Correction
The family picnic is a picnic not a BBQ. I seem to have referred to it as both in my last message. We are looking forward to seeing you for a BYO Picnic at school on Wednesday March 2nd.

Keeping Organised
This website has some great organisers that you may like to use to help your child in his/her life. It is an American site so just check that if you use it you keep this in mind.

Prep 2012
Due to the popularity of our school we are, believe it or not, already busy conducting tours of the school for children starting in Prep in 2012. If you know of families wanting to come to Highton please let them know that things seem to be getting earlier and earlier and they may need to start looking at schools fairly soon to avoid disappointment. If you have a sibling due to start next year please pop into the office or to our website and complete an enrolment form sometime this term as this will give us an idea of how many children we will need to hold places for.

Late arrivals and early pick ups
To avoid disruption to the classroom we will not be making announcements for children to come up to the office during school time. If your child is arriving at school after 9.00am you will need to complete and sign a late pass at the office. We strongly encourage you to help your child to be at school by 5 minutes to 9 so that they can have time to unpack their own bag and be ready to start learning at 9.00am. If you need to collect your child from school early you will need to complete an early pick up form and take it to the classroom when collecting your child.

Absence
While we do not want sick children at school, we have set ourselves a target to reduce the number of days we have children absent from school. Unless your child is sick or infectious they should be at school every day. If they are unwell you need to send a written note to school when they return outlining the reason for their absence please. This is an Education Department requirement.

Student Contact Details
We have already sent reminders about updating medical plans, however we also need to keep our contact details up to date too. If you have changed address, phone numbers, work place or other emergency contacts please give us a call to ensure we have current details should an emergency arise.

Have a great week.
Tessa Calder
Clean Up Australia

Working Bee Sunday 27th Feb 9 – 12.
We have registered our school as a Clean Up Australia site for this time. Hope you can come along to help out.

Basketball

Highton Tigers Gold NO GAME THIS WEEK.

EMA

This is your last chance to fill in an EMA form for semester 1. If you are the holder of a current Health Care Card please come in to the office and fill in an EMA form.

Working Bee

WORKING BEE - MORNING TEA - THIS SUNDAY

We are looking for some volunteers to help make and serve Morning Tea for the Working Bee on Sunday 27th February. If you are able to make something to share we would much appreciate it. Needs to be in the staff room to be served by 11am.

Bookclub

Scholastic bookclub is up and running again. Thank you to everyone who placed orders, the books should be returned to school shortly and will be distributed home via the students. If books are for a gift and not to go home via the students please write HOLD AT OFFICE on your order form and let the office know.

Student Awards

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Community News

For More Details See the Noticeboard Outside The Office

- **South Barwon Football Registration**- Monday the 21st of February at McDonald Reserve in Reynolds Road Belmont commencing at 6:30 pm until 8:00 pm. For enquiries about U/10 to U/16 football contact Scott Edwards – 0409 524 331

- **Clean Up Australia** Sunday March 6th 10.30 – 12, Tim Hill Reserve, Wandana Heights. For other sites go to www.cleanup.org.au/au/CleanUpEvents/

- **Geelong Amateur Football Club Registration** for Under10 - Under 12 Football Sunday 27th February, Queens Park 10.00am – 12.00pm Teams play in the Newtown Little League; U9, U10, U11 & U12. Registration for AUSKICK Friday 29th April, Queens Park 4.30pm – 6.00pm Auskick sessions are held Friday 4.30pm – 5.45pm. For more information phone Jon on 0429 743 396 or visit the club website www.geelongamateur.com.au/juniors

- **South Barwon Football Club AUSKICK** Registration dates will be on Sunday April 3rd 9:30-11:00am and Monday 4th April 6:30-8:00pm at the South Barwon Football Club rooms. Please register and pay online at www.aflauskick.com.au if possible and bring signed form to registration. The sessions will be held on Sunday mornings from 9:30 – 11:00am at McDonald Reserve Belmont. Starting date will be May 1st. For enquiries about Auskick contact Darren Meadows - 0421 873 113

### Asthma and Allergy

Any students who have indicated on their enrolment forms that they have asthma or an allergy need to provide an asthma or allergy management plan each year from their doctor. If we do not have a current plan we have to treat the child as if they do not have a medical issue.

**We currently have 75 students marked on their enrolments as having a medical condition and only 14 management plans have been given to us as yet.**

Please get these plans to the office as soon as possible so that we can best look after your child.

If your child no longer has a medical issue please let us know so we can amend our records.

Thank you for your cooperation in this important matter.

### Active After School

All places for Active After School on Mondays and Tuesdays have been filled. We look forward to a great term of new skill development.

### Car Boot Sale

Parents club are asking for expressions of interest for a car boot sale to be held on either 19th March 2011 or 2nd April 2011. If you are interested in having a stall at a nominal cost please leave your name and contact details at the school office.
Payment Plans & Excursion Activity Funds

If you wish to open up an Excursion Activity Fund to start paying for excursions etc. for
the year please see Lyn or Gaylene in the office. This is an easy option, it saves you
searching for correct change for each excursion. We accept cash, cheques or credit pay-
ments.

If you are currently on a payment plan for any excursions/camps/activities through school
please call into the office every week and pay off your next instalment

Math Tip Of The Week

What tips can I use to help my child?
Be positive about math!
• Let your child know that everyone can learn math.
• Let your child know that you think math is important and fun.
• Point out the ways in which different family members use math in their jobs.
• Be positive about your own math abilities. Try to avoid saying "I was never good at
  math" or "I never liked math".
• Encourage your child to be persistent if a problem seems difficult.
Praise your child when he or she makes an effort, and share in the excitement when
he or she solves a problem or understands something for the first time.
Some great websites
http://www.mathsisfun.com/
http://www.coolmath4kids.com/
http://nzmaths.co.nz/

PYP

What is the learner profile?
It’s the IBO mission statement translated into a set of learning outcomes for the 21st century.
IB learners strive to be:
Inquirers, Knowledgeable, Thinkers, Communicators, Principled, Open-minded, Caring, Risk
takers, Balanced
Reflective
The attributes of the learner profile express the values inherent to the IB continuum of inter-
national education.
IB programmes promote the education of the whole person, emphasizing intellectual, per-
sonal, emotional and social development

For your Calendar

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SICKBAY ROSTER
Donna Brandwyk