



DEANMORE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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The Principal's Pen,

Dear Parents,

This week we celebrated an important milestone as the Building & Grounds Committee met with the appointed architect for the new \$14.25 million Deanmore Primary School. Tony D'Andrea outlined the design options available to us and the committee agreed to visit some newly constructed schools to consider designs for Deanmore. There is much to consider and we are eager to gather comments and canvas views from community members. An exciting element of the project will be a fund allocation for public art. The Deanmore community will decide how they wish to spend \$125,000 to beautify areas of the school with art forms that are meaningful to our area. Please contact your committee representatives for additional information on the New Deanmore School Project. We anticipate posting all progress reports on the Deanmore P&C Website.

Congratulations to the Deanmore P&C for being nominated the best P&C Association in Western Australia by the *Australian Women's Weekly*. It is great to have my view and the views of many others validated! A lot of work went into the submission prepared by Samantha Maddern, Secretary of the Deanmore P&C. Well done Sam and best wishes for the final selection which will decide the best P&C in Australia.

P&C Meeting

There was a good turn up to our Monday evening meeting with many topics covered by a most dedicated and enthusiastic group. Meetings chaired by President Janet Pettigrew are always lively and informative forums and it is a pleasure to be part of that group. I sincerely thank staff members, Dan Rodgers, Jo Marwick and Greg Downes for attending and offering their support to the community. I look forward to the planned P&C Family Picnic to be held on the evening of Thursday 4 December. It will be a great opportunity to gather and enjoy some music and fine company.

Camp

On Monday morning it will be all aboard the Prospector as the Year 7 class heads for the Goldfields. Best wishes to all camp participants. We hope your experiences are as equally precious as the glittering metals of Kalgoorlie.

Deanmore Uniforms

Following the loss of the Wembley Downs Shopping Centre Uniform Shop we need to consider other options. Claire Parker addressed the P&C Meeting on Monday evening and explained our contingency plans. A note from Claire is included in this newsletter.

Jamie's Ministry of Food

Our very own version of Jamie Oliver has been hard at work spreading the news about how easy it is to have fun in the kitchen and cook healthy food. Last week I had the pleasure of observing Dan Rodgers' demonstration of Mini Shell Pasta with Creamy Smoked Bacon and Pea Sauce which turned out brilliantly thanks to Dan's culinary skills and Bruce Johnson's awesome portable gas stove. Please encourage your child to create this low cost meal for your family and pass on the recipe to others. Students from Years 4-7 have all participated in the Jamie Oliver challenge. Mr Rodgers plans another recipe for the pre Primary to Year 3 classes using fresh eggs from Carol and Tracy, Mrs Metcalf's chooks. Recipe information is available from: www.jamiesministryoffood.com. If you do cook the meal, or have done already please email Mr Rodgers at ggers98@hotmail.com so he can invite you to join the Deanmore Primary School "Pass it On" chain. Let's see how big a community chain we can create!



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Telephone: 9341 1610
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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
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Second-hand Uniforms

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

Building & Grounds Committee

Sharon Dixon
Janet Pettigrew
Ross Parker
Simon Higgins

Term Dates

4th Term 2008
Tues 14th Oct to Thurs 18th Dec
1st Term 2009
Mon 2nd February to Thurs 9th April
2nd Term 2009
Tues 28th April to Fri 3rd July

Ivory Coast Portfolio

Last term Deanmore students contributed many work samples to a portfolio that was destined for a little village in Africa. Parent Simon Higgins organised the link and over the term holidays Janet Pettigrew did much of the collation to meet the timeline for delivery. How excited we were to hear that the portfolio reached its destination. Many photos were taken and we await them with keen anticipation. An email to Simon read:

You will be pleased to hear that the Deanmore Primary School portfolio and gifts were delivered to Bonikro village yesterday. We first had a meeting with the chief of the village and the school director to formally explain the reasons behind the visit and to gain his approval. They welcomed the proposed partnership with open arms. We then went to the school and found that the whole assembly had turned up in uniform! (This was a Saturday). We then delivered the portfolio and gifts to the children. All in all, a very enjoyable and humbling experience.

Planets of the Solar System

To support the visit to the planetarium Mr Downes created our own Solar System. He arranged the planets along the breezeway and the scale models attracted enormous interest from students and parents.

Furniture Donation

Another generous parent has made a very welcome donation to Deanmore. Shane Atwell of ISS Group has donated numerous ex-office desks, tables and chairs to the school. There has been some fierce bidding from staff to secure these quality items for their classrooms. No one knows how Mrs Marwick secured the best chair. Just lucky I guess! A sincere thank you to Shane and the ISS Group. Our school is now a much more comfortable place. Yesterday Shane dropped in with a photocopier. Shane must have read our minds as we were exploring options for procuring an additional copier to take the load from the office based machine.



Rockcote WA

Mr Paul Clarke who has already donated paint for the Principal's office has again agreed to donate paint for the brick wall in the breezeway. Once painted, we will use this area to display photos and student work. It important that we keep Deanmore looking attractive for the next two years. Staff intend to hold a busy bee to paint the wall. Any offers of help will be most appreciated.

Students not Returning in 2009

As we are currently grouping the 2009 classes, we would appreciate your advising the school office if your child/ren will **not** be attending Deanmore Primary School in 2009. This request does not apply to our Year Seven cohort.

I look forward to meeting with parents and community supporters at Mrs Griffiths Year One assembly tomorrow. I think you may need to arrive with your passports as I believe we will be visiting some exciting international destinations.

JEANETTE METCALF

School Principal

Deanmore Primary School Parents & Citizens Association



Uniform Update

The supplier of new Deanmore Primary School uniforms was located at the Wembley Downs Shopping Centre which was recently gutted by fire. The P&C would like to ask all parents to look for any uniform pieces that are sitting in the cupboard and are just too small to go another season. If everyone donates at least one item to the second hand shop, we will be able to clothe the school until supply is restored. Urgently needed are skorts, shorts and dresses but anything is welcome.

Drop your donation in to the front office or on Tuesdays between 2:30 - 3pm to the store room between the library and the undercover area.

Who knows? You may even find a bargain yourself!

Prices start at \$5 and there is nothing over \$15.

See you there!



Dates for the Diary

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| Thursday 30 October | Football West Yrs 4-7 Book Club Sales 2:30-4pm |
| Friday 31 October | Y1 Rm 15 Assembly World Teacher's Day Book Club Sales 8:30-10am |
| Monday 3 November | Yr 7 Camp to Kalgoorlie Departs AASP Cricket Yrs PP-3 |
| Tuesday 4 November | Early Close AASP Basketball Yrs 4-7 |
| Wednesday 5 November | Sausage Sizzle AASP Rugby Yrs 3-7 WACA Cricket Clinics |
| Friday 7 November | Y7 Camp Returns |
| Monday 10 November | AASP Cricket Yrs PP-3 |
| Tuesday 11 November | Early Close Remembrance Day AASP Basketball Yrs 4-7 |
| Wednesday 12 November | AASP Rugby Yrs 3-7 |
| Thursday 13 November | Electrical Safety Talks Yrs 4-7 West Coast Song Festival - AM |
| Friday 14 November | Big Walk - Whole School |

YEAR SEVEN PARENTS

Two pamphlets will soon be sent home informing you about the facts associated with

- *Colour Blindness*
- *Scoliosis*

Please read the pamphlets and if you have any concerns refer to the back of the pamphlets regarding who to contact.

From your Community Nurse