Principal’s Report

Swimming Program
The whole school 2 week intensive swimming begins on the first day back next term. All permission notes were due back last Monday. Payment is due by October 6th and can be paid by BPAY. The program is an ideal opportunity to learn new swimming techniques and then reinforce this on a daily basis, assisting to make permanent improvements in stroke and water confidence. On both Fridays the students will attend the pool 30 minutes earlier so that they can play in the water playground area. Students will travel daily by bus to the Leisurelink Pool and parents are welcome to watch the lessons. Parents are able to take their child/children home directly from the pool if they wish at the end of the lesson, but please inform their classroom teacher beforehand and alert the Freshwater Creek or Connewarre bus drivers and school if it affects them.

I look forward to watching our students gain confidence and technique in the water. Don’t forget their bathers!

• Session One (1:15 – 1:45pm) Classes: 1/2L, 1/2K, 3/4C
• Session Two (1:45 - 2:15) Classes: 1/2G, 3/4M, 4/5B
• Session Three (2:15 – 2:45pm) Classes: Prep G, Prep C, 5/6L

Skoolbag App
The electronic app that we introduced this year has been very successful as it has allowed families ready access to school information, the calendar and alerts of upcoming events. However a few people are experiencing some difficulty. To ensure the effective use of the app, please have the most recent software updates on your device.

BPAY
Don’t forget that you can pay school accounts and excursions electronically by BPAY. Please contact the office to get your unique family reference number. Payments can also be made by cheque and cash.

Year 5/6 Camp
All reports from students and staff who attended the Year 5/6 camp to Cave Hill Creek were very positive, with many students (and staff) saying that it was the best camp they have been on. The camp staff commented on how well behaved our students were, so a pat on the back to them. The students had a great time exploring the bush, canoeing, fishing, hut building etc. Congratulations to Lachie Haines for catching a trout and to Mr Lavars who survived his dip from his kayak into the cold water! A big thank you to our staff, Sonja Ballard, Adam Lavars, Debra Miller and Carrie Rowe who gave up their personal time to attend camp and make it a memorable experience for all.

Parenting Ideas
To further support parents and families I have included a number of articles in the newsletter from the parenting ideas website. They now have a Parenting ideas magazine. This issue is a mix of up-to-date research (‘Drugs kids are using’), timely advice (‘When fun flips into addiction’) and inspiration (‘Making memories that matter’) written by our team of parenting experts and expert parenting writers. Perfect for parents of primary and secondary school students. Here is the link if you wish to have a look.

Have a great holiday everyone, remember that swimming starts on the first day back next term.

Julie Makin

We wish all our families at MDRPS a safe and relaxing holiday.
A reminder to parents that Term 4 BUS PASS payments are due by Friday, 19th September. Term 4 is an 11 week term, therefore it will be $121.00 for each fare paying child.

All bus travellers have been issued 2014 bus passes, these MUST be attached to school bags to enable children to access the bus to and from school. If you would like your child to start catching the bus please see Barb in the office Monday to Wednesday.

Don’t forget Friday, 19th September is the last day of term 3. Whole School assembly @ 12:50pm. Children will be dismissed at 1:30pm. The school buses and After School Care will begin at 1:30pm. After School Care will finish at 6:30pm as usual.

TERM 4 commences for all students on Monday, 6th October.

STUDENT INTENTION / TRANSFERS 2015
Dear Parents, To enable the planning of grade allocations for next year it would be appreciated if the following form could be completed for all children and returned to the school office no later than Friday, 19th September.

- My child/ren will / will not be attending Mt Duneed Regional Primary School in 2015.

- My child will be transferring to:

- Please note—Year 6 students destination is required information.

NEW RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS IN 2015 (If known)

Last Day of Attendance at Mt Duneed Regional Primary School will be ______________________

ID CODE (OFFICE USE) NAME CURRENT YEAR LEVEL

-CONTACT YOUR CHILD’S TEACHER IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED THE APPROPRIATE NOTES LISTED ABOVE.

NOTES SENT HOME

- Swimming organisation information- all students
- Year 2 sleepover information- yr 2 students only.
- NAPLAN results - mailed home to all yr 3 & 5 students

Contact your child’s teacher if you have not received the appropriate notes listed above.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Grade PrepC
Pralhad Buttonshaw-Benning- for trying hard with all his learning, especially with his reading and handwriting.

Grade PrepG
Reuben Gray- for his excellent persuasive writing on why dogs are better than cats.
Jesse Wines- for improving his letter formation and sitting his letters on the dotted thirds.

Grade 1/2G
Gemma Castle- for a creative presentation of persuasive writing to ‘Save our Earth’.  
Thomas Foster- for working hard and persisting to read the time.

Grade 1/2K
Tayah Kahle- for being a responsible worker.
Meg Conway- for a wonderful advertisement to sell a ‘hoverbike’.

Grade 1/2L
Jemma Kelberg- for being a kind and caring friend and working co-operatively on group activities.
Fin McManus- for being the first to reach 175 nights of AMAZING reading! Well done!

Grade 3/4C
Patrick Thomas- for his excellent work in Multiplication.
Xavier Wagner- for achieving his reading goal and explaining his thinking in detail.

Grade 3/4M
Claudia Draper- for working hard to write an explanation text titled ‘Why do Houses have Windows?’
Riley Watts- for making huge improvements in his handwriting.

Grade 4/5B
Amelia Andrews- for being a positive and happy person in the class.
Kyla Menna- for making the choice to choose more challenging books in reading.

Grade 5/6L
Elise Harrison- for scoring the first bullseye when playing archery on camp!

KAISERCRAFT Kids Program!

Congratulations to these students for your outstanding efforts each week. A big thank you to Kaisercraft, for supporting our Arts program once again this term.

Hamish Burchell 1/2
Simone Butel 1/2G
Paige Hames PC
Jacob Reeves 5/6L

These students have earned a $20 voucher to spend at Kaisercraft and will be awarded at assembly on Friday.

END OF TERM

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Please fill in your name on the reply slip for the appropriate class date and return it to the office ASAP.

I _____________________________am able to help with the
Lunch Order Roster on____________
Thursday – take orders and boxes to Grovedale takeaway, Marshalltown Rd by 11:30pm
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LOST

SCHOOL JUMPER FROM 4/5B
Size 8 with a PINK ribbon attached to the label which has ‘Petrovics’ on it. Please return to office or to Jade. Thanks.

SCHOOL JUMPERS FROM 3/4C & 3/4M
2 new size 10 school jumpers belonging to Jeremy & Joshua Palmer. Could you please check your child’s jumpers and return to school.

Friday Night—Tee-Ball SMASH Competition
Open to all 5 – 11 year olds
Cost $90 for an 8 week program
Friday October 17th 2014
Friday December 5th 2014
Geelong Baseball Centre – Main Diamond, Pioneer Road, Grovedale
Baycats Friday night Tee Ball Smash will be run as an introduction to the game of baseball. Players will be taught baseball skills, techniques and rules of the game. The tee-ball SMASH program will be run as an organised team based competition. This program is based on having fun, with lots of hitting, throwing and fielding
The teeball SMASH program is perfect to those players wishing to play with Geelong Baycats on Friday nights.

Please email: ashleybritton85@gmail.com or leannegibbons@bigpond.com to ask any questions and to receive a registration form.

Geelong Softball Association
Stead Park Corio
Come & Try Softball Girls Boys
Ladies & Men
October 1st 2014
•Juniors Wednesday nights
5.00 pm to 6.00 pm
Batter Up 4 to 10
Juniors 10 +
•Contact Lynne for more details

We also have:-
•Ladies Wednesday Night
6.45 pm and 8.15 pm
•Mens Saturday played in Warrenbay
•Masters over 25/45

•Come down on October 1st for more details or go to web site
WWW.geelong softball.org.au
•Ladies Contact Greg 0408 273 252
•Mens Contact David 0415 633 893
•Masters Contact Greg 0408 713 252

Geovedale Little Athletics Club
The 2014/15 season of Geovelde Little Athletics begins next term and we would to encourage anyone aged between 6 and 16 to come and have a go!
Grovedale Little Athletics Club is a volunteer organisation of families, with children competing for fun, fitness and enjoyment in a range of athletic events. Competition begins on 4th October 2014 and runs until March 2015 with a break over Christmas. The cost is $144.60 for the season with discounts for 3 or more children.
New athletes can have a 2 week trial before signing up.
Register online on the Little Athletics Victoria website www.lavic.com.au/
Returning athletes will have received an invitation to re-register in the last few weeks.
For more info call Michelle on 0434 193 667 or James on 0412 430 231 or check out Grovedale’s website on www.grovedalelittleathletics.com
Come and join us under the palm on the river side of Landy Field.

Fiesta
Bellt Street Fiesta Trafalgar
Visit our website for tickets & details

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