Dear Parents,

**BUNYIP FESTIVAL—THANK YOU**

Thank you to everyone who came along to Saturday’s Bunyip Festival and supported our community event. We are busily working out the amount of money we raised. I will let you know this as soon as the final calculations have been made. I was particularly pleased to see the performances of our children on the stage. Nick Archer is obviously a star in the making. He captivated the audience with the clarity and tone of his singing. Our dancers and musicians also performed really well and can be proud of the confidence and ability they showed. Thank you to Kethly Hemsworth, our performing arts teacher, who inspired these children.

I would particularly like to thank the dedicated group of parents who have worked tirelessly over the last six months to ensure that our parts of the Festival were a huge success: Denise Kadenbach, Casey Benson, Danielle MacDonald, Michelle Powell, Karen Knight and Naomi Avery. They have been instrumental in making sure that we have been superbly supported by our sponsors, led again by Surf Junction; that the raffle and auction have great prizes; that the food stalls offer a tasty range of lunch choices; that the ever popular show bags come up to everyone’s high expectations and that there has been good publicity. We could not run the Bunyip Festival each year without these parents’ magnificent support. Thank you.

I would also like to thank Steve Barry and Gary Vaughan from the staff for playing a large part in organising the volunteers, the staff and the practical arrangements. Prize winners in the raffle, the main auction and the silent auction can collect their winnings from Clifton Springs Primary School.

**SCHOOL HOUSE NAMES - CONSULTATION**

The school has successfully run a house system for many years with four colours: gold, red, blue and green. We are going to continue with both the system and the house colours. We are also keen to provide ways in which the children can feel increasingly connected to our wonderful community in Drysdale. One possibility is to choose names for the four houses which reflect significant connections to Drysdale’s history. This could be a connection to a well known person or a significant place from the town’s early history. Please could anyone who has a suggestion for the name of one or more of the houses let me know before the end of term.

**GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL**

Each year Drysdale Primary School chooses different charities to support. This year we are planning to support the Good Friday Appeal in support of the Royal Children’s Hospital. Many of our families have been helped by this hospital or may need their expertise in the future. During the Easter holiday Paris Copperwaite in 5C is taking part in the Herald Sun City Link event in Melbourne with members of her family. Paris and her family are participating to raise awareness of her brother’s condition: Crouzon Syndrome. Jack has had seven major operations at the Royal Children’s Hospital and will continue being a patient there throughout his childhood. Paris has a fundraising page at http://runforthekids2014.gofundraise.com.au/page/ParisCopperwaite.

I am also letting you know that on Thursday April 24th, in the first week of Term 2, we will be having a cake sale in school to support Paris and the Good Friday Appeal. We recognise the financial pressures on families and try to spread out our fund raising and charity support across the year. This also means we have to limit the number of charities we can realistically support each year. I will provide more details of this cake sale nearer the time.

Regards, Phil Dunlop-Moore, Principal
**NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM PURCHASES ORDERS**

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

**OPERATING HOURS:** Mondays: 8:45-9:15am and 2:45-3:45pm (approximately).

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

**CULOTTES**
Unfortunately there is a 3 week delay with culottes at the moment. Sorry for any inconvenience.
- Kathleen, Uniform Shop Co-ordinator

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**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.

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**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.
The rubbish in the school grounds is decreasing—well done!
The winners for the Grade Awards (from Prep—Year 2) is Year 1K and (from Years 3-6) is Year 3A. Individual winners (from Prep—Year 2) are Seb 1K and (from Years 3-6) Noah 5D. Congratulations!

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**SECONDARY SCHOOL INFORMATION SESSIONS**

Matthew Flinders Girls Secondary College (P:5221 8288)
Tues.25th March 7-8:15pm Information Session, Hall & Wed.26th March Tours, 9:10-30am, 1:30-3pm.

Newcomb Secondary College (P:5240 5800) Tues.29th April 7pm Information Session, Cliff Watkins Hall.

Bellarine Secondary College:
Ocean Grove Campus (P:5251 9000) Wed.30th April 6:30pm -Tours/Information Sessions.
Drysdale Campus (P:5251 9000) Thurs.1st May 9:15am & 10:00am—Campus Tours.
Geelong High (P:52254100) Mon.5th May 7pm Information Session, CA Love Hall.

More detailed Information Sessions will be sent home shortly.

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**REMINDERS**

**2ND APRIL—CYBERSAFETY INFORMATION EVENING, PARENTS OF YRS.4-6**
**END OF TERM 1—FRIDAY 4TH APRIL, 2:30PM**
**FINISH 28TH APRIL—P & F SECONDHAND UNIFORM SALE**

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**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 28th March we are asking for volunteers from Years 5B, 5C and 5D. If you can assist, please come to the staff room at 9 a.m. We need about 8 helpers each Friday. Thank you.

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**COLOURING COMPETITION**
Complete the colouring in (available at the school office) and return it to Faggs Mitre 10 Wallington by Fri.28th March. Winners drawn by Brad & Dale from The Block on Sun.30th March in store 10am-12noon. The school with the most entries wins $250 worth of paint.

**LEARN HIGHLAND DANCING, IRISH TAP, ETC.**
Geelong Scottish Dance has qualified and experienced teachers. Children 4 yrs. and up. Wednesday nights, Herne Hill. Enquiries phone: 5250 3885.

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**FREE**

- Large doors with pinboard on them
- Large Teacher’s Desk
Details available from Joanne Black at school.

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**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 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

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**Bellarine Secondary College**

**Information Evening**

**Wednesday 30th April**
Ocean Grove Campus Tours / Information Sessions: 6.30pm
Drysdale Campus Tours Thursday 1st May 9.15am & 10.00am

For further information contact the College on 5251 9000
This week’s awards will take place next Monday morning at assembly. Sorry for any inconvenience. The students receiving awards will be:

RAFFLE WINNERS!
1st Prize: Ron Elliott—Surf Junction Package
2nd Prize: Neville Vincent—Get Away Package
3rd Prize: Jean Wood—Two Will Kits, Ristevski Lawyers
4th Prize: James 6C—Canvas Photograph, Tim Pescott
5th Prize: Michelle Davis—Harvester Moon Experience

BUNYIP FESTIVAL ART WORK
Children’s Art Work from the Bunyip Festival can still be purchased throughout this week. Please bring your money to the Art Room and see either Mrs Miles or Mrs Henderson.

FOR SALE & WANTED
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.

MOTHER’S DAY STALL
Thursday 8th May. Details to follow shortly.

NEXT MEETING
Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 22nd April at 9:00am in the Meeting Room.

SECONDHAND UNIFORM SALE
Our next Secondhand Uniform Sale will be on Monday 28th April. 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
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OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE PROGRAM
As the term continues we are having an increasing amount of fun in Before and After School Care! Discussions with the students about what they would like to see more of in After School Care has been very interesting and we hope to do the best we can, to get these activities going. We have been very active participating in group games and sports, including badminton which is very popular at the moment.

In the upcoming school holidays, Camp Australia will be running School Holiday programs at Christian College - Bellarine Campus, Ocean Grove and Kardinia International College. If you would like to register your child please go to www.campaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs
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

Cybersafety Information Evening
For parents of children in Years 4-6.
Date: Wednesday 2nd April
Time: 7-8 pm
Venue: 6P/6C Classrooms
RSVP: Friday 28th March

An information session has been organised for Parents of Years 4-6 children on the topic of CyberSafety. As part of the Netbook Induction Program, we especially request that Year 5 parents attend to enable your child to take the netbook home and be safe over the Easter Holiday period.

Topics Covered
- General CyberSafety Tips
- Legislation regarding online behavior
- Brodie’s Law
- Safe use of devices such as iPads, iPods, mobile phones, xBoxes, PlayStations, etc.

The evening will be hosted by Robert Noggler, Leading Senior Constable and Youth Resource Officer, Victoria Police.
“I would highly recommend all parents protect themselves and their children by attending any future sessions when they are offered.” - attendee of the 2013 session.

Thank you to the wonderful group of mums who gave up their time to laminate the Bunyip Festival work. Very much appreciated!

PRINCIPAL’S AWARD

Parents & Friends
On behalf of Parents & Friends, both past and present, we would like to thank Andrea Hoogwerf for her many years of service. Andrea has been president of Parents & Friends from 2010 until 2014 and is now stepping down to focus on new ventures. We wish Andrea all the best.

Thank you to Year 6 Parents and Students
A big thank you to our Year 6 parents for supplying so many great cakes for the cake stalls on our school Bunyip Activity Day. Every student enjoyed getting their cake from the stalls. Also congratulations to Olga 6P for her special contribution. A great job by all Year 6 students on the day, many thanks from the Year 6 Teachers.

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Do you need to make a Will or Power of Attorney?

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