Dear Parents/Carers

Winter is here and so is the cold and flu season so just a reminder to keep students at home when they are sick. It does help to minimise the spread of diseases to both students and staff and maximise school attendance. I thank you for your cooperation in this area.

School Uniform:
All students from year 7 – 10 should now be in winter uniform. Hoodies, polo fleece windcheaters, vests and coats are available for purchase through the uniform shop. Girls also have the option of the winter skirt. Please contact the office for all purchases.

School Camp:
Year 8’s enjoyed a very active school camp at Blackwood. Although the nights were cold the days were sunny and beautiful and they completed a very full agenda. I thank all staff who go on camps as it is a huge responsibility and in most cases it involves rearranging their own family commitments.

Without the staff input camps would not be possible.

Donation:
Joyce Stewart from Hampton East has donated a piano to the school. Thank you for your donation and for covering the costs of relocating it to the school. We appreciate your kindness, generosity and for thinking about us. Thank you and best wishes from everyone at Berendale School.

Mindfulness:
Last week the school staff had a Professional Development session on Mindfulness. It was a great session led by Janet Etty Leal. We will start to introduce sessions to Sub School 3 next term. It involves students becoming more aware of their feelings and actions and learning to pause prior to rushing into action. Janet will deliver 6 sessions to the students. Beyond the School Gates will fund the program at Berendale.

Brighton Grammar:
The Maths Learning Program will start with Brighton Grammar on 14th June. The ten selected Brighton Grammar boys will mentor 10 selected students from year 7&8 in Maths. A highlight of the program is that the boys will design computer applications to explain Maths concepts for our students. The program has been funded by telematics and selected students have an ipad for their use at school as part of the program. At the conclusion of the program the ipads will remain the property of Berendale School.

Have a great week,

Regards

Paula Barnett
Holiday Programs & Camps

With the next holidays only a month away, now is a good time to make any enquiries about the holiday programs and camps that are available if you are interested. The Bayside Xtreme Teen Holiday Program is taking first round bookings from 9am on Thursday 13th June. Please contact the school for a brochure or visit www.bayside.vic.gov.au for more information.

Cobra Street Defence

This new and exciting program is for boys aged from 14 to 16 years, who want to improve their fitness, develop new skills and personal safety. The program will be conducted by Peter Keogh at the Peterson Youth Centre (Cnr Peterson St. & Hight Rd., Highett) next term from 3:45 to 5:15 pm for 9 weeks commencing on Wednesday 24th July. For more information please contact Emily at Bayside Youth Services on 9599 4622. The program is free with snacks provided.

Woolworths Earn & Learn Program 2013

The Woolworths Earn and Learn Program ends on Sunday 9th June. Could you please send your points along to school once the program finishes, so that we can tally our final points and decide which educational resources to choose for our students. Our thanks to those families and friends who have supported this program. We will let you know which resources were selected by the staff and students.

Parent Information

Two excellent publications are available from the school or online at www.moira.org.au. ‘Time for a Break’ is a comprehensive guide to respite care and recreational services, while ‘Compass’ is a guide to a range of services and support options for young people with disabilities and their families. If you would like copies please just let the school know.

Pensioner Education Supplement (PES)

A reminder to parents that students who are receiving the Disability Support Pension (DSP) are also entitled to an extra fortnightly allowance (PES) for educational purposes. You can download an application form at www.centrelink.gov.au. You will also need a letter of verification from school to support the application. Please contact me if you need further information or assistance.

PACTS (Parents as Career Transition Support) Program

The PACTS program will commence on Thursday 13th June and run over two weeks. So far we have had a very good response from parents, and thank you for your interest and support. There are still places available and all parents are most welcome. Please contact the school if you need any more information.

Maree McCutcheon
Dear all,

It's starting to get cold a little chilly so rug up before getting out of the house and into school or work even. I know that we are a very sharing group but no one likes to share a cold or even an exotic form of flu virus, so those of you who have experienced the latest dose of what mother nature has to offer, get well soon.

I'm constantly surprised by the changes that I see in the children, lately it has been the increase in physical abilities. This is likely to have come about from the fitness class, creating confidence and a desire to participate more in activities. I hope that the fun and games at every ones home as well as domestic duties are including more of our children's participation.

We should have all had a chance to review the individual learning programs for each child at Berendale by now, this is an opportunity to realise the level of understanding that the staff at the school have for the children and how they are responding. We may also realise the amount of work that has undergone into the development of each child. From what I've seen to date, all of the goals that have been set for our children should be reached by the end of the school year.

Sincerely,

Kon Peltekis

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**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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VCAL YEAR 10
Power WALKING AT ALBERT PARK LAKE
Sailing at Black Rock Yacht Club

Recreation and Leisure SS1&2
Berendale Automotive, Car Detailing
Small engine repairs  2013
AUTOMOTIVE

SMALL ENGINE REPAIRS

Car detailing, bicycle repairs
We saw a demonstration of how they made candy. A few of us bought some to take home.

Waiting for a coach ride in a Cobb and Co. Coach.

Ballarat Wildlife Park. Hayden and Kaylee feeding the kangaroos.

We had the chance to hold some real gold.

Just arriving. We were very excited to get to our rooms.

Waiting for a coach ride in a Cobb and Co. Coach.

Dinner at La Porchetta. It was great, we had pizza and hot dog.

Dressing up in the school room was fun.

Amy in one of the small miner’s cottages.

Keeping warm by one of the street fires.

We had the chance to hold some real gold.
At SBAT are the following students Jack, Nin, Tom S, Tom H, James, Arnold, Daniel, Sean, Alex, Andrew.

We have been doing a number of jobs around the school and learning lots of skills during the last 6 weeks.

We have been cleaning up Berendale school grounds. We have cleaned the basketball courts, maintaining the oval and the front of the school. We are using the ride on mower, hand mowers, whipper-snippers, blowers, shovels, wheel-barrows. The SBAT crew has been pruning and making the gardens look nice.
In the Central Deborah Gold Mine we had a miners
We had toasted marshmallows and cooked bananas with chocolate in the fire
We had a fry up for breakfast and the Talking Tram took us to a Chinese restaurant for lunch
On Saturday I was awarded my Senior Brown Belt in Karate. The grading session was exhausting but I passed.
My Sensei Marco said it was a huge jump from juniors to seniors.
I am feeling very happy.
Sheraton Browne