Dear Parents,

Today we commenced operations in the new administration area. The design and functionality of the area are brilliant and achieve many positive outcomes for the school. I would encourage all parents to visit this new facility, familiarise themselves with the layout and gain an appreciation of the quality work. Here are some of the rooms in our redevelopment.

- Waiting Area
- Office
- Medical Room
- Staff Work Room
- Meeting Room
- Principal’s Office
- Staff Room
- SEO Office
In September, the Department of Education will be conducting online student and parent surveys to measure school satisfaction about Bellerive Primary. These surveys provide valuable feedback to the school and assist with school decision making and planning. Random samples of students from Years 5 & 6 and parents will be invited to participate. Some parents will be receiving a letter in coming days. Students will complete their surveys as a group in the computer lab. Any parent who receives a parent survey is free to use the computer lab to complete it. Results from the surveys will be provided to the school in November.

This year our school collected approximately 65000 Earn and Learn points in the Woolworths Program. These points will be used to redeem school materials and equipment which are mainly suited for early childhood classes. As a result class teachers from Kinder to 1-2T have been requested to select classroom resources from their allocated points.

Steven Hay  
Principal

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**New Phone Numbers**

As part of the Middle Block redevelopment our school has upgraded its phone system.

The new phone and fax numbers are as follows

Phone Number: 03 6244 1200  
Fax Number: 03 6244 1299

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**BOOK FAIR 2013**

It’s almost time again for our Bellerive Primary School Book Fair. It will run from Monday 16th to Friday 20th September, each day from 8:30am to 3:30pm, and this year’s theme will follow on from The Children’s Book Council of Australia Book Week theme -- **READ ACROSS THE UNIVERSE**.

We encourage all to come along and browse the wonderful selection of books supplied by Mark George Books. Last year’s selection was fantastic with prices ranging from as low as $2 up to just over $20 so, there’s something for everyone. You can access a sneak preview of books that will be available at:  
www.markgeorgebooks.com.au

Through our annual book fair we have the opportunity to build on our school library collection, as well as giving children access to a wide and wonderful selection of books, while developing and improving their reading skills.

So, mark this special week on your calendar and **READ ACROSS THE UNIVERSE** with books you have chosen from the Bellerive Primary School Book Fair.

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**SCIENCE CLUB**

*By Myra Faull*

This week in Junior Science Club we have been making paper mache deep sea creatures. We used milk cartons to make the body and ping pong balls for the eyes. This week some people got up to the painting stage. When they finished that they made an air cannon. We ended up having an air cannon competition.
What’s Happening In Mathematics

When we think about division we often think about it in terms of how many of those in that number. For example, 12 divided by 3 we would think how many three’s in 12. We might mentally or physically with object try to share the 12 into 3 piles. This works well for small amounts and when using concrete materials to sort the 12 objects into three’s but when we look at larger amounts, say 69 divided by 3, we need to think of a more efficient strategy and thinking multiplication is such a strategy!

Last week I further explained the strategies we teach children to use to efficiently and effectively calculate multiplication problems. I also mentioned the link between multiplication and division which I’d like to further explain this week and next week take look over the formal written methods of both multiplication and division, and explain why you may not see these being taught until late into the year for some year 4’s, 5’s and 6’s.

Learning the concept of sharing begins in at an early age. In the Curriculum it begins in the Foundation Year, asking teachers to provide experiences where children need to:

Represent practical situations to model addition and sharing (ACMNA004)

We learn to share things even before we get to school. A three year old knows that when you say you will share something with them that they will get some. Children begin to share amounts equally with concrete materials and learn that for it to be fair the shares need to be equal. This also supports the idea of multiplication (e.g. that 4 fives are 5, 5, 5, and 5. All are the same amount and there are 4 of them) and later help children link the two.

To provide opportunities for children to make the connection between multiplication and division, children need to be encouraged to think “What do I have to multiply by?” to find the answer. They will also be encouraged to continue to use concrete materials and visuals to support their learning. For example, if the problem given was that 69 lollies needs to be shared between three hungry sisters we would say “The question is asking how many lollies would each sister get. Three what’s would be 69? Or 3 x ___ is 69” This prompts them to think about multiplication, think about when multiplying anything by three we double it and add one more. What could I double and add one more of that would get me close to 69? If I double 20 I get 40 and one more 20 would be 60. That’s close to 69. If I double 3 I get 6 and add one more 3 I get 9. That means if I double 23 I get 46 and add one more 23 I get 69 so 69 divided by 3 is 23. Each sister would get 23. Actually talking children through this process is important and providing them with a visual example like below helps them to make connections. Next time your child has some division homework, see if you can help them to think multiplication!

Andrea Saggers
AST
Reminder to all families that we are running our catalogue fundraiser for our LiL programs. If you would like a copy of the catalogues for yourself, friends or family members then please collect these from the Kinder White/B4 room. Orders can be done easily online and not due until the end of October.

This week we welcome along Amelia to our B4 and pre-kinder session. Amelia is our school speech pathologist and will be available for a general information chat or is able to answer any specific questions that you may have regarding your child’s speech and language development.

This week in B4 we continue our Life on the Farm focus and will finalise arrangements for our upcoming excursion.

**Term 3 Calender**

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**FREE Parent Workshop Session - Play Matters: for children and parents**

At: Brighton Primary School  
On: Sept 6th  
From: 1:15pm - 2:45pm

If you are interested in attending this session please see Mrs Curtain as soon as possible for booking details.

Louise Curtain, Sam Arnold and Louise Goich  
*B4 at Bellerive*  
*Launching into Learning*

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**TASMANIAN FOOTBALL ACADEMY**

Staff includes some of the highest qualified coaches in Australia, including Victory League players and coaches.

**Clinic Number 1**

Wed, Thur, Fri - 2nd, 3rd & 4th October 2013  
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Clinic Number 2**

Wed, Thur, Fri - 9th, 10th & 11th October 2013  
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Please note that to maintain our high standards of coaching, all players must be registered by Friday 27th September so that we can be appropriately staffed. No registrations will be taken on the day. There is a maximum of 60 places at each clinic.
What’s been happening in the Next Steps Program?
By Ms Palfreyman

Focus: Grade 3/4 P
Grade 3L, 3/4 P and 4B have been learning about Aborigines connection to and Caring for Country by watching a new series of DVD’s called Country Series: Inland Places and Coastal places.
The children in Gr 3/4 P have been reflecting on their learning:

Noah Bird: ‘Country is very important to Tasmanian Aborigines. They would speak to Country just like they would to a human. They would sing to Country, speak to Country and look after Country. Country provides resources that they need to survive like stone for stone tools and fruit to eat. Without Country nothing can survive.’

Fatima Hassan: ‘Tasmanian Aborigines think land is important to them because they had their body, soul and footsteps all over the land. They take care of the land because they want to look after animals and their family. It was so important to them because that’s where they were.’

Did you know?
‘For Aborigines, Country is all things within the land and landscape-from beneath the surface to the sky. Country provides resources that they need to continue doing the things that Aborigines have always done; stone for stone tools; ochre for ceremony; grasses for weaving; bark for canoes etc. Country provides physical links to their past. Each place, animal, plant and event holds living stories.’ (Source: Theresa Sainty, Project Officer – Culture and Curriculum, Aboriginal Education Services)

Focus: Prep/I
They had fun making their own Mutton bird chick in a burrow!

Move Well Eat Well

Less screen time = more time for play!

Screen time is:
- watching TV and DVDs
- playing computer games
- playing electronic and hand held games

Too much screen time can mean less time to be active and play with friends and family.

Turn off the screen and switch to play!

For more information and for family ideas on healthy eating and physical activity visit:
www.movewelleatwell.tas.gov.au

The Schools Triathlon Challenge will be held on Thursday 21st November for interested Grade 3-6 students. Students can register as an individual or as a team.

The cost for the event is $15 per student, which will cover student entry, a backpack, finishers cap, swim cap, Wrist Band, race numbers, pins, fruit and water and sunscreen.

For more information please visit www.schoolstriathlonchallenge.com or speak to Mr Claridge.

Entry forms can be collected from the office and payment is required with your registration form.
**Calendar of Events for 2013**

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**ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFICATES**

The following students were awarded Achievement Certificates in Assembly:

- 5-6P Mia Williams-Mason, Tyler Wilson
- 5-6V/E Lachie Dillon, Angus King
- 4B Ashlee Hayes, Brooke Smith
- 3-4P Caleb Devine, Mei Booker
- 3L Tristan Mollineaux, Paula Hawes
- 2W Keegan Flood, Jacob Quayle
- 2J/S Zak Dolan, Mackenzie Walker
- 1-2T Isabelle McGarry, Tristen Munns
- 1P Jessica Stanley, Lucas Arthur
- Prep-IT Mia Zerella, Isabella Stanley
- PrepN Thomas Overton, Sophia Raudino
- PrepA/W Zoe Ellis Ella Clark

The Golden Ear Award was won by 4 Baxter

4 Baxter would like donations of the following items:

old newspapers, magazine and most importantly (for a Science investigation), different offcuts of material. Items can be left with 4 Baxter or the office.

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**Clarence Little Athletics Centre Inc**

*Family Fun & Fitness for ages Under 6 to 15 Still running strong.*

**Registration Day 2013**

Rosny McDonalds Sunday 29th September
3.00 pm to 5.00pm

Register online, payment taken on Registration Day

Season commences Saturday October 5th 8.20am

For further information contact: Amanda Robertson (Secretary) 0419714924
Website: [www.clarence.org.au](http://www.clarence.org.au)