Dear Parents,

Our school concert is happening tomorrow and Thursday evening. I hope that everyone has ordered their tickets and is ready for this major event in the school year. The children have practised hard and are excited to be going on stage. Thank you for helping the children learn their song words and for helping them have the confidence to get up on stage. Thank you too for helping the children have the right costumes for the concert. It is this partnership which makes the concert so special. I would like to thank Kethly Hemsworth and Michelle Fitzgerald, our Performing Arts teachers, for working so hard with the children on their performances in school. It is a huge undertaking to coordinate performances from over 550 children in 25 classes as well as arranging the sound, lighting and recording of the whole event.

This year we have recorded our children singing to help boost their performance rather than have them singing along to a commercial sound track. We have also organised for some children from each year group to introduce their performance. These are just two ways that we are trying to make something that is always great into something even better.

Please can I remind you that entry is by ticket only. The hall always gets really full for concert night performances and we need to make sure that it remains safe. Entrance will be through the main hall doors on Stonehouse Place. While the other doors can be used from the inside as fire exits, they will be locked from the outside. Please can you make sure you sit in the numbered seats allocated to you. There is not really room for buggies and strollers as we need to keep the aisles clear as emergency exits.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS CALENDARS

Our Parents and Friends have been working with the children and staff to create art work for each child to have an individual 2015 calendar. This art work is about to be sent to the printers. Before this happens there is a chance for parents to look at their child’s art work. This will help you decide how many calendars to order. You can look at your child’s art work in the staff room from 2.45 this afternoon. Please call in when you come to collect your children.

NAPLAN 2014

The school received the Year 3 and Year 5 children’s National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) results from the tests these children sat last May. These were sent home with the children yesterday thanks to the fantastic work of the office staff who collated an individual results document, an information sheet and a covering letter into individual envelopes between 2.30 and 3.30 yesterday afternoon. There are some outstanding individual results which reflect the ability of our children, the quality of their learning and the teaching they have received. It also reflects the support and encouragement they have received with their school work from home.

Overall the results in both Year 3 and Year 5 are broadly similar to recent years in comparison to other schools’ results across the state. I am particularly pleased with the continuing improvements in our writing results. We are busy analysing the results to identify areas in which we need to improve further. In doing this we need to remember that these tests were done four months ago and reflect the children’s learning up to the end of Year 2 and Year 4. Such a lot has already happened since then!

One difference that you will notice from the beginning of next term is an increased focus on spelling. We will also be asking the children to learn the spelling of particular words at home. Teaching the children spelling patterns is not really room for buggies and strollers as we need to keep the aisles clear as emergency exits.

Regards,

Phil Dunlop-Moore, Principal
Thanks, The Team at Drysdale OSHC
approach either Mel, Lisa or Patricia.

Our school has adopted the policy of broad brimmed hats to be worn during Terms 1 and 4.
This term Camp Australia is proud to be supporting The Smith Family Foundation’s Back-to-School Appeal. In out of school hours care we are raising money for this wonderful cause with a raffle as well as a “guess how many marbles” and a “guess how many Hama Beads” for only $0.10¢ per guess. Camp Australia will dollar match our contribution!

We are in need of parents to help cut up the fruit for our Fresh Fruit Fridays. On Friday 12th September we are asking for volunteers from Prep M and Prep W. If you can assist, please come to the staff room at 9 a.m. We need about 8 helpers each Friday. Thank you.

The winners for the Year Level Awards (from Prep-Year 2) is Year 2C and (from Years 3-6) is Year 3A. Individual Winners (from Prep-Year 2) is Delphi 1L and (from Years 3-6) is Jack 4C. Well done! So, bring a rubbish free lunch of a Tuesday and you could be a winner too!

The Premier’s Reading Challenge has closed. Congratulations to 109 students who completed the challenge. Well done!

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If you would like to register your children for OSHC or book in, visit www.campaustralia.com.au or call Camp Australia Customer Service on 1300 105 343. Please note: The new 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 Mel, Lisa or Patricia.
Thanks, The Team at Drysdale OSHC

**REMINDER**
FRIDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER,
END TERM 3, 2:30PM FINISH
Our Newsletter is available to view on line. 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

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS

The students receiving awards this week are:

Mae Prep W  Alisa-Rose 2T/V
Daisy Prep T  Summer 3A
Dominic 1F  Bethany 4V
Denham 1K  Trinity 5B
Jessica 1L  Mercedes 6C
Oscar 1L  Bailey 6S
Christopher 2C  Congratulations!

STATEMENTS/MAGAZINE

If you wish to receive a copy of the school magazine, please pay $15 to the office before the end of this term. The school magazine comes home with the final school report at the end of the year.

Statements have been sent home. These will indicate whether you have already paid for the magazine or not. Please check you child’s bag for this.

SCHOOL CAMPS

Camp Payments
All camp payments need to be finalised for Years 3, 4, 5, 6 before the end of this term. Thank you.
Year 3 Sovereign Hill—15th October-16th October
Year 4 Kangarooie—10th November-12th November
Year 5 Maldon—27th October—31st October
Year 6 Canberra—24th November-28th November

CHILDREN’S VEGETABLE GARDEN CLUB

The Children’s Vegetable Garden Club will be commencing again in Spring—i.e. start of Term 4. If there are any parents who would like to help out, please leave your name and phone number at the office. You also require a Working with Children's Card. The Club meets every Friday at lunch time. The Children's Vegetable Garden Club is desperately seeking donations of manure to fertilise our garden beds ready for vegetables. If you are able to donate any manure please see Miss Fatone or Miss George in Year 1.

PARENTS & FRIENDS

Hope all the Dads enjoyed their carefully thought out gifts this Father’s Day! Thankyou to Karen Knight, Nadine Underwood, Naomi Avery, Ruth Graymore, Emily Collins, Jacqui Pitcher and Jackie McCann.
Herb plants are available to purchase from the staffroom at below cost price for anyone interested. Please pay at the office.

DRYSDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL CONCERT 2014

THE NOT-SO-FAR-AWAY TREE

Ticket prices are:
ADULTS $8.00
CONCESSION $6.00
CHILDREN UNDER 12 $4.00

You must have a credit card or VISA debit style card to purchase tickets.

If you don’t have a computer or a credit card, team up with another family.

- 10 Sept. School Concert Preps, Yrs. 2, 4 & 6 (Ticket system closes at 4:30pm for tonight’s concert)
- 11 Sept. School Concert Yrs. 1, 3, 5 & 6 (Ticket system closes at 4:30pm for tonight’s concert)

(We ask that all people are seated by 6:55pm sharp to enable a prompt start to the concert.)

SNACK SHOP PRICE LIST

Parents & Friends will be operating a snack shop on the concert nights from 6:00-7:00pm and again at interval. We are fundraising for our New Quiet Area (approx. cost $20-$30,000). In addition, this year we will have a Coffee Van operating from 5:30-7:00pm on both nights.

Drinks
Soft Drink $2 each
Water $2 each
Juice Box $1.50 each

Eats
Zappos 50c pkt
Pythons $1 each
Giant Freddo $1 each
Chips $2 pkt
Party Mix Bag $3 bag

CYBERSMART PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Would you like to learn more about what technology young people are using and how they can use it smarter?

Then please come to the Cyber Republic – It’s another land online event

The City of Greater Geelong Youth Development Unit in conjunction with the Victorian Police, Headspace and Dialogue Consulting are delivering a Cybersmart Information Evening Session for parents, at Bellarine SC. There is no cost and supper will be served.

Details are as follows –
DATE: Monday 6 October
TIME: 7pm-8pm
LOCATION: Bellarine Secondary College Ocean Grove Campus, Shell Road, Ocean Grove
This is a FREE event

All parents are welcome. Please RSVP your attendance to Kerrie Condon on 5272 6120 or kcondon@geelongcity.vic.gov.au. Cyber Republic is supported by the Victorian Government ‘It’s There for Life’ grants and designed by the Bellarine Youth Action Crew (BYAC).
Do you need to make a Will or Power of Attorney?

For Legal Advice call 52 513 453

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www.drysdalesc.com.au
- Junior soccer training 6:15pm at Clifton Springs Primary
  School Oval starts Wednesday 26th Feb
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- Games in social competition Sunday mornings
- Provider of Outside Hours School Care soccer programs to your school
- We are proud supporters of Bravehearts

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Mick & Megan
Lot 3, 35-37 Muradoc rd. Drysdale
5251 2639  0408 089 773
Email: purseman@bigpond.com
www.axewelding.com.au

It is important for young families to be aware of Orthodontic problems that are often apparent from about the age of seven. Early orthodontic treatment can help correct dental problems and also help minimize extensive treatment at an older age. All our consultations are free and no referral from a dentist is required.

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For ALL YOUR TRAVEL NEEDS
- Flights  Accommodation
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On Friday I brought my Grandmother to school but she had to leave before lunchtime. It was great and I loved it. After she left I stayed with Talulla's Mum and Sophie's Grandma.—Tameeka 2S

On Grandparents/Special Guests Day there were interesting items but my absolute favourite one was the instamatic camera and I like the typewriter too. They belonged to Aliriah's Grandfather. Unfortunately my Grandma lives in Adelaide but my Mum came and we talked on the phone. Rylan's Grandfather and Grandmother brought a vintage car and Corey's Grandma was very nice to me.—Jack 2S

One parent brought an olden-days car. My favourite items were the soldier's coat and slouch hat. I got to write with a pen and a quill and saw a very old camera.—Ryan 2S

There was an olden-days telephone that Mathew's Grandmother brought. It had two bells on it. When it rang the bells would move left and right. I also saw an olden-days music player. It was playing a music disc.—Jennifer 2S

One of my favourite things was the whip-it. It was hard to do. I did three good whips. The lady who brought it was lovely! - Tallula 2S

We had lots of fun. My favourite thing was the wedding dress. It was fifty years old. We saw olden-days things like old money, photographs, a very first Barbie and old phones.—Mikayla 2S

My Nan and Pa couldn't bring anything but they rotated with me to look at the old things. When we showed our Grandparents around the school Emilio, and Jack helped me as well. Rylan's Grandfather brought a car.—Corey 2S