Dear Parents/ Carers

Thank you to the parents and families who attended the Barbecue and Information Night. It was very well attended even though the weather looked threatening earlier in the day. Don't forget our next event is the Annual General Meeting of School Council on Wednesday March 20th. It's a night of celebration with student performances, presentations from Sub Schools and School Captains announced. It starts at 6 pm and we ask parents with students performing to get there by 5.30 pm. More information will be sent out shortly.

Featured in the Bulletin are photos of the Barbecue and photos of our new bus which was kindly donated by Bendigo Bank. It is a comfortable vehicle for our students and as it is an automatic more staff are able to drive it.

Beyond the School Gates:

Don’t forget to check the website www.beyondtheschoolgates.org.au to access our new courses for 2013. We have a new car maintenance course as an Introduction to Automotive as well as a beginning and Advanced Barista course.

School Visits:

Last Friday we were fortunate to host Mark Tainish (Director Student Wellbeing and Inclusion) for a tour of our school. Mark was very impressed and commented on the great Vocational opportunities available to the students. Thank you to our Hospitality Group for the delicious morning tea.

Later in the month Richard Bolt (Deputy Secretary of Education Victoria) will visit Berendale to talk about our specialised programs including Ticket to Work, Beyond the School Gates and Career and Transition Planning. We also have Alan Swan (National Organiser for Extended School Hub Schools) from Western Australia visiting to talk about Beyond the School Gates. A busy time for all!

Pilot program:

Berendale is pleased to be part of a new pilot program between Victorian Legal Aid and the Department. The committee is looking at producing a computer based program dealing with issues to prevent problems for our students dealing with the Law. We expect resources to be available for trial in our school by Term 4.

School Fees:

Please don’t forget that fees are now due. Please contact me if you have any issues and we can discuss alternate arrangements.

Conference:

I will be on the Inner South Conference in Creswick on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday this week so Seth Willingham will be in charge of the school.

Have a great week and a wonderful long weekend.

Regards

Paula Barnett
WELFARE MATTERS

Family Support

Parents are reminded that some assistance is available to meet the cost of school camps, school uniforms and extra curricular activities. Please call if you would like to know more. Such a discussion remains confidential, so I do invite you to be in touch if there is a need.

Camp Diversity 2013

Applications for the upcoming Camp Diversity are now open for our Year 11 and 12 students. The camp will be held at the Lord Somers campsite in Somers from Friday 12th April to Sunday 14th April. This is always a great fun packed weekend for our older students. Please let me know as soon as possible if you would like an application as this camp always gets booked out well before the application deadline because it is so very popular.

Immunisation Date Revised

The Bayside Immunisation Team will now be attending Berendale on Thursday 14th March. Immunisation cards for our Year 7, 9 & 10 students should be returned even if you son or daughter is not participating in the program. Thanks you for your co-operation.

Student Transport

Parents of students who travel on Crown Coaches will have received a card from Crown listing contact details, the bus route number and the student ID number. Please keep this card handy so that you can refer to it should the need arise. If the card is lost you will need to contact Crown direct for a replacement card. Bayside Coaches do not issue individual cards or ID numbers. A reminder that you can contact Bayside Coaches on 9523 2555 or Crown Coaches on 9845 1455, 24 hours a day.

Recreation & Holiday Programs

The Bayside City Council is running their very successful teenage holiday program ‘Xtreme Teen’ from Tuesday 2nd April until Friday 12th April. Once again there is an amazing range of activities available. Luna Park, GESAC, movies, surfing, laser skirmish, electric bikes in the city, weird science and Japanese cooking are some of the activities on offer. First round bookings open on Monday 14th March and you will need to book early as places fill quickly. Please contact the school for a brochure or visit the website www.bayside.vic.gov.au/youth As Berendale is a Bayside school all our students are eligible to attend Bayside programs.

Speech Pathology

Our visiting speech pathologist, Carisse Matthews still has some vacancies for Term 1 and Term 2. Carisse works with both individual students and small groups. If you would like to discuss your student’s participation please contact Carisse on 0439 968 785. This is a fee for service arrangement, and can be made through a Health Care Plan from your family doctor.

Maree McCutcheon
The first Berendale school council meeting had everyone’s attention, there was much to consider. One of the highlights was the school bus for which negotiations are underway for sponsorship of the ongoing service of the vehicle for the next 3 years or 45000 Km’s by the kind people at Jefferson Hyundai. All those that have recently had their vehicles serviced would understand the cost saving that this will have on the school. In addition, if anyone you know chooses to buy a vehicle from Jefferson Hyundai, the school stands to gain a $200 spotters fee which I’m sure can be put to good use by the school staff.

The welcome barbeque was so well catered for, the interaction with staff, students & parents was very nice and there was enough food to allow for second helpings, not good for those watching their diet but hey it was nice. The staff were very impressive with their presentations, what a unique group of people? What an incredible knowledge base that has been accumulated? All in the name of giving our children the best hope that they could ever hope for, I learn so much every time I get to listen to these devoted & committed people.

There were some new yet recognisable faces starting in Year 7, I hope they enjoy their new place of learning as much as the rest of us have.

To all those that have already paid their school fees, thank you very much for your consideration as they are instantly absorbed, thank you all for your ongoing support.

Please join me in welcoming everyone to a fantastic & fun filled time at Berendale in 2013,

Sincerely,
Kon Peltekis

School Council News:

Congratulations to the following new councillors:
♦ Tim Osmond
♦ Amanda Walsh

Our remaining councillors are:
♦ Kon Peltekis
♦ Mark Fisher
♦ Max Verberne
♦ John Parsons
♦ Jopie Witzand

Next meeting is the Annual General Meeting on the 20th March
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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Berendale's New Bus

[Images of people standing next to a van and a car in a car dealership]

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[Images of people shaking hands and holding keys]

[Images of the van open with people inside]

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[Images showing the exterior of the dealership]

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CURRICULUM

- LITERACY
  - FUNCTIONAL LITERACY
  - Speaking & Listening
  - Writing
  - Reading
- FUNCTIONAL NUMERACY
  - Time
  - Money
  - Number Facts
  - Measurement
- Mathletics

- SOCIAL SKILLS
  - I Can Do It program

- COMMUNITY ACCESS
  - Peterson Centre
  - Vision Australia
  - Outdoor Education
  - Career Curriculum
  - Travel Training
  - Money Handling
  - Elanora

Code of Conduct

- Be where you are supposed to be.
- Treat others as you wish to be treated.

The Arts

- Art
- Drama
- Dance
- Music
- Choir

Specialist Areas

- Home Economics
- Horticulture
- Information Technology

Health & Physical Education

- Fitness
  - Team Sports
  - Stamina training
  - Strength training
- Swimming Program
  - Water safety
  - Stroke development
  - Water Confidence
- Daily Walk
  - 20 min morning walk

Recreation & Leisure

- RDA
- Circuit Training
- Racquet Sports
- Games
- Basketball
- Bowling
- Sailing
- Camping Skills

The Arts

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WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN SUB 2!
WE'VE HAD A GREAT START TO THE YEAR!
SWIMMING. COMMUNITY ACCESS. WORKING HARD IN CLASS.
ART & SCULPTURES. VET. FUN!!!!!
Breakfast club is really fun. It gives you a chance to eat breakfast because some people don't eat breakfast and when you go to a job it is important to eat breakfast. We have all sorts of different foods like Vita Brits, toast with jam, muffins, toasted cheese sandwiches and sometimes the teacher makes us pancakes, we are going to have a buddy in sub school 1. We will bring one of the sub school one people and make them breakfast. Breakfast club is on Friday mornings until recess which is 10:45. Once we finished making our breakfast we talk about what vitamins is in the breakfast and the teacher writes it on the white-board.