Dear Parents/Carers,

The end of the school year is fast approaching and we have had many student achievements to celebrate. This edition of the newsletter highlights many of the student’s recent sporting successes. Congratulations to the Interschool Sport Cricket team with a win in the recent Cricket Carnival. We are very proud as a school and the perpetual trophy is on display in the school office foyer.

Congratulations also to the media group and the Art students for the recent ART installation. The art work and the photography was outstanding. The display will remain in the multipurpose room over the coming weeks & all are welcome to visit. Thank you to Brian O’Neill and Di Takis for arranging the ART show and highlighting the fantastic work from the students.

As the school year finalises the following dates are planned:

- **Tuesday 29th November** – Parent information Night.
- **Tuesday 6th December** – Transition Day – Students will spend time with their new teacher and classes for 2017.
- **Thursday 8th December** – Year 12 Graduation Night – Beaumaris Motor Yacht Club.
- **Thursday 15th December** – Awards afternoon, details will be sent home in the coming week.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

The first school day for 2017 for all students will be **Wednesday 1st February 2017**.

Teachers will be attending professional development days on Monday 30th and Tuesday 31st January.

Kind Regards

Jenny Hamilton

Principal

Berendale School
Parent Support & Information
Carer respite and support is available to most of our families. For parents and carers living in the southern region, please visit www.respitesouth.org.au or call 1800 052 222. For those living in the eastern region (includes Monash), please visit www.lifeassist.org.au or call 1300 277 478. Both organisations can provide funding packages to support a variety of family situations, including camps. Parents may self-refer, however if you prefer the school can support and guide you through the process.

Summer Holiday Programs
Please be aware that the closing dates for holiday programs are fast approaching. Bayside School Holiday Summer Program provides a variety of fun activities for 10-17 year olds. Bookings online at www.bayside.vic.gov.au/youth, or phone 9599 4622 for information. Glen Eira Youth Services also conduct a Teen School Holiday Program for 12-18 year olds. Contact Youth Services on 9524 3676 or visit www.gleneira.vic.gov.au/Community-services/youth. MOIRA Disability & Youth offer camps and school holiday activities for 7-17 years, contact the Team Leader Recreation on 8552 2222 or visit www.moira.org.au.

Remembrance Day
Many thanks to Sarah, Yuna, Rhys and Athan for representing Berendale so well at the Remembrance Day Service at Green Point, Brighton Beach. On a beautiful, sunny day we joined the mayor and other dignitaries, servicemen and women, families, and schools to acknowledge the sacrifice in war of so many young Australians.

International Day of People with Disability
Thursday 1st December is the International Day of People with Disability. Many councils are hosting events which will be advertised in the local papers. Glen Eira are again hosting free activities at GE-SAC from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm and everyone is welcome. Gold Medallist Paralympian Dylan Alcott will launch Disability Sport & Recreation’s Passport 2 Play interactive game at 12:30 pm. For further information call 9524 333 or email metroaccess@gleneira.vic.gov.au.

ArtAbility
The annual ArtAbility exhibition is on display at Federation Square from the 13th until 21st December. This exhibition showcases artists of all ages with a disability from culturally diverse backgrounds. Over the years a number of Berendale students have had their work accepted for exhibition. It is well worth a look if you are in the city at that time.

Art Therapy
During Terms 3 & 4 a small group of senior girls have participated in art therapy sessions with a talented art therapist, Brigitte Marie Pascal. It has been a wonderful experience for Amanda, Tyniesha, Bec, Ashley and Danyella, to express their emotions and tell their stories through their artwork. Many thanks to Brigitte for creating a calm and supportive space for the girls.

Speech Therapy
Carisse Matthews (speech pathologist) will again offer individual and group sessions at Berendale in 2017. Please contact Carisse direct on 0439 968 785 for further information.

Dr Maree McCutcheon
(Student Wellbeing & Family Support)
THANK YOU TO ALL THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY WHO HELPED TO CREATE AND SUPPORT THE GALLERY AND ART INSTALLATION HELD AT SCHOOL. IT WAS A HUGE SUCCESS AND A GREAT TURNOUT.

THE STUDENTS IN THE MEDIA CLUB HAD GREAT FUN PUTTING TOGETHER THE SHOW AND LEARNT A LOT ALONG THE WAY. THE YEAR 9 STUDENTS ROSE TO THE OCCASION WITH A GREAT PIECE OF ART WORK WITH A MYSTERY GUEST...... ON SHOW FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM IN SCHOOL HALL.
Berendale Staff highly engaged in their curriculum day on Tuesday 15\textsuperscript{th} November. Staff did work on the Victorian Curriculum as well as The Child Safety Standards. All staff signed and agreed to our code of conduct and commitment to the Child Safety Standards. We also worked on our School Wide Positive Behaviour Support expected behaviour matrix. It was a very productive day.
The Berendale Cricket Team participated in the Cricket Carnival 2016 at Box Hill Indoor Cricket Stadium on Friday 18th November. The Interschool Carnival was a continuation of the Cricket fixtures this term where Berendale had managed a 100% record throughout the season. Berendale were placed in a category with Montague, Port Phillip and Naranga. Berendale performed extremely well in the group stages and comfortably won each of their games showing high skill levels in both batting and bowling with all students making a contribution. Berendale entered the Grand Final as underdogs against a very organised and capable Heatherwood side who had also won all their games in the group stages.

The Grand Final began very cautiously with both sides not wanting to make any mistakes. Berendale went in to batting and showed great teamwork and tactical thinking by achieving a respectable innings of 66 with very few points deducted for any ‘outs’. Heatherwood then went in to bat knowing the score they had to get to win the game however Berendale had other ideas. After some very accurate bowling and strategic fielding skills Berendale had managed to make 16 deductions to Heatherwood’s score in the first innings. Berendale continued to be clinical throughout the match and came out deserving winners with an impressive 66-14.

The teamwork, sportsmanship and overall etiquette shown by all the Berendale students was evident throughout the day and were a pleasure to be around! Well done everyone involved!!!

Chris Goaley
On Friday November 18\textsuperscript{th}, 2016, the Indoor Cricket Round Robin was held at the Box Hill Indoor Sports Centre.

After winning 5 from 5 Berendale looked to have had a perfect season, without losing a match.

The first match started against Montague, the hardest match to start up the comp. It was a different looking pitch to our normal games. We batted first and got 65 runs after 8 overs. In reply Montague were struggling to find momentum with the bat and everyone who bowled for Berendale did a fantastic job with the ball.

Next up against Naranga was an easier game as Naranga only got 34 and it was all over before 10 minutes of game play. Asad with 3/6 was our best bowler and solid batting passed the total with ease and we were looking good for the rest of the series.

The last game before the championship game was against Port Phillip. Bowling first, Lachie got a wicket in the 6\textsuperscript{th} ball of the innings. That set the tone for a dominating performance. All the bowlers got wickets with Asad getting 2 and Jack with 3. In the chase we cruised to the total with big hitting from James, Asad and Lachie.

This is it! The main event of the day Berendale vs Heatherwood for the division 2 Championship.

Berendale won the toss and elected to bat. In a hard looking pitch Jack and Asad got off to a good start. Patrick and Castor held their nerve against the Heatherwood pace attack. James and Amy got the total going with James hitting a massive six straight back down the ground. Scott and Lachie helped the innings with great stroke play and got the total to 63.

James took a classic two handed catch to put the icing on the cake. Berendale the champions for 2016!

Congratulations to all the team. Top effort.
On Friday the 18th November 2016 it was the Carnival Day and we played softball.

First we played Marnebek. We won by 3 runs.

Then we played Rossbourne. We won by 4 runs.

Next up we played Emerson. We won by 1 home run. All the games were so close.

We won all the games so we got into the final.

In the final we played Heatherwood. It was a great game. We lost by 2 runs. All the players played well. Pitching was by Hayden and Alex.

Hayden pitched first and second. Alex pitched third game and even in the final game. Harley was a great back stop. Everyone was so good at batting. We had a great day.

The team. Hayden, Sarina, Sheraton, David, Alex, Harley, Max and Josh.

Josh Esakoff