

# DEANMORE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## *The Principal's Pen,*

Dear Parents,

It is indeed a happy community today as we absorb the wonderful news that a new school is on the near horizon for Deanmore. The news was greeted with great joy by school staff, School Council representatives and members of the Deanmore P&C Association. We gathered under the school flag pole for the Minister of Education & Training's announcement and were delighted with the extent and scope of the buildings planned for this site. The new school will open for the school year in 2011 and we will be able to stay at our present site throughout the construction phase.

Parents had the chance to talk to the Hon Minister Mark Mc Gowan after the announcement and tell him personally how heartened they were by his announcement. The school community is planning a community morning tea where everyone can gather and celebrate.

Brendon Piesse Principal of Beacon who gave so much of his time to the quest for new buildings sends his congratulations and Dan Rodgers our Physical Education specialist who is currently back in the UK also sends his best wishes to the Deanmore community on our stunning news.

There are so many people to thank and so much of the journey still to cover and they will be the focus of later communications. In the meantime, may I thank every person who made the vision a reality. We have some wonderful photos of the occasion which we will place on the noticeboard. Tayla Clark Head Girl and Jake Plummer Head Boy had the pleasure of welcoming the Minister to the school and being the first students to hear the news.

### **A Great Win!**

Congratulations to Benjamin Hodge who recently entered a competition run by Channel 7, Community Newspapers, Masters, Herdsman Essentials and the West Coast Eagles called "Access All Areas". In addition to winning a number of individual prizes, Benjamin also won for Deanmore Primary a jumper signed by the 2008 West Coast Eagles playing squad.

We plan to put this wonderful prize on the Deanmore website and run an auction to raise funds for our next Interactive Whiteboard.

### **P&C Meeting**

At last week's P&C Meeting generous funds were allocated to purchase another Interactive whiteboard, digital cameras, dictionaries, atlases and art resources. The staff and students are most appreciative of this funding which makes a significant difference to the way we deliver our curriculum at Deanmore.

### **Excursions**

Teaching staff offer excursion opportunities to further enhance learning outcomes. We are aware of costs and try to choose locations that are affordable. Due to fuel prices the cost of bus transport has added considerably to the way we price excursions.

### **New enrolments**

Since the commencement of term we have welcomed several new families to Deanmore. We hope your learning journey with us is an enjoyable and rewarding experience.

### **2009 Enrolments**

We have had advice that some students and their families will be moving to other suburbs or states in 2009.

If your child will NOT be re enrolling at Deanmore in 2009 please advise the office. Later in the term we be looking at class structures for 2009 and enrolment information is vital for staffing purposes.

Jeanette Metcalf  
*School Principal*

#### Deanmore Primary School

21 Deanmore Road  
Karrinyup WA 6018

Telephone: 9341 1610  
Fax: 9245 2405

Start 8:45am  
Recess 10:30 - 10:50  
Lunch 12:15 - 1:00  
Finish 3:10 (2:30 Tuesdays)

Canteen 9341 2952  
(Monday, Thursday & Friday)

#### Deanmore Kindergarten

(All enrolment enquires to Primary School)  
1 Blair Street  
Karrinyup WA 6018  
Telephone: 9341 5113

#### School Council

Sharon Dixon  
Michelle Ellis  
Jo Marwick  
Jeanette Metcalf  
Janet Pettigrew  
Michelle Stewart  
Jo Wilkinson

#### P & C Committee

website: [www.deanmorepandc.org.au](http://www.deanmorepandc.org.au)

**President:**  
Janet Pettigrew  
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Toni Johnson

#### Publicity: The Bulletin

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#### School Uniforms

Downs Drapery 9341 3402  
Bournemouth Crescent  
Wembley Downs

#### Second-hand Uniforms

Tues 2:30 - 3:00pm  
Claire Parker 9341 6735

#### Term Dates

**3<sup>rd</sup> Term 2008**  
Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> Jul to Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Sep  
**4<sup>th</sup> Term 2008**  
Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Oct to Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> Dec  
**1<sup>st</sup> Term 2009**  
Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb to Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> April  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Term 2009**  
Tues 28<sup>th</sup> Apr to Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Jul

**A HUGE congratulations to the following students who participated in the University of New South Wales Competition**

Spelling

Distinction

**Liam Barratt  
Matthew Nota  
Ella Italiano-Schmidt**

Credit

**Madeleine Baxter  
Jordan Clair  
Bill Tap  
Gabriela Guizzo Dri  
Tyler Knobben  
Graeme Smith**

Writing

Credit

**Louise Barry  
Isabel Dunstan  
Tegan McCarthy  
Madeleine Baxter  
Kara Plummer**

**Spellathon / Puzzleathon**

On Thursday 21 August, the entire school will be involved in a **spellathon** (for Yrs 1-7) or **puzzleathon** (K & PP) organised by the P & C fundraising committee.

Students are asked to seek sponsorship from family and friends for this fundraiser which will contribute to the valuable educational resources for our children.

Sponsorship cards and further information accompany this newsletter.



Diana Baxter  
Suzanne Croston  
P & C fundraising committee

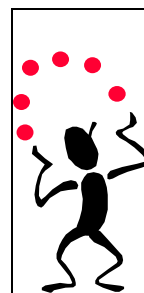
**Vacation Swimming**

The 2008-2009 VacSwim program is attached for your information. Enrolment is open to all children who are five years of age and over on the first day of classes.

For those parents wishing to enrol their children in the VacSwim program for October 2008 or January 2009 Series, you can enrol online at [www.det.wa.edu.au](http://www.det.wa.edu.au) or complete the appropriate enrolment form in the attached booklet and **send direct (with your payment) to the VacSwim Office, P O Box 130 Tuart Hill WA 6939** by 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2008 for October 2008 classes or 12<sup>th</sup> November 2008 for January 2009 classes.

**Dates for the Diary**

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|---------------------------|---|
| Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Aug   | Society & Environment Excursion - Yr 1<br>Scitech Incursion - Rms 18 & 19           |
| Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Aug | 9:15am Dental Checks PP Yr 4 & Yr 7<br>2:30pm Early Closure                         |
| Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Aug  | P & C Sausage Sizzle  |
| Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Aug  | Assembly hosted by Yr 2/3 Rm 13<br>Cross Country Yrs 4-7                            |
| WEEK 5                    | 3:30pm - 4:30pm Active After Schools<br>Community Program (Circus Skills) commences |
| Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Aug | Asthma Education Session<br>2:30pm Early Closure                                    |



**PLEASE NOTE:**

The Active After Schools Community Program (AASC) (circus skills) will commence **Week 5**, not Week 3 as previously advised. Children can be signed up for the free program at the front office.

**Community Notices**

**Scarborough Tee Ball Club** is holding its registration day on Sat 2/8 10am-12noon at Butler Reserve, Calais Rd Scarborough. Free starter kit for U/9 girls & boys. For more info contact Mick on 9446 4746.  
In February 2009 students aged 15-18 years from over 15 countries will be arriving in Australia to study at local schools for 5-10 months. Opportunities exist to act as a host family in a volunteer/unpaid capacity. Host families help provide students with the chance to study and experience life in Australia. For more info contact **Student Exchange Australia** on 1300 135 331 or visit [www.studentexchange.org.au](http://www.studentexchange.org.au)

Parents – please note that any advertisements of a community nature are only placed in our newsletter if there is space. The school takes no responsibility for the quality or value of any goods or services offered.

**SUPPORTING OUR SONS SEMINAR**

The Kinross Primary and College P & C invite you to a presentation by Ian Lillo, educational consultant in boys' in education. His web site is [www.boysforward.com](http://www.boysforward.com).

This seminar will explore the following topics in relation to boys aged from 6 to 16:

- ❖ Issues of bullying and violence
- ❖ The role that families play, including dispelling the myths about single-parent and blended families
- ❖ Boys and homework
- ❖ The issue of depression
- ❖ Contemporary ways to manage boys' behaviour at home

The details of the evening are as follows:

Cost: \$5.00

Location: Kinross College

Time: 7.00-9.00pm

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> August 2008

Merchandise will be available on the evening.

Tickets can be purchased or booked by contacting either campus or at the door on the night, if places are available. Kinross P.S. 9305.6022 or Kinross College 9306 6000.

**AFTER-SCHOOL MATHEMATICS FOR ABLE AND GIFTED SCHOOL STUDENTS**

The Edith Cowan University (ECU) Mathematics Problem Solving program will again be offered in 2009.

This year, more than 200 students from years 5 to 10, regularly attend the after-school classes at the Mount Lawley campus of Edith Cowan University.

The program is year-long. It gives students the opportunity to tackle challenging mathematical problems, and to extend their range of problem-solving skills and strategies.

There will be a charge of \$100 for the year-long program. There is an additional charge of \$75 for students in Years 8 to 10, for participation in the Mathematics Challenge program.

All of the above details and further information are given on the website: <http://www.chs.ecu.edu.au/courses/mpsp/>

Dr Nathan (Norm) Hoffman