Remembrance Service—local Drysdale Victoria Cross Recipient from the First World War—Captain Percy Herbert Cherry

Unit 26th Battalion
Born 4 June 1895 at Drysdale, Victoria
Date of action 26 March 1917
Place Lagnicourt, France
Details Cherry’s battalion was ordered to storm the village of Lagnicourt. His company encountered fierce opposition and when all the other officers had been killed or wounded he led his men forward and cleared the enemy from the village. At one stage a stoutly defended crater temporarily checked the attackers. Cherry sent for mortars but before they were brought down on the crater Cherry rushed the position under Lewis gun and rifle grenade cover. After the crater was taken Cherry and his party pushed through the village. Sensing the possibility of counter-attacks, he kept his party in position to strengthen the sector. The Germans did counter-attack and the battle raged all day long. Next day the Germans shelled the Australian positions killing Cherry among others.

Died 27 March 1917
Buried or Commemorated Queant Road Cemetery, Buissy, France
Current location of the VC Australian War Memorial

ABSENCES
Regular school attendance is most important as it maintains continuity of learning experiences. Naturally, children, who are ill, should be kept at home, but at other times children are expected to attend school. When a child is absent, a note to the teacher explaining the absence, or a phone call to the office, is required.

ARE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS UP TO DATE?
At all times, and in the case of an emergency in particular, it is important that we have up to date details for parents/guardians and emergency contact details. If your details have changed (phone number, address, email, work details/contacts and emergency contact details), please let us know as soon as possible so that we can update our records.

HEADLICE
A number of cases of Head Lice have been reported to the school in recent times. This is a recurring problem that requires a great deal of parent support and commitment to control. The only way to solve the problem is through hard work. Parents need to take steps to check their children’s hair regularly, particularly if your child receives a note from school informing you that there has been Head Lice detected in the grade. Then treating your child immediately, ensuring any live lice and eggs are removed using whatever treatment you find most effective. Once treated, take preventative steps to ensure that they don’t get them again e.g. tying hair back. Should you require any further information, please contact www.health.vic.gov.au/headlice/.
NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM PURCHASE ORDERS

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.

Customers will be able to order and pay for items at the Uniform Shop and the stock will be delivered to your home. Please note, this is different from an internet order.

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 you 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.

UNIFORM SALE—IN STOCK ITEMS ONLY
From Monday 11th November to Friday 13th December, PSW is offering 5% off all uniforms in stock. This is an opportunity for parents to prepare for the 2014 school year. This is only for current in stock items—no lay-by and no orders.

OPEN EXTRA HOURS FOR NEW FAMILIES
Thursday 14th November 9:30am—10:30am
Wednesday 20th November 8:30am—10:30am
Tuesday 10th December 12:30pm—1:30pm
Monday 16th December 10:00am—12:00noon
Tuesday 28th January 2014 10:00am—12:00noon
- Kathleen, Uniform Shop Co-ordinator

MOWING ROSTER

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OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE PROGRAM

Permanent Vacancies for After School Care
We are licensed to provide care for 55 children. There are 20 vacancies for Monday, 22 for Tuesday, 28 for Wednesday, 22 for Thursday and 33 for Friday.
Call 0417 379 655 for casual vacancies.

Before School Care
Don’t forget that care is available before school from 7:15am. At the moment you do not need to book in, as long as I have a completed enrolment form and direct debit form for each child attending the program.

Casual Vacancies
Even if the permanent roll is full, there may still be casual vacancies. If you would like to use casual care, please call 0417 379 655 to book a place. If your child/ren is/are not already enrolled, you will need to get an enrolment form and a direct debit form before you can book in. It is always worth calling, even if this table is showing no vacancies. There is always a range of other activities available and children can request individual art and craft activities.

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STUDENT BANKING

At Commonwealth Bank we’re committed to helping children understand the importance of saving for the future through our School Banking program. So to help keep your students active with their saving, we’re running a fantastic competition. The Dollarmites Treasure Chest Competition in Term 4! Just make two or more school banking deposits from 21st October to 30th November and you could win one of the Treasure Chest Prizes—60 x Apple iPod touch 16GB—100 x Adventure DVD Pack including Despicable Me, Despicable Me 2 & HOP. For more information visit commbank.com.au/adventureisland

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.
On Friday 15th November, we are asking for volunteers from Year 6C, 6P and 6S. If you can assist, please come to the staff room at 9 a.m. We need about 8 helpers each Friday. Thank you.

SCHOOL HATS

Our school has adopted the policy of broad brimmed hats to be worn during Terms 1 and 4. The wearing of hats is compulsory in Term 4. The children are required to wear hats during recess, lunchtime and other outdoor activities.

GENERAL REMINDERS

All payments to the school need to be finalised before FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER.
The office will be closed for receiving money from this date. Thanking you in anticipation.

PAYMENTS
When paying cash for excursions, etc., it would be appreciated that the correct money is submitted to the office in an envelope with your child’s name, grade and details of the payment. Cash is not kept on the premises. Thank you for your understanding with this matter.

ARE YOU MOVING?
If you are moving in 2014, please advise the school office.
If your child is not attending Drysdale Primary School in 2014, please advise the office as soon as possible.
Also, if any students will be transferring out of the school this term, please notify the office.

TELEPHONE MESSAGES
If there are telephone messages for students, please advise the office.

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.

NOVEMBER WALK TO SCHOOL MONTH

Once again our school is participating in Walk to School, a month-long activity in November. Children and parents are encouraged to start walking to and from school in November. When walking to school we ask that all students use the school crossings in Clifton Springs Road and Carolanne Drive when crossing these roads. The crossings are supervised by City of Geelong Geelong Crossing Supervisors and provide children with a safe way of crossing these busy roads.
**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**BELEZA SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP**
The Beleza School Uniform Shop is located at 107 Ryrie Street, Geelong. Saturday opening hours are now 9:30am—12:30pm. Phone: 5221 8545.

**BOOK CLUB**
The last Book Club before Christmas is due back on **THURSDAY NOVEMBER 21ST.**

**NO LATE ORDERS, PLEASE.**

**BAKERS DELIGHT DRYSDALE**
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.

**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.

**BETHANY SAVER PLUS**
**WOULD $500 assist you with education costs?**

You could receive up to $500 to help pay for educational costs including text books, computers, excursions and swimming lessons. Saver Plus is delivered by Bethany Community Support in your local area and is looking for new participants.

You may be eligible if you or your partner:
- have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- are at least 18 years old
- have some regular income from work
- have a child at school, or attend accredited vocational training yourself

To find out more contact Amanda Vernon, Saver Plus at Bethany Community Support on 5278 8122 or avernon@bethany.org.au

**WOORABINDA CAMP**
Woorabinda Camp payments are due by this Friday 15th November for those selected students that will be attending the camp.

**SCHOOL DENTAL PROGRAM**
Bellarine Community Health offers a School Dental program for all primary school aged children. This service is government subsidised and offers families access for their children to dental services at a cost of $30 for treatment or free for those children who are dependants of a healthcare or pension card. For an appointment ring the dental team at Pt. Lonsdale 5258 0828.

**PARENTS & FRIENDS**

**NEXT MEETING**
Our next meeting is on Monday 18th November, 9:30am after assembly. All welcome.

**FUNDRAISING EVENING**
Parents and Friends will be holding a fundraising evening at “GIFT HAVEN” gift shop Drysdale. 20% of the takings as well as the raffle proceeds are being donated to the school. Please leave your name at the office, if you are interested, before Friday, as numbers are limited. Dates and time to be advised.

**YEAR 1 SWIMMING PROGRAM**
Just a reminder that Year 1 children can still submit a lunch order even though the swimming program is running.

**YEARS 1 & 2 SWIMMING TIMETABLE**
4th November—15th November

**YEAR 1**
- Years 1C, 1L Leave 10:35am Return 12:15pm
- Years 1R, 1S Leave 11:30am Return 1:15pm

**In the Pool:**
- Year 1C 11:00-11:30am
- Year 1L 11:30-12:00noon
- Year 1R 12:00-12:30pm
- Year 1S 12:30-1:00pm

**YEAR 2**
- Years 2A, 2S Leave 12:30pm Return 2:15pm
- Years 2B, 2V Leave 1:30pm Return 3:15pm

**In the Pool:**
- Year 2A 1:00-1:30pm
- Year 2S 1:30-2:00pm
- Year 2B 2:00-2:30pm
- Year 2V 2:30-3:00pm

Don’t forget to bring your own goggles and cap

**NUDE FOOD**
Our Nude Food Winners for this week are: Max from 2B and Olga from 5K. Congratulations! The Bob and Sarah Awards go to 5D, Prep W and 2B. Well done! Excellent work, keep it up.

The oval has lots of rubbish on it, so please pick some rubbish up and put it in the bin before you go onto the oval.

Now for our Nude Food Joke:
Knock, knock.
The chicken said, “Who’s there?”
Fried.
“Fried who?”
Fried you.

- The Nude Food Dudettes & Gabbi the Mango Elf

**WANTED**
Any donations of unwanted Lego would be very much appreciated. Please leave with Mr Field in the Integration Office. Thank you.

**ALL SPORTING TOPS**
All Sporting Tops: Athletics, Soccer, T-Ball, Football, and Basketball need to be returned to school as soon as possible. Thank you. —Mr Campbell
Do you need to make a Will or Power of Attorney?

For Legal Advice call 52 513 453

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Yesterday Archie, Piper, Emily, Hamish, Kelly, Will, Emma and Patrick accompanied Mr Barry to the Drysdale Cenotaph to participate in a Remembrance Day Commemoration Service. It was a fitting occasion where Kelly and Hamish each delivered a reading and the students laid a wreath on behalf of the Drysdale Primary School Students, Staff and Community. Following the service the children were invited back to the Drysdale RSL Hall where Mr Geoff Wisbey the President of the Drysdale RSL spoke to the children about the significant contributions that many people from the Bellarine area made during times of conflict. The Honour Rolls with the names of local residents was shown to the children and most notably the name of Captain Percy Herbert Cherry who was a local Victoria Cross recipient from the First World War. This was particularly significant for these Year 6 students who have recently visited Canberra and the Australian War Memorial. The children then enjoyed a lovely lunch which was provided by the Ladies Auxiliary.

We would like to thank the Drysdale RSL and the Ladies Auxiliary for allowing us to be involved in this special service and for their generous hospitality.
On Tuesday the Grade 3’s did a snail race. Out of 3F girls, my snail Samsam came first. We needed chalk and water. My friend Rose’s snail, named Frank, came second and Ellie’s snail came third. My snail got to the finish line in 6 minutes 50 seconds.—Ashlin 3F

The snails were quite slow! Rose’s came second, Ashlin’s first and Ellie’s third! Genaya and I did not race our own snail but we both cheered for them all! My favourite thing was seeing and watching the snails. Mrs Dean took some photos. —Jessica 3F

The course was a circle with a circle inside it. You had to put your snail in the middle of the small circle. Then they got to run on water!! We had to put water on the ground. It was so much fun! —Jacob 3F

My snail was called Max and he was fast and brown. To decide the winner we timed the snails and used a stop watch. I really enjoyed the snail race because the snails always won! —Elle 3F

At the Snail Cup it was fun except that my snail died, so I didn’t race him. I got a new one but I didn’t put it back into the race. When I went home I released him so that he was free again. —Ethan 3F

I liked before the Snail Race because I liked getting my snail ready for the race. My snail did not go well. It did not get out of the middle circle! —Chloe 3S

I liked the snail cup because we got to draw funny pictures of our snail.—Neisha 3S

I was surprised that my snail came 5th because I thought it would come last! —Emelia 3S

I liked the 2013 Snail Cup because snails are so slow and it took a long time for the first snail to cross the line. Something funny was that my snail fell asleep on the line. My snails name was Racer! —Fleur 3S