**Principal's Report**

Welcome back everyone!

This will be a long term of 11 weeks, a great opportunity for many learning activities.

**Road Safety**

It was gratifying to see that over the holidays the Greater City of Geelong deposited and spread gravel outside the school grounds and along Williams Road. The road surface is now more even with less potholes and it will make car parking easier.

A reminder that **Williams Road school zone** has a **40kph speed limit**. We don’t have footpaths around our school so please be aware of your surroundings and maintain the authorised speed limit to ensure pedestrians are safe.

There is a fire hydrant across the road from the school, near our neighbour’s driveway. Please do not park in front of it, in case of an emergency when it may need to be accessed.

A reminder that students must be supervised by an adult when crossing the road to and from school.

**Before and After School Care**

It’s great to see families making use of the Before School Care program. Operating hours are 7:30-9am and breakfast is available. After School Care is also available between 3:30-6:30pm. School Support Services are our provider and can be contacted on 0488 662 783 or online at [www.schoolsupportservices.com.au](http://www.schoolsupportservices.com.au)

**Senior Athletics Day**

On Thursday April 21st the Year 3-6 students will participate in the senior athletics day against the Surf Coast Sports Association schools at Landy Field. Permission notes are due back and we would appreciate any parent help you can provide, mostly to walk with an age group. Please let the office know ASAP if you can help. A note will go home on Friday with any last minute reminders, and the timetable of events. Please remember that if the event needs to be postponed due to inclement weather, an announcement will be made at 7:30am on KRock. Please don’t ring the radio station. We will also put a notification on the skoolbag app. The backup day is Friday May 3rd.

Students can travel to Landy Field by bus or with parents, please inform your child’s classroom teacher if you are taking them with you. All students MUST pay the $3.00 charge for the day.

**ANZAC Day**

A school ANZAC Day service will be held at school at 9:15am on Friday April 22nd. Students are encouraged to bring flowers so that we can create a floral tribute. The school captains will represent our school at the Geelong ANZAC service at Johnston Park.

Torquay service - Over the last 4 years we have invited students and their families to represent the school and lay a wreath at the Torquay ANZAC Day dawn service. Ella White and her family will lay the wreath on behalf of our MDRPS this year. This is a Public holiday, therefore the school will be closed.

**Safety**

Could you please reinforce with your children that we have a ‘no tackling’ rule when playing football. The ‘HANDS OFF’ school rule applies as usual.

**Personal Development and Capabilities**

This year Carrie Rowe and myself are teaching Personal Development and Capabilities lessons to all classes. Our term two focus is ‘Ethical Capability’ which explores what it means for both an individual and society to live well. Students examine what we ought to do, how we ought to live, what kind of society we should have and what kind of person one should be. These questions concern individuals alone and relationships between people, and between people and environmental, social and economic systems. They involve contested and complex concepts.

This exploration strengthens students’ capacity to make decisions informed by an understanding of the values, principles, concepts and ideas that underpin different assumptions, and an ability to analyse and evaluate these.

Building capability in ethical understanding supports the development of informed citizenship at local, regional and global levels.

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**EVENT CALENDAR**

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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

PrepG
Claudia Millard– for her love of learning and beautiful manners.
Lyla Irvine– for practising and learning lots of her Oxford words and coming to school with a big smile each day.

PrepH
Lexie Powell– for always trying her best in class and being kind to everyone.
Kyle O’Neill– for getting to school on time and putting more effort into his work.

1/2H
Daisy Levinson– for trying your best and having an amazing start to term 2.

1/2K
Lucas Castle– for being a risk taker and participating in class discussion
Lily Cameron– for using her initiative and helping other students in need

1/2L
Tyler Maguire– for always putting SUPER effort into his work
Caleb Stobbs– for terrific counting skills in Maths.

1/2M
Banjo Hilton– for using your best effort on all your work.
Summer Kelberg– for taking a lot of care with your setting seed for your narrative.

3/4C
Lilly Schroeter– for her strong work ethic and positive attitude to learning.

3/4G
Violet Webb– for excellent behaviour at all times.
Gemma Castle– for excellent effort on your project about ‘Bones’ and creation of a skeleton.

3/4K
Zara Miltenoff– for working at solving new words by chunking when reading.

5/6B
Levi Bowden– for consistently trying his best and being so friendly to everybody at all times.
Bethany Warren– for being so helpful and caring to all in the 5-6 community.

5/6K
Ellie Polyzos– for being organised and conscientious when completing tasks both at school and at home. Well done!
Kalin Gatti– for a brilliant start to term two! Keep up the positive and enthusiastic attitude towards learning.

5/6L
Paige Hilton– for demonstrating an excellent work ethic and finishing all set tasks
Kya Werner– for using extremely convincing persuasive techniques when debating

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS will be sent home on Friday, 22nd April to all families unless we have been otherwise notified.

‘Artist of the Week’
Congratulations to our ‘Artist of the Week’ for this week, who wins a $10 voucher from Kaisercraft!
Sandra Felstead 3/4 K
For her terrific enthusiasm and effort put into learning how to blanket stitch this week. Well done Sandra!

**Items Needed this Term in the Art Room include:-
*cardboard rolls/tubes (no toilet paper rolls please),
fabric scraps,
stockings-any colour but without holes/ladders if possible,
wire coat hangers,
wool,
wood offcuts,
1.25 L soft drink bottles.

Thank you, Karen Jahn

LUNCH ORDERS - PARENT HELPER ROSTER
We need parent helpers to take lunch orders to Grovedale Take Away in Marshalltown Rd by 10:00am Thursday morning or Friday pick up lunch orders & deliver to school office by 1:30pm. If you are able to assist contact the office to add your name to the roster.

TERM 2 LUNCH ORDERS - PARENT HELPER ROSTER

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MOVIE ON THE MOUNT HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL OCTOBER.
Date yet TBC.
Information will be sent home later in the year.
**SPOTLIGHT ON MDRPS CURRICULUM!**

**You Can Do It Term 2 - Organisation**

**Organisation** means setting a goal to do your best in your school work, listening carefully to your teacher’s instructions, planning your time so that you are not rushed, having all your supplies ready and keeping track of your assignments’ due dates. Examples of organised behaviour include making sure you understand the teacher’s instructions before you begin work, having all your school supplies ready at a neat desk and planning when you’re going to do your homework so that you have enough time.

**Positive Habits of the Mind that help develop a young person’s Organisation include:**

- **Setting Goals** - thinking that setting a goal can help me to be more successful at a task.
- **Planning My Time** - thinking about how long it will take me to do my schoolwork and planning enough time to get it done.

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**S.S.A. Cross Country**

At Cross Country I came 1**st** in the 8/9 Girls age group.

At the start of the race we had to run or walk 2 kilometres around Eastern Gardens and we saw lots of bats as we were running. I really enjoyed Cross Country because I like to run and it was a good opportunity to run with my friends. **Stella Draper**

At Cross Country it was very hard and I was very nervous at the start. When we got there I started to do some warm ups.

We waited for about half an hour and then they called out, “Can the under nine boys come to the starting line?” My heart was pumping. We walked to the starting line and the man said, “On your marks, get set, go!”

I was coming second for a while and then moved into first place. Half way I went back to second. I recovered and was back into first place.

Near the end I sprinted two or three meters. The boy behind me tripped over and I won.

After the race I could barely stand up or walk and I was so happy but also puffed. **Cruz Rothengatter**

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**CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS FOR MT DUNEED REGIONAL P.S.**

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To all the MDRPS students who attended the S.S.A Cross Country, **CONGRATULATIONS** your participation and behaviour on the day was wonderful and was noted and commented on by people attending the day. Well done everyone!

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**MDRPS HEALTHY LIVING EXPO**

On Thursday 17th March the grade 5/6 students hosted a Healthy Living Expo.

We planned and ran heaps of different stalls that had lots of information about healthy living. Some of the stalls were healthy eating, CPR, meditation, yoga, body awareness and many more. It was great to see everyone involved in the day and walk away with a healthy smile.

We had lots of fun organising the expo and we hope all the students, teachers and families had a great time and learned lots of new things.

From the 5/6 community.
TERM 2 BUS TRAVEL PAYMENT FOR FARE PAYING FAMILIES
Payment for Term 2 Bus travel must be PAID FOR BY FRIDAY, 15TH APRIL.
Term 2 bus travel will cost $120.00 for each fare paying child. Application forms for bus travel are available from the office. Student bus passes MUST be attached to school bags to enable children to access the bus to and from school. NO CURRENT OR PAID BUS PASS—NO BUS TRAVEL.

Sporting Schools Program Term 2
The Sporting Schools Program for Term 2 will be soccer. This program will run for a period of seven weeks and be split into two age groups, allowing all students to benefit from the coaching provided. Each group will have 16 students only. Please be aware the program will end at 4.30pm. All students will need to be picked up at this time.
Prep to Grade 2 - Tuesday 26th April to 7th June 2016
3.45pm to 4.30pm
Grade 3 to 6 - Tuesday 28th April to 9th June 2016
3.45pm to 4.30pm

NAB AFL Auskick Program 2016
Barwon Heads NAB AFL Auskick commences on Friday 15th April 5 - 6pm at Barwon Heads Football Club, Bluff Road. The NAB AFL Auskick program is aimed at children aged 5-12 and makes learning to play AFL fun, safe and easy for boys and girls. Through weekly coaching sessions they will learn the skills of the game in an exciting, social and safe environment. Each participant will receive an awesome pack full of gear when they join.
The cost for the season is $91 and is paid online at registration. To register children must be turning 5 this calendar year (2016). The season will run from Friday 15th April - Friday 12 August 2016 (Please note Auskick will not run on the Fridays of public holidays, 22 April and 10 June or on the School Holidays 1 July and 8 July).
The bar will be open each week with a sausage sizzle put on for the kids each week from our local sponsors Benno’s and IGA, we will also have family nights and strive to get a half time grid game and a visit from some AFL players.
To Register please follow these simple steps
Visit aflauskick.com.au
• Enter your Postcode in the centre locator and select Barwon Heads
Complete the registration process
We have a new team at Barwon Heads this year and can’t wait to see you all at the ground.
If you have any questions please contact Amy Raleigh amyraleigh@bigpond.com

Belmont High School
Rotherham Street, Belmont 3216
(03) 5243 5355
School Information Night
Thursday 14th April
5:00pm – 6:30pm: School Tours
6:45pm – 7:30 Information Session
– School Gym