Final Assembly for the Term This Week on Friday
Thank you to all our students and families for making our assembly work so well last week. The students presenting assembly were given every opportunity to present to a quiet and attentive audience and they felt appreciated by the way the audience behaved, thank you. This Friday will be our last assembly for the term as there will be no students here next Friday.

Final Day for students next Thursday April 7th at 3.30pm
Just a reminder that our staff will be participating in a curriculum day next Friday, April 8th, and students are not required at school. This is our school staff’s opportunity to plan and evaluate the best possible learning for all our students. There will be no other school curriculum days for the year as we had 3 days at the start of the year before the students returned to school.

Staff as Learners
This weekend some of our staff are involved in an International Baccalaureate workshop to further enhance their skills in the Primary Year’s Program. I would like to show my appreciation to all our staff for participating in these workshops which happen in holidays and at weekends. It is a big commitment to the students at Highton.

Congratulations
Well done to Liam for his amazing risk taking and principled action in shaving his head to raise money for the World Wildlife Fund at assembly last week.

Numeracy
Next week we have our Network Leader from DEECD (Department of Education and Early Childhood Development) visiting our school with two other principals to hear about all the great things we are doing with our school improvement focus on the teaching of maths. Every teacher in our school is working to make their maths teaching the best it can be and it will be great to share this with others outside our school.

Car Boot Sale and cake stall
I hope to see lots of bargain hunters at our car boot sale on Saturday and please don’t forget to bake something for the cake stall if you can.

Have a great week.
Tessa Calder
**Community News**

- **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

- **DOC Football Academy** will be running a two day holiday camp during the school holidays. At Kardinia International College, on 11th – 12th April 2011 from 9.30am – 3.30pm Cost: $150.00 (includes: lunch, morning and afternoon snacks, fruit, trophies, plus loads of prizes) To register email: doc@docfootballacademy.com or call David on 0402 520 888

- **Barwon Soccer Club** for boys and girls aged 4 to 18 give us a call on 52416601 / 52445013 or Michael on 0411659281 Website: [www.barwonsoccerclub.com](http://www.barwonsoccerclub.com)

- **St Mary's AUSKICK** -Sessions will be held on Friday nights from 5-6pm. Registration night and season kick off is Friday 29th April 5-6pm. Register and pay online at www.aflauskick.com.au - select St Mary’s (Geelong). After you register online please print out and keep your receipt. Any enquiries contact Christeen Brice 0425 873 887 (coordinator).

- **Yoga** In the school hall, Mondays nights from 6 PM –7 PM. Mention this ad for one free introductory class from Monique who is a Master Yoga Teacher. Contact Monique on 0449976328


**We Need Books**

Our Vice School Captains are organising a classroom library for the senior building. We need donations of books suitable for children in grade Prep-6. These could be fiction or non-fiction books, or magazines eg K-Zone. Please bring them to the bubble room, which the round room to the left of the main door in the senior building. We would appreciate this ASAP. Thank you, Matthew and Debby

**Car Boot Sale**

Our car boot sale is being held this Saturday April 2nd. **We now require payment from all people wanting to have a site on the day.** Even if you don’t have a site come along and buy a sausage or a cake and support your school. Many bargains to be had.

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**Week commencing 4th April**

**CANTENE ROSTER**

- 9.00 – 11.30
- Sarah Forssman
- 11.30-1.45
- Cathy Davidson

**SICKBAY ROSTER**

- Jade Hague
Autism Rainbow Day—This Friday

The Junior School Council have organised an Autism Rainbow Day. It will be held this Friday the 1st of April. All students will be asked to wear rainbow clothing on this day and a gold coin donation is to be brought to school to support the cause.

Math News

Mathematics – Word Problems

Children have a difficult time solving math word problems. However to develop a basic understanding of math they need to learn how to solve even the most difficult math problem. These difficult math problems are typically, word problems. Teaching children how to solve word problems in math is critical if they are to develop full understanding of math.

I will include some tips each week and a problem – see how you go.

· Read the problem carefully looking for clues and important information. Write down the clues, underline, or highlight the clues.
· If necessary, rewrite the problem to help find these clues.

Suppose 6 monkeys take 6 minutes to eat 6 bananas.
1. How many minutes would it take 3 monkeys to eat 3 bananas?

2. How many monkeys would it take to eat 60 bananas in 60 minutes?

Last Week’s Math News Answer

Assuming 2 wheels for each cycle, 15 cycles will have 30 wheels. But, there are 39 − 30 = 9 extra wheels. As bicycles have 2 wheels and tricycles have 3 wheels, there is 1 extra wheel per tricycle in the park. Thus, the 9 extra wheels belong to 9 tricycles.

Lost

A size 16 Grade 6 hoodie (unfortunately unnamed) was picked up from the basketball courts at training on Tuesday 22nd March. Could all basketball families please check you have the correct size hoodie and the correct number of hoodies at home. If you find it, please return to Liam Dempsey in SRG.

Listen To Learn

An information session will be held for anyone interested in learning about the Listen to Learn program. Listen to Learn is a volunteer parent run program that works with small groups of students (preps, ones and twos) on phonemic awareness. The session will be run the school library on Monday April 4th from 3.45 PM. For more information or to register your interest in attending please see Mrs Moore or the school office.
House Cross Country

Our House Cross Country will be held on Monday April 4th, at Barwon Valley Fun Park - at 1 PM. If any parent can help with course supervision please leave your name at the office.

Belmont High School SEALP

Select Entry Accelerated Learning Program (SEALP) at Belmont High School. Students make their secondary school selections following open days and information evenings. At Belmont H.S. we offer a specific information evening for the SEALP and the selection process is timed to offer places in the SEALP before applications for mainstream places are required.

The SEALP information evening is to be held on Tuesday 5th April. Please note that SEALP information and an application form are available on the Belmont High School web site www.bhs.vic.edu.au.

Free Rocks

Frog Pond Revamp—A revamp of the frog pond area is planned. Most of the rocks will be removed and replaced with native grasses and plants. A bog area will remain for habitat for frogs. Anyone who wants rocks for their garden are most welcome to come and get them.

Year 3 and 4 Basketballers Wanted

We have some places available for year 3 and 4 students to join our Thursday night basketball team. It is a great way for students to learn the life skills of working as a team along with their sports skills. Boys and girls are welcome. Please leave your name at the office if you would like to join our teams.

It’s Not Too Late

Parents Club are holding a stall at the car boot sale. We are still looking for donations of books, games, puzzles and toys. Obviously all items need to be in good resalable condition. Please leave donations with Gaylene in the school office.

Student Awards

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PYP

the PYP framework—Transdisciplinary theme—*Who we are.*

An inquiry into:

- the nature of the self
- beliefs and values
- personal, physical, mental, social and spiritual health
- human relationships including families, friends, communities and cultures
- rights and responsibilities
- what it means to be human.

**Basketball and Netball**

Can all basketball tops please be returned to school at the end of the season. As all children will be joining different teams we need all tops back to distribute for the term two sides.

We are looking for additional green netball skirts. If you have a skirt you no longer need please consider donating them to the school for our future players.

**Mothers Day Chocolates**

We are looking for volunteers to help make Chocolates for Mothers Day on May 4th, please leave your name with Gaylene or Lyn in the office.

**Liam Dempsey’s Shave For The Planet**

I would like to thank everyone who supported me for me shaving my head. I am pleased to say that I raised just over $1800. I would also like to thank the people who voted for me in the Earth Hour People’s Choice Award. I didn’t win an award but I had a great time in Sydney.

Liam
Active After-school Communities Program
INFORMATION FOR HIGHTON P.S. PARENTS

The Active After-school Communities Program is an Australian Government funded initiative encouraging a healthy and active lifestyle for your children. The program runs for 7 weeks each term, is FREE and students will be provided with a healthy afternoon snack.

Term 2 programs!!!

**Mondays - Multi Sport.**
(skills for netball/basketball)
Presenter: Carolyn Hall
and Garrison Grigg
Start 9th May
End 27th June
3:30 - 4:45

**Tuesdays - Circus/Fun**
Presenter: Bronwyn and Joe from Kids Place Circus School
Start 10th May
End 21st June
3:30 - 4:45

Term 2 is not far away so if you would like to join our program please complete the form below and return to the office as soon as possible. Children in all grade levels are welcome to join in either/both sessions.

On Mondays we will play games involving skills needed for netball or basketball. We will try to have a mini netball or basketball game on some sessions.
On Tuesdays we will have the circus school again. Preference will be given to those children who did not get a spot this term however please put your name down if you would like to join in for a second time and I will allocate any remaining spots on a first basis.

All children need to be marked off my roll before they leave so that I know an adult has picked them up and they have not just wandered off. Please make sure that you let me know if you take them early. Or if they will not be attending on a particular night then either text me 0407 826504 or let the office know.

Thanks
Carolyn Hall
AASC Co-ordinator

Active After-school Communities Program – Child Expression of Interest Form

I would like my child/children to participate in the AASC program on Monday Tuesday afternoons (please circle).

Parent/Guardian (full name):

Signature: Date:

Emergency contact no.

☐ My child will walk/ride home at the end of the program.