

NUMBER 13

11th MAY 2017

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



REMINDERS FOR WEEK FIVE: TERM TWO 2017

Friday May 12 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mother's Day Stall • Rural cross-country at Narrawong p.m. • No ASSEMBLY 3pm
Monday May 15 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Photos
Tuesday May 16 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
Wednesday May 17 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District cross-country
Thursday May 18 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
Friday May 19 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASSEMBLY 3pm

YOU CAN DO IT! STARS

Organisation – Caught 10 times Sam Fidge Jack Swanson Lou Impey Hannah Rethus
 Chad Daniel Azariah Russell

Persistence – Caught 10 times Jayden McCluskey

Resilience– Caught 10 times Luke Fidge

Organisation – Caught 20 times Shantae Keegan

Academic Excellence – Caught 10 time Jayden McCluskey

Academic Excellence – Caught 20 time Sam Fidge Ayden Perkins Jonathon Goode

Our stars will receive their awards at assembly on Friday May 19th

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

ACADEMIC EFFORT/ACADEMIC IMPROVEMENT/ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

RURAL CROSS-COUNTRY – Tomorrow at Narrawong

We will have lunch at school and then a bus will transport the students to Narrawong for a 1:15pm start. We will arrive back at school by 3:15pm.

Students may go home with their parents from Narrawong if their class teacher is aware of this.

DISTRICT CROSS-COUNTRY – Wednesday May 17th

Students who qualify for the District cross-country will be informed on Monday and will get an individual letter home that explains everything they need to know for the day.

SCHOOL PHOTOS – Monday May 15th

Whole School Photo will be taken at 9am.

- All students to be at school before 9am!!!
- School Uniform to be worn.
- Order Forms, together with **correct** money, to be brought to school with children on Monday morning.

MOTHERS DAY - Portland Observer

Yesterday's Portland Observer published many wonderful tributes to the mothers in our community. Many of our students had their work in the paper. Three of our students won \$50 vouchers for their Mothers. Their writing is below.

Mum is the best hands down. I don't want any other kids disagreeing with me because she is not soft or girly. She moves our goat every day and chops wood for the fire. She also cleans my room and cooks scrumptious lasagne and plenty of other things. She drives me to footy practice and games. She does the same with cricket so that's so that's some of the things why my mum is the best. If you want any more reasons I will be happy to give you them.

Morris Richardson

My mum is everything to me.
She is as sweet as sugar,
As royal as a Queen,
Tough as a soldier,
She hugs like a bear,
She cooks look Jamie Oliver,
She's as wise as an Owl,
My mum is as fun as a puppy,
My mum is as funny as a comedian,
As calm as a koala.
I need mum.

Angus Impey



Dakota Oliver

ENROLMENT WEEK – JUNE 5TH to 9th

If you have a child starting Foundation in 2018 we encourage you to enrol in the week starting Monday June 5TH. Any parents wanting to have a look around our school can make a time for a tour during this week. All schools in the Portland and District area encourage students to go to their Neighbourhood School.

POLICIES PASSED AT SCHOOL COUNCIL

At our most recent School Council Meeting the Duty of Care Policy and the Onsite Supervision Policy were passed. They both can be found on our website (www.bolwarraps.global2.vic.edu.au/) or we are happy to provide you with a paper copy on request.

WORKING BEE – Sunday June 25th 1pm : details to follow

STUDENT SUPERVISION

The school provides supervision for students arriving before school between 8:15am and 9am. The school will provide staff supervision for students after school between 3.30pm and 3.45pm at the front of the school, then between 3:45pm and 4:05pm at the Bus Shelter.

Students remaining in the schoolyard awaiting collection after 3.45pm will be directed to the office waiting area.

IMPORTANT EXTRA-CURRICULA TERM 2 DATES

May	Friday	12 th	-	} Mother's Day Stall a.m. Rural Cross-Country p.m.
	Monday	15 th	-	
	Wednesday	17 th	-	District Cross-Country
	Friday	26 th	-	Division Cross-Country in Warrnambool
	Tuesday	30 th	-	AFL Clinic
	Wednesday	31 st	-	Winter Series (football, soccer & netball – Grade 5/6)
June	Monday	5 th	-	Parents Club 9am
	Friday	9 th	-	Report Writing Day-student free day
	Monday	12 th	-	Queen's Birthday Holiday
	Wednesday	21 st	-	School Council
	Sunday	25 th	-	Working Bee 1pm
	Friday	30 th	-	Last Day of Term 2

LEE GIBBONS.....PRINCIPAL

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Emma Butler (9), and Mr Gibbons who will celebrate their birthday on Sunday; and Charlie Arnold who turns 8 on Monday.

PARENTS CLUB

MOTHER'S DAY STALL – Parent's Club will be running this stall tomorrow morning.

Students will be able to select from a variety of small gifts up to the value of \$6.00. All monies should be sent along with your child **in the morning, in a secure lunch bag or similar, and should be clearly named** Students will go in grades from 9.15am onwards to make their purchase

AFL TICKETS TO GIVE AWAY!!!!!!

Trotters bus-lines have kindly donated tickets for the following matches/dates.

2 x tickets – Essendon v West Coast – 21st May

2 x tickets – North Melbourne v Richmond – 3rd June

2 x tickets – Western Bulldogs v Melbourne – 18th June

All games at Etihad Stadium

First in – first served. Please see Nicole or Lee in the office.

HEYWOOD DISTRICT SECONDARY COLLEGE OPEN DAY

DATE CHANGE – Due to circumstances, we have changed our **Open Day** date;

NEW DATE: Wednesday, May 17th, 2017 from 3.30 to 5.30pm. There will be school tours, Principal speech, afternoon tea and Year 7 scholarship test sitting.



Bayview College

Applications for enrolment currently being received at Bayview College.

Please drop your enrolment form to Bayview Reception office so we can begin the process and welcome your family to the Bayview College community!

Ph: 5523 1042 119 Bentinck St Portland Vic 3301

PORTLAND RENEWABLES SWITCH-ON

Gasfield Free Glenelg
presents an information forum
with guest speaker

Dylan McConnell – Melbourne University
and others followed by Q & A

Date: Friday, 26th May

Time: 1-2pm

Venue: Portland Football, Netball and Cricket Club
Henty Street, Portland
Afternoon Tea
Gold Coin donation appreciated

HEATHMERE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

Heathmere junior Football club & Pauline's
Absolutely Fabulous Accessories are presenting a

LADIES FASHION NIGHT

WHERE: Heathmere Football Netball Club

WHEN: Wednesday, 17th May, 2017

TIME: 7.00PM

RSVP: Thursday 11th May 2017

EMAIL: heathmerejfc@gmail.com

TEXT: 0459384525

COST: \$5.00/ticket

Supper and Glass of Champagne included in ticket price

Each ticket receives \$5 in-store voucher at
Absolutely Fabulous

Chaplain's Corner – Our cars and our families

Just occasionally the wrong thing happens in the right place. Like the time my old Commodore ran out of both petrol and LPG as I was driving into the service station. All it took was a short push and the tanks were filled. Easy solution. It wasn't quite as easy when the Commodore dead heated with a kangaroo on the way home from Hamilton one night.

Cars and families have a lot in common. Provided we care for them, life is good. But poor upkeep of either leads to breakdown, frustration, and no progress. We can get away with limited maintenance for a while perhaps. But the day will come when the car won't start. Our lack of care of our families will have unhappy outcomes too. So, what do we need to be on the lookout for?

- **Keep the family tank full** – Every day the family needs a top up. Busy families need to encourage, build up, focus on strengths, express love in the little things of life. Everyone, mum, dads and kids need to know that they are needed and valued.
- **Watch the temperature gauge** – A boiling radiator signals a problem. An overheated family temperature also signals problems. Short tempers, harsh words, misunderstandings can happen even in the best-ordered households. If the temperature is too high, it needs fixing.
- **Enjoy your climate control** – We choose the cool or the warmth we prefer when driving. Mums and dads adjust the family climate. Kind attitudes, ideas and opinions are essential. This helps our kids learn the lessons of life in caring ways which respect the needs of others.
- **Adjust your speed to each situation** – Our local roads have just been resurfaced. Reduced speed signs were everywhere. Our families can't go full speed all the time. We need to slow up, talk, listen, relax, enjoy each other just for the sheer pleasure of being with each other.
- **Learn about family cruise control** – Selecting the right speed saves constant speedo checks and gives speed cameras a rest. Mums and dads can sense what their families can cope with. We don't have to keep up with other families. Just do well what needs to be done.
- **Check your lights** – Sooner or later globes give up. To be without a headlight in the dark makes it hard to see where we are going. And is risky for oncoming traffic. Wisdom and patience give us the light needed for the darker moments when being a family is difficult.
- **Keep air in the spare** – Punctures can happen any time. Families need a spare, a fall back position when unexpected interruptions force us to think again, to check out other options and do things differently. This is the stuff of inconvenience. Life has its unwelcome surprises.
- **Use your seatbelts** – Safety is today's big deal. Belts and airbags have one purpose: to protect us. Our homes need to be safe places. The one place in the world where we are accepted and understood, where we can be ourselves and know we are loved no matter what.
- **Make use of your GPS** – These are now standard in many new cars. But we have to set the destination. The GPS shows us a way of getting there. Families need direction. What are we about at our place? What kind of adults are we raising? Where are we really going?
- **Check for wear and tear** – Stone chips and assorted scratches just happen. Families have wear and tear issues too. Unattended tensions and stresses spoil family life. It's much better to cut and polish by listening, forgiving, moving forward. Maturity is the key here.

How would we cope if we couldn't drive our cars? Life would grind to a halt. But how much more do we need happy families. Let's all do our best to love, care and maintain them.

John – stay in touch revsimmo@gmail.com

