Whole School Walk-A-Thon

Our whole school Walk-A-Thon is on tomorrow Friday 15th November 2015.
The schedule for the day is:

- At 11:30am students will be bussed to Richie Boulevard
- Students to walk along the Waterfront/ Western Beach toward Rippleside Park.
- Arrive at Rippleside Park at approximately 12:30pm for a play and BBQ/ Picnic Lunch.
- After lunch students bussed back to school.

**Grades Prep-2 Students**

- At 11:30am students will be bussed to Eastern Gardens (behind Geelong High School).
- Students walk toward Geelong East Golf Club, Limeburners Point along the Esplanade, Waterfront/ Western Beach to Rippleside Park arriving by 12:30pm for a play and BBQ/ Picnic lunch.
- Students bussed back to school after lunch.

**Grades 3-6 Students**

- At 11:30am students will be bussed to Woorabinda Camp with (70) other students from Geelong North Schools.
- The camp is situated in Yallourn North and offers a range of outdoor adventure type activities and a great opportunity for students to meet students from other schools.

- Remember the bus departs from Goldsworthy Reserve at 7.00am on Monday 16th November.

**GUIDE 6 WINDCHEATERS 2016**

Grade 5 students now have the opportunity to order a special year 6 top for 2016.

Samples are available at the office to confirm size and a $20 deposit is required to confirm your order. The full cost of the windcheater is $44 for child sizes, and $46 for adult sizes. The balance will be due on delivery in 2016.

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**2016 PREP TRANSITION PROGRAM**

The information session for Parents of our 2016 Prep students was conducted last Thursday evening.
Thanks to all the parents who attended this session and Miss Buxton, Mrs Murray and Mrs Anderson for running the session.

**SCHOOL VISITS**
The first of (3) classroom visits for our new preps took place today. Miss Buxton and Mrs Murray were most impressed with the enthusiasm and readiness for school displayed by the children in this session.
Two more sessions are scheduled as follows:

**WOORABINDA CAMP (North Geelong Network)**

Next week (10) lucky 5/6 students and Miss Oxley are off to Woorabinda Camp with (70) other students from Geelong North Schools. The camp is situated in Yallourn North and offers a range of outdoor adventure type activities and a great opportunity for students to meet students from other schools.

**Lunch**

- You can pre-order from the Parents Club BBQ sausage sizzle ($1 per sausage) until Monday 9th November 2015.
- Free fruit and water bottle refills provided.
- If you are not ordering from Parents Club “Sausage Sizzle BYO picnic lunch.

**Parent Participation**

- Parents are most welcome to join either of the walks, join us for lunch at Rippleside Park and assist with the Parents Club BBQ, fruit etc.

**Sponsorship**

- All students are encouraged to find sponsors prior to the walk. This can be done either online or on the sheet provided.

**CONGRATULATIONS IT'S A GIRL**

To Mr Callaghan and his wife Meagan on the safe arrival of Poppy Eve born yesterday morning.
Parents & Friends Association

All helpers are required at the Walk-A-Thon at 11.30am for setting up BBQ etc. Thank you.

END OF YEAR FAMILY BBQ/CAROLS

This special opportunity for our school community to come together and celebrate the end of the year has been scheduled for Monday 7th December 5.30-7.00pm.
- More details to follow.

HOUSE BALL GAMES

Our grade 3-6 students will be participating in House Ball Games next Wednesday 18th November from 2.00pm.
We will be hosting the district ball sports here on Friday 27th November.

ART ACTIVITIES

In all classes, students have been learning about weaving for our textiles and threads unit.
Preps-Paper weaving
1-2’s- Fabric weaving
3-4’s- Students constructed their own cardboard loom and now are using fibre to create a Geelong inspired landscape.

Fundraising Books
'Parent Direct' and 'Chalk' fundraising books are due back Friday 11th December.
This week, families originating from India began to celebrate Diwali. At assembly on Monday morning, Ragi Jain (1/2H) and Kirra-neet Kaur (5/6C) spoke about what Diwali is. Here is their speech:

“One of the most important and biggest festivals in Indian culture, is Diwali, the festival of lights. It is celebrated with fireworks displays, prayers and lots of events across the world.

What is Diwali?
Diwali is the fire day festival of lights, celebrated by millions of Hindus, Sikhs and Jains across the world. The main theme which runs throughout Diwali is the victory of light over darkness and good over evil. On this day, we wear new clothes, decorate our houses with candles, lights and Rangoli (patterns created on the floor in living rooms or courtyards using materials such as colored rice, dry flour, colored sand or flower petals). We perform our prayers, eat sweets and give gifts to our families and friends.”

Some students took part in making crafts to help celebrate in Art with Mrs Ryan or in their classrooms. Rupal Jain and Gurmeet Kaur also treated the staff to traditional sweets of Milk Cake and Coconut Burfi. Thank you very much for allowing us to share this special time with you. Happy Diwali!
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<td>PREP B</td>
<td>Emmalee G</td>
<td>For trying her very best at school.</td>
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<td>1S</td>
<td>Brannan C</td>
<td>Doing an exceptional job of his reading. Well done!</td>
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<td>3/4BC</td>
<td>Liena A</td>
<td>Her terrific tessellations!</td>
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<td>3/4O</td>
<td>Kurtis M</td>
<td>For writing a really good haiku poem.</td>
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<td>5/6C</td>
<td>Daniel I</td>
<td>For his super effort and detailed explanations about approaching elapsed time problems.</td>
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<td>LANGUAGE</td>
<td>Yazmin M</td>
<td>For being so keen to read and trying her very best.</td>
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<td>VISUAL ARTS</td>
<td>Victoria R</td>
<td>For focusing hard on your artwork every week and producing beautiful art!</td>
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<td>For excellent line and length in carpet bowls!</td>
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<td>For during a fabulous job on Lexia!</td>
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<td>Hareem A</td>
<td>For her beautiful manners and enthusiasm on our MSO excursion.</td>
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<td>Blair T</td>
<td>For putting in a great effort on his Geelong project on Hi Lite Park.</td>
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<td>5/6O</td>
<td>Will S</td>
<td>For working really hard on his memoirs.</td>
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<td>5/6D</td>
<td>Alex S</td>
<td>You are really on task with the different stories about your life, your &quot;memoirs&quot;. Keep up this terrific work ethic.</td>
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<td>PERFORMING ARTS</td>
<td>Alexis M</td>
<td>For working so well with her partner during drama activities.</td>
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<td>PRINCIPAL</td>
<td>Riley L &amp; Matthew E</td>
<td>A great job cleaning up the yard (voluntarily).</td>
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<td>COMPUTER</td>
<td>3/4C</td>
<td>For a fantastic job with their Melbourne Cup activities.</td>
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PERFORMING ARTS

A couple of reminders…
- 2015 School Concert DVDs that have been ordered and paid for can be collected from the office. If you would still like to order a DVD you can do so online at [www.store/videoworksgroup.com.au](http://www.store/videoworksgroup.com.au) the cost is $20 and $2.50 postage.
- The 2015 Victorian States School Spectacular highlights package will be televised on channel 7, Saturday the 5th of December at 7pm.
- I apologise for the delay with Music Festival DVDs. I am working on finalising the recording and will record the discs as soon as possible. The DVDs will be a recording of the Herne Hill choir performance and the Just Brass performance. If you expressed interest last term and have changed your mind, it’s fine. However, if you didn’t return the expression of interest form and you would like a copy, you can do so when they are ready. The cost of the copied disk is $5. Please don’t send any money at this stage, I will inform you in the newsletter when the disks are ready for payment and collection. Thank you for your patience.

Thank you,
Karla Gilbert, Performing Arts Specialist