



DALTON DISPATCH

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Principal's Message

Rye Park Shared Learning Day

The students have settled into their learning groups and rotations on our shared learning days. Science is proving a real hit with Mrs Brougham teaching students the physical science areas of push/pull and simple machines. In history with Mrs Harrison students are learning about some of the more interesting Australian characters who helped shape modern Australia's culture and society. Mrs Thompson has managed to make math based problem solving fun and interesting for all of the K-6 students with rapid fire number facts to warm up students' brains followed by reading, comprehending and solving word based math problems. In technology students are experiencing virtual worlds and augmented realities – last week K-1 had trees growing in the classroom and dinosaurs appeared this week! The students in years 2 to 6 will be creating their own virtual tours over the next few weeks to add to the growing collection already online with the NSW Dept. Education. Dalton students are even more enthusiastic as they can create a virtual reality tour of our school and an augmented reality tour for the bush block. I'm so impressed at how quickly the students have gone from experiencing this cutting edge technology to using it effectively to communicate with.

I think it is safe to say that we will continue our shared learning days with Rye Park over the year – between the two schools we have a strong depth of teacher expertise and the students can interact with peers in their own year level and age groups. We even managed to field two soccer teams and have a game on the oval.

Meal Deals

A huge thank you to our P&C who this week began the Meal Deals for Dalton and Rye Park students. I don't think I've ever seen lunch greeted and devoured with such enthusiasm! Students were already talking about their next meal deal before they had even finished the first one. It was also great to see that some students were trying new foods that they hadn't had before – corn on the cob proved challenging but yummy!

Food Allergies

You may not be aware that Rye Park has two students who are highly allergic to many food types. Students have been asked to wash their hands before and after eating to ensure food particles are not left on playground equipment. The Dalton students have been very understanding and considerate of their new Rye Park friends' needs. You do not need to avoid sending in particular foods for recess and fruit break as the two students eat apart from the other students under direct teacher supervision.

Alison Finlayson
Principal

Lunch orders – Thursday next week. Please return orders to school by Wednesday.

School Dental Assessments

Please remember to send in the consent form to indicate your preference for your child participation in the School Dental Assessment Program. A Dental Therapist will be at our school on Monday 4th March at 9.30am. The assessments are free and will not involve any treatment. All children will receive a note to take home with the results. If you have lost your original form, please see Kerry for another one.

Library News

Premier's Reading Challenge – The Challenge begins on the 4th March. Please encourage your children to participate. If you would like a Reading Log or more information, please see Mrs Harrison.

Library Bags – We are selling library bags for \$5. All proceeds go towards buying new books for the library. Please buy a bag and help support our school library.

Book Fair – The Fair will be held on the same day as the Fete (23rd March). A percentage of all sales provides bonus books for our school. We will also have second hand books for sale. Please support our library by buying lots of books.

P&C News

The Dalton P&C recently held their Annual General Meeting and our new committee members are as follows:

President - Tim Lester
Vice President - Kahli Weir
Secretary - Sam Broad
Treasurer - Danica Cole

Thank you to our outgoing committee members and welcome to our new ones!! Let's hope we have another great year.

In other news, the Dalton School Fete will not be held on the last weekend of March this year as is tradition. We have decided to run the fete on the same day as the upcoming NSW State election on **Saturday 23rd of March**. If you can lend a hand on the day or bake some goodies to sell than can you please let Louise know on 0411104175 or through the Facebook page. We will also need volunteers to seek out donations and sponsors. Any help putting up signage would also be greatly appreciated.

Upcoming Events

6	Mon 4 March	Dental Assessments
6	Wed 6 March	Dalton visiting Binda PS
6	Thurs 7 March	Rye Park visiting Dalton & tennis coaching & lunch meal deals

Photo Gallery





