Dear Parents,

I extend a warm welcome to all Bellerive Primary families for the 2015 school year. A big thank you to all staff for their excellent efforts and hard work in preparation for the commencement of another great year at our wonderful school. Also thanks to parents for being well-organised with school uniform, levy payments, parents/teacher discussions and other related matters to assist their children enjoy a smooth start today. I would like to encourage all parents to work in partnership with their child's class teacher to maximise individual student success this year and please feel free to meet me at any time or email at steven.hay@education.tas.gov.au if I can provide assistance to you or your family with any matter.

We start the school year with an enrolment figure of 460 which includes 69 Kindergarten students. The continued increase in numbers is a reflection on the school image the school possesses and the positive comments communicated by our families around the local community. The higher numbers assist our school in many ways but also present challenges which must be addressed effectively.

In relation to staffing, it is my pleasure to welcome the following new staff to Bellerive Primary:

Mrs Monique Hamilton  
Mrs Allison Payne  
Mrs Julia Lovatt  
Mrs Kelly Thorne  
Madame Ans van Heijsten  

4 from Campbell Town District  
2 from Fairview Primary  
1/2 from Rosetta Primary  
Administration from Moonah Primary  
French

I would like to thank Kerrilie Phillips, Melissa Timsar, Lyndel McManus, Gayle Newbold, Rebecca Brougham and Hannah Jennings for their time and effort with the uniform sales last Tuesday and Thursday. It was terrific to witness the large number of parents purchasing uniforms for their children last week. Our school uniform is terrific and I would encourage all parents to ensure their children wear the uniform fully and consistently throughout the year. All students are expected to be appropriately groomed with neat and tidy hair and exercise good decision making in relation to jewellery, piercings, footwear and make-up as outlined in our School Uniform Policy.

As announced on our school Facebook page Lisele Rankin has been appointed as the new canteen manageress and I look forward to the direction she will be taking the school canteen. During uniform sales, samples of food were provided to parents and students to taste food items that will be on the menu this year. Lisele has a passion for our students eating a healthy diet and I would encourage all parents to actively support her by acting as a volunteer in the canteen, providing feedback to her or getting their children to experience the healthy food options. The canteen will commence on 11th February.

Congratulations to our School Association and parent/staff volunteers for the successful fundraising with our car parking during Blundstone Arena cricket matches. The following totals were raised:

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GRAND TOTAL = $6249 !!
Our next event will be co-ordinating the car parking for the World Cup Cricket officials for the three matches played in March. Our school will receive $5000 for providing this service. One of these matches will be held on a school day and special plans and organisation will be put in place to cater for both school and car parking needs. Further details will be provided about this matter closer to the date however its great that our school has been asked to be a part of this organisation for an international event.

Other opportunities for car parking funds this year will be for the Nitro Circus event in March and the three AFL football matches. In total this year we should make approximately $16,000 for very little effort. It would be appreciated if more parents could help out with the car parking to assist the core group of staff/parent volunteers and share the workload. The time required at the school for car parking is two hours and it’s a load of fun meeting so many intrastate and interstate visitors as well as people from the local area.

This year there will be two major projects that will be undertaken to further enhance the physical environment of the school. In Term 1 new playground equipment will be set up near the ECE toilets and during the April holidays work will commence on the redevelopment of the Middle Playground. I will provide further details about these projects in next week’s newsletter. Our second major project will be the development of the third Kindergarten room which will commence at the end of this year. Our school will fund this project with money sourced from the 2014, 2015 and 2016 school budgets.

Over the holidays our school has been subjected to unwanted and disappointing vandalism with plants being destroyed, a picnic table being damaged and bricks from the primary mural dislodged. The actions by these unwelcome people to our school are costly and frustrating. As a result we have taken the following actions:

⇒ Contacted the police.
⇒ Organised some patrols at night
⇒ Letterboxed dropped to our school’s neighbours
⇒ Considered the purchasing of security cameras.

I would encourage our families to use the school grounds during after school hours for play and recreation and to report any suspicious behaviour to the Bellerive Police or myself so swift action can take place. Any parents who enjoy taking late night walks for fitness and enjoyment might consider using the school grounds as a location for this purpose. The more positive people we have using the school grounds appropriately the less negative actions will result.

Today you will receive the following paperwork from the school:

- Validation forms
- Easter and Christmas service permission forms
- Major Excursion and Aquatic Activities consent form
- School Banking information

It would be greatly appreciated if parents could return these forms as soon as convenient in order for the systems in the school office to be up to date with data.

Please be advised newsletters will be distributed each Tuesday to the eldest child. If you would like to receive your newsletter via email please notify the office. Assemblies will be held weekly at 2pm commencing on Friday 13th February for Grade 1 to 6 students. The reason for the change is due to increased enrolments and limited space in the hall. Special Kinder and Prep assemblies will be held throughout the year on designated Wednesday afternoons. These dates will be published in next weeks newsletter.

Steven Hay
Principal
School Houses
2015 sees the reintroduction of 4 school houses at Bellerive Primary School. The houses are:
Burton (yellow) Murdoch (green) McIntyre (red) and O'May (blue).
Our first carnival this year is the Interhouse Athletic Carnival for all Prep to Grade 6 students on Wednesday 18th February. Please be advised that ECE students will only participate in one or two events and that their major carnival for athletics will be Wednesday 18th March.
Students will require a top to the colour of their house team for this event.
A special thanks to Keiko Townsend and Nicole Lugg for making the Murdoch flag and realigning the O'May flag.

School Association Report
Dear All,
Our School Community continues to grow, with approximately 465 students enrolled for 2015, and with that I want to warmly welcome all our new families to our great School. You won’t regret your decision to come to Bellerive Primary School.
I hope everyone has had an enjoyable Christmas, NY and summer School Holiday break, although maybe I should pull the word 'summer' from that statement!
When I reflect on 2014, as a School Community together we have managed to achieve a number of milestones but arguably the most important has been our goal of having an Interactive SmartBoard on each of our classroom walls (Kinder excepted). Including a current Purchase Order for five units, we can now be proud that through our fundraising efforts we have been able to provide twelve SmartBoards for our children.
Our School Association social media presence on Facebook continues to grow and we invite all of our new families to find our page and ‘Like’ it, so we can keep you up to date with School proceedings.
We have a new Canteen Manager in Mrs Lisele Rankin this year. Please drop by and say hello to Lisele, have a look at the new Menu and if you are able to help by volunteering throughout the year, I’m sure Lisele would appreciate it.
We also have some new Landscaping works planned for our central playground which will make much better use of the area and will create a multi-purpose area for a number of stakeholders.
Rest assured that car parking on our School grounds remains a priority for us to solve. We have some ideas in place, and we have a commitment from our Council to assist us in finding a suitable solution.
I warmly invite everyone in our School Community to come along to our monthly School Association meetings. We would love to embrace some new faces around the table to discuss the future of our School.
I sincerely hope that 2015 is a year that meets your expectations at Bellerive Primary School.
Warm regards,
Phillip Excell, Chairperson
Bellerive Primary School Association

PE Program
Physical Education at Bellerive Primary, in 2015 will be from Monday to Wednesday. Check with class teachers as to the actual time and day of your child’s lesson.
On these days it is very important that students wear appropriate clothing and most especially, good footwear. Trainers/runners, are most essential for students to perform at their best. Skate shoes are not appropriate for running as they have no flexibility in the sole, causing sore feet for the student.
Students should also bring along a suitable drink, on P.E. days. While the weather is warm I will be asking students to bring their water with them to Physical Education sessions. Thanks for your cooperation with these matters.
Tim Claridge, (Physical Education Teacher)
## Calendar 2015

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## Early Years Program
The commencement dates for our early years programs are as follows:

**B4:**
- Thursday 5th March
- 9:00am - 11:30am
- Mrs Arnold and Mrs Curtain

**Pre**
- Tuesday 3rd March
- 1:00pm - 2:30pm
- Mrs Sander

**Kinder 1:**
- Thursday 5th March
- 9:00am - 10:30am
- Mrs Sander

## School Banking
School Banking commence on Tuesday 10th February for 2015 and will continue each Tuesday during school terms. Our banking officers this year will be Joanne Flood and Sally McGrath. Please see attached information.

## Uniform Shop
The uniform shop opening hours will be 2.30-3.15pm on Tuesdays until further notice.

## Clarence Junior Football Club
Clarence Junior Football Club welcomes all boys and girls wanting to play Australian Rules Football for season 2015.

**Registration Day**
- Saturday 14th February from 9.00 am to 11.00am
- Clarence Junior Clubrooms – 223 Clarence St Howrah (drive next to Zap Fitness)

Registration can also be conducted online via the Clarence Junior Football Club website.