From the Principal’s Desk

Attendance

Regular attendance at school is a necessity if children are to achieve success. Economic conditions have changed world wide and a good education has never been more important. Regular breaks from school means a child has a disrupted learning pattern, and will miss valuable information that they may never make up. Parents need to ensure that your child attends school everyday, and is well rested and fed to prepare for the busy school day.

As a school, our attendance rate in 2015 was 92.4%. This means that on any given day last year a total of 49 children were missing from our school. I urge all parents to set a goal of 100% attendance for each child this year, and to do everything in your power to achieve this.

Arrival times at school

Children should be aiming to arrive at school no earlier than 8.25am. Our classroom doors open at 8.35am, with instruction commencing at 8.45am. Teachers are busy preparing for the day ahead and are not in a position to fully supervise children who arrive early.

The Kids Inn is located directly across the road from the school and is available to provide care for your children before and after school.

Dogs on school site

A reminder to all parents/caregivers that dogs are not to be brought onto the school site at any time.

Road Safety - Parking

An ongoing issue of concern at Dalyellup Primary is road safety and parking. Parents must be especially careful when driving or parking around the school.

The school conducts many road safety programs with our students, however they are young - they get excited and they forget. To assist us to provide a safe environment for your child please;

- Take great care when parking
- Where possible, park away from the school and walk to your child’s classroom
- If using the ‘Kiss and Drop’ area (by the demountable buildings on the oval) do not leave your car unattended
- Do not use the staff parking area – this is used by our bus students to board their bus
- If allowing your child to ride or scoot to school, make sure their bike is road worthy and that they are wearing the necessary safety equipment (helmet etc.)
- Drop your speed – the slower you are travelling, the quicker you can stop

Together, we can make sure that all our children are safe.

ANZAC Service

The school’s ANZAC Day Service will be held on Friday 8th April, the last Friday of Term 1. Further information about this event will be distributed closer to the date.

Gary Quinn - Principal
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Javelin CS-500 cash register
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Virtues Program
The virtue for weeks 3 and 4 of Term 1 is “Kindness”.

Our virtues bears will be dressed as “Kind Kate”. We can demonstrate kindness by:

• being concerned about how others feel.
• being kind to people, animals and the environment.
• caring for others as much as we care for ourselves.
• caring for someone who is sad or needs help.
• thinking of things to do for others that would make them happy.

Being kind makes things better for every one of us.

A Note from the Community Health Nurse
Welcome to the new school year.
My name is Valinda Sabourne and I am the Community Health Nurse who visits your school. Community Health Nurses work in schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing so students may reach their full potential. A major part of my work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program for kindy students.
Community Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, providing information, assessment, health counselling and referral. The services provided are free and confidential. If you have a concern about your child’s health or development, please phone 97952834 and leave a message or contact your teacher who can make a referral to me.

Community Notice Board
Please refer to the school website www.dalyellupps.wa.edu.au for further information on the following:

Positive Parenting Program
Dalyellup Football Club (Soccer) Information Day
Bunbury Tennis Club Juniors Game Face Competition
Little Dragons - Anti abduction and self defence program for children
The Great Loritz Circus - 18th February - 28th February
Bunbury City Bulls Junior Rugby Club
Dalyellup Dockers Football Club
Sunset Scorchers - Female Cricket

PBS FOCUS - BE RESPECTFUL
Use Kind Words and Actions

Treat others the way we want to be treated.

• We use kind words because we want to build people up—not tear them down.
• Kind action helps us to show other people that we think they are special!

Mr Nicholson
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VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

A big thank you to all our families who have already paid voluntary contributions for 2016. Your valuable contributions buy many additional resources such as library books, art supplies and science experiment kits to name a few, to assist your child’s learning. Our preferred method of payment is direct deposit.

Bank details and reference example below:-

BSB: 066040  Bank Account Number: 1990 4154
Reference example:  Smith J Yr 4

Dalyellup Primary School is committed to ensuring our students develop a joy of reading. To encourage regular reading we reward students for reading at home. This may take the form of home readers, their favourite book, newspapers, the shopping list ………. Each night of reading is counted so that:

25 nights reading – a sticker from admin
50 nights reading – a pencil from admin
75 nights reading – a sticker
100 nights reading – a wrist band
125 nights reading – a sticker
150 nights reading – a bookmark
175 nights reading – a sticker
200 nights reading – the student chooses a book and it is presented at assembly and their name goes in the drawer for an iPad.

The rewards continue to 300 where they can have a voucher for the canteen.

We have found this to be very successful in motivating our reluctant readers.

This program would not be possible without the generous support of the P&C.

I Opened a Book

I opened a book and in I strode,
           Now nobody can find me.
I've left my chair, my house, my road,
       My town and my world behind me.
I’m wearing the cloak, I’ve slipped on the ring,
     I’ve swallowed the magic potion.
I’ve fought with a dragon, dined with a king,
And dived in a bottomless ocean.
I opened a book and made some friends.
       I shared their tears and laughter
And followed their road with its bumps and bends
To the happily ever after.
I finished my book and out I came,
The cloak can no longer hide me.
My chair and my house are just the same,
But I have a book inside me.

Julia Donaldson