

DEANMORE PRIMARY

An Independent Public School

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School Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Greetings Deanmore families and community,

Having arrived at the end of week 3, both students and staff have settled extremely well into the new school year. Teachers have worked hard to establish consistent routines and practices to support the delivery of engaging programs and activities, which have assisted students to immediately start their learning. Already, so many students have received a lot of tokens for demonstrating our expected Team Deanmore behaviours and values. Parents would have observed this first hand when attending the different classroom meetings that were held this week.

As communicated in our last newsletter, at this stage a booking for our Twilight Swimming Carnival at Churchlands Senior High School has been made for Thursday, 2 April, from 5.30 – 8.00pm. Parents please enter this date in your diaries. More details will be communicated in the coming weeks.

Parents would have been informed during their child's classroom meetings that the school's stance on homework was under review. In consultation with the School Board and in response to the feedback received from the 2018 teacher, student and parent surveys, the school has reviewed current practices to develop a consistent and whole school approach to homework. Homework is intended to support and reinforce the learning that takes place at school. It can assist in developing the school-home relationships and keep parents informed about the learning that takes place in classrooms. It should be noted that preparing students for the time commitment to complete homework in years to come is not, in itself, a reasonable basis for setting homework. At Deanmore Primary School, all our learning programs and operations strive to meet the needs of our students and community. Recognising the wide range of afterschool activities and programs our students participate in, as well as encouraging positive family interactions, Deanmore Primary School will be operating a homework grid. For different year levels, a grid will be sent home where students will be encouraged to complete set tasks over a two-week period in their own time, and around their afterschool commitments. Teaching teams will collaboratively set consistent open-ended tasks, such as daily reading, which students can complete at home with either the assistance from their parents or independently. Parents are asked to sign their child's homework grid before returning them to school. Those students who complete their tasks will receive a token recognising their effort and commitment and will not be punished if they are unable to finish their homework. All homework that is handed in, will be marked by their teacher. The role of the parent in homework is not as the teacher, but that of a coach and a cheer squad.

Already the school is experiencing many items of clothing being found and placed in the lost property box located outside the Science room (B2). Can parents please look through the box to see if any belong to their child and ensure that all clothing items are clearly labelled with student names?

As we begin a new school year, a friendly reminder to all parents, Deanmore Primary School is a 'nut aware' school. This means that parents are strongly encouraged to avoid sending food items that contain nuts. Since we cannot govern or guarantee that food containing nuts is not sent to school, we can never be a 'nut free' school. Students are explicitly taught to be aware and mindful of the food they bring to school.

Kind regards,

Ralmo Dias

Please let the office know if your contact details need to be updated

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Contributions and Charges 2020

Voluntary Contributions are due to be paid.

When paying into the Deamore Primary School account please write your child's surname and what you are paying for.

PLEASE ENSURE YOU ARE DEPOSITING IN THE CORRECT ACCOUNT

Our bank account details are:

Account Name: Deanmore Primary School

BSB: 306 073

Account Number: 1006385

Payments of **cash or cheque** in envelopes are to be placed in the
Blue boxes outside the front office.

Hale School Scholarships

Scholarship applications are now being accepted for students currently in Year 6 who would like to attend Hale School from Year 7, 2021. Various scholarships are available, including academic and music. Applications close 16 March 2020 and an information session will be held 4 March 2020. For more information, visit www.hale.wa.edu.au.

Merit and Value Awards Congratulations!

Merit

Value

Room	D1	Polly Keall	Mitchell Gernon
Room	D2	Lauren Ogle	Kristian O'Shea
Room	D3	Jeremy Pfammatter	Yuji Ito
Room	D4	Aidan Rose	Oliver Toovey
Room	D5	Xavier Ingram	Caris Edmonds
Room	M1	Oliver Hurst	Matilda Murphy
Room	M2	Poppy Taylor	Remy Van Kan
Room	M3	Jemma Robertson	Indigo Boynes
Room	M4	Bella Kohlhagen	Mateja Bartle
Room	M5	Harry King	Sienna Mulhall
Room	M6	Loralei Nurse	Jace Liddell-Houghton
Room	K1	Duke Thomas	Remy Perraudin
Room	K2	Tippi Sheldon	Dashiell Alexander
Room	K3	Tippy Harvey	Troy Inman
Room	K4	Claire Wang	Pace Bland
Room	G1	Alexis Hartman	Ella Farrell
Room	G2	Anthony Bennett	Jake Simonds
Science		Jack Lovelock	
Lote		William Whittaker	
Sport			Dianne Gibbs
Music		Oliver Salim	



P&C News



The P&C are holding their **Annual General Meeting on Monday the 24th at 7.30pm** in the school staff room (enter through the front doors of the office and you'll find your way there). Everyone is welcome.

We hope you and your children are settling well into the school routine and are excited for the year ahead. With the movement of people in and out of the school and with others needing to take a step back after contributing so much of their time for many years, we have some key roles in the P&C we need to fill for 2020.

As with all volunteer groups, many hands make light work. We would like to encourage you to play an active role in ensuring the future of the P&C. Without your help, the future of P&C Funding to support to our school is at risk, and sadly community events that make the Deanmore community what it is today.

One area we are needing a lot of support is with fundraising activities. Put your hand up to be the Fundraising Co-ordinator, volunteer to organise one event or be a support person for just one event.

We would love to hear from anyone interested in being P&C Secretary.

The P&C meetings are held at 7.30pm on the last Monday of each month in the school admin office teachers lounge. We endeavour to keep these to an hour and would love to have many more people attend. Please come along to the next meeting on Monday, 24th February at 7.30pm.

I look forward to your support,

Steve Schupp

P&C President

The **school canteen** is open every Wednesday Thursday and Friday. Every order you make not only saves you a bit of precious time, but helps support the school P&C. The canteen menu can be found on the school website, and orders can be made online (quickcliq.com.au), or the old fashioned brown paper bag way (write your students name, teacher name, class room number and order on the bag, put money in the bag, and hand in at the canteen or in the lunch basket in the classroom. Change will be taped to the bag). **If you order from the canteen online, please make sure your child's classroom and teacher details are up to date so lunches go to the correct classrooms.**



School banking is held in the library every Thursday morning before school. Come along, its easy to sign up and you can receive some of our wonderful rewards.

The **Second Hand Uniform Shop** is open every Friday morning before school in the undercover area. If you have old uniforms that you want to donate, drop them off on a Friday morning, or any time to the front office.

PARENTING COURSES

March 2020

West Leederville Branch

Dads Raising Boys

Tue 3 Mar

6.30-9pm

\$30/person

For a boy a close relationship with his father is like gold. A father can be an anchor for a son. A Dad models behaviours that shape who they become as an adult. This workshop for Dads will assist in building their sons' self-esteem, healthy identity and resilience as well as managing challenging behaviours.

Parent Teen Connection

Tue 10 – 31 Mar

6.30-9pm

\$50pp/\$75 pc

Are you going through difficult times with your teenage child? Struggling to understand their moods and behaviour? We know that adolescence can be a time of turmoil and change – for both children and their parents. There are plenty of things you can do to maintain a strong relationship and stay connected with your teen. This course will provide you with a practical 'how-to' guide to help you understand their behaviour and show you some skills to manage their behaviour effectively.

Understanding Stepfamily Relationships

Sat 21 Mar 9.30-4.30

\$30/person

Stepfamilies present a whole array of challenges that are different to those found in a biological family. It is a huge juggling act! This one day workshop is based on research that highlights some of the more helpful ways of forming and living in this new family, be it a stepfamily or a blended family. Learn some useful strategies around how to parent and maintain healthy relationships in this context.

How to Develop Qualities in our Children

Sat 28 Mar

6.30-9pm

\$30pp

All parents and those caring for children would like to see children display such qualities as kindness, truthfulness, fairness and respect. Come to this one-day workshop and learn the strategies you need to develop these qualities in our children. This workshop is based on the Virtues Project.

Mums Raising Teen Girls

Mon 30 Mar

6.30-9pm

\$30/person

As we know, the relationship between a mother and her daughter is very important. This workshop helps mothers to better understand their daughters and the challenges they go through during puberty and helps to better equip their daughters to be happy and strong individuals.

Places are limited – please contact (08) 6164 0239 to register today

For more information about our courses and workshops, please click [here](#) or visit www.relationshipswa.org.au

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