PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Dear Parents / Carers

The Performance and Awards Night was a huge success last week. Once again thank you to the staff who contributed to it's success especially those who worked tirelessly behind the scenes. A big thanks also to the students who behaved so well and waited patiently for their performances in the back room. As you would have realised all seats were full and there wasn't enough room in the hall for them so they did a wonderful job waiting. Congratulations also to our award winners who worked so hard in the areas in which they were nominated.

**DVD:**

A DVD will be available of the night in the last week of term but we require pre orders now. If you would like a copy please send back the reply slip with $10 per copy by the end of this week. Students leaving before the release date will have copies mailed to them.

**Curriculum Fees:**

Could you please finalise payments for fees this week. In particular we have a number of outstanding Sub School 3 fees which we would appreciate being paid as soon as possible. Students in this area participate in VET areas which would be an extra payment in many Secondary Schools however even though we hire extra trainers we do not charge extra to our students. Your kind consideration would be appreciated as a contribution to the comprehensive extra programs offered by the school.

**Early Leavers:**

Students 16 years and older may finish the school with written permission from their parents at the end of this week. Our normal program will be continued for students wishing to attend until the end of term.

**Last day Term 4:**

The last day of term for 2012 is Friday 21st December. All students will finish at 12 o’clock on this day. Could you please make suitable arrangements for your child being home earlier.

**Canteen:**

The canteen will be closed from Friday 14th December. No lunches will be available from Monday 17th December. Students are not permitted to go to the shops so please make sure that students are provided with lunches.

Have a great week ahead

Paula Barnett
**WELFARE MATTERS**

**Family Support**

The Berendale Health and Happiness sessions for parents have been a wonderful success. Sessions on hand massage & pampering, gentle exercise and self care have proved very popular and given our mothers a chance to relax and enjoy some ‘time out’. There are still a few places for the final session ‘Art & Caring’ this Friday 30th November from 9:30 to 12:00 at MOIRA, 920 Nepean Highway, Hampton East. Please let me know if you would like to attend or have any questions. We hope to run similar programs again in 2013.

**Holiday Programs**

The teenage holiday program Xtreme Teen hold a range of exciting activities, including a camp, from Monday 7th January to Thursday 24th January. If you would like a brochure and registration form or wish to know more please contact the school or Bayside Youth Services direct on 9599 4622. All Berendale students are eligible to attend this program as Berendale is a Bayside school. The first round of bookings (which includes Berendale students) open at 9:00am on Thursday 6th December. For information about other programs and camping opportunities available these upcoming holidays please give me a call on 9555 6141. Some support funding is available if there is a genuine need.

**Information Evening**

Marriott Support Services in conjunction with the Department of Human Services are hold an information evening on Wednesday 28th November at Marriott House, 100 Wheatley Road, McKinnon commencing at 7:00pm. Information about Centrelink, Medicare services, disability trusts and payments will be presented. If you would like to attend, please phone 9555 0777 to book a place.

**Access for all Abilities**

Leisure Link Up is an Access for all Abilities provider for the areas of Frankston, Dandenong and Kingston. Leisure Link Up works at community level developing and encouraging sport and recreation programs for people of all abilities. If you would like to know more about their activities visit [www.leisurelinkup.info](http://www.leisurelinkup.info) and register your interest. JCAAA is a similar provider working in the Bayside, Stonnington, Glen Eira and Port Phillip local government areas.

**Speech Pathology**

This year Carisse Matthews, a speech pathologist, has conducted individual weekly sessions at school for some of our students. This program has been highly successful and will continue in 2013. If you would like to discuss your student’s participation in the future please contact Carisse on 0439 968 785. Carisse is also intending to start a small social skills therapy group. Again if you feel such a program would benefit your son or daughter please Carisse a call.

**Dance Party**

You should have received information about the Dance Party to be held on Friday 7th December at the Beaumaris Community Centre. Bookings have opened, so please let school know if you need more information or another flyer.

Maree McCutcheon
**IMPORTANT DATES**

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| Friday 30th November      |            | Early finish with written permission  
Y 10, Yr11 and Yr12 students only |
| Tuesday 4th December      | 6.30 pm    | Year 12 Graduation Dinner                                  |
| Friday 21st December      | Finish 12.00 pm | End of Term 4                                              |
| Wednesday 30th January 2013 |          | Students start back at school                              |
Concert and Awards Night 2012

DVDs for sale.

The DVD for this will be available the last week of term, the 17th December the cost will be $10 each.

Please include the money in an envelope with this slip and return to the office.

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Student name:_____________________________________

How many copies:__________________________________

Parent signature:___________________________________