Dear Parents/ Carers

Thank you to all parents who attended the School Transport Meeting. Your feedback was very valuable. After collating information we will express interest in the Travel Training program and consider other options in the future.

We also held the Transition evening which was well attended by students and parents. Thank you so much to Sub School 3 for organising such an important event. We had a good range of Post School Providers who offered a variety of programs and Further Education options.

Presentation Ball:
This issue of the Bulletin features the Presentation Ball. It was thrilling to see our students dressed up and behaving in such a grown up manner. Thank you so much to Kylie Scott and the hard working parent group who made the night so successful. It was lovely to see so many staff attending to celebrate the glamour filled night. I hope you enjoy the pictures featured here but there will also be a video made of the evening. Seth will be working on this in the near future.

Konnective:
Thank you to parents who have given us email addresses for Konnective. If you still need to do this we have included the form with this Bulletin. We will be in-serviced on the use of it this week so we expect it to be up and running shortly after the training session.

School Fees:
We would appreciate school fees being paid as soon as possible. Please contact me if you have any difficulty in this area so other arrangements can be made

Reminder:
Curriculum Day: August 20th
No students will be required on this day

Have a great week
Regards
Paula Barnet
Disability Respite & Recreation Expo 2013

The annual southern Disability Respite & Recreation Expo will be held on Thursday 29th August at the Dandenong Market, corner of Clow & Cleeland Streets, Dandenong, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. All parents and carers are most welcome. There will be information on respite options, recreation and arts opportunities and a large variety of stalls for you to visit. Please contact the MOIRA Expo Coordinator on 8552 2222 if you would like further information.

Fair Go Footy

Fair Go Footy 2013 has been run by the Ormond Junior Football Club. The aim of the program has been to have young people with disabilities participate in our great game of Aussie rules. The program is on Saturday mornings and each session includes skill development as well as game play. The program will continue on Saturdays 10th and 17th August and then recess until 2014. If you would like your student to join in the fun on those days you are very welcome to just show up and make contact with Andrew O’Connor who is the Fair Go Footy Coordinator and Coach. They need more players for 2014 so please let Andrew or myself know if you are interested. Fair Go Footy is held at the EE Gunn Reserve, Malane Street, Ormond (Melways Ref. Map 68 E7) from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m on Saturdays.

V8 Supercars @ Sandown

The V8 Supercars are back at Sandown on Friday 13th September. Each year we have a number of free tickets to the day for our students and staff. If any parents would be interested in coming along with their son or daughter, could you please let me know so I can allocate tickets. There will be no inter-school sports held that day which gives all our students the opportunity to attend.

Dance Party

While it is still some time off who may wish to diarise the date. The next combined Dance Party will be held at the Beaumaris Community Centre on Friday 25th October from 6:00 until 8:00 pm.

Parent Resources 2013

Publications by MOIRA ‘Time for a Break’ and ‘Compass’ are still available from the school. Please let us know if you would like a copy. Both books contain a great deal of valuable information on a range of program options, case management and access to respite for parents of young people with disabilities. You can also phone Kerri Rolfe (Parent Support) at MOIRA on 8552 2222 to discuss your needs.

Entertainment Books 2013

Just two left! Can anyone help out at a reduced price of $60? Please let me know.

Maree McCutcheon
(Student Wellbeing & Family Support)
Beyond the School Gates, in conjunction with MOIRA, have organised a morning of indoor lawn bowls for eligible fathers and their children. Morning tea is provided and there is no cost for participants. This will be a great opportunity to meet other families and to engage in an activity that is bound to be loads of fun! For more information and to book, please visit [http://www.beyondtheschoolgates.org.au](http://www.beyondtheschoolgates.org.au) and click on the ‘Family Support’ link.

Beyond the School Gates and Holmesglen are offering students the opportunity to participate in a free one-off TAFE Taster day to find out about different careers and to experience first-hand the exciting TAFE environment. For more information, and to book, please visit [http://www.beyondtheschoolgates.org.au/](http://www.beyondtheschoolgates.org.au/) and click on the ‘Work Skills’ link.

**WHEN PAYING SCHOOL FEES**
When depositing school fees in to the school’s bank account it is very important to add in the student’s name so it can be easily identified.

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**IMPORTANT DATES**

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YEARS 7 & 8 COMMUNITY ACCESS AT SPRINGVALE PET SHOP

Ooooooh Soooooooo cute
Yesterday most of the year 10s went to a driving course at METEC. We got to drive a car, it was really good. We learnt so many things for the first time. I learnt how to start a car and how to park a car. I learnt so many things. I was in the car with Sheraton and CJ. I was so scared but I got used to it. 😊
FIRST DAY OF DRIVING COURSE AT METEC.

YESTERDAY WE DID DRIVING. IT WAS FUN. WE REALLY ENJOYED IT. I WAS DRIVING HONDA AND THE PERSON NEXT TO ME WAS EXCEL. FIRST DAY OF DRIVING COURSE AT METEC.

JESSE, BILLY AND DERRION IN A TOYOTA CAMRY

WE ARE DRIVING IN THE CAR. WE ARE DRIVING AROUND THE TRACK AND I DID SOME CAR PARKING. WE DROVE AROUND THE WITCHES CONE.
Me CJ and Racheal ready to go driving yay

David and Jesse setting off on their first round of driving
After 12 weeks of dance practice, trying on dresses and suits, shoes, looking at hair styles, the big day has finally arrived! Brighton International here we come!

Students spent every Friday afternoon practicing their four dances for the Presentation Ball. There were some testing times and frustration trying to get the moves correct but overall a lot of fun was had during the dance practices. A big thank you to Teresa from footsteps for all of her hard work teaching the students their dances. Thank you to Liz Dainton for overseeing the Friday dance lessons. Liz’s Tango has also improved!

The girls looked amazing. They got their dresses through the Tiara Project and thanks to the expert dress making skills of Helen Heimann the dresses were a perfect fit.

The boys were so grown up in their 3 piece suits and with freshly groomed hair, they all looked so smart.

People started arriving at the Brighton International from 6.30 pm and there was a great sense of excitement building. As families took their seats the evening was underway. Each student was introduced and presented to Paula Barnett and Kon Peltekis. Thank you to Rob Sands for MCing the evening.

The dances were great, as was the evening meal, which was then followed by some very smooth moves on the dance floor with family and friends.

The students should be so proud of themselves; each of them did such a remarkable job, not only on the evening but throughout the whole experience from beginning to end.

Of course the whole Presentation Ball would not have been possible without the support from our parent group: Nerida Laszlo, Kelly Stenhouse, Dianne Rintoull, Nathalie Gaud, Caroline Pados and Cheryl Frost and sponsorship from the following: Beyond the school Gates, Bentleigh/Moorabbin Rotary, the Tiara Project, HQ hair studio, Spurling suit Hire and Hightett Florist.

A last but not least a big thank you to the staff at Berendale, especially Sub School 3 who have changed timetables, supervised dance lessons etc.

Well done to all involved, it was a wonderful evening.

Kylie
Berendale is going mobile!

We are really excited to announce that we are adding a mobile app to the ways in which we connect with you, our school community. We will be sending news, events, photos and more directly to your phone. You can add events directly to your calendar, set yourself reminders and receive important alerts from us as soon as they are released.

We would like you to be a part of this new system and feel it will be the most efficient and reliable way of communicating with you. To do so, we need to collect information for every person that would like to be included. Students, grandparents and extended family are also welcome to join.

Please complete the slip opposite with the information requested and return to the school office.

Be assured that this is an opt-in system; **your email address will not be used for any other purpose.**
Please provide the following information in the chart below. You can belong to the following groups:

1. I am a parent or carer of a student at Berendale
2. I am a student at Berendale
3. I am an extended family member of a student at Berendale
4. I am a teacher or staff member at Berendale
5. I am a member of school council

Berendale student’s name:

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Return to the school office.
FAMILY SUPPORT

Indoor Lawn Bowls (Father & child)

> FREE morning of indoor lawn bowling
> Opportunity to meet other fathers/students
> Morning tea provided

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Beyond the School Gates, in conjunction with MOIRA, have created this program with the intention of bringing together a group of fathers and their children for a morning of indoor Lawn Bowls. This is a great opportunity to participate in an activity that is interactive, inclusive and, above all, fun! We accordingly warmly invite you to come down, meet some other people, and enjoy some delicious morning tea.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- All fathers and their children with a recognised Learning Difference (e.g. Dyslexia, Autism, Severe Language Learning Disorder, intellectual disability) are invited to attend
- No experience in lawn bowls is necessary - training will be provided

DETAILS

Date: Saturday 24th August, 2013
Time: 10-11.30 am
Location: Brighton Bowling and Sporting Clubs. Dendy Park, Breen Drive, Brighton East, 3187

BOOKINGS

Places are limited and bookings are essential.
To book:
Go to www.beyondtheschoolgates.org.au
Select Family Support
Select Indoor Lawn Bowls (Father and Child)
Select info@beyondtheschoolgates.org.au and include father’s name and the names and ages of any children attending.

MOIRA

www.beyondtheschoolgates.org.au
**WORK SKILLS**

**TAFE Tasters**
Multimedia, Hospitality, Hair and Beauty

> FREE, fun and interactive
> Opportunity to experience TAFE
> Get a ‘taste’ of some popular industries

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**ABOUT THE PROGRAM**

TAFE Tasters are a fun, interactive way for students to find out about different careers and to experience first-hand the exciting environment of a TAFE. Students can choose one of two options (see below) and spend the day doing hands-on activities.

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

- Young people aged 15+
- A recognised Learning Difference (e.g. Dyslexia, Autism, Severe Language Learning Disorder, intellectual disability)

**TASTERS OFFERED**

**OPTION ONE – Multimedia and Hospitality**
- Multimedia:
  Produce your own Stop Start animation using current video editing programs.
- Hospitality:
  Prepare morning or afternoon tea while learning about different jobs in the Hospitality industry.

**OPTION TWO – Hair/Beauty and Hospitality**
- **Hair/Beauty:**
  Get hair and make-up tips while learning about jobs in the Hair and Beauty industry.
- **Hospitality:**
  Prepare morning or afternoon tea while learning about different jobs in the Hospitality industry.

**DETAILS**

**Date:** Thursday 22nd August
**Time:** 9.30 am - 3.30 pm
**Location:** Holmesglen, Moorabbin campus. 488 South Road, Moorabbin, Victoria, 3189
**Cost:** Free

**BOOKINGS**

Places are limited and bookings are essential.
To book:
Go to [www.beyondtheschoolgates.org.au](http://www.beyondtheschoolgates.org.au)
Select Work Skills
Select TAFE Tasters (Multimedia and Hospitality)
OR
TAFE Tasters (Hair/Beauty and Hospitality)

[www.beyondtheschoolgates.org.au](http://www.beyondtheschoolgates.org.au)