PRINCIPAL’S NEWS

STAFF CHANGE:
We have appointed Mrs Julia Dean to take over in 3/4W for the remainder of the year. Mrs Dean will start with us this Friday the 22nd of April and join us on our Curriculum Day. She will start with the children Tuesday. Julia comes highly recommended and she comes with lots of experience. Please introduce yourselves to her and make her feel welcome into our school community.

CURRICULUM DAY THIS FRIDAY:
Just a reminder to all families that we are having a pupil free day this Friday. The teachers will be combining with three neighbourhood schools to be focussing on Effective Teaching Strategies. This topic is a major piece of work for all teaching staff this year.

WORKING BEE:
It was decided at School Council meeting on Monday that we will have a working bee on Sunday 15th May from 9am until 11am. The jobs that are needed to be completed on that morning are:
- Relocating the vegetable garden beds to make room for our Bike Shelter.
- Weeding around the school
- Cleaning of the pits
- Pruning of the roses.

We are hoping that we get as many parents as possible from those that have children in the Prep to Year 2 area so that these jobs are able to be completed. As you know, the more we have the quicker the jobs will get done. Children whose parents attend will be rewarded with house points to make your time worthwhile.

PICKING YOUR CHILD/REN UP OUTSIDE NORMAL SCHOOL HOURS:
We have noted this term that more parents than is normal are deciding to pick their children up early or during lunchtimes for various reasons. We strongly discourage this as it does impact on your children’s learning. It is very difficult for us to find your child out in the yard during playtimes so we urge you that if you do absolutely have to pick them up make it either at the beginning or end of playtimes. Where possible we ask that you make medical appointments etc. outside of school hours please.

Kathy Wesolowski
Principal

ANZAC DAY

ANZAC DAY - MONDAY 25TH APRIL
WRIST BANDS NOW FOR SALE AT THE OFFICE FOR $1 each.

COMING EVENTS

APRIL 2016
Fri 22nd April  Curriculum Day—pupil free day
Mon 25th April  Anzac Day Public Holiday
Fri 29th April  District Cross Country

MAY 2016
Wed 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th May  Gymnastics Prep—Gr 2
Fri 6th May  Mothers’ Day Gifts
Sun 15th May  Working Bee 9-11am Prep-Gr 2
Mon 23rd May  School Council & Sub Committee meeting

FORMS / PAYMENT DUE BACK
Thurs 21st April  Gymnastics P-2 form due $15
Thurs 21st April  District Cross Country $7 due
Wed 27th April  Scholastic Issue #3 due back
Wed 4th May  Mothers Day form due
Fri 3rd June  CSEF applications due
**PARENTS AND FRIENDS FUNDRAISING**

**Fun Run**
Thankyou again to everyone who participated in the fun run and raised money for the school. The incentive prizes have been ordered and should arrive next week. The final amount raised will be revealed next week as well as the student who raised the most money and the class who raised the most money. Stay tuned!!

**Mother's Day Gifts**
All students should have received an order form for Mother’s Day Gifts. Also in this week’s newsletter there is an order form or you can collect one at the office. Gifts are $5 each and need to be pre ordered using the form. Students will get to choose their gifts for Mum or Grandma or significant others on Friday 6th May from a great selection of gifts. **Order forms are due back on Wednesday 4th May.** Students from the same family will choose their gifts together so as not to double up on the same gifts.

Gab Lewis

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**PRESENTS:**

**PARENTING AS A TEAM**
A 4 week program designed to understand the differences in parenting styles.
Starts: Tuesday 17th May
7-9pm, Gold coin donation
“Ariston” 245-249 Pakington St, Newtown

**PARENTING YOU TEENAGER**
A 4 week program for parents of adolescents aged 13 to 18 years.
Starts: Monday 16th May
7-9pm, Gold coin donation
“Ariston” 245-249 Pakington St, Newtown

**ABCD PARENTING YOUNG ADOLESCENTS**
A 4 week program to talk about the challenges of parenting pre-adolescents and young teenagers.
Starts: Thursday 28th April
9.30am-12 noon
Northern Bay College—Peacock Campus, Peacock Ave, Norlane West.
FREE

For bookings and more information please contact the Regional Parenting Service
Phone: 5272 4741
www.geelongaustralia.com.au

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**NEW UNIFORMS:**
Deal directly with Coastal Uniforms.
Phone: 5255 4897
Anne-Maree will be here next **THURSDAY 28th April.**
**Order forms may be picked up from the school office.**

**SECOND HAND UNIFORMS:** Visit Sally & Kelli in the Sick Bay on Tuesday afternoons only from 3:00pm-3:20pm

**SCHOOL KILTS:** Geelong Uniforms 164 Malop, Street Geelong.
Phone: 5224 2229

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**LIBRARY NEWS**
The library is looking wonderful and we’ve got a fantastic selection of new books for the children to borrow. Any parent help would be appreciated to get the books covered and out on the shelves! Please see the office if you can help.
Thank you!!

**SCHOOL CANTEEN PRICES**
Tuesdays and Fridays
- Calippos: $1.00
- Popcorn: $0.50c
- Quelches: $0.80c
- Quelches 1/2: $0.40c
- Grainwaves: $1.20
- Chicken JJ’s: $1.20
STUDENT AWARDS

Ava  PB  For working hard to achieve her reading goals.
Zander PB  For his excellent recount writing about the holidays.
Jack  PB  For working hard to learn his Magic Words.
Grace PB  For being a kind friend to others.
Toby  01R  For a fantastic start to Term 2. Well done!!
Milla  01R  For her excellent effort to achieve her reading goals.
Mitchell  12C  For excellent concentration and effort in creating an outstanding poster for JSC end of last term.
Mia  12C  For being a fantastic mathematician and putting in her very best effort to recognise different ways of building numbers using MAB blocks.
Ethan  12H  For coming to school everyday this week on time. Keep it up!!
Alexis  12H  For working so hard at learning her Oxford words.
Indica  34M  For writing a great persuasive piece about why ‘The Cats’ are the best footy team.
Thomas  34M  For working hard on his persuasive writing.
Morgan  56S  For sharing his learning to help others with their learning.
Jack  56S  For working hard to improve his writing.
Brayden  56P  For always taking pride in his work and presenting it neatly.
Asha  56L  For always completing set tasks to the best of her ability!!
Zac  56L  For his outstanding presentation skills during Inquiry!!

BELLBRAE PRIMARY
SCHOOL
MAYFAIR
SUNDAY 1ST MAY

Lucky Bags, Silent Auction, Spinning Wheel, Bullet Bar, Wine, Beer, 9D Cinema, Craft, Ferris Wheel, Duck Poo Lotto, Horse Rides, Henna Art, Harley Rides, Toys and Games, Train Rides, Plate Smashing, Lots of Food and much much more.

WOODCHOP conducted by Western Victorian Axemens Association.

10am-3pm Bellbrae Primary School
School Road, Bellbrae
5261 2660

Extend OSHC at Grovedale Primary School

Hello! This week has been another busy week at Afterschool Care. With a few new faces joining us this term, we have had a lot of fun getting to know everyone and welcoming our new friends. Last week we enjoyed making some delicious cookies, playing LOTS of football, creating our own kites that looked great when we fly them on the oval, and recreating our own aboriginal artwork. It’s been great watching all the students working together and making new friends. I’m looking forward to what’s to come in Term 2!

Hannah, Team Leader

Our Extend Superstar is: Seth for always participating in group activities.

Forthcoming Activities:
Mon 25 April: ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tues 26 April: Clay Modelling
Wed 27 April: Animal Art
Thurs 28 April: Grovedale Masterchefs
Fri 29 April: Magic Mosaics

PARENT PORTAL: extend.com.au
MOTHERS DAY GIFTS

Name_______________________________________

I would like to purchase _______ gifts at $5.00 each. Please find a total of $__________________ enclosed.

The following children are to collect gift/s

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Please return this form by Wednesday 4th May. Gifts will be sent home with students on Friday 6th May.