Dear Parents,

**PUPIL FREE DAY - FRIDAY MARCH 7TH**

Our third Pupil Free Day is this Friday. The school will be closed to students to allow staff to have a day of extended professional learning. In the morning we shall be focussing on the full renewal of our Anaphylaxis Training which the Education Department requires us to do every five years. In the afternoon we will begin to create a Drysdale framework for learning. This will identify the elements that must be present to ensure every child has the best possible environment at Drysdale Primary School in which to learn consistently in every classroom.

**TEACHING APPOINTMENTS**

The school has appointed Louisa Taylor to take over as teacher of Prep E when Mrs Elliot begins her family leave at the start of Term 2. Louisa will be very familiar to the Drysdale Primary School community as she has frequently replaced teachers who have been away from school. Prep E will therefore become Prep T once we return at the beginning of Term 2. We have also appointed Tim Dungey to teach our Learning Technologies program. Tim replaces Joanne Black for the remainder of 2014 while she has stepped up to be our second Assistant Principal. Tim is currently teaching at Wyndham Park Primary School in Werribee. We are looking forward to welcoming both Louisa and Tim to Drysdale Primary School officially.

**FAMILY DANCE NIGHT**

The school’s ever popular Family Dance Night is happening this Thursday evening. This is an evening to welcome new families to the school and to celebrate the start of a new school year. The evening begins at 6pm with a sausage sizzle. From 7pm the children showcase the dances they have been learning in their Performing Arts and Phys. Ed. lessons. This is a fun evening when we like parents and other family members to join in with the dancing rather than simply watching a performance. The Family Dance Night is always extremely popular and a brilliant opportunity to make contact with other families in the school.

**BUNYIP FESTIVAL 22ND MARCH 2014**

The Bunyip Festival is held jointly each year by Drysdale Primary School and Clifton Springs Primary School. The Festival venue alternates between the two schools. This year it is at Clifton Springs Primary but remains Drysdale’s major fund raising event of the year. Drysdale’s contribution on the day is to provide volunteers for half the stalls and activities. This is quite manageable if everyone finds just one hour of their time to help out. We are still in need of volunteers at different times of the day and on different stalls. Please can you let your child’s teacher know which hour you are able to help out with. Thank you very much.

I would also like to acknowledge the dedicated team of parents who have been working away very busily making arrangements, organising publicity and finding sponsors. The Bunyip Festival brings together the Drysdale and Clifton Springs communities. It is a brilliant event that deserves our support but only happens with the time and effort of the organising group beforehand and the commitment of volunteers on the day.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

All School Councils hold an Annual General Meeting once a year to present a report of the previous year. Any parent of a child at the school is welcome to attend. Drysdale’s Annual General Meeting is being held next Tuesday March 11th, from 7.30pm. Please can you let me know if you are intending to come along. Regards,

Phil Dunlop-Moore, Principal

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**DON’T FORGET OUR FAMILY BBQ & DANCE NIGHT**

**THIS THURSDAY 6TH MARCH**

**BBQ STARTS 6PM**

**DANCE STARTS 7PM**

**STUDENT FREE DAY**

**THIS FRIDAY 7TH MARCH**

**LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY**

**MONDAY 10TH MARCH**

**NO SCHOOL ON THIS DAY**

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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

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PRIMARY SCHOOL WEAR
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. In addition, a home delivery service can be arranged by ringing Ph: 9768 0308 direct.

OPERATING HOURS: Wednesdays: 8:45-3:45pm (approximately).

PAYMENT
Payment is by cash or Credit Card and EFTPOS facilities are available.
Thank you for choosing PSW as your uniform supplier.
- Kathleen, Uniform Shop Co-ordinator

MOWING LIST

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
If you do not wish your child to participate in the school’s Religious Education Program, could you please write a note to the classroom teacher.
If your child is doing Religious Education the cost for the year is $6. This amount will appear on your statement. If no note is received, then it will be assumed that your child is to attend. Thank you.

NUDE FOOD
Tuesdays are our rubbish free lunch days, so don’t forget to send your child to school with a wrapper free lunch, to go in the draw to win a Baker’s Delight Voucher. Baker’s Delight Drysdale will be sponsoring our Nude Food again in 2014.
Our Nude Food Dudes are Sarah 6P and David 6S.
Great job to everyone this week, especially the Preps.
The winners for the Grade Awards (from Prep—Year 2) is Prep H and (from Years 3-6) is Year 4D. Individual winners (from Prep—Year 2) are: Olivia 1F and (from Years 3-6) Emily 5D. Well done!

STUDENT BANKING
We operate a Student School Banking service to our students every Tuesday morning in the Staff Room.
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.
It would be appreciated if coins are sent, that they are counted and bagged to assist the volunteer banking ladies. Thank you.

RELAY FOR LIFE
Laura 5D is participating in Relay For Life on 15/16th March at the Geelong Show Grounds. Please help her raise money for Cancer Research by donating to: relayforlife.org.au Go to Sponsor Team = galloping girls and follow the prompts.

REMINDEERS
STUDENT FREE DAY—FRIDAY 7TH MARCH
LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY—MONDAY 10TH MARCH
BUNYIP FESTIVAL—SATURDAY 22ND MARCH
END OF TERM 1—FRIDAY 4TH APRIL, 2:30PM
FINISH

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 14th March we are asking for volunteers from Prep E and Prep H. If you can assist, please come to the staff room at 9 a.m. We need about 8 helpers each Friday. Thank you.

GENERAL REMINDERS

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.

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.

ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS/PHONE/EMAIL/MEDICAL/DOMIAL?
Please advise the office if you have had any changes to your details so that we can update our records.
Thank you.

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.

ABSENCES
The school/teacher must be advised of student absence and reason. Whilst written notification is preferable, verbal advice is also accepted.

YR.6 PARENTS

SELECT ENTRY ACCELERATED LEARNING (SEAL) PROGRAM—BELLARINE SECONDARY COLLEGE
Applications are now open for the SEAL program 2015. This program allows selected students to study Yrs.7-10 in three years. Current Grade 6 students can apply for this educational opportunity.
Important Dates:
SEAL Information Evening: Tue. 18th March, 6:30pm
SEAL Applications Close: Thur. 3rd April, 3:30pm
SEAL Testing: Fri. 2nd May
SEAL Interviews: Tue. 27th & Wed. 28th May
Visit: www.bellarinesc.vic.edu.au under the Curriculum Banner for information and application forms. Details from: Tim Micallef on 5255 0031 or micallef.timothy.j@edumail.vic.gov.au
FAMILY DANCE/BBQ—THURSDAY 6TH MARCH
Parents & Friends will be selling drinks and snacks on the night. Drinks $2, Chips $2, Lollies $1 and $.50c.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Monday 17th March, 9:30am, location to be advised. All positions will be declared vacant. We warmly welcome any new members.

SECONDHAND UNIFORM SALE
Our next Secondhand Uniform Sale will be on Monday 5th May in Term 2. Please send any donations of secondhand school uniform items only, otherwise, go to the Sustainable School Shop site below.

SUSTAINABLE SCHOOL SHOP
Take a look at the Drysdale Primary School “FOR SALE & WANTED” advertisements at www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au You don’t need to be a member to look! Annual Family Membership is only $19.95 (unlimited Ads.) Payment for Uniform/Item is made directly to the parent selling the item—not online.

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE PROGRAM

MEETING NEW FACES AT OSHC
Last week we welcomed our new coordinator, Mel. It was a very busy week meeting all the children and families and getting to know everyone’s names! All of the children attending have been very patient and are adapting well to the change. Thank you to all the children and families that have made Mel feel welcome!

For the next few weeks there will continue to be subtle changes to the program as we are introducing some more exciting resources, activities and games!

This week there is a Pupil Free Day on Friday 7th March. Unfortunately we did not get enough children booked in to run a full day program. Therefore there will not be all day care on this day. We apologise for any inconvenience this has caused.

If you would like to register your child for OSHC or book in visit www.campaustralia.com.au or call the Camp Australia customer service number on 1300 105 343. Please note: The new mobile number at Drysdale O.S.H.C. 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

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

BOOK CLUB
The Book Club catalogue was distributed today and is the first one for 2014. Book Club is a great opportunity to purchase books without entering a store, as well as having great benefits for the school. If you wish to keep your purchases a surprise from your children, for those special occasions, just drop the order form in to the office with your contact details (and a note indicating you will pick it up), and I will have it organised for you to collect, from the office upon arrival.

Orders will need to be back at school before Thursday 13th March.
- Natasha Daffy
Co-ordinator of Book Club, Drysdale Primary School

Book Club orders will need to be returned to me by Thursday 13th March!
Do you need to make a Will or Power of Attorney?

For Legal Advice call
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Purchasing a rides wristband BEFORE the Bunyip Festival for $30 will give you unlimited rides all day! Just take your receipt to the Rides Tent on the oval.

The wristbands will be available to purchase on the day, but they will cost you $35.

Complete and return the slip below (before the Bunyip Festival) to the office where a receipt will be issued. Take your receipt to the Rides Tent on the day where you can collect your wristband. Cash, cheque, credit card is the only payment accepted for wristbands. B-PAY NOT ACCEPTED FOR WRISTBANDS.

BUNYIP FESTIVAL ALL DAY RIDES WRISTBANDS

Family Name: ____________________________________________________________

Phone No: _____________________ Number of Wristbands: ____________ (@ $30 each)

Name/s of persons requiring Wristbands: ____________________ ___________________

I have enclosed $_________ and would like my receipt sent home with:

Student’s Name:_______________________________ Year: __________
**Buy now & Save!**

**All Day Unlimited Ride**

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$30 each

Pre Festival Day or @ Festival $35

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- Aqua Orbs
- Cha Cha
- Petting Zoo
- Giant Slide
- Chair-o-Plane
- Go Karts
- Kids Gym Activity Centre

*Height, age and size restrictions may apply to some rides

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On the day single ride tickets

Cha Cha & Aqua Orbs $7 each

all other rides $5 each

Special buy 10 tickets get 1 ticket FREE