STEP INTO PREP EVENING
Congratulations are in order to our wonderful Prep Team, led by Michele Tan – the feedback we received from parents of prospective Prep students for next year was outstanding. It would be remiss of me to not also acknowledge the excellent presentation made by our school captains Emma Guthrie and Stefan Jarosz-Setiawan.

RIDING OF BIKES BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL
We have recently had a number of near misses with children riding their bikes along the Mansfield Street and Collins Crescent footpaths outside our school or along the footpath near the Cyril Molyneux carpark before and after school. We are tightening up on this behaviour as follows:
Children will be required to walk their bikes along these footpaths when arriving before school and when leaving school after 3.30pm. In the event that they choose to ignore this and instead they ride their bikes along these footpaths at those times, in the first instance, they will receive a warning, with their parents being notified. Should they then repeat this behaviour a second time, they will be banned from riding their bikes to school for one week. Further repeats will lead to longer bans. All children have been informed of this decision that comes into effect as of next Monday. I don’t like invoking bans as a means of changing behaviour and I realise that doing so will cause some hardship for some families in getting their child to school as a consequence of being banned from riding their bike. Nonetheless, the safety of pedestrians and themselves is of paramount concern to me.

Q. When can I enrol my child to commence school next year?
A. Towards the end of May the DET issues schools with the enrolment packages for following year. Until that time we cannot formally enrol Prep children for next year. We do take contact details for all families who make enrolment enquiries and as soon as we receive the enrolment forms for 2018 we will notify parents.

QUOTABLE QUOTE
Prejudice is one of those words I wish we had never had the need to invent.

Henry Grossik
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### HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER?

Please ensure you let the school office know if you have changed address or updated mobile phones with new numbers. This information alleviates stressful situations for students when they are ill and we cannot contact parents.
NAPLAN FOR YEARS 3 AND 5
Families of students in Years 3 and 5 are reminded that the NAPLAN Testing will be conducted next week on Tuesday 9th, Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th May. As the tests are during the morning sessions of school, we request that students arrive on time so they have a relaxed start to the day and do not disrupt test sessions. All families of students in Years 3 and 5 should have received a brochure about the NAPLAN. If you have any questions about NAPLAN, please come and speak to Sandra McCrum or access the VCAA website at www.vcaa.vic.edu.au

STEP INTO PREP
Congratulations to our fantastic Prep teachers, Michele Tan, Jacqui Quelch, Carla Conway, Sophie Forte and Christine Thomas for presenting a very informative evening for prospective prep families. Our school captains, Emma and Stefan opened the evening and spoke of their experiences at Berwick Lodge. Our Prep teachers presented information about the curriculum, wellbeing and school programs. Leading teachers, Mark Carthew and Sharon Chandler presented information about their role across the school for Literacy and Numeracy. We look forward to welcoming many new families for 2018.

HELMETED HONEY EATER PRESENTATION
On Wednesday, our grade 4 and 5 students had the opportunity to attend a special Helmeted Honey Eater presentation. The Helmeted Honey Eater is our school logo. Students learnt about the critically endangered bird and how predators can affect its habitat. Interested students were then able to apply to be an ambassador for Berwick Lodge Primary School. We will announce the ambassadors in the next few weeks.

OPEN NIGHT – WEDNESDAY 24TH MAY 6pm to 8pm
Open Night is a great opportunity for families to come and see our school and participate in many hands on activities including maths games, art, Zance, games, hear a radio show, robotics and tea making. We look forward to seeing many families on this evening.

LIFE EDUCATION VAN
The Preps to Grade 4 students will enjoy the Life Education Program, which will commence tomorrow and conclude on Friday the 12th May. The trained educators, joined by the Life’s Education’s lovable mascot Healthy Harold bring to life age appropriate lessons that empower children to make safer and healthier choices. Parents can attend a free parent/carer information session on Monday 8th May from 9.30-10.15am. Please come along. There is also an online hub for parents filled with useful strategies, tools and tips to help parents raise healthy, happy kids: http://lifeeducation.org.au/parents

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY
The annual event, now in its 18th year, encourages primary school aged children to build walking into their daily routine, by walking to and from school. Walk Safely to School Day is on Friday 19th May 2017. We are encouraging families to participate on the day by walking at least some of the way to school. It may mean walking the entire way, or parking the car slightly further away in order to walk some of the distance. This will allow you the opportunity to talk with your child about road safety. We would also like to ask the children to wear crazy socks in support and recognition of the event. Move Ahead with Street Sense’ gives the following advice to parents regarding child pedestrian safety in the traffic environment: Continued...
Children up to eight years old should hold an adult’s hand on the footpath, in the car park, or when crossing the road; an adult is defined as a parent, caregiver, grandparent, sibling in high school or older, other relative or neighbour, or other adult as advised by the child’s parents/carers.

Children up to ten years old should be actively supervised in the traffic environment and should hold an adult’s hand when crossing the road.

This cartoon provides graphic facts about Children and Safety in the Traffic Environment.

Sandra McCrum and Angela Maskery

Grade 5/6 Corner

Year 7 2018 Transition News

The ‘Application for Year 7 Placement Form’ must be returned to your child’s class teacher by no later than 9.00am on Friday 12th May 2017. This includes students who have applied to a non-government school.

For those parents applying to a government secondary school, you will be notified of your child’s Year 7 placement for 2018 on Wednesday 9th August 2017.

If you have any questions regarding the completion of the form, please direct these to your child’s Grade 6 teacher or to the school office.

Thank you,
Sue Naismith
Transition Coordinator
CITY OF CASEY

HABITAT GARDENING – in association with RBG Victoria

Learn about the habitat needs of local fauna and how to incorporate into your yard including key elements such as food, water and shelter. Covers how to minimise use of chemicals, manage pests and how to manage native birds and your fruit trees.

Date: Saturday 6 May 2017
Time: 1 pm – 3 pm
Location: Auditorium, Cranbourne Gardens
1000 Ballarto Road Cranbourne

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School Banking 2017
is off to a flying start.

This year’s School Banking adventure is well underway, as the new-look Dollarmites lead the journey up towards the amazing Savings Hover Park. Students are demonstrating a remarkable saving behaviour.

New reward items
There are two new reward items to keep students saving in Term 2: the 3D Chalk Set and Tablet Case. Your child can redeem one of these, while stocks last, after making 10 School Banking deposits.

Modern ways to teach money skills with the CommBank Youth app
Through the School Banking program, CommBank has been offering engaging ways for Australian children to learn the value of saving and smart money management since 1931. In 2017, the introduction of the CommBank Youth app, an innovative digital banking tool, will help enhance the School Banking program.

With the CommBank Youth app, your child can:
- Check the balance of their Youtheaver account.
- View School Banking deposits in their transaction history.
- Track the number of Dollarmites tokens they collect.
- Set up savings goals and monitor their progress.
- Create a list of chores they can do to earn pocket money.

Explore more about the CommBank Youth app, and how to get your child started, by visiting commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Learning the value of digital money
Did you know that approximately one in five parents are trying to teach their children about cashless transactions and digital money management? CommBank research shows parents are alternating between cash and online bank transfers when giving their children pocket money, and actively demonstrating ‘tap and go’, online banking, mobile applications and how ATMs work. For more information and tips on financial education for kids, visit The Beanstalk on commbank.com.au/beanstalk

Things you should know: The Commonwealth Bank School Banking Study is an online survey of 1,049 parents across Australia undertaken by ACA Research in December 2016. This article is intended to provide general information of an educational nature only. It does not have regard to the financial situation or needs of any reader and must not be relied upon as financial product advice. Commonwealth Bank of Australia ABN 49 123 133 134.
CSEF Applications

Application forms are now available in the office for the Camps, Excursions & Sports (CSEF) funding.

Please bring a copy of your concession card into the office when applying for the CSEF Fund.

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply. $125 per year is paid for eligible primary school students. Payments are made directly to the school and are tied to the student. Parents or legal guardians are required to submit a new CSEF application form each year.

To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

on the first day of Term one, or;

on the first day of Term two;
   a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be the holder of a Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
   b) Be a temporary foster parent, and

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of the above.

CSEF application forms and a copy of your concession card must be handed into the office by Friday 23rd June 2017.
This term looks busy in the Art Room with painting, collage, construction and more!

We are after donations of any old lego or duplo blocks. They will be used in paint so if you are happy for them to be used well, without being returned, then please bring them in!!

Thanks to those who continue to drop other materials for the Art room, it’s been greatly appreciated.

Please remember all students require an art smock for class, named is an added bonus!

Thank you
Jo Zammit/Julie McLeod
Visual Arts
Mother’s Day Stall

The Mother’s Day stall will be held on **Friday 12th May 2017**
(not Thursday 11th May as previously advertised)

Gifts are $5.00 each with a limit of 4 gifts per child
All forms and money are due by 9am on **Wednesday 10th May 2017**

Book Club

Book Club brochures were sent home to all families last week.
Please place all orders online by **Friday 12th May 2017**.

Please note, the office cannot accept cash for your orders, it must be done online.

Second hand Uniform Shop open hours

(Meeting Room 1 - Entry via main school building from outside door Collins Cres side near the Art Room)

Payments are by CASH or EFT – via the office- (Min $15 EFT)

8:45am - 9:20am

April 24th
May 8th
June 19th
July 17th
August 14th
September 11th
October 9th
November 13th

3:00pm - 3:45pm

May 1st
May 22nd
June 26th
July 24th
August 28th
September 18th
October 23rd
December 4th
The Government Schools Guide booklet is now available in the front office showing a list of all Secondary schools in the East, South East, Bayside, Outer East, Melbourne, West, North, North East, North West & Girls Colleges.
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