To The School Community,

I write this newsletter to particularly inform you of a couple of important developments for our school.

Firstly it is with great pleasure that I can inform you that the Department of Education and Training has been able to support the development of our oval by providing funding to complete the works. The exact figure is unknown and will be finalised upon completion of the infrastructure and storm water works but it is anticipated that the bulk of the costs will be covered. This is fantastic work and has required a great deal of communication, lobbying and support from others in the Department as well as our local member of State Parliament John Eren. This means we will be able to target other areas of our Master Plan in 2017.

The works being completed to rectify our Storm water issues are well underway with BDH builders making great progress with the staff car park. I look forward to the team at BDH moving through the next phases of the project with an anticipated completion in late October. We will keep you posted of developments as the project progresses.

During this week I have been presented with an opportunity to back fill a short term – 7 week – position at the Regional Office in a role titled Senior Education Improvement Leader. This position has arisen due to the unexpected departure of the person currently in the role who is moving interstate. After a great deal of thought, conversations with Mrs Duan and the School Council President in the last couple of days I have decided to take up the position. I view it as an opportunity to learn more about how the Education System in our state works at a regional level and liken the experience to doing intensive professional development, that will make me better at my job as a principal. The role will require me to work with a number of schools across the region that include some Geelong schools and spreading as far as Apollo Bay.

What my opportunity brings is an opportunity for Mrs Duan to step into the Principal role, which she has done before with great success, and Mrs Conder to step up to the Assistant Principal role for the 7 or 8 weeks that I will be away. I have every confidence in their ability to lead and know that the school will continue to operate effectively in my absence. This opportunity is recognition of the learning that students experience at our school and the work that the teachers do with them during the school day.

Daniel Vella
WRITING BY 65U

65U Mathletics

Last week Mr. Urquhart challenged our grade to be the first class in the school where everyone gets 1000 points in a week. We all really wanted to achieve this & worked hard to achieve our class goal. We even ended up as the 6th highest classroom in Australia & 21st in the WORLD!!!!!!! Mikey H

65U Poetry

Netball by Amelia W

My heart is racing
I’m sprinting like a Cheetah
As I head towards the ball
I leap up into the air
Attempting to grab the ball, BAM!
The ball is smashed right out of my hands
The texture of the ball grazes my finger tips
And lands right into my opponents hands
I need to get it back.

Snorlax by Jesse R

Slamming, Roaring
Sleeping all day
The very best Pokemon
Sleepy

Grade 6/5 News

Grade 5 Experience Western Heights

Last Friday all the Grade 5’s went to Western Heights. We were put into 3 groups & got to participate in Science, Dance & a Cooking lesson. I enjoyed the cooking as we got to make chocolate chip cookies & put chocolate moustaches on ourselves! Molly W

Graduation Photo

Grade 6 students will have a whole year level photo next Monday (22nd) at 9:30am. Students receive a copy at graduation. There is no fee for this.

Lightning Premiership

Volleyball & Basketball Lightning Premiership is tomorrow!

Mathletics

Congratulations to this week’s Mathletics Award Winners

Zara D (PrepU) 2884 points
Maddison P (1H) 3418 points
Ari B (2D) 15035 points
Lea B (4/3P) 10008 points
Dennis L (6/5U) 35454 points

Class winners this week -

Prep C (6112 points) 1H (14969 points) 2L (26563 points) 4/3P (28340 points) 6/5U (88268 points)

Special mention to 6/5U for being the first class to have EVERY student earn over 1000+ participation points and placing 6th on the Mathletic’s Top 50 Classes in Australia.
**School Canteen**

The school canteen will be available for lunch orders Wednesday & Fridays. Over counter sales will be available these days as well. Menus have gone home and are also available either on the School Web page or outside the canteen. Special lunch order forms have gone home today. These are due back next Wednesday.

Could all parents please write lunch orders on a brown paper bag.

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**Performing Arts News**

Floor seating tickets for the school concert will be released next Monday about 10am.

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**Lost**

Missing an ear piece/hearing device used for a student in Prep C. It is clear in colour and looks like a small hearing aid. If you see this can you please bring it to the office.

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**Wanted**

If anyone has any sandpit toys in good condition that they would like to donate please bring to the office.

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**Father's Day Stall**

We will be holding a Father's Day stall on Thursday, September 1st. If you have any suitable, new items you would like to donate, please leave them at the office. Would love to see a few volunteers to help on the day.

We will need helpers on the Wednesday around 2.30 hopefully to finish by 3.15pm. Helpers needed on Thursday at the Multi Purpose Room at 9am.

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**New Entertainment Books are now at the school office for $60 come and get yours now.**

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**STAR OF THE WEEK**

**Prep C: Amber S**

For being an amazing author-writing books with lots of wow words!

**Prep F: Billy J**

For showing great listening and showing initiative in the classroom.

**Prep U: Kai B**

For consistently trying his best in all areas. Well done Kai!

**Grade 1D: Logan W**

For showing confidence when re-telling the main events of a story he has read.

**Grade 1H: Riccardo E**

For reading with lovely fluency. Keep up the great work.

**Grade 1W: Jude M**

For working hard to use reading strategies.

**Grade 2D: Blade S**

For his outstanding reading. Go Blade!

**Grade 2H: Ryan F**

For being a fantastic learner during our Olympic activities. Go Ryan!

**Grade 2L: Sonny S**

For his excellent manners towards students and staff.

**Grade 43J: Jaiden F**

For working hard to be safe and respectful around his classmates.

**Grade 43M: Evan G**

For his incredibly poetic and powerful writing about sadness. Super Job Evan. Well done. What an amazing author you are.

**Grade 43P: Jack D**

For being outstandingly well mannered and a fantastic learner.

**Grade 43S: Ole T**

For always trying his best in Mathematics and trying to extend his learning.

**Grade 43T: Ryah C**

For being a safe and respectful class member.

**Grade 65D: Blaire F**

For a fantastic attitude towards writing.

**Grade 65D: Riley S**

For showing brilliant research skills during debating.

**Grade 65G: Amelia T**

For trying her best in everything she does and the support she gives others around her. Awesome Job.

**Grade 65H: Ilija S**

For his commitment to Mathletics every week.

**Grade 65S: Jessica S**

For her outstanding coaching during concert practice.

**Grade 65U: Amelia W**

For her outstanding improvement during our Poetry & Money focus.

**Arts Star: Rave S**

For his ability to visualize a box as something out of this world. Well done Rave and thanks for giving me ideas.
This past week in OSHC...

Hi everyone,

Well what a busy week we have had. We have been busy competing in our very own Olympic Games. Last week we had an opening ceremony, and competed in Javelin (made out of straws), discus (made with paper plates) and hurdles. It has been so great to see so many different winners over the different events. The best part for me is seeing the encouragement being given to their fellow competitors.

Once the event has been finalised we have a medal ceremony complete with the national anthem of the country the children have adopted for the duration of the Olympics. The highlight last week was defiantly the curtesy from Princess Kate (AKA Aarliyah) when she presented her medal. The respect shown during the national anthems has been amazing. It can be hard for children not to laugh and joke during these times especially when it is an anthem they have never heard before, I am so very proud of all the children that have been in attendance and that have participated or cheered on their peers.

Just a reminder that if your child is no longer attending on a booked night to please send a text through to the mobile number above as it stops any search parties looking for the missing children.

We now have Bree working in Before School Care, some of you may be familiar with her from her afternoons with me, I would like to thank Sharon for all her hard work this year.

Don't forget if you have any questions please feel free to pop in morning or afternoon and we should be able to answer them.

Thanks for your time,

Mel

“Are you interested in playing junior cricket at a GCA Division 1 club? North Geelong Cricket Club is looking for children to play Milo in2 Cricket, Under 11 or Under 13 cricket. Come along to our first training session (Under 11 or Under 13 only) on Sunday August 28th at 10am, Swinburne St, North Geelong. Followed by a Registration Day on Sunday 11th September. For further enquiries or Milo in2 Cricket information, please contact the email address: ngccjuniors@gmail.com

REGISTRATION DAY

WHEN: Sunday 11th September 2016
BBQ Brekkie

TIME: 9am - 12noon

WHERE: NORTH GEELONG CRICKET CLUB
Swinburne St, Nth Geelong

COST: $100 per Junior Cricketer
FREE "BIG BASH" MEMBERSHIP
TNF MATCH DAY SHIRT
TNF TRAINING SHIRT
TNF PANTS
CLUB CAP