Barwon Valley News
5th May, 2016

Diary Dates 2016
Term Two  11th April—24th June
Finance Committee Meeting  16th May
School Council Meeting  24th May
Geelong Footy Player Visit  23rd May
Queens Birthday Weekend  13th June  School Closed

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 TRANSPORT UPDATE
Over the last few months we have had a number of families moving house, which sometimes impacts on the student’s bus travel.

While we endeavour to support families with student transport, it is not always possible to have the bus change route to accommodate different addresses.

The bus contracts are set at the beginning of the school year and only minor changes to routes can be made.

Further, the bus companies are required to have at least 7 days’ notification of changes.

Therefore we are asking all parents/carers to inform us as soon as possible about any planned changes to addresses or student living arrangements.

Please contact Chris Benke for further information.
WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This week in Whole School Assembly we are having the wonderful I'esha Whitcombe perform for us again.

If you take your minds back to an assembly we had last year, I'esha sang a Tina Turner song "Rollin down the River" and everyone joined in and the energy was so "ALIVE."

Well this year she is back to perform a Justin Beber song. Good luck I'esha!

POST SCHOOL OPTIONS INFORMATION EVENING

Invitations to the Post School Options Information Evening for Students 15 years + and their Families / Carers to be held on Thursday May 12th at 5.00 – 6.30 at Barwon Valley School were sent home yesterday.

It would be appreciated if the reply slips could be returned as soon as possible.

Representatives from the NDIA, service providers and disability employment services will be in attendance to explain all the options available to your child.

Students are warmly invited to attend.

EDUCATION WEEK 2016

Education Week this year will be celebrated at Barwon Valley on Thursday 19th May.

Parents and carers are invited to “Get involved, be intrigued and inspired by technology”.

The Victorian Curriculum has two areas – ‘Digital Technologies’ and ‘Design and Technologies’.

A range of different activities will be run across the school to reflect the curriculum content.

For further details please refer to the flyer attached to this newsletter and your child’s diary.

Anne Hume
Principal
ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Barwon Valley School is selling the 2016/2017 Entertainment Book as a fundraiser. The books are $60 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 student or you can collect it from Admin.

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

PRINCIPAL MORNING TEA
Friday 6th May

The Students who will be joining Anne, Chris or Julie for morning tea for following the school rules will be:

Izabelle (JLC1/1)  Logan (JLC1/4)
Alex (J1)            Jed (S9)
Kaiden (S13)        Ptoo Saw (S20)

Be Safe
Be a Learner
Be Responsible

DRAW CORD BAGS

B.V.S. has navy blue draw cord bags for sale for $10 each.

The bags are cotton drill and fully washable. They are a practical and discreet way for plastic bags of soiled or wet items to be sent home.

If you would like to purchase one they are available from the office.
JP2 are learning about the things we do at school.

Hattie is saying “hello” in morning circle.

Damon is counting his toes in maths.

Audrey is making a picture in literacy.

Ella is learning about animals in science.

Riley carried his lunchbox ready for snack.

Breanna is getting star of the week at WSA.

Destiny is squishing cake mix during sensory cooking.
A REMINDER REGARDING OUR APP WE HAVE LAUNCHED

We're very pleased to inform you that our school has implemented a phone app called **Updat-ed** that will make connecting with you so much more convenient.

To download the app just visit the App Store for iPhones or Google Play for Android’s. Search for **Updat-ed** and from the menu select our school.

We'll receive your registration request and will need to approve you before your app is up and running.

We will be able to keep you up to date regarding information such as late buses, special activities, excursions etc.
Stars of the Week

The following stars of the week will be given their award at whole School Assembly this Friday at 2:20pm.

Logan H (JLC1/3) - For great work trying new goods at school.

Zack (JLC1/4) - For great sitting at morning circle.

Joseph (J2) - For trying his best in the classroom.

Brock (S15) - For independently doing jobs in the Senior Yard.

Caitlyn (S15) - For independently doing jobs in the Senior Yard.

Kassandra (S8) - For great following instructions and keeping her shoes on at school.

Doe (S02) - For sensational work on her speaking goal.

Alex (S07) - For great listening and participating in S07 activities.