



Barwon Heads Primary School

Family Newsletter

'It takes a village to raise a child'

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS – TERM 3 2009

JULY

Wed 22 nd	C.o.G.G. - BH Traffic Forum – school meeting room 4.00pm
Thurs 23 rd	School Tour 11.00am – prospective families
Fri 24 th	Grade 5/6 Hoop Time
Mon 27 th	Finance Committee 2:30pm. Curriculum Committee 3.45pm Environment Committee 3:45pm.
Wed 29 th	School Council 7.30pm
Fri 31 st	Grade 3/4 Hoop Time Grade 5/6 LOTE performance – GPAC

AUGUST

Mon 3 rd – 5 th	Grade 4 Camp – Maldon
Wed 19 th	School Council 7.30pm
Mon 24 th – 28 th	Book Week – Book fair
Mon 24 th – 26 th	Grade 3 Camp – Coastal Forest Lodge
Wed 26 th	District Athletics Grade 4-6 – Landy Field Reserve

SEPT

Wed 2 nd	Grade 6 Camp – Melbourne
Sun 6 th	Father's Day
Tue 8 th	Australian Youth Choir visit – 9.30am
Wed 9 th	School Concert – GPAC
Fri 18 th	Last day term 3 – 2.30pm dismissal

School resumes Monday 5th October Term 4

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ENROLMENTS FOR 2010 NOW OPEN

Welcome back

This week we welcome back Mrs Rogan and Ms Bailey after their respective holidays abroad. Mr Steven will be on leave from this Friday for a week overseas.

Retirement

Mrs Lesley Dyer has indicated she will be retiring from her current professional life in August. The Barwon Heads school community recognizes the valuable contribution Mrs Dyer has made over the past years. I am sure that everyone wishes her all the best for her future after a long career as the school admin manager.

C.o.G.G. Traffic and Parking Forum

A reminder that the City of Greater Geelong is holding a public meeting at our school tonight at 4.00pm to discuss the Barwon Heads Traffic and Parking Study. Feedback is taken before recommendations are made for future budgets. **Do you have any traffic or parking issues in Barwon Heads?** Come along to the meeting and have your say. A copy of the Barwon Heads Study Report is available to read at the office.

July School Council

A reminder to school councillors that the July meeting is scheduled for next Wednesday 29th of July at 7:30pm. Environment, Finance and Curriculum Committee meetings will precede this on Monday 27th of July from 2:30pm. Please check the diary for details.

EMA for 2nd Semester

EMA for 2nd Semester is now closed.

July/August is enrolment time

A reminder that we are keen to finalise our enrolments for next year, as soon as possible. If you have children starting with us next year or know of any others, parents are asked to come up and complete the enrolment procedures. This will really help our planning for 2010.

Our Newsletter via email – please consider

Many families receive our newsletter via email. This means they can electronically receive all our school news, enjoy full colour pictures and email any enquiries direct. If you would like to enhance your newsletter experience and reduce your carbon footprint send us an email requesting delivery from the address you require and we will put you on the system. A reminder to families currently receiving the newsletter to make sure your inbox is cleared out regularly or the newsletter will bounce back. Don't miss out on any important info!

Prep-2 Swimming

Next Term on the 6th of October the Prep to grade two students start their swimming lessons at Bellarine Sports and Aquatic Centre. Notes will go home at the beginning of next week with a payment slip to pay off the cost which is \$65.00. Payments are due before the 28th of September so we know how many students will be participating in this program. Thank you.

Free Fruit Friday

Our school has received a further Government grant which will allow us to again offer fresh fruit on Friday mornings to Prep and Grade 1/2 students. Thanks to Danielle Bridger for drawing up this term's roster.

Fruit will begin next week on **July 31st** with helpers **Kate Middleton & Tracey Gallagher.**

Read for 30 days – Celebrate 30 years!

There's still time for students to join in the celebrations of the 30th year of the MS Readathon. Due to popular demand the reading period for the 30th MS Readathon has been extended! Students can now read for any 30 day period during the months of June, July or August. Here's how to get involved:

Click online for free registration and you receive a FREE MS Readathon wristband

Flick through books during the months of June, July and August (you can count books from other reading programs too)

Collect sponsorship donations from family and friends and collect some terrific rewards

Visit www.msreadathon.org.au or call 1300 677 323 for more details.

Debating

Just before the holidays two teams of grade 6 students debated against Chilwell Primary School. Our topic was about Antarctica being opened up to commercial ventures. The negative team won and the affirmative team only just lost.

Our teams include the following students, Lucinda Prinzi, Tom Dodsley, Jenna Whitlock, Lilly McCann, Nicole Soltesz, Eliza Fleet, Conor McKinnon, Sunday Maggs, Matthew Wilson, Jarred Pullen and Molly Short.

Today both our teams will be debating at Bellbrae. One team is debating the topic; "More refugees should be let into Australia" and the other team is debating that they shouldn't.

Good luck to both teams and well done.

By Molly and Mrs Herbison.

July 2009 Parent update issues:

[Choosing the Best School for Your Child](#)

Deciding upon a school for your son or daughter can be a bewildering and sometimes agonising process for parents.

[New Child Restraint Laws](#)

Every year, almost 300 children under the age of seven are injured or killed as passengers in vehicles on Victorian roads – and more Australian children die in car crashes than any other kind of accident.

[Bureau to Help Parents and Schools Work Together](#)

Now more than ever, parents are seen as vital partners in a child's education. And it makes sense: you are your child's first and most influential teacher – no one knows your child better than you do.

[Free Careers Counselling for School Leavers](#)

Providing your teenage child with the right sort of career advice can be difficult for parents – particularly if you're not familiar with the range of options that are now available to young people.

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/aboutschool/participation/parentupdate/july09/default.htm>

Community Notice:

Lost

We have a missing boy's watch, it has a skull and cross bones on it and if it is found please return it to the office.

Also there is still lots of miscellaneous jewellery here in lost property at the office so if you are missing anything please come to the office and we will see if we have your missing jewellery. Thank you.

Barwon Heads Seagulls Basketball Club

'Family Get Together'
All Club Members & Families welcome!

Saturday 1st August, 2009

@ Surfside Centre 3.30 – 5.30pm

Food, Fun & Games supplied for everyone

Hope to see you all there!



Geelong Junior Baseball

Introducing the new RALLY CAP Program
T-BALL Games and SKILLS TRAINING geared to all skill levels

Ten Week Program

Starting from 21st of August to 23rd of October 2009

From 5:00pm – 6:15 pm

For players aged 5-9 years

Registration evening: Friday the 14th of August

Time: 5:00pm – 6:15pm

Where: Geelong Baseball Complex.

Pioneer Rd. Waurin Ponds

For additional information, please contact Larry Meager on 0409 921700

Lize Paterson (after 8th of August) on 0418 388996

The GBA website will be updated with more information

<http://www.geelongbaseball.com.au/>