PRINCIPAL’S NEWS

SISTER SCHOOL VISIT FROM CHINA
What a fabulous week we all had!!!!! It was such a successful week but such a busy one. All the Chinese students and teachers had such a wonderful time with their host families and enjoyed their time with our school and community. A huge thank you to the host families for welcoming the students into your home and showing them around Geelong. A huge thank you to the teachers for also welcoming them into their classrooms and showing them what we do in our Australian classrooms. I know that they learnt a lot about our Australian culture and language. Some of the activities that they did over the week were: We welcomed them to our school on Monday, on Tuesday we did some boomerang painting with Richard Fry our Koori Educator, on Wednesday I took 3 of our senior students with our Chinese students to Government House for a welcome event, on Thursday the Chinese teachers and students taught our students some different things like writing in Chinese and how to play Chinese Chess and then on Friday I took them to the Airey’s Inlet lighthouse, to Lorne and then to Surfworld in Torquay. A very busy and fun filled week.

SWIMMING:
The swimming has been very successful over this two week period. The children have been loving the program and have certainly been learning some very important skills. A huge thank you to Mr Gardiner for organising this great program for the children. As I mentioned last week, the junior program will take place later this year.

COME AND VISIT US SESSION NEXT
THURSDAY 11TH AUGUST:
Don’t forget that we will be holding our fifth session next Thursday from 2:30 to 3:10pm for any child that is starting school next year. If you know of any child that will be coming next year, these sessions are important in helping the children settle into the school environment and are a chance to meet some other children who are starting school next year. Our formal orientation sessions will start in Term 4.
Have a good week!
Kathy Wesolowski
Principal

Principal’s Day
We wish Kathy Wesolowski and Tracy Doherty a very happy Principal’s Day for this Friday. Thank you for all the hard work you put into the school. We hope you have a most enjoyable day!

COMING EVENTS

AUGUST 2016

Fri 5th Aug Principal’s Day
Thurs 11th Aug Come and Visit 2.30pm-3.10pm—Preps 2017
Fri 19th Aug Belmont District Athletics Carnival
Mon 22nd—Fri 26th Aug Scholastic Book Fair
Tues 30th Aug School Concert
Wed 31st Aug Come and Visit 2.30pm—3.10pm Preps 2017

FORMS / PAYMENT DUE BACK

Thurs 11th Aug Belmont District Athletics due $9
Fri 19th Aug Toucan donations last day
Wed 24th Aug Father’s Day forms due
**PREPS CELEBRATE 100 DAYS**

On Monday the preps celebrated their one hundredth day at school. We made glittery crowns, wrote about how much we had learnt and completed a shape graph. At lunch we enjoyed a 100 themed feast and finished off with show and share based on the number 100.

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**......Think OUTSIDE THE CAN!**

The Geelong Food Relief Centre has been providing free food to those in need for 25 years. Working together with welfare agencies, this year we will see 32,000 individuals referred to GFRC for support. Our school is one of the 90 schools in Geelong and surrounding region, who every year assist the GFRC in making this possible. Each individual donation makes its way onto the family’s table. This could be a family in your street. These items form some of the basic food items most families choose. We are inviting you to be a part of this generous donation to provide if possible the following items.

We thank you for your ongoing support and assure you it will really make a difference to someone within our community.

- Cereal
- Milo
- Cake mix
- Vegemite
- Honey
- Sugar
- Tea/Coffee
- Cling Wrap/Foil
- Toothbrushes
- Feminine hygiene goods
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Shaving Cream

Of course, all donations whether cans boxes or packets are gratefully appreciated. Thank you.

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**Congratulations**

Congratulations to Nathan Harper who finished 21st in the State Cross country championships 2 weeks ago. Such an amazing effort. Also congratulations to Nathan, Luke and Grace Harper for their efforts in cross country for their club. Nathan finished first in his age group for the season and Grace and Nathan both finished second.

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**SCHOOL CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS DESPERATELY NEEDED**

We have not had a single offer of help for the school canteen. With this in mind, we may not be able to provide a canteen service for your children. Please contact the office if you are able to spare an hour on a Tuesday or Friday.

If we could have lots of volunteers, we can make up a roster and we wouldn’t have to rely on the same two people every week.

It takes only an hour of your time—from 1.15pm to 2.15pm. We need two people for each day the canteen is open.

If you can help out, could you please contact the school office.
HOST FAMILIES AND THEIR STUDENTS

The recent weather has not been great so we have been spending a lot of time indoors at after school care. We have had a lot of fun building with the Zobo connector blocks, making playdough and playing lots of different boardgames over the past week. Next week we will be continuing on with our group mural for the Kids Club Art competition!

Alishea, Team Leader

What’s on next week?
Monday 8th Aug: Let’s celebrate the Olympics
Tuesday 9th Aug: Create your own jigsaw puzzle
Wednesday 10th Aug: Fluffy Slime
Thursday 11th Aug: Japanese theme ‘All about Japan’
Friday 12th Aug: Nature Scavenger Hunt

KIDS CLUB ART COMPETITION
WIN A $200 TOYS R US ONLINE GIFT CARD
Entries are now open for Extend’s Kids Club Competition! Submit your art entry online at extend.com.au between Monday 25 July to Friday 12 August, 2016.
This year’s theme is “My Extend Friends” For further details and terms visit extend.com.au …BUT THERE’S MORE! Help your After School Care service win a mystery incursion! Be sure to come along to After School Care to enter. See you there!

PARENT PORTAL: extend.com.au

NEW UNIFORMS:
Deal directly with Coastal Uniforms.
Phone: 5255 4897

PLEASE NOTE: Ann-Maree is away for the month of August. Orders will still be taken but if you need to go to the shop in Ocean Grove please call Maureen first on 0418 385 369.
SECOND HAND UNIFORMS: Visit Sally & Kelli in the Sick Bay on Tuesday afternoons only from 3:00pm-3:20pm
SCHOOL KILTS: Please note:
Our kilt supplier is PSW located at 164 Malop St, Geelong just down from Officeworks. Please contact PSW on 9768 0383 to check availability. Alternatively, you can order online at www.psw.com.au.

Extend OSHC at Grovedale Primary School
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Cadbury’s
Thank you to all families who have sold their box of chocolates and returned your money. There are still 50 families yet to return their money. Could we please have all outstanding money returned to the office ASAP or any unsold chocolates returned to the office. If you are able to sell any more chocolates please collect another box from the office. Thanks.

Trivia Night
It has been decided that with the concert this term we will hold a Trivia Night in last term instead if this term. Stay tuned for more information.

Father’s Day
All students will receive an order form for Father’s Day gifts next week and for a Father’s Day afternoon tea. Gifts will be $5 each with students able to select their gifts from a great selection. Could these forms please be returned to the office by Wednesday 24th August.

Have a great week.
Gab Lewis

Parents and Friends News
DENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Floss ‘like a boss’ this Dental Health Week!
1st – 7th August

Alongside brushing twice a day, ‘flossing’ is the single most important line of defence against dental decay. Flossing at least once a day helps to remove the plaque from between your teeth, which helps to prevent gum disease, tooth decay, and bad breath.

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3. To clean the “neck” of the tooth, which is the point where it meets the gums, curl the floss and insert it gently under the gum.

More tips for maintaining good oral health:

- Eat a well-balanced diet and avoid sugary & starchy snacks.
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CONCERT INFORMATION

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Boys to wear long pants, white shirt and a tie. Girls to wear 50s style skirt or 3/4 length leggings, white T-shirt and a scarf tied around the neck.

Prep/1R:
Boys to wear long straight pants, shirt and tie. Girls to wear a knee length dress, bright patterned or flowered preferred but plain ok, knee length boots or shoes with knee length sock. Wide head band in hair.

1/2L:
Beige, cream, khaki coloured clothing. Ghostbusters back packs to be made in school.

1/2C:
Large white T-shirt (adult size $5 in Kmart if they don’t already have one), gold belt will be provided. Girls to wear black or white leggings underneath, boys to wear black or white shorts underneath. Girls may wear make up/headdress to look more Egyptian if they wish but this is optional.

1/2H:
Bright flouro colours to suit 80s style - leggings, shorts, T-shirts, leg warmers - the brighter the better!

3/4W:
70s style clothing. If parents wish to buy a 70s or ABBA style costume they may. Otherwise boys to wear long pants and either patterned shirt or plain shirt with tie. Girls to wear bright patterned dress, skirt or flared pants. If it suits the 70s it is fine.

3/4P:
Martial arts outfit if they have one or can borrow one. If not white T-shirt, white or black pants and tie up belt around the waist.

3/4M:
Costumes - builder, cowboy, Indian, policeman, army - any occupation will work.

5/6L:
Jeans, checked shirt, cowboy hat, boots if they have them.

5/6P and 5/6S:
Modern clothing - their favourite outfit will be fine as long as they can dance in it.

Bank 3 Times via School Banking in August to go into the draw to win a Family Pass to Sovereign Hill

Thanks to the Commonwealth Bank Geelong Region, Our School have won a family pass to Sovereign Hill.
All students that bank 3 times via school banking during the month of August will be put into the draw.
We will draw the winning student at our Assembly on Friday 9th September & present them with the passes.

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For dental care call Barwon Health on 42157620

NO FEES APPLY FOR THE FOLLOWING GROUPS:

- All children aged zero to 12 years.
- Young people aged 13 to 17 years who are health care or pensioner concession card holders, dependents of concession card holders or eligible for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS).
- All children and young people up to 18 years of age, who are in out-of-home care (includes kinship, foster and residential care) provided by the Children Youth and Families Division of the Department of Human Services.
- All youth justice clients in custodial care, up to 18 years of age.