FROM THE PRINCIPAL AND ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

Easter Basket Donations and Raffle -Thank you
Donations for the Easter Raffle have been arriving at the office for some weeks now and many happy winners will be arriving home today with baskets of Easter treats. Thank you to all the families for their generous donations and thank you to the great team of wrappers that gathered in the staffroom on Tuesday and again today to sort and prepare the fabulous prizes. We raised $3,500.00. The Prep children looked fantastic at assembly today. Our special surprise visit from the Easter Bunny was a highlight of the morning.

Our Concourse traders were very generous with gifts for our Preps as they walked by to parade their bonnets. Our Glee Club entertained local shoppers with some Easter songs. Community members commented on how much they enjoy our Easter tradition every year.

Information Evening for Parents enrolling Preps for 2014
Our parents are invited to attend an information session on Tuesday April 23rd from 7.30 to 8.30 in the Susan Arnts Learning Centre. Shona Bass, from the Early Life Foundation, will share the philosophy and research behind our personalised play based learning approach. Our parents are encouraged to bring along other parents from the broader community who may be interested in enrolling their children at our school next year.

Farewell and thank you to Margaret and Margot
Our canteen has continued to operate smoothly this term due to Margaret and Margot. Our school community greatly appreciates their flexibility and expertise to deliver this service to our students every week.
Margaret and Margot are ready to hand over to a new team. Our students thanked Margaret with flowers and messages at a special assembly yesterday just before recess.
Jodie Stewart has been appointed as our new Canteen Manager. Congratulations Jodie.

Advance Australia Fair
At assembly last week the children were set a challenge to learn another verse of our national anthem. Below are the words to the verse commonly understood to be the second verse. (For our trivia enthusiasts, our research revealed the additional verse below is actually the third verse of our national song.) We will include this verse at assembly from the beginning of Term Two.

Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are young and free;
We’ve golden soil and wealth for toil,
Our home is girt by sea;
Our land abounds in Nature’s gifts
Of beauty rich and rare;
In history’s page, let every stage
Advance Australia fair!
In joyful strains then let us sing,
“Advance Australia fair!”

Beneath our radiant southern Cross,
We’ll toil with hearts and hands;
To make this Commonwealth of ours
Renowned of all the lands;
For those who’ve come across the seas
We’ve boundless plains to share;
With courage let us all combine
To advance Australia fair.

Access Ministries:
Christian Religious Education classes have commenced in Year 1 & 2. The classes are a 30-minute fortnightly program. Parents who wish for their child not to attend please let the office or classroom teacher know in writing or email.
For more information go to: www.accessministries.org.au

We wish all our families a happy, safe and restful break. Term One has certainly flown by and we have been lucky to enjoy an extended summer season. We hope the warm weather continues through the fortnight ahead.

Sheryl M. Skewes
Principal

Neven Paleka
Assistant Principal
FROM THE STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AND WELLBEING TEAM: HOLIDAY READING FROM MICHAEL GROSE

We hope our parent community have enjoyed our first term’s articles from Michael Grose. For your holiday reading, please find attached Michael’s Parenting Ideas Magazine. We hope you find the articles interesting!

RIDE TO SCHOOL DAY
Thank you to all our students, parents and teachers who supported our first Ride to School Day last Friday. Our year five and six Junior School Councillors gathered data on how many students walked, rode, scooted, skated and drove to school and are currently collating all the data.

We look forward to our next Ride and Walk to School Days and hope to improve our current record.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN
School holiday activities

Our holidays start tomorrow! We hope all our families have a relaxing and safe break. The link below has range of activities families might like to access over the school holiday period. http://www.vic.gov.au/about-victoria-tourism/holidays-daylight-saving/school-holidays/school-holiday-activities.html

THANK YOU

Our delivery has finally arrived from Coles for the sports equipment Mr Bailey ordered after all the vouchers were counted last year. Gemma, Ruby, Calvin, Rosie, Matthew and Kyle helped with the unpacking and they can’t wait until all this new stuff is safely stored away in the Sports Shed ready to be used in PE lessons.

After a successful promotion last year we will once again be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. The program is designed to assist schools in obtaining valuable teaching resources – simply by doing your grocery shop at a Woolworths supermarket.

From Monday 8th April, you can collect Earn & Learn stickers when you shop at Woolworths. There’ll be one sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the stickers onto a sticker card and when the card is full it can be dropped into the sticker collection box here at the school office or at your local supermarket. These sticker cards have been sent home today with students (one card per family). We have lots more cards at the school office, so when you have filled a card please ask us for another one. At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to select from over 7,000 valuable school resources including maths & science equipment, arts and crafts material, sports gear and lots more.

PERFORMING ARTS

In Performing Arts this term students from Years 4-6 have been learning about making films and different shot types and today students from 4HL were given the opportunity to learn more about filming and in particular making documentary films with Sarah Lewis a documentary film maker with over 20 years’ experience. A big thank you to Sarah Lewis (Toby Coutt’s Aunt) for giving the students this opportunity to film short interview scenes and experienced using all the equipment that would be used to make...
professional films and to answer many questions relating to film making.
We are indeed very fortunate at Beaumaris Primary School to have family, friends and the community to help broaden our students learning. Thank you, Caroline Rothberg.

‘ARCHI BARK’ ART COMPETITION
Warmest congratulations to all those incredible artists that entered the ‘Archie Bark’ Art Competition. We were overwhelmed by the number of entries and it was a very difficult selection when only one winner from each category can be chosen. We had to nominate one winner from Prep-2, one from years 3-4 and one from years 5-6. These will be announced at assembly. The art pieces will be forwarded to the Dog Lovers Show at the Royal Exhibition Building. As soon as we know the final ‘Archie Bark’ winners we will be sure to notify you. Thank you again for all your brilliant efforts. Have a fabulous, safe Easter.
From Ms Fisk, Katie and Ruby (Visual Arts Captains).

GLEE CLUB
After the Easter Assembly our Glee Club performed at the Concourse and entertained many of our ‘latte lovers’ outside Malt Café. We thank our parent community for coming along and sharing the Easter fun. Thank you to our Concourse Traders for your support of our students.

BFAC Ashes Cricket Match vs Beaumaris North Dads Club
As you all may remember each year the BFAC dads would normally play the Beaumaris North Primary School dads at cricket. However unfortunately this year this wasn’t possible, but not not to be outdone, a couple of Sundays ago a group of BFAC dads and some of their sons got together for a ‘friendly’ cricket match, amongst ourselves.
The idea was that we would bat in pairs and everyone would bowl 2 overs, and the pair with most runs would win. Bearing in mind that when anyone is out you lose 5 runs. Lets just say that there was some interesting sledging going on between some of the sons and their dads, with a special mention to Lochie Rundmann who was giving his dad Mark some interesting ‘tips’, until he was bowled out by Mark!
With regards to who won I think Jared Baker and Andrew Read scored the most runs. Although with regards to this I have still not forgiven Jared for hitting me for a 6 over the trees! Special mention to Warren as well for taking a fantastic one handed catch. Thanks to all for taking part and special thanks to Jason for getting the BBQ going and here’s to next years game! Regards, David Carneige.
LEVEL LOW DOWN

Prep

Prep students working through very long and hot days. We have learned so much already from all our Prep and specialist teachers, met loads of new friends, worked with buddies in Years 3, 4 and 6, and have settled in to school routines. We have even attended our first assembly but some were disappointed that there were no rides or lollies in sight! Perhaps the Prep teachers could have explained more clearly what actually happens during an assembly! Enjoy your holidays with your friends and family and rest well. The Prep teachers would really like to say a huge thank you to our Prep parent helpers and look forward to seeing you again in Term 2! Happy Easter everyone!

Year One

What a lovely morning we have had! We appreciated the year 1 families visiting the classrooms before school this morning and we had good attendances in each room. Today’s Easter Bonnet Parade was a very colourful event with the Preps showing off their Easter bonnets. We loved the bunnies and chickens!

Thank you for the prompt responses to our requests for Literacy Helpers. Rosters are currently being organised and volunteers will be contacted by week 2 of term 2 at the latest.

Most children have remembered that there is no borrowing from the school library this week due to the upcoming school holidays and Mrs Jones has been busy with all of the library book returns.

We hope you have a wonderful, safe and restful term break!

Year Two

What a wonderful term we have had! We can’t believe it is over already. The children have been busy this week helping to set up new learning centres for Term 2. The classrooms look fantastic! Thank you to all the parents who have donated resources, we couldn’t do it without you. We hope you all have a relaxing and safe holiday. Looking forward to an even better Term 2! See you on Monday the 15th of April.

Year Four

This term has been amazing. I am excited and looking forward to term two - Penelope

Before school every day I wake up and look forward to seeing my friends at school - Olivia

This term has been amazing! I have experienced making new friends, hard work, having a computer buddy and much more - Mimi

I have really enjoyed this term because I have made some new friends and I really like my class mates and teachers - Georgia

I have a great time with my teachers as well as my classmates. This year has been awesome so far and I hope there is a lot more to come - Yani

I have really enjoyed learning in class and with the specialists - Sammy

This term has been fantastic! We are always encouraged to do our best and never give up - Cooper

I have been really enjoying maths and writing drafts - Marcus

I have made new friends and learnt many new types of sports - Toby

I have learnt lots of things in maths and have enjoyed everything I have done so far in Year 4 - Peter

This term has been absolutely fabulous! I can’t wait til next term - Molly

This term in year 4 has been great. I have had lots of fun stuff to do - Ellie

This term we have enjoyed doing our relationship plays because we got to show how it feels to be bullied and how to deal with the situation. We have also enjoyed having computer buddies because we help them learn how to use the keyboard, mouse and games. I hope next term we have as much fun as we did this term - Yiana and Ruby

This term I have enjoyed lots of things. I have learned how to tell the time. We have played lots of maths games and I can’t wait til after the holidays to keep learning - Emily

Year 4 farewelled Drew this week. Drew and his family are moving back to Canada. We will miss him but plan to keep in regular contact.
Year Five and Six

What a great term we have had in year five and six, culminating in our fabulous open morning today! It was great to see the pride our year five and six students demonstrated to our visitors through showcasing their learning. The students’ Educational Research Projects (ERPs) highlighted a wide range of interests relating to Economics. Investigations included comparing the pricing of recipes using no-name and branded ingredients, planning and pricing a family holiday, analysing online and supermarket shopping and the costs and benefits of buying and selling on eBay. A few economists in the making!

Our Summer sport continues into the first two weeks of term two and then we begin our Winter Sport training. Our ‘J’ team (Jan/Jarvis Alternate Sport Team) have enjoyed a range of sports including Touch Rugby, Ultimate Frisbee and lacrosse conducted by Coach Approach.

We wish all our families a safe and relaxing break and look forward to another great term.

HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE!
Beaumaris Soccer Club
Join our Great Community

GoalKick Programme

**Season starts**
Sunday 5am until 10am
May 5th – August 25th 2013

**Cost**
Cost is $185 for the season includes ball, playing bag, goody bag, vouchers, & much more

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GoalKick is a development program designed to introduce young boys & girls ages 4-6 yrs (born 2007 and 2008) to the game of soccer in a non-competitive & fun environment. Each session consists of skills & development drills finishing off with a small-sided game where they can practice their newfound skills.

This is a great introduction into soccer & as a result our GoalKick program is always very popular.

GoalKick is run by the BSC’s Director of Football (and primary school teacher) Robert Giabardo with the help of junior coaches & volunteer parent coaches.

BSC PLAYERS WANTED

- **Junior Small Sided Football for an U7 team**
  Train once a week, play a Saturday morning match against other bayside teams.
  U7’s is for children born in 2006

**Season starts**
April 13th 2013

**Contact**
u7@beaumarissc.com.au

- **U12 Girls – Join an all girls squad**
  Train 1 night a week, play Sunday mornings

**Season starts**
April 13th 2013

**Contact**
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Where
Beaumaris Soccer Club behind
Beaumaris Library
Cnr Clarke Ave & Reserve Rd

Register online www.beaumarissc.com.au

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**MENTONE GIRLS’ SECONDARY COLLEGE**
warmly invites you to attend our 2013 Open Events

Open Night cancelled due to AEU industrial action

**4 OPEN AFTERNOONS are available**

- Tue 30th April
- Thu 2nd May
- Tue 7th May
- Thu 9th May

Commencing at 2pm in the Nina Carr Hall

See classes in action, and learn about the Year 7 enrolment process and school zone

Limited places. Bookings required. See website for booking link.

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