *A Sport for All* Community Cricket Awards, presented in partnership with the Commonwealth Bank.

Mr Rodgers has been shortlisted as a finalist for Community Ambassador of the Year.

This is a significant achievement and worthy of recognition of his efforts to grow cricket here at Deanmore Primary School and our wider community.

Next P&C Parenting Session is on Cyber Safety for Children.

Wednesday, 23 May 2018 @ 7.00pm.
All welcome.

# **P&C News**

The next **P&C Meeting** is on Monday the **7th of May @ 7.30pm** in the staff room. All are welcome.

Like us on Facebook www.facebook.com/deanmorepandc

The next couple of opportunities to catch up with **The Deanmore Dads** are

on:

Tuesday 8th of May and Wednesday 6th of June @ 7.30pm at the Scarborough Sportmen's Club. Come along and connect with some of the other Dads from school. If you would like to join the Deanmore Dads email list please send an email to: deanmoredadsrsvp@gmail.com

# **HOF YUN** FOR A **REASON**

When: Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2018

What: Family fun run (or walk)

**Distances:** 4km or 12 km or Half Marathon –

Group E (families and prams) 4km may be best ☺

Where: Perth CBD – refer to Start Map

Why: Be the largest school and win \$1000 on sporting equipment and more

importantly help raise money for **Activ Foundation** (https://www.activ.asn.au/)

who are our nominated charity for the event

What Next: Register everyone in your family (and friends) under Team Deanmore via: https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=28280&G=60053

Create your own fundraising page that will support Activ Foundation

The participation level last year was superb and the **Deanmore Dads** look forward growing the level of participation this year.

# Mother's Day stall

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The Deanmore Mother's Day stall 2017
Held Lunch Time in the Undercover area

Thursday 11th

Friday 12th

(Kindy and Pre Primary held independently)

A great opportunity to grab a cool gift or a sweet treat for Mum

Prices from 50c to \$10

Something to suit every budget

The Mother's Day Stall is a P&C run event, with all proceeds going to Deanmore P&C

**School banking** is on every Thursday morning before school from 8.30am to 8.50am in the library.

The **secondhand uniform shop** is open every Friday morning before school from 8.30am in the undercover area.

The **canteen** is always looking for volunteers. Add your name to the roster next to the canteen window. An hour of help is appreciated as much as a whole morning.

The Mother Day Stall@Deanmore

will be held during lunch time in the Undercover area on: Thursday 10th May, and

Friday 10th May, and Friday 11th May.

There will be something to suit every budget.

Please check your diaries, if you can help out during those times, please contact Clare on

clarelawsonc4@gmail.com
It's always fun (and hectic) helping

serve the children.

The Kindy and Pre Primary stall will be held separately.