PRINCIPAL’S NEWS

SCHOOL COUNCIL:
I would like to sincerely thank all of the parents that put their name forward to be on our school council. It is fabulous that so many are willing to give their time and energy up and be involved at this level. The following people have been successful:
1 year– Mt Tim Berris
2 years: Mr Colin Sharp, Mr Trevor Lewis and Mrs Karen Wilson. Our first meeting as a council will take place on Monday the 23rd of March. We will start with our Annual General Meeting at 5:30 pm followed by our school council meeting at 6pm.

STUDENT LED CONFERENCES:
I have had all teachers give me positive feedback in relation to the conferences we held on Monday. Teachers said that they found it beneficial that students, parents and the teacher were involved with goal setting for the first semester and that everyone is on the same page as to each student needs. I hope that parents found the same. If you were unable to make Monday, I ask that you make a time with your child’s teacher to catch up. At this stage all teachers have completed intensive testing and are now able to see where each child is at and plan future teaching.

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS
Did you know your child’s best learning time is the start of the school day? That’s when every minute counts the most. You will see posters around the school from the Department Of Education and Training informing you about late arrivals and early pick ups of children and how much school time they miss out on.

PUBLIC HOLIDAY ON MONDAY:
Just a reminder that next Monday the 9th of March is a public holiday and so school will not be operating.

Kathy Wesolowski
Principal
**PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS**

**FUN RUN**
Hopefully all students are eagerly obtaining sponsors. Just a reminder that all sponsorship forms are to be returned to the office, even if no sponsors were obtained. Forms and money are due back at school in the first week of term 2, on the 15th of April. Incentive prizes will then be ordered. The fun run will be held on Tuesday 24th March, starting at 9:15am with the Preps. All parents and family welcome to come along and support the students.

**EASTER RAFFLE**
Raffle books will be sent home with all families next week and are due back at school by 25th March. The Easter raffle will be drawn on the last day of term. Tickets will be $1.00 each with 10 tickets per booklet. We are asking for donations of Easter items for our raffle prizes please- easter eggs, books, stickers, bunny ears, etc. Donations can be left at the office.

**TWILIGHT FAIR**
The fair will be held on Friday 6th November, 4-8pm. Save the date! It will be a great evening for the whole family. If you are interested in helping with the fair please come along to our next meeting where we will begin planning! Or you can contact Karen Wilson on 0419 884 132.

**DATES:**
- 10th March - 9am - Next meeting (will prepare raffle tickets)
- 23rd March - 2pm - counting money and wrapping prizes, **raffle money due**

Enjoy your week, Gab Lewis

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**AFL Victoria School Holiday Program - Grovedale**
**Location:** Grovedale College, Wingarra Drive, Grovedale
**Date:** Tuesday 31st March, 2015
**Time:** 9am to 3pm

**YMCA GEELONG SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM**
Contact 5223 2714 or [www.geelong.ymca.org.au](http://www.geelong.ymca.org.au)

**SOUTH BARWON FOOTBALL AND NETBALL CLUB**
Registrations have now opened online for U10’s, U12’s, U14’s and U16’s. We would like to invite you to our Membership/Registrations have now opened online for U10’s, U12’s, U14’s and U16’s. We would like to invite you to our Membership/Information night on Wednesday 11th March at McDonald Reserve on Reynolds Road, Belmont, commencing at 5.00 pm until 7:00 pm. To register online go to [www.foxsportingpusle.com](http://www.foxsportingpusle.com)

**LOST PROPERTY**
Don't forget to check our lost property table this week as any unclaimed items will be thrown out at the end of this week. There are many unclaimed jumpers on the table at the moment.

Thank you.

**EXTEND OSHC AT GROV рALE PRIMARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM BOOKINGS ARE OPEN AT A SCHOOL NEAR YOU!**
Book by Friday 20th March to avoid late fees.

Our holiday program bookings are open and there's a local one near you – all Extend's holiday programs are open to primary school aged boys and girls. And the great news is, if you're already enrolled with us for After School Care you won't need to enrol again to access our Holiday Programs. We have heaps of fun activities planned these school holidays and we can't wait for you to attend! To check out what's on and where your local program is, visit our website at extend.com.au and book via the Parent Portal. RECAP- Last week we did painting, played cricket, soccer and spud. We spent one afternoon making play dough, and enjoyed constructing animals and food out of it. The kids experimented with arts and crafts, and made some pretty awesome animals out of paper plates. Our favourite thing to do inside last week, was play cricket. We also celebrated Samantha's birthday last week. We are continuing to welcome new faces to the OSHC team. Our funny moment for the week was when Zac and Jack were playing cricket, and Jack kept getting hit by the ball because Zac was bowling too fast for Jack to see it! Our Extend Superstar is….Bella T for always using her manners and teaching the younger kids how to play fairly. This week's activities: Monday 2 March: Cooking- Muffins, Tuesday 3 March: Arts & Crafts- Painting, Wednesday 4 March: Science- making slime, Thursday 5 March: Arts & Crafts- Minions, Friday 6 March: Science- experiments!
Hayden McCrohan
For displaying such a positive attitude in all that he does!!

Memphis Barsic-McDonald
For her outstanding attention to detail when publishing!!

Innika Hall
For being a great team player and working well in groups.

Ashleigh Donaghy
For showing great persistence and using his time to achieve better outcomes.

Nyalieb Chan
For doing a fantastic job when reading ‘we’re going on a bear hunt’ to the class.

Liam Ringwald
For producing wonderful writing this week!

Kyle Cropley
For fantastic skip counting using counters.

Nick Smith
For having a go at something new and really enjoying it.

Cooper Hudson
For his concentration and hard work during maths sessions.

Tahlia Brown
For her pleasing manners and having a go during discussions.

Sam Petsas
For his enthusiasm at our Bushwahzee performance.

Robyn Willis
For being a responsible learner who always tries her best.

Chaise Mayson
For being an active listener and always showing respect.

Samuel Donovan
For sharing about his family’s culture and being respectful of others.

Lily Matthews
For sharing her experiences in Melbourne in great detail.

Brooke Lucas
For taking responsibility for her learning by trying her best to learn new things.

Matthew Windsor
For being a responsible learner when working at his table.

Mikaela Witt
For being a responsible learner and trying to do it by herself.

**TOTALLY SPORT 2 DAY HOLIDAY PROGRAM**
For children in grades 3-6 at the home of the Geelong Cats, Simonds Stadium. For more information contact Michael at Leisure Networks 5224 9140 or booking online www.trybooking.com/122962

WANT TO LEARN A BRASS INSTRUMENT?
Geelong West Brass Academy
Rehersals: 6pm-7pm Tuesdays
Address: Fairley Lodge: Corner Hope & Weller Streets, Geelong West.
Music Director: Mr Jeff Steele 0412 073 276
$75 per term (First term free)

**AFRICAN CHILDREN’S CHOIR TO PERFORM IN GEELONG**
Grab this rare opportunity to be dazzled and entertained by the eighteen children from the Ugandan based African Children’s Choir on their second tour of Eastern Australia. The purpose of the tour is to raise awareness of the orphaned and destitute children of Africa and to raise funds for the choir’s programs. Through the choir’s fundraising efforts over the past thirty years, fifty two thousand children have received a better education with choir members educated to university level and often returning to the community as lawyers and doctors. **Under One Sky Concert with The African Children’s Choir**
Where: Sth Barwon Civic Centre, Belmont
When: 7 pm Friday 10 April (Family Tickets Available)
Bookings: www.kwaya.org/underonesky.html
**Student Wellbeing**

**Super Simple Slice**

I love this slice! It’s quick and easy to make, perfect for school snacks and it’s filled with all the good things!

**Ingredients:**

- 1/2 Cup Cashews
- 1/2 Cup Almonds
- 1/2 Cup Cranberries
- 1/3 Cup Chia Seeds
- 6 Pitted Dates
- 1/4 Cup of Coconut Oil

**Method**

1. Place dates in a microwave safe container, cover with water and place in microwave for 40 seconds—set aside.
2. Use half of your almonds and cashews and whiz quickly in a food processor—its ok if some are still chunky. Place nut mix in a mixing bowl.
3. Remove dates from container and place in food processor along with cranberries and remaining almonds and cashews. Whiz until it forms a sticky paste.
4. Add the paste into the mixing bowl with the nut mix, add in chia seeds
5. Melt coconut oil and add to mixture—mix in well.
6. If mixture isn’t sticking add more melted coconut oil.
7. Spread mixture onto tray and place in the freezer.

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**Tips:**

You can get super creative with this slice, add in some mashed banana, currents or even protein powder!

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**Megan Hay-Smith**

Social Worker

Mondays and Tuesdays.

Fortnightly Wednesday

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**UNIFORMS**

NEW UNIFORMS

Deal directly with Coastal Uniforms.

Phone: 5255 4897

Ann-Marie will visit Grovedale Primary School again on:

Thursday 5th March

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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**DISCOVER GROVEDALE COLLEGE**

**CAMPUS TOUR DATES 2015**

Parents, prospective students and friends are warmly invited to participate in a tour of Grovedale College.

Scheduled tours occur every Tuesday and Thursday at 9.30am during the months of March, April and May.

Alternative tour times are available by appointment, please contact the College office on 5245 4545.

19 Wingarra Drive, Grovedale 3216
Telephone 5245 4545
www.grovedale.vic.edu.au

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**RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP GRADE PREP**

**TWIGGY!! THE DALMATIAN**

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**JOKE OF THE WEEK!!**

**FORWARD YOUR JOKE OF THE WEEK TO THE OFFICE AND HAVE IT PRINTED IN THE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER....**