



Dalyellup Primary School Newsletter

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Important Dates



Monday 18 September - Year 6 Day Camp - Forest Edge

Thursday 21 September - Last day of the school term - Students **DO** attend school

Friday 22 September - School Development Day - Students **DO NOT** attend school

Monday 9 October - First day of term 4 - Students **DO** attend school

Thursday 12 October - Jumps and Throws - **Qualified students only** - Year 3 to Year 6

Friday 20 October - Faction Carnival - Year 1 to Year 6 (Pre-Primary's race at the beginning)

Principal's Report



1 - Alex Cameron

Principal

Week 9, Term 3 Newsletter

Public School Review

Literally as I write, I have received the report for our Public School Review. I encourage you to have a look at the report which will be made available on our website before the end of the week.

Open Night – Wednesday 30 August

We had a great turnout for our annual Open Night. The classrooms looked great and there was a fun market like atmosphere around the undercover area where the P&C were doing the sausage sizzle. The student buskers, unicyclists and stilt walkers, and Soapbox speakers added to the fun. And, we also had a sneak peek of the school's production, 'Matilda'! Thank you for coming along.

P&C Fundraising

As stated, the P&C did a sausage sizzle on Open Night. This was backed up by the two day Father's Day Stall. Over the two events the P&C raised \$3,678.71. This is a great result! Thank you to the committed group of volunteers who generously give up their own time and juggle their work commitments to make these events happen. Without you, these events wouldn't happen.

From this amount, \$1,000 has gone to subsidise the increasing costs for buses to and from swimming lessons. This generous contribution is keeping the cost to you at a minimum. This is only possible through the work of the P&C.

The P&C runs the canteen and it is through their financial and managerial support that we are privileged to have this service. Without the P&C and their support, there would be no canteen! So, please continue to support the P&C and help out where you can. It's you and your children who benefit.

Canteen Volunteers – Thank you!

Thank you to the following people who have volunteered in the canteen over the past three weeks. Without you, our canteen cannot open.

Kylie DeVries Desiree Kire Brenden Ditre Bruce Watts

Simon Jenkins Tarryn Hancey Kay Hancey Shaunte Jenkins

If you can find the time, the canteen always welcomes volunteers. I hope you can help.

Early Childhood Education (ECE) Landscaping Update

Four Landscape Studio has presented their proposal and design for the ECE landscape redevelopment. The design is based on an inquiry and feedback session the studio held with our K – Yr 1 teachers and EAs last term. Landscape architect, Andrew Thomas, challenged us to think about the educational outcomes and hopes we have for our students. Taking this information back to his team, they developed an informed and exciting design.

In regard to timelines, I am unsure. The school has financial reserves designated to this project; however, we do have a contractual and tendering process the Dept of Education will guide us through to achieve our goal.

Year 6 Day Camp – Forest Edge

Our Year 6s will be heading off to their second day camp for the year on Monday. The students will be travelling to Forest Edge, Waroona, for the day. The bonus of the day camp option is (as published in the Week 4, Term 1 Newsletter).

- The students experience a broader range of outdoor pursuit activities (high ropes, canoeing, raft building, abseiling, flying fox, archery and team building)
- The day camp is more affordable (Forest Adventures - \$55, Forest Edge - \$163 compared to \$360 for a two night camp in 2021, this cost would be considerably more in 2023)
- Reduction in student and family anxiety about being away from home, health issues, sleeping patterns
- Activities spread throughout the year

We know the Year 6s are going to have a day to remember.

Kindy Orientation Program

Our Kindy Orientation will commence in Week 1 of next term. We will be running two groups for the orientation program, with one group attending on Tuesdays, 9.00am – 10.30am and the other on Thursdays, 9.00am – 10.30am. The groupings have no bearing on 2024 class placements. At the end of the program, a parent information session will be held on Thursday 30 November (Week 8 Term 4) 9:30am in the Staffroom. Mrs Leonard (Kindy Teacher) will be running the sessions and Mrs Blair will be covering Mrs Leonard's classes on alternate (every second) Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

Athletics Carnival

The Faction Athletics Carnival is scheduled for next term (Thursday 12 October – Jumps and Throws and Friday 20 October – Faction Carnival). The interschool carnival will be held on Friday 10 November.

Parent Opinion Survey Results

Thank you to the 41 parents / carers who took the time to complete the recent Parent Opinion Survey. The results were very strong with the overall average being 4.425 out of 5. Response percentages are summarised below. There were nine comments from respondents, which, were for the most part positive. It should be noted, the questions are set by the Department of Education and cannot be edited by the school. This allows consistency in measure across all public schools.

Strongly agree and agree combined percentages;

97% agree teachers at this school expect my child to do their best
96% agree teachers at this school provide my child with useful feedback about their school work
95% agree teachers at this school treat students fairly
100% agree the school is well maintained
97% agree my child feels safe at this school
93% agree I can talk to my child's teachers about my concerns
90% student behaviour is well managed at this school
100% agree my child likes being at this school
88% agree this schools looks for ways to improve
83% agree this school takes parents' opinions seriously
92% agree teachers at this school motivate my child to learn
95% agree my child is making good progress at this school
95% agree my child's learning needs are being met at this school
86% agree this schools works with me to support my child's learning
76% agree this school has a strong relationship with the community
90% agree this school is well led
95% agree I am satisfied with the overall standard of education at this school
98% agree I would recommend this school to others
97% agree my child's teachers are good teachers
100% agree teachers at this school care about my child

Strongly disagree and disagree combined percentages (if the question is not listed, there was 0% disagree);

2% disagree teachers at this school expect my child to do their best
2% disagree teachers at this school provide my child with useful feedback about their school work
4% disagree teachers at this school treat students fairly
4% disagree I can talk to my child's teachers about my concerns
2% disagree student behaviour is well managed at this school
2% disagree this school takes parents' opinions seriously
2% disagree teachers at this school motivate my child to learn

2% disagree my child is making good progress at this school

5% disagree this school has a strong relationship with the community

2% disagree this school is well led

2% disagree my child's teachers are good teachers

The remaining percentages were '*Neither agree nor disagree*'.

I am always eager to hear from as many parents and carers as possible. As this survey is anonymous, I have no way of identifying those who may be unhappy with elements of the school. I invite anyone who would like to discuss concerns to contact me to talk further so that we can work to improve what we do.

Staffing

Mrs Gauder (Year 6, Room 17) will be on Long Service Leave next week and in Week 1, Term 4. I trust Mrs Gauder will enjoy her time away.

Ms Rikki Eller has joined the Dalyellup team as a Student Behaviour Advisor for the remainder of the semester. Ms Eller has extensive experience in trauma informed education and engagement centres in NSW. Her knowledge and understanding of student behaviour and developing proactive and positive strategies is a wonderful addition to our school.

School Development Day – Friday 22 September

A final school development day is scheduled for the last day of term. This leads into the long weekend, providing the opportunities for those hoping to get away to potentially leave a little earlier. On the day, staff will be doing further work on lesson design.

Note, Monday 9 October (start of Term 4) is not a pupil free day. This is the first day back for all staff and students.

Attendance



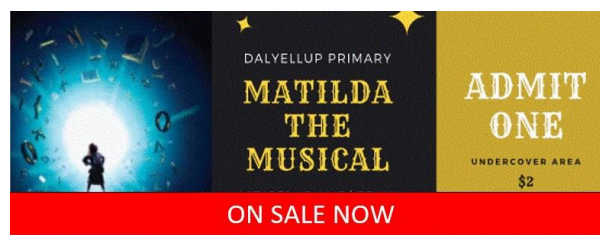
"Every day counts and there is no 'safe' threshold for absences" - Hancock, et al., 2013

There are many factors that influence student achievement, including teacher quality and student engagement.

Attendance is also an important contributor to student's academic achievement - all school days matter.

The correlation between absence and achievement is consistent negative and declines in achievement are evident with any level of absence

Dalyellup Primary School Matilda Production



Dalyellup Primary School's Production called '**Matilda**' is coming up on **Wednesday 25 October** and **Thursday 26 October**. Doors open at **5:30pm**. Friends and family who would like to come watch and support our school it is **\$2.00 per ticket**. We have a limited number of tickets per evening so get in quick. Tickets are available at the front office now.

2024 School Bus Applications







School Bus Services is encouraging parents to submit applications for transport assistance before 24 November 2023 to save their child a seat for 2024. Late applications may not be processed in time for Term 1, 2024.

Parent and Child Volunteers in Schools



We are grateful for and value our parent volunteers – here's how you can help keep our children safe when doing unpaid work at your child's school.

Before you volunteer at your child's school, you need to **complete a Parent and child volunteer declaration form**. You will be asked to complete the form annually if you want to continue volunteering.

 You are volunteering	When you: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• help out in a classroom or attend a day excursion• present an award or speak at an assembly• are on canteen duty or helping in the uniform shop• assist at a sports carnival• conduct P&C duties.
 You are not volunteering	When you: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• pick up and drop off your child• watch an event, like an assembly or sports carnival• attend a parent and teacher interview• visit the uniform shop.
 You cannot volunteer	When you: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• have a current Interim Negative Notice or Negative Notice• have submitted the form and are issued an Interim Negative Notice or Negative Notice – you must alert the principal.
In addition to the declaration form, you need a Working with Children (WWC) Check	
 You need a WWC Check	When you: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• volunteer for an overnight camp• billet students in your home• provide one-on-one mentoring to a student.





A current WWC Check is required by all other family members and friends (over 18 years of age) who want to volunteer.

If you are not sure if you need a WWC Check or to complete the Parent and child volunteer declaration form, please speak with the school office staff.



We are grateful for and value our volunteers – here's how you can help keep kids safe when you're doing unpaid work at a school.

Before you volunteer at a school, we will ask you to **complete a Parent and child volunteer declaration form**. You will be asked to complete the form annually if you want to continue volunteering. Child volunteers are volunteers under 18 years of age.

 You are volunteering	When you: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• complete an unpaid practicum or work placement as part of your educational or vocational course of study• coach or umpire sports• mentor students• help out in a classroom.
 You are not volunteering	When you: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• are enrolled at a school and doing unpaid child-related work with other children at the same school• watch an event, like an assembly or sports carnival
 You cannot volunteer	When you: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• have a current Interim Negative Notice or Negative Notice• have submitted the form and are issued an Interim Negative Notice or Negative Notice – you must alert the principal.
In addition to the declaration form, you need a Working with Children (WWC) Check	
 You need a WWC Check	When you: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• do any paid child-related work at a school• volunteer after you turn 18 years of age.

If you are not sure if you need a WWC Check or to complete the Parent and child volunteer declaration form, please speak with the school office staff.



We thank all our parents who generously volunteer their time and energy to support our school community. There are some changes to the Working with Children Check policy, to ensure the safety of children when we have volunteers in the school.

If you would like to volunteer at our school, you will need to sign a 'Parent and child volunteer declaration form'. You cannot volunteer if you have a current Working with Children Negative Notice or Interim Negative Notice.

These changes affect parents who are engaged in volunteer work. For example, you are considered a volunteer when you assist with activities such as reading sessions, day excursions, canteen duties, helping at a sports carnival or carrying out P&C duties.

You are not a volunteer when:

- picking up and dropping off your child
- observing events like school assemblies
- attending parent and teacher interviews

If your circumstances change, and you are issued with a Negative Notice or Interim Negative Notice after completing the 'Parent and child volunteer declaration form', you must advise the principal.

A current Working with Children Check is required by all other family members and friends over 18 of age who want to volunteer.

It is a collective responsibility to ensure the safety of our children. We appreciate your ongoing support and dedication to our school community.

Kindness Award



Dalyellup Primary School would like to acknowledge the many kind students and staff at the school. Teachers and students have been given the opportunity to nominate people they see or feel being kind to others. The person receives a certificate, and all names are entered into a draw to have their photo taken at the "Kind" wall and a canteen voucher donated by the P&C.

This week's Kindness Award winner is **Nate J**. Nate received the Kindness Award for filling Ms Ryan's bucket. Well done Nate!

Uniform Concepts

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We would like to welcome you to our
Bunbury Super Store
conveniently located at
4/118 Spencer St, South Bunbury, WA 6230

*A one stop shop for all your quality school uniform requirements.
Our friendly, experienced staff will make buying uniforms a breeze!*

DURING TERM 4 2023

All new students are encouraged to make an appointment with the uniform shop for a fitting during Term 4, thus avoiding long queues in January. Appointments can be made by scanning the QR code below or alternatively, you can contact the uniform shop on 9270 4664. Please note that the most popular times for appointments are after 3pm weekdays and Saturday mornings so book early to avoid disappointment.



*Why not take advantage of our \$20 Layby service?
Visit our store during Term 4 and secure your Back-to-School uniform order with just a \$20 deposit, pay off the balance and collect your order before 25 January to avoid the rush, long queues, and last-minute panic!*

Online Ordering available by visiting our website:
nellgray.com.au

OPENING TIMES

Mon, Wed, Fri:	9am – 5pm
Saturday:	9am – 12pm

Closed on Sundays, Public Holidays & partly during term breaks.
Please telephone for details.

Closed for the Festive Season from Saturday 16 Dec 2023 until Wednesday 3 Jan 2024.

Tel: 08 9270 4664 Email: bunbury@uc.nellgray.com.au Website: nellgray.com.au

Please see the Term 4 details above about ordering uniforms.

Parking



The "Kiss & Drop" zone is not for parking and leaving your vehicles. This is a very convenient space for parents/carers to use if dropping their students at school on the way to work, appointments, etc. So please **DO NOT** park and leave your vehicle in these bays. There is a car park very close to these bays that generally has spaces for parking.

We understand that parking is limited at Dalyellup PS, like all schools. But all numbered bays on Hartog Road are allocated to STAFF ONLY. We are sure that you understand that teachers and staff

need to be in classrooms ready and waiting for students to arrive, so please do not hold them up by parking in these bays.

Gates opening / closing times



8:15am - Gates being opened.

8:45am - Gates being locked.

2:30pm - Gates being opened.

3:15pm - Gates being locked for the end of the day.

NB: Classrooms do not open until 8:35am. Students cannot be on the school grounds unsupervised before this time. Students are not permitted to play on the playgrounds before school. Playing after school is permitted if supervised by an adult.

Student Contact Details



It is vitally important that we have the correct contact information for our students for emergency situations.

- Emergency contact names & phone numbers
- Up to date living arrangements / addresses
- Up to date Court Orders
- Up to date email addresses for the Connect App / Communications App

Please come to the front office, phone **9796 5600** or email dalyellup.ps@education.wa.edu.au¹ any changes that need to be made or if you simply want to check your child/children's contact information.

Wednesday Runners Club



When: **Wednesdays** Time: **8:00am - 8:25am**

Where: Oval Shade Shelter

- Come along and improve your fitness.
- Each lap of the track is 300 metres.
- Certificate at 25kms, 50kms, 75kms, 100kms

All are welcome!

Contact Us



Dalyellup Primary School

14 Hartog Road

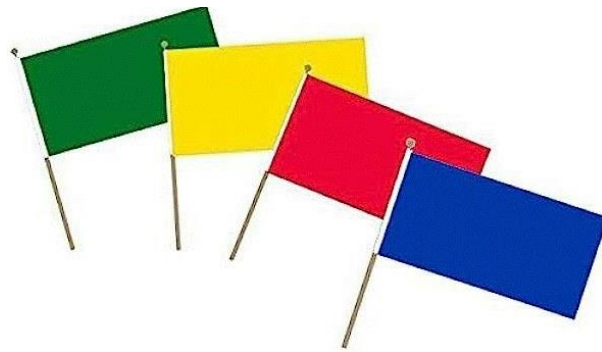
Dalyellup WA 6230

Phone: 08 9796 5600

Email: dalyellup.ps@education.wa.edu.au

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Faction Totals



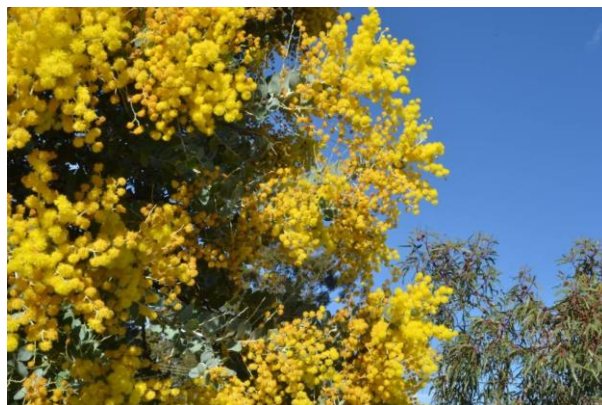
DAMPIER = 24,680 points

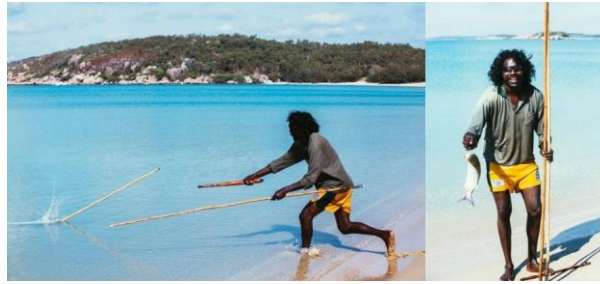
HARTOG = 20,140 points

NORTON = 24,485 points

OXLEY = 23,805 points

Noongar Seasons





Djilba bonar has a mixture of wet, cold days and warmer days. Nights are cool. Djilba is when djildjit (fish) spearing takes place, wildflowers are budding and koola (emu plum) fruit are available.

August wer September from late winter to early spring. Noongar People knew it was the bonar of Djilba when the wattles come into full bloom wer signal the start of the mass blooming of the south-west.

2023 Voluntary Contributions & Charges



The 2023 Voluntary Contributions and Charges Information sheet link is as below:

<https://dalvellupps.wa.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/2023-Voluntary-Contributions-and-Charges.pdf>

Statements/Reminder Unpaid Billing Items reports are sent home twice a term for your information.

We currently accept the following payment methods for all Voluntary Contributions & Charges:

- Cash
- EFTPOS/Credit card: in person or by telephone
- Direct Deposit - **BSB: 066 040 Account No.: 1990 4154** (Reference: Surname, Initial and Year level)

We encourage all parents/carers to please pay any outstanding Voluntary Contributions & Charges to enable us to continue to offer quality educational programs to our students.

Creating Resilient Kids



Self-awareness skills

- Be able to identify their strengths and challenges.
- Be able to know what might influence their successes and mistakes.
- Be able to see that the way they think about mistakes and negative situations can affect how they feel and behave.
- Be able to self-reflect on their behaviour and decisions.
- Being able to accept setbacks and problems as a normal part of everyday life and know that these situations often don't last and will improve with time or effort.

Our Mental Health is Important



Kids Helpline: <https://kidshelpline.com.au/>

Youth Beyond Blue: <https://www.beyondblue.org.au/>

Lifeline: 131 114 or '000' if in danger

Road Safety



Keeping your kids safe in the car

- Children from birth to under 6 months must be seated in a properly fastened and adjusted, rear facing approved child restraint.
- Children from 6 months to under 4 years must be seated in a properly fastened and adjusted, rear facing approved child restraint with an in-built harness.
- Children from 4 years to under 7 years must be seated in a properly fastened and adjusted, forward facing approved child restraint with an in-built harness or an approved booster seat with a lap-sash seatbelt.
- Children 7 years and over must be restrained in an adult seatbelt or booster seat.

Positive Parenting



Teach Personal Accountability

- I am in charge of my actions.
- I am responsible for my mistakes.
- I can take control of my life (a scary concept for many people).
- Personal accountability is a superpower that can help you always be in charge of your life.

Dalyellup PS P&C News

Dalyellup Primary School P & C Association

Here's your organisation's member number. Keep it handy - share it with your supporters to raise funds and to track your fundraising efforts.

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Next Meeting

Term 4, Week 2, **Monday 16 October**

Containers for Change

Please see the QR code and Account for Dalyellup Primary School's Container for Change. All eligible items are accepted here at Dalyellup PS.

Canteen Volunteers

It is an ongoing request for volunteers in the Canteen on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Please if you are able to volunteer even for 30 minutes, every bit helps.

Athletes Foot

Did you know???? If you purchase a pair of shoes from the Athletes Foot and mention Dalyellup PS, the P&C will be donated \$5.00. A great fundraiser for the P&C. More information on our website under 'Community Noticeboard'.