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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Last Friday we held a 'Pirate Day' which raised funds for research into child cancer. Many students and staff dressed as pirates for the day in support of this initiative and brought a gold coin donation. It is very pleasing to say that our school community raised \$533 for this cause. I would like to thank Mrs Jeanette Taylor for organising the day and everyone who participated.

In our previous newsletter I requested that if parents stay after school until 3:30pm with their children they only do so at identified areas. I would like to thank all those parents who have assisted the school and staff with this request. This is for the safety of our students and your children. We have children who go to afterschool care arrangements off-site and they meet in specified areas near the Seahorse sculpture to make sure that these children are safe. Staff and the school are legally required to make sure that all children leave our school site safely. For this to be met we must be able to identify children who are not with parents or guardians which is why we ask parents to only look after their own children in the identified areas and not allow children to run around the school. A final reason is that the school has clear expectations for our students, which they are required to follow. This includes not climbing sculptures, fences, trees in the school grounds, running through the gardens to name a few. It is very confusing for your children if parents allow them to disregard these expectations as they will be told that this is unacceptable by staff. A vast majority of our parents respect the school rules and expectations and support their children to meet these expectations which is greatly appreciated.

During 2017 I was told by the Department of Education that all government schools must clearly identify whether they are a primary school, high school, senior college or any other approved status. Our current logo does not meet this requirement and as a result needs to be re-designed. This re-design will also provide us the opportunity to incorporate our new school motto **Aspire-Act-Achieve**. I have been able to contract **Kelly Exeter of Swish Design and Graphics** to do this work for the school. Kelly has two children at Deanmore Primary School so knows our school and community intimately and will be able to design a logo that reflects our school. The seahorse and colours will not be changed, however the shape of the logo may. Many parents will immediately think about the impact this will have on uniforms as there will be a new logo. I will be working with the school board on this and parents will be kept informed. What I can say now is that changes will be communicated in advance and will be implemented carefully.

Recently parents may have had their children talk about the renaming of Factions and Teaching Blocks. Our students have been very keen to name their factions from Red, Blue, Green and Gold. Last year's Faction Captains began this process and Mr Rodgers will complete the process before the end of this year. The new Faction names will not affect the faction shirts. Names will reflect the local Wadjuk Noongar community and will be decided by staff and students with ratification by the School Board.

We will also be naming our Teaching Blocks/Buildings as the current names (Early Childhood, Junior Primary, Middle Primary and Senior Primary) do not always reflect the age of the students learning in those areas. The school will be following the same process as with the naming of the Factions.

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Many parents would be aware that we have several students and some teaching staff, who if exposed to nuts, can go into anaphylactic shock which is very serious and could in rare circumstances be fatal. Typically the students and staff who have this concern manage themselves very well. What they can't control is what other people bring to school to eat. The school has been very clear in its requests in the past for parents to avoid wherever possible sending foods containing nuts. It is also why we are strong on not allowing children to share food. The reality is that mistakes are made and in this instance it could have serious consequences. Due to the young age of children in the **Kindy and Pre-primary** the school continues to be insistent that **no nuts** are sent in for food at any time and as such **is a nut free zone** at all times. We are also asking if parents and children in Years 1 – 6 avoid nuts the best they can. It is not just the eating of nuts that can cause anaphylactic shock; just merely touching something that a person who has handled nuts has also touched can cause a critical reaction. Please be mindful that this is not being over-conscious; this is a real concern and issue for a number of students and staff at Deanmore Primary School and everyone's' help with the matter is appreciated.

The 2018 NAIDOC week occurs during the upcoming school holidays. To acknowledge NAIDOC week the school is celebrating it in the week leading up to the July school holidays. The theme this year is "Because of her, we can..." It celebrates the essential role that Aboriginal women have played and continue to play as active and significant role models at all levels; community, local, state and national. If you are interested in more information you can use the following link: <http://www.naidoc.org.au>

At our final assembly (29 June) to culminate our NAIDOC week celebrations, Deanmore PS will be hosting Mr Walter McGuire who will perform a 'Welcome to Country'. This can only be performed by a local elder and is very different to the 'Acknowledgement of Country' that our students typically do at the beginning of each assembly. If you are available please join us at this assembly.

Semester 1 reports – Your child's Semester 1 report will be sent directly to you via the email address that has been supplied to the school. Sending reports home electronically was completed for the first time at the end of 2017 with very few issues. To assist the school in making this process as smooth as possible could you ensure that you have provided the ladies in the front office with your up to date email if it has been changed recently. If you require your child's report to be sent to two different email addresses due to family reason could you please notify the front office if you haven't already.

Reports should be emailed home on the afternoon of Monday 25 June or the morning of Tuesday 26 June. When you are sent the link there is a specified amount of time given for you to download the reports before it expires; please be aware of this. When you read your child's report please read it in its entirety; grades, learning area comments, overall comment and effort. Then take the opportunity to discuss the report with your child as it is a great opportunity to help them get the most of their learning. If you are unsure about anything within your child's report please make an appointment with your child's teacher. It is also important that if an interview has been requested by your child's teacher (this is indicated near the bottom of the report) that a time is made. Teacher only make this request if they believe that a meeting is genuinely required.

GEORGE CRAIG
PRINCIPAL

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Sending students to school sick – As a school, it is really appreciated that parents are trying to make sure their children are attending on a regular basis so that they do not miss out on important learning concepts. However, at the same time, it is important that children are not sent to school if they are too sick to participate and concentrate in class. Also, we do not want illnesses to spread to other children, which will affect their participation at school and subsequently their learning. Thank you for your cooperation on this matter.

RALMO DIAS
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Merit Awards Congratulations!

Room	1	Jack Jolly	Giovanna Conroy
Room	2	Niamh Collett	Joel O'Neill
Room	3	Kiera Orlov	Oscar Drakeford
Room	4	Harry Petersen	Lauren Ogle
Room	5	Luka Medic	Sophia Quadros Van Kampen
Room	6	Ella Smith	Haydn Unwin
Room	7	Quade St Jack	Chanda Mulenga
Room	8	Mahli Morris	Daniel Payne
Room	9	Hugo Clauson	Suzu Gratz
Room	10	Jenna Arnold	Noah Sweet
Room	11	Hunter Yates	Leo Molam
Room	12	Jessica Coates	Isla Cuypers
Room	13	Hunter Burch	Milly Caddaye
Room	14	Lachlan Dobb	Jacob Coyne
Room	15	Selinia Savva	
Room	17	Chloe Byrne	Lacey Jamieson
Room	18	Nicholas Major	Jet Constantinidis
Room	20	Ned Hall	Scarlett Juracich
Room	21	Cooper Harvey	Alex O'Meara
Science		Sophie Drakeford	

Contributions and Charges

Thank you to those parents who have paid their child's contributions and charges for 2018. Your payments can be paid anytime by EFT. Please use your child's surname as the reference.

Our bank account details are:

Account Name: Deanmore Primary School

BSB: 306 073

Account Number: 1006385

Payments are also accepted by **cash or cheque** at the front office.



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FRIDAY 20 JULY IS AN IMPORTANT DATE IN YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION

You must apply to enrol your child in a public school for 2019 if they are:

- starting Pre-primary (first compulsory year of school) – five years old by 30 June 2019
- starting Year 7 (first year of secondary school)
- changing schools.


If your child is four years old by 30 June 2019 you can apply to enrol them in Kindergarten for 2019.

Visit the school front office and apply by 20 July 2018.

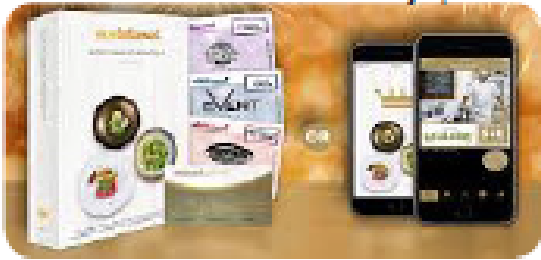
For more information and to find a public school in your area visit education.wa.edu.au.



P&C News

The next **P&C Meeting** is on Monday the **25th of June @ 7.30pm** in the staff room. All are welcome.
Like us on Facebook www.facebook.com/deanmorepandc 

Entertainment books are available now and can be ordered through Kaye on email kayechapman@yahoo.co.uk or <http://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/8341o1>
\$14 from every book goes back to our school. Still only \$70.



The Deanmore Dads are having a night out on the **22nd of June** at the Lookout Bar in Scarborough. Come along and get know more of the Deanmore Dads. RSVP via email on clintonbyrne@gmail.com

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

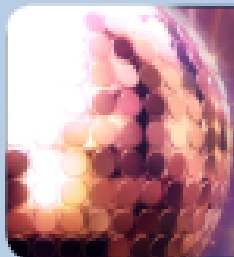
School banking is on every Thursday morning before school from 8.30am to 8.50am in the library.

CAKE STALL

**FRIDAY
JUNE 22ND**

**ASSEMBLY AREA
STARTS
2.30PM**

FUNDRAISER FOR THE P&C
WE ARE RAISING MONEY FOR THE
NEW NATURESCAPE PLAYGROUND



The **School Disco** is up and bopping this evening in the undercover area. The Kindy to year 2 session is from 4.30 to 5.45pm and the Year 3 to Year 6 session is 6 to 7.30pm. Cost is \$5 per child and entry is via Rainer St. Children must be accompanied by an adult.
A sausage sizzle and snacks are available there.
Thanks very much to all that have volunteered for the evening.

The canteen roster is bare! Open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, the canteen is always looking for volunteers to help out (mostly on Fridays - the busiest morning). You can stay the whole morning or even just pop in for a cuppa and a chat and help out for an hour. Add your name to the roster by the canteen window in the undercover area, or contact Yvette on: canteenvolunteers@deanmorepandc.org.au
The canteen is run by the P&C as a service and is not for profit, so get your orders in to help support it. It's regulated by WACSSO (Western Australian Council of State School Organisations) to make sure your child is being offered healthy choices.
The canteen menu can be found online on the school website www.deanmoreps.wa.edu.au (in the canteen page under the parent info tab).

