Dear Parents,

**SCHOOL CONCERT**
It is September and at Drysdale Primary School that means we are doing our final preparation for the school concert. The photographs in the foyer show how important the school concert has been to the children and the school over many years. The concert is an opportunity for children to take part in a very different type of activity and strive for excellence in this different environment.

As a school we are fortunate to have a proper stage with curtains, lights, wings and backdrops that create the full effect of working in the theatre. For this we should be grateful to the Drysdale Community who had the commitment, vision and energy to build our hall. There aren’t many primary schools which have this sort of brilliant, permanent and purpose built facility. Most primary schools make do with temporary staging and a makeshift curtain.

Having the facilities is just one aspect of a successful concert. The school benefits greatly from the expertise of Ms Hemsworth who has managed the preparations for the concert so well and motivated the students to be creative.

There is information with this newsletter about how to get your tickets for the concert. Don’t forget that there will be a DVD available after the concert as your permanent memento of what promises to be a brilliant couple of evenings.

**HATS**
As a Sun Smart school we promote sun safety including the wearing of hats. (In Britain we promote warmth and the wearing of waterproof coats.) The school’s policy is that children must wear hats during Terms 1 and 4 when the sun is consistently at its strongest. During September we still have hot sunny days which is the forecast for the first part of this week. Although we do not require children to wear hats because it is still Term 3, there are days when it is prudent for children to wear their hats. Please can I ask that you check the forecast and send children to school with hats on days when they are likely to need them to stay sun safe. Thank you.

**DISTRICT ATHLETICS**
Last Tuesday many of our children represented the school in the district sports competition at Landy Field. These were the children who had qualified from our school athletics finals. All of our athletes represented the school very well both on and off the track. Thank you all.

We had a very successful day with a good proportion of the athletes qualifying for the regional finals by coming first or second in their individual events. For some of our team this will be the third or fourth time they have reached this stage of competition either by representing the school in other successful sports teams or because they have qualified in previous years in a younger age group competition. I would certainly like to congratulate them for their continuing success. For some of our athletes this will be first time they have qualified for a regional final. This is a fantastic effort and, potentially, the start of a life long interest in sport and staying fit. For some of our athletes this will be the third or fourth time they have reached this stage of competition either by representing the school in other successful sports teams or because they have qualified in previous years in a younger age group competition. I would certainly like to congratulate them for their continuing success. For some of our athletes this will be first time they have qualified for a regional final. This is a fantastic effort and, potentially, the start of a life long interest in sport and staying fit. I would also like to thank Mr Campbell who organised both our team and the whole event. We are fortunate to have someone of his commitment and ability running our physical education program. I would also like to acknowledge and thank the staff and parents who helped organise our team and supervise them on the day.

**DATES FOR THE DIARY**

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**REMINDEERS**

**WEDNESDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER**

- **TRYBOOKING ONLINE FOR SCHOOL C**
  - **OPENS**
  - **11TH SEPT. PREPS, YRS 2, 4, 6 & 12TH SEPT. YRS 1, 3, 5, 6**
  - **SCHOOL PRODUCTION**

**FRIDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER,**

- **END TERM 3, 2:30PM FINISH**

**WEDNESDAY 23RD OCTOBER**

- **GEELONG CUP HOLIDAY**

**SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS**

- **President:** Neil Searle
- **Vice President:** Rebecca Smith
- **Treasurer:** Phil Dunlop-Moore
- **Secretary:** Michelle Powell
- **Members:** Joanne Black, Mitchell Sinnott, Clare Goodier, Andrea Hoogwerf, Felicity James, Karen Knight, Scott Pearson, Paul Rawson, Selma Tron, Stephen Barry, Samantha Schepisi.

Our Newsletter is available to view online. If you would prefer to view it this way, please notify the office so that we can reduce the amount we print and be more sustainable. The Website is: www.drysdaleps.vic.edu.au
**NEW OPERATING HOURS:** Wednesdays: 8:30-9:15am and 2:45-3:45pm (approximately). It is strongly suggested that you do not order stock online, as no extra stock is sent to me. If I don’t have the item in store it is not available. If you can’t get to the Uniform Shop, please request an order form from the office. If the stock is available I will send it home with your child. You will not be charged for any item that is not available.

**CRedit CARD PAYMENTS**
I have an EFTPOS machine, so payment can be made at the time of purchase and this should help with a more efficient running of the Uniform Shop. Thank you. Kathleen

**GENERAL REMINDERS**

**COMPULSORY parent PAYMENT School FEES**
If you have not paid your child’s compulsory school fees or made an arrangement to pay these fees, could you please organise payment as soon as possible. This compulsory payment covers your child’s essential education items.

**Telephone Messages**
If there are telephone messages for students, please advise the office BEFORE 3:10pm so that the message can be delivered to your child in time.

**Sign In/Out**
Reminder that parents are to sign their child out from the office if their child is leaving school early, collect an early release card and then go to the classroom to collect your child. Also, please make sure you sign late students in at the office.

**OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE PROGRAM**

**Permanent Vacancies for After School Care**
We are licenced to provide care for 55 children. There are 14 vacancies for Monday, 14 for Tuesday, 23 for Wednesday, 24 for Thursday and 28 for Friday.

Call 0417 379 655 for casual vacancies.

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**Just Toucans From Each Family!**
The Geelong Food Relief Centre is asking for donations of non perishable food items—tinned food, breakfast cereals, pasta, rice, noodles, spreads, tea and coffee to help feed the needy in Geelong. Children can bring along any non perishable food items and place them in the Toucan Box at the office. The Geelong Food Relief Centre provides more than 8,000 families in the region with emergency food supplies.

Thank you to those who have kindly donated to this cause so far.

**STARTING BANKING**
The Banking Co-ordinator, Michelle Powell will be retiring from her position at the end of this year. We are in need of two parent volunteers to assist with student banking every Tuesday morning in the staff room. Approximately one hour is required to process the children’s money and inputting information to the Commonwealth Bank’s website. If you are interested in helping out and are committed to assisting the children achieve great saving habits, then please don’t hesitate to leave your name and contact number at the office.

Stay Cool at School This Summer. Win a CommBank Marquee for your school and an iPad Mini for yourself by depositing in your School Banking Account in Term 3. Every time you deposit in your school banking account between 12th August and 13th September in Term 3, you will receive an automatic entry into the draw to win.

**FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY**
We are in need of parents to help cut up the fruit for our Fresh Fruit Fridays. We are rostering year levels on each week. However, if you can assist, please come to the staff room at 9 a.m. We need about 8 helpers each Friday. Thank you.

**SunSmart News**
Our school has adopted the policy of broad brimmed hats to be worn during Terms 1 and 4. A SunSmart Information Leaflet was included in last week’s Link. For further information contact SunSmart Ph: 9635 5148, or Email: sunsmart@cancervic.org.au or Web: sunsmart.com.au

Although children will always be supported when following the given suggestions, wearing hats will only be compulsory next term.

**Drysdale Peace Poster Competition**
The Lions Club of Portarlington Drysdale is sponsoring the Peace Poster Competition 2013. It is designed to create awareness among young people of the importance of peace, understanding, acceptance and respect for each other. It is also intended to promote harmony between different cultures and communities. Prizes and certificates will be awarded to each school that participates as follows:

1st prize $30  
2nd prize $20  
Encouragement Award of $10

Good Luck to the following who are participating: 6P– Zoe, Kate, Willow, Belle. 6C– Ethan, Maddy, Stella, Jess, Emma. 6S– Casey, Meg, Emily, Jack, Piper, Amelia, Theresa, and Gabbi.

The posters are being judged today.

**primary School Wear**
PSW operates from a room situated opposite the infant sand pit at the back of the hall. A full range of winter and summer uniforms are available for purchasing. The new price list is available from the office.

**Student Banking**

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COMMUNITY NEWS

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM C.O.G.G.
Activities: Eastern Beach Fun Day, MooreGrace, GPAC, Movies, Werribee Zoo, Wheel's Day, Leisurelink, Face painting, Arts & Crafts, Cooking, Science Experiments and more! Book online: www.geelongaustralia.com.au/shp and follow the prompts to “I want to enrol my child in SHP”. Enrolments now open and due by 5pm Friday 13th September. For more information ring: 5272 4443 or kpont@geelongcity.vic.gov.au or brochures at school.

PORTARLINGTON POOL GAMES CARNIVAL
Sun.15th Sept. 11am-2pm, Portarlington Pool. School aged children of all abilities welcome. Bring your family and friends and have a fun afternoon in the pool. Free entry. Portarlington Pool & Holiday Units 84-110 Smythe St, Portarlington Ph: 5259 2910.

HOCKEY SUPER CLINIC—SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
Tues.24 Sept. 9:30am-12:30pm. Cost $40 with equipment (to keep) or $20 without equipment. Details from Gill Pasque Ph: 0439 309 081.

DROYSDALE TENNIS CLUB TENNIS
Summer Tennis season starts Sat. 12th October. School Holiday Jnr. Tournament for players 18 yrs. and under at Drysdale Tennis Courts Tues.24th & Wed.25th Sept. Details from Kerry Humphrey Ph: 0400 078 337 or email drysdalecomputers@bigpond.com

DROYSDALE AUSKICK JUMPERS
Drysdale AusKick Clinic has AusKick Jumpers for sale for $5 each, one size fits all. Clubs available: Collingwood, Bulldogs, Melbourne, Sydney, Geelong, Adelaide, West Coast. Contact Sheree Ph: 0409 418 240.

NUDE FOOD

Our Nude Food Winners for this week are: Mischa 2A and Hayden 4D. Congratulations! The Bob and Sarah Awards go to Prep E and Year 5D, well done! The Year 5 & 6 climbing tower is a bit messy, so please try to clean up a bit around there.

Now for our Nude Food Joke:
Q: Why did the boy eat his homework?
A: Because the teacher said it was a piece of cake.
Bring Nude Food every Tuesday and every day!
—The Nude Food Dudettes & Gabbit the Mango Elf

REBEL SPORT

Drysdale Primary School is registered at Rebel Sport with a “Season Pass”. If you purchase something from Rebel Sport, please mention Drysdale Primary School. Our school then receives points towards sporting equipment for the school.

BAKERS DELIGHT DROYSDALE
Mention Drysdale Primary School at Drysdale Bakers Delight and the school will receive 5%.
We have recently received funds as a result of this from Bakers Delight which will be put toward our Integration Life Skills Program. Thank you.

PARENTS & FRIENDS

SCHOOL CONCERT SNACK SHOP
Will be operating a Snack Shop at the School Concert. It will be open from 6:00-6:45pm and at interval, inside the school hall. Items for sale will be:
Soft Drinks $1.50
Juice Box $1.50
Water $1.50
Zappos .50¢
Cadbury Chocolate Bars $1.00
Killer Pythons $1.00
Natural Confec.Co.Bag of Jelly Lollies $3.00
Chips $1.50

We need volunteers to help with the Snack Shop on both nights at interval. Please leave your name and phone number at the office if you are able to assist, just turn up on the night. Thank you.

CALENDARS
This week your child/children will be coming home with forms for our fundraising calendars. The children have been busy at school creating their own artwork which will form the cover of the calendar. These calendars make excellent gifts for Christmas and are unique to your child/children. The order forms are due back in the first week of Term 4—NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 11TH OCTOBER. This will allow for ordering and processing. Thank you for your continuing support.

FATHER’S DAY STALL
Parents & Friends would like to thank the following people for their help at our Father's Day Stall last week. Karen Knight, Linda Aziz, Ruth Graymore, Jackie McCann, Naomi Avery, Nyree Windsor, Nadine Underwood, Elissa and Meg Huddart and Samuel Nagler. Do hope all the dad’s enjoyed their day of pampering!

JSC SUPPORTING GEELONG LEGACY

Geelong Legacy Club Inc. is a volunteer organisation dedicated to assisting widows and children of deceased ex-service personnel. Each year, during the first week of September, Legacy conducts a badge appeal to raise money to help provide the care and assistance currently provided to over 1,500 and some disabled adults and school children in the Geelong area. JSC supports this organisation each year. This week JSC will be visiting grades with $2 badges and wristbands and $3 pens. Please help if you can.

SCHOOL DEBATING TEAM

Our School Debating Team is heading towards its final debate in the last week of the term. In the last debate against Mandama Primary School, both teams secured wins in the Mystery Topic Debates with Emily and Claire of 6S named as Best Speakers. The Barwon Junior Debater’s Association will continue with finals in Term 4. At this stage both teams could be heading towards finals with a win in the final debate against Pt. Lonsdale. Our students have done an amazing job preparing and delivering their speeches. We are very proud of all our debaters—possibly we have some future politicians!

SCHOOL MAGAZINE

If you wish to receive a copy of the school magazine, please pay $15 to the office before the end of this term. Statements were sent home with The Link last week. They will indicate whether you have already paid for the magazine or not.
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DRYSDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL CONCERT 2013

TICKET ORDERING

We are once again using ONLINE bookings for our concert ticket sales.

We believe this has been successful in previous years as you are not limited to sales during office hours and can purchase at leisure – from work or home – or even at your friends!

ALL TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED THROUGH OUR ONLINE TICKETING SALES:

Wednesday 11th September (Prep, Year 2, Year 4 & The Year 6 Production) http://www.trybooking.com/DGDT OR http://www.trybooking.com/56881

Thursday 12th September (Year 1, Year 3, Year 5 & The Year 6 Production) http://www.trybooking.com/DGDY OR http://www.trybooking.com/56886

Please use the correct link to go directly to the DPS School Concert booking page (use one of the above links to take you directly to the Concert Booking Page). Please make sure you pick the correct link to match the night you wish to attend. If you have difficulty using these links, please go to Google and type in trybooking and then you will be able to locate the Drysdale School Concert Booking system.

You must have a Credit Card or VISA debit style card in order to purchase tickets. Don’t forget to print your ticket!

Tickets will be available online from Wednesday 4th September 2013

Great benefits:
• You can purchase any time of the day (up to 6pm on the night of the School Concert) and just print your ticket out
• You don’t have to worry about sending money with the children
• You get your ticket straight away
• You choose where you sit
• We can generate a list so if you misplace your ticket, we will have a record of the sale
• Tickets online are just $8 Adults, $6.00 Concession/Student and $4.00 for Pre-schoolers who require a seat.
• (D.P.S STUDENTS DO NOT REQUIRE A SEAT)
• Secure website with SSL VeriSign security
• A more environmental solution – reduced resources used.

**We are not selling tickets at the office except in exceptional circumstances and tickets generated this way will have a $2.00 booking charge to cover extra costs. As per previous years there is NO TICKET SALES AT THE DOOR.

Melanie Burton
Business Manager
Drysdale Primary School
ATHLETICS DAY

Boys’ Relay—DPS 1st Place—Archie, Hamish, Tom, Mitch.

Thank you to Alison Dumbell for taking these photos of our students.