**Important Dates**

**MARCH**

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<td>Term 1 Ends - 2:30pm finish!</td>
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<td>Mon 13th</td>
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<td>Fri 17th</td>
<td>Geelong West Cross Country</td>
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<td>Mon 27th - 1st May</td>
<td>Book Fair in the Library every day from 3:30 - 4:00pm</td>
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<td>Curriculum Day - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS</td>
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<td>Tues 12th - Fri 15th</td>
<td>Grade 6 Camp to Maldon</td>
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<td>Tues 19th</td>
<td>Pyjama Day - more information to come</td>
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<td>Wed 20th</td>
<td>Open Day – tours at 9.30am and 12.00pm</td>
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We are currently taking pre-orders for the 2015/2016 Entertainment Books! Head to: https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/1131v43

**Books are $55 of which the school keeps $11.** For only $55 you get over $10,000 worth of valuable offers that you can use all year (until 1/6/2016). The Book features many of the most popular businesses in the area including Fine Dining, Casual Dining/Family, Takeaway, Arts, Sports, Retail and Travel!
End of Term 1 and Happy Easter:
Thank you to all ‘Mano’ community members for your contributions throughout term 1. In a short term, much has been achieved and the remainder of 2015 promises to be exciting and rewarding.

Our Prep students have settled in so very well to their new routines and at our recent weekly Assembly many students across all grade levels were recognized for their tremendous efforts.

Congratulations to our new Term 2 Student Leaders – School Captains, House Captains and Leadership Team members.

I wish all a happy and safe holiday period and look forward to the challenges ahead as we unleash potential together!

Working Bee - SUNDAY APRIL 12th:
I hope many school community members can join us for a tidy up session on Sunday April 12th 9-11 am.

On the last day of holidays before term 2 commences it will be most appreciated if you can spare an hour or two.

Weeding gardens, sweeping up leaves, spreading mulch, pruning and mowing will be the key tasks.

Dismissal on the Last day of Term:
On Friday March 27th students will be dismissed at 2:30pm. The lunch break on this day will be between 1 & 2pm

Term 2 begins Monday April 13th after the Easter holidays.

Evacuation drill:
On Monday we had a practice evacuation drill and how well the students responded fantastically. We need to practice how to respond should there ever be a fire, chemical spill, electrical problem, gas leak or such like. There was not real issue on Monday it was just a practice to familiarise the schools community with evacuation procedures.

Later this year we will do this again and also practice a lock down procedure – what to do if we are outside (eg: at lunchtime) and need to come indoors in case of an emergency.

Uniform Reminder:
Please note that Bellarine Uniforms 162 Moorabool Street Geelong, are the only AUTHORISED suppliers of our school uniform. Please familiarize yourselves with our Uniform Policy which can be accessed via our website.

Purple day for Epilepsy Awareness:
Today we raised money for Epilepsy via inviting all to wear some purple. Thank you to all supporters of this cause and we hope that the funds raised will help Epilepsy Australia to support those who have epilepsy. We raised approximately $280!

Let’s keep Unleashing Potential
Barry Rowland
Principal

Prep Holiday Play Date
Where: Sparrow Park, Geelong West
When: Tuesday 21st March from 10am
Why: Come and meet other Prep parents and children

Library News
The Book Fair Term 2 will take place in the Library during the week Monday 27th April to Friday 1st May, from 3:30 - 4.15. All profits made will go towards new Library resources. Everyone welcome.

A very big thank you to Miss Jones for working along side Mrs. Bencic in the Library for Term 1. It has been a very busy but worthwhile experience. Miss Jones has been offered a position at another school and we wish her all the very best. I would like to welcome Mrs. Primmer to the Library team for the rest of the year, on a Tuesday and Wednesday. Happy holidays and we look forward to next Term.

Kind regards
Mrs. Primmer, Mrs. Bencic

Girls Junior Football 8 to 12 Years of Age
Girls can play footy too! This year Newtown and Chilwell Football Netball Club will establish a Junior Girls Football Team to play in the AFL Barwon Junior Girls competition.

Games will be played on Sunday mornings.

If you are interested or require further information please contact Heather Harris 0438 393 599 or hdnharris@bigpond.com.au
Geelong West District Summer Lightning Premiership

Last Friday the District Summer Lightning Premiership was held at Stead Park, Corio. Congratulations to all children on the way in which you participated and competed. A special thank-you to Mrs Jarwood, Mrs Huntley and Mrs Ellis for helping coach and supervise teams on the day. Many thanks to the parents and friends who were able to come and support the children during the day.

Cricket Results
The girls won one game and lost two while the boys won two games and lost one.

Girls:
Fyans Park 135 d. Manifold Heights 93
Chilwell 91 d. Manifold Heights 70
Manifold Heights 117 d. Ashby 99

Boys:
Hamlyn Banks 203 d. Manifold Heights 64
Manifold Heights 256 d. Herne Hill 53
Manifold Heights 131 d. Fyans Park 125

Softball Results

Girls:
Manifold Heights A won two games, lost two games and drew one game to finish 3rd while Manifold Heights B lost all five games and finished sixth.

Boys:
Manifold Heights A won five games to finish first while Manifold Heights B lost all five games and finished sixth.

Division Tennis Championships
Last Wednesday Sara-Lou Gregoire competed in the North Geelong Division Tennis Championships held at the Geelong Lawn Tennis Club. After playing many games of tennis, Sara-Lou eventually finished fourth (4th) in the Girls Division. This is a great result and we congratulate her on reaching this level of competition! Go Sara-Lou!

Western Metropolitan Swimming Championships
On Tuesday, Olivia Platt and Rhys McWaters competed in the Western Metropolitan Swimming Championships held at the Kardinia Aquatic Centre in Geelong. Olivia finished fifth (5th) in the Girls 11 Years Breastroke and Rhys finished third (3rd) in the Boys 9/10 Years Breastroke. These are both great results and we congratulate Olivia and Rhys on their performances.

Community and Grounds

The Community and Grounds sub committee of the School Council aim is to work to build the school community and maintain and improve the school grounds. So this year we are wanting to try two new things:

Wednesday Working Bees- a quick blitz each Wednesday morning for no more than an hour, between 9-10am. We can achieve a range of small jobs each week that will help keep the school looking fantastic. Jobs include sweeping around the entrances to building, tidying the Gunyah, spot weeding where needed. Any time you can make it is totally appreciated, siblings can help too (or just play in the playground). If weather is too wet it will not run. If you want to join us we will meet outside the office on Wednesdays starting Term 2.

Year level parent representatives: One or more parents from each year level to be a contact point for information and activities. This might include organising an activity for a group of parents, feeding back to the Community and Grounds sub committee about ideas or being involved in tasks that support the school community. If you would like to be involved as a year level representative you can let Gwyn Morrison or Gillian Thornton know, either at school or by email on gwynfish@yahoo.com. Once we have enough people we can then start to plan activities.
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