Dear Parents,

**SCHOOL LEADERS**

Yesterday in assembly we presented our 2015 School Leaders with their badges. This year we have Captains and Vice Captains for each of our four School Houses as well as 16 Junior School Councillors. Our School Captains and Vice Captains were selected from these 32 children through a selection process involving a written application and interviews. Our School Leaders are:

- **School Captains**: Tegan Jakubzik and Bailey Hume. **School Vice Captains**: Tahlia Taverna and Noah Crone.
- **McLeod (Gold) House Captains**: Will Trinidad and Harmonie Grace. **Vice Captains**: Darcy Taylor and Tahlia Denham.
- **Bengalat (Red) House Captains**: Sophie Walter and Lachie Williams. **Vice Captains**: Ella Rawson and Hayden Duch.
- **Dan Dan Nook (Blue) House Captains**: George Christofi and Laney McFadyen. **Vice Captains**: Noah Crone and Lucy Christofi.
- **Davis (Green) House Captains**: Shani Nyikos and Josh Kalbitzer. **Vice Captains**: Emily Weston and Jem Kalbitzer.

Our Junior School Councillors are: Jessica Bibby, Alexandra Bigmore, Paddy Boland, Sonny Briscoe, Remi Cooper, Paris Copperwaite, Tess Craven, Tyla Gibson, Hamish Hodgson, Joshua Howells, Bailey Hume, Tegan Jakubzik, Mikki Moorby, Tahlia Taverna, Bethany Thompson and Zac Vincent.

Over the next few weeks there will be further leadership opportunities for such roles as Nude Food, Travel Smart, Lost Property and the Kids Matter Student Team.

It is a tremendous reflection of the talents and abilities of our children that we are able to offer so many leadership roles and fill them with very capable children. In reality there will also be children who do not have a formal leadership role who will provide great leadership as a member of our senior Year 6 group.

**AWARDS AND ASSEMBLIES**

There are two types of assembly each week. On Monday mornings at 9.05 in the school hall, there is a whole school assembly which focuses on whole school messages and celebrates whole school achievements. Towards the end of assembly we present Principal’s Awards. Generally there is one nomination in each year group plus a couple of nominations from the specialist teaching team. These awards are intended to recognise a significant individual achievement or continuing excellence. Parents are always welcome to attend this assembly.

On Friday afternoons, each year group or phase team (adjoining year groups e.g. Year 3 and Year 4) have a celebratory assembly at which they recognise achievements by students within that year group or phase. At these assemblies there are year group certificates presented to children who have had a special achievement or reached a particular milestone. Our awards recognise achievement both in learning and personal development.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

We are currently seeking nominations from parents for five vacancies on our School Council. School Councillors serve for two year periods and meet eight times a year to discuss the direction in which the school is heading and other matters of interest to the school community. The main qualities needed are an interest in helping the school to continue on its journey towards being the best provider of education it can possibly be and a lot of common sense. There is no need to have a detailed knowledge of the education system as the School Council is not involved in operational decisions. If you are interested in becoming a School Councillor, please collect a nomination form from the school office. Nominations close on Tuesday 17th February.

Regards,

Phil Dunlop-Moore, Principal

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**DATES FOR THE DIARY**

- 2-13 Feb. Yrs.5/6 Swimming, Port Pool
- 10 Feb. School Council 7:30pm
- 11 Feb. No Prep Students
- 13 Feb. Fresh Fruit Duty: Yrs.2BT,2G,2S
- 15 Feb. Drysdale Market
- 16 Feb. PSW Uniform Shop Open
- 17 Feb. Parents & Friends 9am in Meeting Room
- 18 Feb. No Prep
- 20 Feb. Fresh Fruit Duty: Yrs.3A,3B,3N,3S
- 23 Feb. PSW Uniform Shop Open
- 25 Feb. No Prep Students
- 27 Feb. Fresh Fruit Duty: 4C,4H,4V,4T
- 2 March Preps first full week

**SCHOOL EXCURSIONS & REMINDERS**

Students who don’t attend an excursion are expected to attend school as normal.

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**BBQ & FAMILY DANCE NIGHT**

**THURSDAY 5TH MARCH**

**BBQ STARTS AT 6PM**

**DANCE STARTS AT 7PM**
PSW operates from a room situated opposite the infant sand pit at the back of the hall. There are three options available: at school, internet or parent orders. For more details, please see sign on Uniform Shop window. If you cannot get to the Uniform Shop during opening hours, please collect an order form from the school office or request that one be sent home with your child.

For any queries regarding orders placed for home delivery phone 9768 0308 direct.

OPERATING HOURS: MONDAYS: 8:45-9:30am and 2:30-4:00pm (approximately).

PAYMENT: Payment is by cash or Credit Card and EFTPOS facilities are available.

GEELONG STORE
PSW has a store at 164 Malop Street, Geelong. Ph: 5224 2229 and they stock Drysdale Primary School Uniform. Hours: 8:30am-5:00pm Monday-Friday and 9:00am-1:00pm Saturday. - Kathleen, Uniform Shop Co-ordinator

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We are still looking for people to assist with our school mowing. Mowing information i.e. map and further details will be sent home shortly. Thank you to those parents who have already volunteered. If you would like to assist, please leave your details at the office.

WEARING BBB THANKS

I would like to acknowledge the wonderful work done by a team of workers last Sunday who gave up 3-5hrs of their time. We achieved a lot around the school to make it pleasant and safe for our students and community.

I would like to thank Toby Smith, Peter Redmond, Tony Black, Tim Edmonds, Joe Thompson-Boyd, Tammy Burke, Doug Allison, Simone Elsworth, Kate Lockhart and Shane Kennedy for their hard working contribution. I would particularly like to thank Toby Smith for his assistance with the bob cat.

If you would like to register your children for OSHC or book in, visit www.campaustalia.com.au or call Camp Australia Customer Service on 1300 105 343. Please note: The mobile number at Drysdale Primary OSHC is 0404 427 452. If you have any questions or anything you would like to discuss, please do not hesitate to approach either Lisa, Natalie or Patricia - The Team at Drysdale OSHC

STUDENT BANKING

We operate a Student School Banking service to our students every Tuesday morning in the Staff Room.

Every student will receive a Student Banking Starter Pack. They will be sent home during Term 1.

If there are any students who wish to commence Student Banking, please visit the local branch of the Commonwealth Bank, go on line or speak with the volunteer banking ladies of a Tuesday morning in the Staff Room.

A representative from the Commonwealth Bank will be speaking at the school assembly on Monday 23rd February.

FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

We are in need of parents to help cut up the fruit for our Fresh Fruit Fridays. This Friday 13th February we are asking for volunteers from 2BT, 2G, and 2S. If you can assist, please come to the staff room at 9 a.m. We need about 8 helpers each Friday. Thank you.

COMMUNITY NEWS

DFC JUNIOR FAMILY FUN DAY

Sun.15th Feb. at the Drysdale Football Club. Registrations for Junior Football, Junior Netball and Senior Netball will be held on this day from 10:30am—3:00pm. Entertainment starts at 11:30am. Details from Rachael Martin on: 0406 319 392.

AUSIE HOOPS—BELARINE PENINSULA BASKETBALL ASSOC.
Drysdale (Belarine Sports Centre, Peninsula Dve) Tues:4:00-4:45pm. Sat:9:30-10:15am. www.bpba.org.au or Ph: 5253 3377 or Email: admin@bpba.org.au

HEMLEY’S
Fitness Made Fun (Yrs.3-6) 8 week group fitness sessions. Active Skills 4 Life (Prep-Yr.3) 8 week motor skill development active play. Personal Training (10-18 yrs.) Individuals and small groups for general health and fitness. Email: michelle@hemleys.com.au

THE BALLET SCHOOL, POTATO SHED DRYSDALE
Enrolments for 2015. Details: 5251 2651, 0432 784 312, Email: info@theballetschool.net.au

KAREN FELDMAN’S DANCE STUDIO, GEELONG CITY STUDIO
Mixed style dance classes. Commence 7th Feb. Details: 5276 1357, 0432 493 527, Email: feldmans@ncable.net.au www.karenfeldmansdancestudio.com

CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE

The conveyance allowance is a form of financial assistance for parents/carers to transport children to and from school in rural and regional Victoria. Allowances are available for public transport, private car and private bus.

To be eligible a student must:

- Attend their closest government or non-government school
- Reside 4.8km or more by the shortest practicable route from that school attended
- Reside within the Designated Transport Area for the government specialist school attended
- Attend nearest appropriate non-government specialist school

If you believe you are eligible please collect an application from the office and return it before 27th February, 2015.

NO LATE APPLICATIONS CAN BE PROCESSED.

TERM DATES

TERM 1: 29 JANUARY—27 MARCH
TERM 2: 13 APRIL—26 JUNE
TERM 3: 13 JULY—18 SEPTEMBER
TERM 4: 5 OCTOBER—18 DECEMBER
Meeting
Tuesday 17th February, 9:00am, Meeting Room. All current and new parents are most welcome.

Secondhand Uniform Sale
Monday 23rd February, 2:45-3:30pm in the Canteen area.
Laundered items of uniform are gratefully received. Thank you.

Sustainable School Shop
Buy and sell secondhand uniforms. Brochure is available from the school or visit: www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au

Family Dance & BBQ—Thursday 5th March
The Parents & Friends group will be selling drinks and snacks on the night. More details to follow.
Do you need to make a Will or Power of Attorney?

For Legal Advice call
52 513 453

SPRINGDALE
$2+ SHOP
UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT
Shop 8/12 Hancock Street Drysdale
Phone: 5251 1011
Friendly service to the community

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Tasweld Geelong
45 Sun St, Moolap
Phone Charlie Benson 0401 036 992
‘for all of your welding needs’

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