Dear Parent/Carers

As yesterday was a holiday our Newsletter is being published and distributed today. I hope everyone enjoyed the long weekend and had an opportunity to enjoy the break.

The presentation that we did at the Principals Association of Specialist Schools on Employability Myth or Reality was well received and we have had several schools contacting us to look at our programs. We have been asked to repeat the presentation at the Wimmera Special Schools conference in July.

Beyond the School Gates News

Combined Special Schools Dance Party:

Don’t forget that the next Dance Party is on Friday 20th June. You can book on the website on www.beyondtheschoolgates.org or use the reply slip attached to the Newsletter. A parents room will be open for parents who want to stay however the dance floor will be for students only.

Media Studies:

Our first group of media studies students will be finishing up at the end of the term and a new group will start in Term 3. The program has been fantastic and students have learnt a range of media skills. Disability Media Australia who run the program are also responsible for the Chair Chat program on Channel 31. The program is run entirely by young people with disabilities.

Disability Media Australia are running Saturday morning programs and a holiday program on a user pay basis. If you are interested in programs for your son or daughter the contact details are admin@disabilitymedia.org.au phone 96637158 or on their website on www.disabilitymedia.org.au

Industry Explorer Program:

Sub School 2 students have begun this program which is run by Youth Connect. The students investigate possible Career Paths and what the job really means. At the end of the program they hold an Expo to demonstrate their knowledge.

Lunch time Dance Session:

Sessions started last week with Donna who is also taking the Social Skills coaching program. The students very much enjoyed the session which was full of fun and fitness.

Ticket to Work and Futures Expo:

Next Tuesday 17th June all Year 10, 11 & 12 parents and students are invited to our expo on Post School Options and Ticket to Work. We will have a variety of organisations represented and parents can visit them to discuss futures options. I urge all parents to attend this important night.

Have a great week

Regards

Paula Barnett
To all children, families and staff at Berendale,

My sincere apologies for the my absence during the last school letter, I missed the normal input. My thanks to Maree for helping me out at short notice.

The year is currently under full steam, this is indicated by the way that the fees are being paid and the amount of activity that is taking place both inside and outside the school. The Beyond The School Gates program continues to be very effective with dances parties, martial arts, media training, TAFE orientation and school holiday activities.

The school photos should be distributed very soon, I look back at my black & white photos and realise the important reminder that they are for remembering old friends and rekindling old acquaintances, I hope all of the photos look beautiful and give great reminders of a wonderful school experience.

I recently had the opportunity to visit the school camp at Rawson Village, I arrived at around 11:00 pm after a 2 hour drive through mountainous roads under wet and miserable conditions sporting a head full of the flu. The very next morning I was treated to the best pancakes in the WORLD and still today I can recollect texture and taste. Unfortunately, I had to leave early to attend to my son’s injured ankle so I would like to take this opportunity to thank Nicole and the staff for their support and the way in which they handled the situation as George is looking forward to returning to school and the next camp.

Yours Sincerely,

Kon Peltekis
Berendale School Council President.
You are invited to:

BERENDALE CAREERS EXPO AND TICKET TO WORK INFORMATION EVENING

An opportunity for Students and Families to learn about and explore future careers and transitions options.

Date: Tuesday 17th of June, 6pm start.
Venue: Berendale School Hall

Overview of the evening:
6:00pm: A brief presentation providing an overview of ‘Careers and Transition’ (including information about the ‘Futures for Young Adults Program’).
6:15pm: A presentation outlining the ‘Ticket to Work’ SBAT program.
6:45pm: Students and families can explore different careers and transitions by meeting with and talking to different careers and transitions related service providers.

‘Ticket to Work’ School-based Traineeship and Apprenticeship (SBAT) Information:
Ticket to Work is a workplace preparation program that provides students with opportunities to participate in work experience and School-based Traineeships. Ticket to Work is being offered to students from Berendale School, Montague Continuing Education Centre and other local secondary schools. Ticket to Work is supported by over 20 organisations, including schools, employment services, disability services and youth agencies. Together this broad network of organisations is working to raise employment aspirations and opportunities for students with disabilities throughout the southern region of Melbourne.

If you have any further questions please contact Rob Sands and Amanda White on (03) 9555 6141.

Reply Slip:

Student Name: _____________________________

☐ Yes, we would like to come. Number of people attending: _____________

☐ No Thank you.

Please return this slip by 10th of June.
Thank you,
SS3 Staff.
Dance Party
2014

> It’s back by popular demand!
> Dress to impress and put on your dancing shoes!
> Lights, music, dancing and pizza!

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**
- Must go to school at Yarrabah, Montague, Berendale, Southern Autistic, Bayside or Port Phillip schools
- Must be of secondary school age
- Must book online and provide student’s name and parents’ contact details

**PARENTS’ RESPONSIBILITIES**
The Dance Party will be chaperoned by school staff and volunteer parents. Parents, you are welcome to drop off your child and pick up after the event:
- Parents must accompany students to the door and sign them in
- Parents must provide emergency contact details
- Parents must collect students from the door after the event and sign them out

We have hired a room next to the Dance Party hall so that parents who would like to stay close by can relax and enjoy coffee and biscuits while their child enjoys the dancing next door.

**VOLUNTEER TO CHAPERONE**
The Dance Party relies on volunteer parents to help chaperone the event. Chaperones duties may include: encouraging students to participate; monitoring behavior; serving pizza and drinks; and cleaning up after the event. If you are able to assist us on the night, please email info@beyondtheschoolgates.org.au

**EVENT DETAILS**
- Date: Friday 20 June
- Time: 6.00pm – 8.00pm
- Location: Beaumaris Community Centre 99 Reserve Rd, Beaumaris Enter via Beaumaris Library
- Cost: $5.00 contribution to the cost of running the event
  Please pay on the night

Pizza, soft drink and water provided.

**BOOKINGS**
Please book online at www.beyondtheschoolgates.org.au
Select Sport and Fun
Select Dance Party 2014 Term 2
Click on Book Now
ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA
- Age 16-18 yrs
- A recognised learning difference (e.g. autism, severe language learning disorder, intellectual disability)
- Live or go to school in the Bayside, Kingston, Glen Eira or Port Phillip regions
- Able to attend all six sessions and enrolment
- Able to get to Holmesglen (Moorabbin campus)

TRAINING MODIFIED TO SUIT STUDENTS OF ALL ABILITIES
All classes are taught by experienced VCAL Foundation and Certificate 1 in Transition Education teachers. Weekly sessions focus on the following industry areas:
- Photography
- Hospitality
- Sport and Fitness
- Textiles
- Horticulture
- Multimedia

COST
There is no cost for eligible students. Exploring TAFE is fully funded by Beyond the School Gates.

TIME COMMITMENT
Dates: Mondays – 28 July, 4, 11, 18 and 25 August, 1 September
Time: 1.30 – 3.30pm

INFORMATION SESSION
Please note there is also an Information and Induction session – students are required to attend this session, parents are welcome to attend.

Date: Monday 21 July
Time: 4.00pm

Students are required to bring two forms of ID to the Information session, one of which must be photo ID (e.g. passport, birth certificate, student card). Students must also have a current email address

LOCATION
Building 4
Community and Transition Education department
Holmesglen, Moorabbin campus, South Road

HOW TO BOOK
To find out more about the Exploring TAFE program or to register your interest in participating, please email info@beyondtheschoolgates.org.au.

www.beyondtheschoolgates.org.au
PROGRAM INFORMATION
In conjunction with Kingston City Council and Bayside Council, Beyond the School Gates is once again running holiday activities for students aged 14+. The program runs over three days, and you can choose how many days you attend.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA
- Secondary school students aged 14 – 18 years
- A recognised Learning Difference (e.g. Autism, Severe Language Learning Disorder, intellectual disability)
- Live or go to school in the Bayside, Glen Eira, Kingston or Port Phillip region.
- Supervision is provided but not one-on-one care, so students must be able to participate independently.

DATES, TIME AND LOCATION
- Dates: Mon 7 July, Wed 9 July, Thu 10 July
- Time: 10.00- 3.00 pm.
- Location: Berendale School (2 Berend Street, Hampton East).

DRESS CODE/COST
- Comfortable clothing that enables movement is essential. Runners/trainers are highly recommended.
- The cost of this program is $20 per day, payable in cash on arrival on each day of the program. Lunch on each day is included as well as fruit for morning tea.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS
During the program, students will get the opportunity to participate in a wide range of activities, including dance, drama and cooking, facilitated by experienced staff:

BOOKINGS
Please book online and download permission forms at www.beyondtheschoolgates.org.au
Select “Health.” Select “Healthy Teens School Holiday Program Day 1”.
Select “Health.” Select “Healthy Teens School Holiday Program Day 2”.
Select “Health.” Select “Healthy Teens School Holiday Program Day 3”.
Please note you will need to book separately for each day you would like to attend.
Places are strictly limited and bookings are required.
Volunteering Fairways Sandringham
New Veggie Garden

Katandra School  Mowing Lawns
Bayside City Council’s X-Treme Teen school holiday program includes activities for young people aged from 10 to 17 years old. Bookings are essential for all activities as places are strictly limited.

ALL BOOKINGS ARE TO BE MADE ONLINE at www.bayside.vic.gov.au/youth
All bookings are allocated according to the date and time the online form is received and is considered final. No alterations or transfers can be made once confirmed via email from Bayside City Council's Youth Services.

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Following written confirmation of your booking from Youth Services staff, full payments must be received within 48 hours to finalise booking. Ways to pay:
- Online via www.bayside.vic.gov.au
- BPAY
- Cash or EFTPOS payments can be made at the cashier at Bayside City Council’s Corporate Centre.
- A 50% discount is available to young people named on a health care card or equivalent. These details can also be entered online.
- Contact Youth Services if payment assistance is required.

Important information
- The excursion leaders are qualified and experienced.
- At least one leader on each activity has level two first aid qualifications.
- There will be a minimum of one staff member to every eleven participants.
- Staff are not responsible for young people outside the advertised activity time.
- The program operates on a warning system for unacceptable behaviour. A maximum of three warnings can be given before the participant’s enrolment will be cancelled and no refund will be given. Parents will be notified of all warnings issued.
- Participants are responsible for their own belongings. Bayside City Council will not be held responsible for the loss or misuse of property or spending money.
- To cater for all weather conditions we ask all young people wear appropriate clothing, including hats, sunscreen, long sleeve tops, raincoats and carry water bottles.

Refund Policy
- Refunds will not be issued unless a medical certificate is supplied within one week of the activity, or the activity is cancelled for reasons out of our control.
- All refunds will be processed at the completion of the program.

Specific needs and disability services
X-Treme Teen aims to provide an inclusive service to young people who live, recreate, study or have significant ties to Bayside. When booking into the program, please provide information regarding your young person’s needs.

JCAA – Joint Council’s Access for All Abilities (9209 6159) provides funding for additional staff to support participants with additional needs. Participants must be registered with JCAA prior to making a booking. JCAA does not provide 1:1 support. Additional carers and 1:1 support needs must be arranged by their own registered carer through Bayside Respite Services (9599 4654) or other approved care service provider.

This brochure may be available in other formats upon request.
TTY (Telephone Typewriter Service) 9705 5568
TIS (Translating & Interpreting Service) 131 450

Privacy statement - Council is collecting the personal information on this form for the X-Treme Teen Winter 2014 program. The personal information will be used solely by the Council for the purpose of program registration or directly related purposes such as an emergency situation. The applicant understands that the personal information provided is for the abovementioned purpose and that he or she may apply to Council for the access to and/or amendment of the information recorded. Requests of access and/or correction can be made to Council’s Privacy Officer.
WEEK ONE

Monday 30 June - 9am to 5pm
Ice skating & the Southern Star
To kick off the holidays we are mixing an oldie with a newie. In the morning we will head to the Icehouse in the Docklands to carve up the ice. After lunch we will be able to take in spectacular views of Melbourne by riding the huge Southern Star wheel.

What is provided: transport, entry fees, healthy lunch and snacks.
What to bring: thick socks, warm clothes and a water bottle.
Cost: $50

Tuesday 1 July - 1pm to 5pm
Cartooning "NEW"
Ever wanted to learn the skill of cartooning? Well, this is your chance to be instructed by an artist who specialises in cartoon strips and caricatures.

What is provided: a professional artist and healthy snacks.
What to bring: your artistic talent.
Cost: $30

Wednesday 2 July - 9am to 5pm
Intercouncil Sports Day
This is your chance to represent Bayside by competing against other holiday programs around Melbourne. It will be an action packed day of round robin style sports. Who will be the winning team?

What is provided: transport and healthy snacks.
What to bring: sports shoes, comfy clothes and a water bottle.
Cost: $20

Thursday 3 July - 9am to 5pm
Bowling & Movies
It will be strikes and spares in the morning then free time and lunch at Southland before kicking back and watching the latest blockbuster at the movies. (check out our Facebook page closer to the day to see what movie we’re seeing!)

What is provided: transport, activities and healthy snacks.
What to bring: socks and money for lunch.
Cost: $45

Friday 4 July - 1pm to 5pm
American Independence Day "NEW"
Join us to celebrate the Fourth of July! Dizzy bat races, flag relays, Tug-of-War, a balloon popping challenge and an apple pie eating competition will be just some of the American related activities that will be happening to celebrate this special day.

What is provided: activities and healthy snacks.
What to bring: dress in red, white and blue!
Cost: $20

WEEK TWO

Monday 7 July - 1pm to 5pm
Mexican FIESTA!
Week 2 starts with a FIESTA! Chill out at PYC making some nachos, tacos, or even your own piñata to smash!

What is provided: activities and snacks.
What to bring: hair tie for long hair, closed toe shoes.
Cost: $20

Tuesday 8 July - 9am to 5pm
SplashOUT
Back by popular demand….Wet and Wild fun at the MSAC. Shoot down the 50m speed slide, race along the tetras inflatables, and surf the MSAC huge wave pool.

What is provided: transport, entry fees, healthy lunch and snacks.
What to bring: bathers, towel, water bottle, and a change of clothes.
Cost: $30

Wednesday 9 July - 9am to 1pm
Masterchef - Team challenge
The time has come for the red team to challenge the blue team in a cook off. You’ve seen the show, you know how it works, now is the time to test your skills in the kitchen. Let the battle begin.

What is provided: activities and healthy snacks.
What to bring: hair tie for long hair, closed in shoes and a container for leftovers.
Cost: $20

Thursday 10 July - 9am to 5pm
Spaghetti and Splatball
For the first time we are heading to Splatball in Oakleigh for a 90 minute miniball session. What is miniball? A junior version of paintball suited to young people aged 10 years old and above. But before we enter the game zone we will warm up with activities and a spaghetti lunch at PYC.

What is provided: transport, entry fees, healthy lunch and snacks.
What to bring: hair tie for long hair and closed in shoes.
Cost: $45

Friday 11 July - 4pm to 9:30pm
American Independence Day 13+ years "NEW"
Visit abandoned morgues, forgotten cemeteries and hidden laneways in Victoria’s most historic seaport. Includes dinner at La Porchetta Williamstown.

What is provided: transport, activity and dinner.
What to bring: comfy shoes and warm clothes.
Cost: $40

Unless otherwise stated, drop off and pick up locations are at the Peterson Youth Centre (PYC), Corner Highett Rd and Peterson Street, Highton. Enter via Highett Road (Mel Ref 77B8)

Please note: Activities, locations and transport are subject to change without notice due to program requirements.
Combined Schools Dance Party

It's back by popular demand! This is a combined schools dance party for the students of Yarrabah, Berendale, Montague, Southern Autistic, Bayside and Port Phillip schools. Dress to impress and put on your dancing shoes for a night of music, dancing, lights and pizza.

Parents, the event will be chaperoned by school staff and volunteer parents, so you are welcome to have some free time while your child attends the event. Alternatively, we have booked a room adjacent to the hall and you are welcome to stay and enjoy coffee, tea and biscuits. If you would like to volunteer as a chaperone, please contact us on info@beyondtheschoolgates.org.au.

Please note that students must be escorted to the door and signed in by a parent or guardian.

Only students who have registered for the event will be admitted.

Students must be picked up at the door and signed out by a parent or guardian.

An entry fee of $5 per student required to contribute towards the cost of running the event (pay on the night)

Please fill our the slip below:

Date: Friday 20 June
Time: 6.00pm – 800pm
Location: Beaumaris Community Centre, Reserve Rd (enter via Beaumaris Library)

Combined Schools Dance Party Reply Slip

Student’s name:____________________________

Student’s age__________________

School name:______________________________________

Parents name:________________________________________

Parents contact details :_________________________________________________________________________

Money Included $5.00

Please return as soon as possible to the office