## **DEANMORE PRIMARY**

**An Independent Public School** 

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#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Greetings Deanmore families and community,

A lot has taken place over the past two weeks since our last newsletter. Whilst the newsletter is one form of communication, Class Dojo is a platform that the school uses to send parents regular and updated information. If you have not already done so, I strongly encourage you to register for Class Dojo online.

As everyone is aware, the government and Department of Education is continuing to provide advice of how to limit the spread of COVID-19. The school is regularly reviewing daily operations and taking the necessary measures to ensure we are complying with the communicated advice, which has involved making some hard decisions that have included:

- cancelling non-essential activities: assemblies; before school activities (ie running club, surf lessons, master and junior blasters, choir); swimming lessons; parent meetings; twilight swimming carnival; and the Year 6 camp,
- explicitly teaching and ensuring that children are adhering to safe hygiene practices, such as cleaning their hands,
- segregating students into different areas to eat their recess and lunch.

As of next week, to continue our efforts to ensure the health and safety of our students, all parents are asked to:

- a) drop their children off at classrooms, avoid entering classrooms, and
- b) not send 'crunch and sip' to school with their children due to the difficulties associated with children having to wash their hands mid-break times.

It has been made clear by the government that there will not be a pre-emptive closure of schools at this point and teachers are maintaining their focus in delivering the full curriculum. As a result, it is the expectation for all students to attend school so that they do not miss out on learning experiences.

As the upcoming Parent-Teacher Interviews were cancelled, teachers will be sending home brief overviews of how students are progressing in week 10. Information provided will include students': strengths, areas for improvement, and goals for Term 2. THE SCHOOL WILL NOT CLOSE EARLY ON WEDNESDAY MARCH 25, 2020

At the start of each year, Year 4—6 students complete surveys to provide feedback to their classroom teachers. Results and information from these surveys enable teachers to be in a better position to meet the academic, behaviour and social-emotional needs of all students. Students will be completing surveys between Monday, 23 March, and Thursday, 2 April 2020.

All Year 3 and Year 5 students across Australia will be participating in NAPLAN practice testing on Monday, 23 March at 9.00am, to determine if the entire nation's network can handle the demand before actual NAPLAN assessment takes place in Term 2. The data from the practice tests will not be used to judge the school's performance.

A reminder to all parents that the school takes no responsibility for the loss, damage or theft of any personal belongings that students bring to school. A number of students who have brought in their own items to school have unfortunately had them broken or damaged due to misuse.

The school has received notification that NAPLAN will not proceed this year.

As all students may be feeling somewhat anxious or concerned about what they see on the media in regards to COVID-19, I hope that parents can do something special with their children over the weekend to cheer them up a little.

Kind regards,

Ralmo Dias

## Merit and Value Awards Congratulations!

		Merit	Value
Room	D1	Mia Peck	Sophia Quadros Van Kampen
Room	D2	Zoe Bothwell	Clara Catalano
Room	D3	Jordee Clark	Quinn Harvey
Room	D4	Sienna Boynes	William Wittaker
Room	D5	Noah Keegan	Penny Cheetham
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Room	M1	Thurston Gibbs	Coco Clark
Room	M2	Gracie Harvey	Isaac Smith
Room	M3	Emily Walker	Joshua Walker
Room	M4	Ella Hart	Cameron Nicholls
Room	M5	Aspen Bligh-Clarke	Grace Hayward-McRobert
Room	M6	Micah Mitchell	Bridget Arthur
Room	K1	Ruby Wright	Samuel Scott
Room	K2	Jett Mitchell	Rishaan Singh Khandpur
Room	K3	Kyle Cowland	Francie Forster
Room	K4	William Bothwell	Amelia Kuipers
Room	G1	Sophia Britton	Zachary Johnston
Room	G2	Jack Huckett	Anneliese Gower
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Science		Heath Clark	
Lote		Alexa Hicks	
Sport			Lola Hooley
Music		Keifer Servatius	

## **P&C News**

The next P&C Meeting is on Monday 30th of March at 7:30pm and will be held online using Zoom.

Topic: Deanmore P&C meeting Time: Mar 30, 2020 07:30 PM Perth

Join Zoom Meeting https://zoom.us/j/122450477

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Find your local number: https://zoom.us/u/adGIWgvEb4

Thank you very much for the great interest shown in filling all of the required positions! The P&C has now got a new Secretary, Meg Boyd and a very enthusiastic fundraising team – Veronica Kuipers, Natasha Davis, Pippa Sweet, Sophie Harvey & Nina Stophair. The fundraising team is thinking outside the box and will be working with all key stakeholders to bring you some great events this year once we are able to. So please keep an eye out for your opportunity to support them in bringing these events together. Always remember, "many hands make light work".

As you will now have seen, P&C events have now been postponed until further notice. We will be working with the School to understand when we can organise events in the future. Until then please take care and we look forward to seeing soon.

#### Onya life and Deanmore PS P&C affiliate Fundraiser

The Deanmore P&C are again teaming up with Onya Life to fund raise for the school. Type in the URL below to place an order for recycled reusable everyday products, and help raise money for the school's wish list!

Every order placed will contribute to the P&C's fundraising efforts and help reduce the amount of single use plastic in the world. It's a small way to make a big difference.

Promotion will run from 9/3/20 - 13/4/20

https://www.onyalife.com/ref/99/?campaign=deanmoreps

The link will take you to the website, and automatically calculate and record Deanmore's contribution, it will not show at the cart.

Thank you!

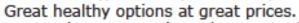
#### School Banking - Notice from CommBank School Banking

The health, safety and wellbeing of our communities and our people is our first priority. Due to the rapidly developing situation with coronavirus, School Banking has been temporarily paused from 20 March 2020 until the start of Term 2. Please don't bring your deposit book with your weekly banking into school and we will notify you when banking will recommence.



We have a new **Deanmore canteen** Instagram, follow us and keep up to date on what the canteen has to offer.

Order online (quickcliq.com.au) or over the counter every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.



Please support the canteen in order to continue this service for Deanmore students.





# Rock and Water

### For Parent and Child

Physical exercises are constantly linked with mental and social skills. The Rock and Water Program leads from simple self-defence, boundary and communication exercises to a strong notion of self-confidence. The program offers a framework of exercises and ideas to assist boys and girls aged between 8 and 14 years to become aware of the purpose and motivation in their life.

The following topics are discussed:

- Bullying
- Life goals
- Developing a positive self-image
- Communication skills
- Personal boundaries

The course teaches the following:

- Practical anti-bullying strategies
- Self-confidence, self-awareness and self-control
- An introduction to basic self-defence skills
- Communication skills and interpretation of body language cues
- Alternatives to aggressive verbal and physical responses to fear and doubt
- Thinking and being in control through grounding, centeredness and mental focus
- Boundary awareness

Facilitated by Craig Van Waardenburg (credited Rock and Water trainer) this family activity based program builds on the complementary strengths of 'the rock' and 'the water'. One is firm and assertive, while the other is flexible and willing to cooperate.

Note: Due to the nature of the activities, there is only room for one child per adult attending.

Where: WEST LEEDERVILLE - Level 1, 22 Southport Street

When: Saturday 4 April

Saturday 13 June

Time: 8.30am - 12.30pm

Cost: \$70 per pair / \$60 per pair concession

Bookings are required. Please phone 6164 0200 to enrol.

For more information about our courses and workshops, please click here or visit www.relationshipswa.org.au

