From The Principal’s Desk

Welcome back to the final term of the 2015 school year, which has commenced with unseasonably hot weather. I hope everyone had an enjoyable break in readiness for another hectic term.

THANK YOU
A big thankyou to Mrs Anderson for her efficient management of the school with assistance from Miss Buxton during my period of long service leave at the end of term 3.

PREP-4 INTENSIVE SWIMMING PROGRAM
5th October—16th October (10days)
Our (10) day intensive swimming program for grades Prep-4 students at the Geelong Aquatic Centre is now in full swing with (116 students) participating.

The emphasis of the program is on the development of water confidence, water safety skills and basic swimming strokes. Already students are displaying huge gains in each of these areas.

The program also promotes independence and self care (looking after clothing, dressing self etc).

Parents are encouraged to drop into the Geelong Aquatic Centre (3 Bridge st, Newtown) and see the program in action before it finishes next Friday 16th October.

Group 1: (PREP B/ 1S/ 2M/ 3/4BC)
- Depart school at 11:45am
- In water 12:10 - 12:40pm
- Back at school 1:10pm

Group 2: (PREP G/ 1/2H/ 3/4C/ 3/4O)
- Depart school at 12:15pm
- In water 12:40pm - 1:10pm
- Back at school 1:40pm

GEELONG CUP HOLIDAY
Wednesday 21st of October is a pupil free day for all Geelong government schools for the Geelong Cup. Please make sure you have this on the calendar.

WELL DONE
To our grade 5/6s on having many of their portraits selected for display at the Geelong Art Gallery. See Mrs Ryans Art Report inside the newsletter.
Art Activities: Art Gallery Excursion

On Tuesday our 5/6 students visited the Geelong Gallery to view the Who’s who portrait prize and other exhibitions. Student and teachers enjoyed the artwork and the information given to them. The students made response to certain artworks and the experience was beneficial to their learning.

We are also very proud of the 26 students from Herne Hill Primary whose portraits were selected to be exhibited in the Who’s who portrait prize. The exhibition is on until 11th October.

Connected Parenting - Booklet

We have put a pile of this thoughtful and inspiring booklet outside the office. It has been compiled by the Australian Childhood Foundation. A must read for all parents and carers.

Please Take One!!

Enabling our children to enjoy safe and healthy travel to and from school

Recommended for parents/carers with children up to 8 years of age

Presenter:
Early Learning Association Australia

Just three decades ago, 70 per cent of children walked or rode to school – now only 30 per cent do...

All parents want their children to arrive at school safely and on time and most believe the best way is to drive them right to the school gate. This however can cause traffic and parking congestion outside school gates and create hazards for children as they hop in and out of cars or walk and ride to school.

We invite you to come along and hear about:

- the many benefits of using active travel to get to and from school
- why it is so important for young children to experience active travel
- how you can help develop your children’s essential road safety skills, supporting safe independent active travel when they are older
- fun activities, ideas, hints and tips to help your children stay safe and become independent road users

LIMITED PLACES - GET IN QUICK!
Cost: FREE!

3 sessions available, register through links below

Session 1:
Venue: Ocean Grove Pavilion  
Date: 18th October 2015  
Time: 5.45pm – 7.15pm  
http://childrensafetyactivetravel15oct.eventbrite.com.au

Session 2:
Venue: Warrnambool Library  
Date: 15th October 2015  
Time: 5.45pm – 7.15pm  
https://childrensafetyactivetravel15oct.eventbrite.com.au

Session 3:
Venue: The Arena (North Geelong)  
Date: 22nd October 2015  
Time: 5.45pm – 7.15pm  
http://childrensafetyactivetravel22oct.eventbrite.com.au

Catering: A light supper will be provided
Photographs will be taken at the session. Please alert the photographer if you do not wish to be photographed

Walk to School is a VicHealth initiative and proudly supported by Healthy Together Geelong and the Victorian Government.
**Star of the Week**

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<th>Class</th>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Reason</th>
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<td>PREP B</td>
<td>Finn H</td>
<td>For rocking the dance moves at the concert.</td>
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<td>PREP G</td>
<td>Eden H</td>
<td>For being a wonderful performer at the concert.</td>
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<td>1S</td>
<td>Abbey R</td>
<td>Being a superstar hippy girl concert performer.</td>
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<td>1/2H</td>
<td>Aston J</td>
<td>For working hard to improve his reading. Well done, Aston!</td>
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<td>2M</td>
<td>Daniel P</td>
<td>For your cool drumming at our school concert!</td>
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<td>PERFORMING ARTS</td>
<td>Sam P</td>
<td>For his confident and enthusiastic concert performance. Well done.</td>
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<td>COMPUTER</td>
<td>Miss B</td>
<td>For her awesome Jib Jab presentation at the concert!</td>
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<td>PRINCIPAL</td>
<td>Sam P</td>
<td>His enthusiasm and sensational performance at our school concert.</td>
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<td>3/4BC</td>
<td>Naeve D and Levi T</td>
<td>For an entertaining 'Animal Interview'!</td>
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<td>3/4C</td>
<td>Amelia A and Ben K</td>
<td>For their excellent efforts and achievements at the zone sports.</td>
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<td>3/4O</td>
<td>Chloe E</td>
<td>For working hard on her Gorilla project and interview.</td>
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<td>5/6C</td>
<td>Georgia G</td>
<td>She's got the moves like Jagger! Looking forward to 'cutting the rug' with you at term 4s Blue Light Disco.</td>
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<td>5/6O</td>
<td>John H</td>
<td>For his efforts with the science expo and the school concert.</td>
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<td>5/6D</td>
<td>Sara W</td>
<td>You have been &quot;Super Organised&quot; all term with your schooling. You are a Super Star.</td>
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<td>LANGUAGE</td>
<td>Charlie D</td>
<td>For trying to listen carefully to most instructions.</td>
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<td>PHYS ED</td>
<td>The Whole School</td>
<td>For being awesome in PE!</td>
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**Walkathon**

We will be holding the adidas School Fun-Run as a major fundraising event this year. The event will be held on **Friday November 13th**! This event is being held to raise much needed money towards our technology at Herne Hill Primary.

The School Fun-Run is a fundraiser which we’ve paired with our **Walkathon** to promote healthy and active lifestyles to our students. It’s all about participation and students will have a great day and be rewarded for their fundraising with fantastic incentive prizes. Family support is key to our fundraising success and we encourage all students to get involved.

Keep your eyes peeled for the sponsorship forms which will be sent home with you child, we ask that you sign the front page to grant permission for them to fundraise and participate in this event. Students who raise just $10 or more will receive a reward for effort. In the Sponsorship Form you will also find many other benefits like the chance to win a family holiday to Disneyland!

The adidas School Fun-Run is a healthy fundraiser that ensures all schools have a viable alternative to junk food fundraising. The event sends the right message to students about having fun while getting involved and being active.

Thanks for supporting your child’s wellbeing and our school in raising money to support the programs we have on offer at Herne Hill!

Lou Buxton

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**Mental Health Week**

**Nine Ways to Promote GOOD MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING in Kids**

- **Model good MENTAL HEALTH HABITS**
  - Make sure they get ENOUGH SLEEP
  - ENCOURAGE kids to exercise
  - Give them CREATIVE outlets
  - TALK about their troubles
  - Help them to RELAX

- Have two ROUTINES – Weekday and Weekend
  - Foster HELPFULNESS and KINDNESS
  - Bring FUN and PLAYFULNESS into their lives

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