Barwon Valley News
14th July, 2016

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BVS VISION

*Our students will graduate as happy, confident individuals who do their best to communicate and interact positively with others, be as independent as possible and make their own choices, be actively involved in and contribute to their community, continue to learn and experience success in their future pathways.*

PRINCIPAL REPORT

STUDENT SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS

It has been great to see so many families/carers around the school this week attending their child/ren’s SSGs.

Attending SSGs are an important aspect of our partnership with parents/carers to support students achieving their learning potential.

BREAKFAST CLUB

A new initiative from Food Bank Victoria and the Victorian State Government is enabling schools to provide breakfast for students.

Each school runs the program according to their needs and at Barwon Valley School (BVS) students who need breakfast in the morning will access basic breaky foods in their classrooms.

The students who will receive breakfast at BVS have been identified by the classroom teachers.

If any parent has any questions or queries about this program please contact Sonya at BVS.
**BUNNINGS BBQ**
We are running the BBQ at the Waurn Ponds Bunnings store on Sunday 31st July.

This is a fundraising activity for the school with funds going towards the development of our playgrounds. We are asking for support from families to help us on this day.

Please put your name in the table next to the time/times you are available to help. Thank you for supporting us with this.

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**NEWSLETTER**
Over this term we will be making changes to the newsletter. Part of this change will be introducing the option to have the newsletter emailed to families rather than them receiving a hard copy via their child’s diary.

This term the Office staff will be checking to ensure we have current email addresses and contacting families where required.

The emailing of newsletters will happen from the start of Term 4. Parents will still be provided with the option of receiving hardcopies of the newsletter if they wish.

Anne Hume
Principal

**CYBER SAFETY SESSION**
Senior Constable Robbie Noggler from the Community Police Unit will be at Barwon Valley School on 30th August at 2.00pm to talk to students and parents about Cyber Safety.

Parents from the Whole School are welcome to attend.

Any queries please contact Sonya - Wellbeing.
WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week at Whole School Assembly we are having a Rock n Roll theme.

There will be no Stars of the Week as Junior Learning Community are away on an Excursion.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Barwon Valley School is selling the 2016/2017 Entertainment Book as a fundraiser. The books are $60.00 and $12.00 of this goes directly to the school.

This year we are fundraising for our Playground Development program.

If you know of anyone who would like an Entertainment Book contact the office and we can send a book home with your child or you can collect it from Admin.

If you are wanting a Digital Membership visit www.entertainmentbook.com.au and follow the instructions.

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR ABSTUDY

To get ABSTUDY, you must:

- Be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Australian descent.
- Identify as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Australian
- Be accepted as such by the community in which you live or have lived.
- Be an Australian citizen and normally live in Australia and
- Be covered under 1 of the 7 ABSTUDY Awards - ABSTUDY Awards describe eligibility for the different payments and allowances available under ABSTUDY.

For more information contact Centrelink
WELLBEING

URGENTLY NEEDED
Due to the wet weather we are in need of tracksuit pants in all sizes.
Could you please drop any you’re no longer needing at the office.

PIT STOP COURSE FOR FATHERS
Pit Stop are running a Parenting Tune Up course for dads

When: 28 July to 15th September 2016
Venue: Leisuretime Centre, Anakie Road Norlane
Time: 7.00pm - 9.00pm

Registration is essential.
To register or enquire contact Chris Wolfe Phone 5272 4741 or email cwolfe@geelongcity.vic.gov.au
The eSmart committee this week would like to provide you with apps that support learning in the curriculum area of “Personal Learning”.

All these apps are free and can be downloaded from the app store. If you have any questions please contact your child’s classroom teacher.

**Sequencing Tasks: Life Skills**

This free app provides users with a hand washing sequence.

The app first presents a video demonstration of handwashing, modelling the skill of “putting soap on your hands” “washing your hands” and “drying your hands”.

After the video students are presented with a visual script using 3 photos to support hand washing.

This is concluded by the student completing a sequencing task to consolidate and assess learning.

**Autism Emotion:**

This app uses music and a photo slideshow to help teach students about different emotions.

Some of the emotions covered include happy, sad, proud and calm.

**This for That: Visual Schedules**

This app allows users to create individual schedules using photos taken within the app.

Users are able to store schedules so they can be used frequently and these schedules can be deleted or modified at any time to scaffold tasks and to support student development.