I would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff and parents on Council for giving their time and efforts in supporting the school. Your support is very much appreciated. Our School Council AGM and our first meeting of the new School Council will occur on Monday, March 20th at 6.30pm.

Junior School Council

The following students have been elected by their class to be representatives on the Junior School Council for 2017. The role of the Junior School Council is to provide student voice and feedback to some of the important decisions that are made throughout the school. They are also responsible for the fundraising efforts that go towards our Sponsor Child and several recognised charities. Last year our Junior School Council raised funds for World Vision and Daffodil Day for Cancer Research. Congratulations to the following students:

2/3 A Phoenix and Tilly
3A Alex and Ashlyn
3B Shaya and Mitchell
4A Dillan and Brodie
4B Travis and Chloe

Green Team

The following students have been elected by their class to be representatives on the Green Team for 2017. The Green Team encourage a respect for the environment and promote sustainable practices throughout the school – reduce, reuse, and recycle. They encourage ‘nude’ food and wrapper free lunches and oversee School Pride Duty. We thank the following students in advance for the work they will be doing this year to protect the environment.

PA Ella and Juliette
PB Tahlia and Henry
P1A Oliver and Heidi
1A Harriet and Matthew
1B Charlie and Ella
2A Tilly and Tye
2B Austin and Tily
2/3 A Charl-Kate and Immy
3A Ruby and Jesse
3B Benny and Zahle

PA Emma and Cameron
PB Brian and Nykita
P1A Lilly and Ava
1A Toby and Regan
1B Emma and Emily

Forward Dates

March
Thursday 16th Dolphin Research – Selected Students
Wednesday 22nd Harmony Day - Wear A Splash of Orange
Thursday 23rd Summer Lightning Premiership Grades 5 & 6
Monday 27th Young Leaders Conference – Selected Students
Friday 31st Easter Hat Parade ~ 9.15am in the hall
Friday 31st Last Day Term 1 ~ 2.30pm Dismissal

April
Tuesday 18th First Day Term 2

Principal’s Report

School Council

Being on School Council is a great way to get involved in your child’s education and help set the future direction of our school. Nominations are now closed for the School Council of 2017 and all positions have been filled therefore no ballot will be required. Thank you to the parents who nominated for School Council. Congratulations to the successful parent nominees: Kirsten Lindsay, Kym Barker and Shae Williams and to our successful DET nominee Mikaela Earl.

‘From little things, big things grow’
I Sea I Care Ambassadors

Last week our I Sea I Care Ambassadors from grade 4 were presented with their official badges and certificates. The ‘I sea, I care’ School Ambassador Program was developed by the Dolphin Research Institute. It provides a marine education program that teaches school children the significance of our unique marine ecosystems and species. By educating a group of marine leaders it is hoped that they will share their knowledge and experiences with fellow students and encourage them to value and appreciate our living marine treasures. We look forward to hearing about what have learnt through school assemblies during the year. Congratulations to Jenna, Morgan, Cameron and Josh for begin selected as our ambassadors.

Babies have arrived

The kits have arrived. PA invited me to their classroom last week to meet the new arrivals. Classroom pet rabbits, Chloe and Apollo gave birth to two gorgeous baby rabbits. The children of Prep A taught me that baby rabbits are called ‘kits’ and a group of baby rabbits are called a ‘kindling’. Our kits do not have official names though the children have been calling them Boombah and White Nose. What a fabulous learning experience for our students!

All Excursions Cancelled! (Just kidding!)

As a prompt to their writing, the children of grade 3 were told that Mrs Howden had cancelled all excursions and they needed to write a persuasive text to convince me to change my mind. Four students from grade 3A arrived at my door this week to present their case. Xander, Amelie, Bethany and Piper gave the following arguments for keeping excursions:
- They are fun
- You can learn about different topics
- Learn about nature and being in the community
- We need our brains to have a rest from school

Fortunately grade 3 were so convincing that all excursions will go ahead for 2017!

End of term Easter Raffle/Bonnet Parade

Thank you to all of the parents who have already donated Easter Eggs for our end of term raffle. We are currently collecting donations for our Easter Raffle. Please place any donations in to the basket in the foyer of the office. With only two weeks until the end of term we would also like to give you advance warning that we will be holding an Easter Bonnet parade on the last day of term, Friday 31st March at 9.15am in the hall. We are encouraging students to wear an Easter hat/ costume and we invite all families to come along and watch the parade.

Carole Howden
Principal

Library News

We are looking for parent helpers from Prep through to Grade 4 to help with returning and borrowing readers in the classrooms. You must be able to come everyday, preferably first thing in the morning and you will also need a Working with Children Card. Thank you.

Music Program

Music news : A farewell.

After 15 years teaching piano at Tyabb we say goodbye to one of our wonderful Instrumental teachers. Rose Murphy will be leaving us at the end of the term 1. Rose has been a dedicated and very organised piano/keyboard teacher with many students benefitting from her expertise, thoroughness and positive manner. She will be missed by the students, myself and the Instrumental team. We thank her most sincerely for her hard work over the years.

A new teacher has been engaged and I have been discussing arrangements with her so Rose’s students will have piano lessons with a smooth transition into next term. Julia Furneaux, our other piano teacher has a wonderful family of musicians and one of her daughters will be taking these students. Kirsten Furneaux, a former Tyabb student, has a wealth of music experience. She has completed Grade 8 piano and VCE music performance with piano as her instrument, she teaches privately at home and has taught piano and voice at The Coastal School of Music in Mt Martha. Kirsten will be working with Rose next week to make the transition to a new teacher as smooth as possible for the students. At this stage she will be working on Fridays next term as she has other commitments on the Monday. She will make contact with the parents before the next term. We look forward to her joining the instrumental music team at Tyabb.

Merran Wyatt
Music Teacher.
### STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

**WEEK BEGINNING: 6th March 2017**

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### Sports Arena

**Crib Point Division Swimming –**

Well Done to all the students from Grade 4-6 for representing Tyabb Primary at the Division Swimming Carnival on the 23rd of February. All the swimmers gave 100% effort and were fantastic in cheering on their peers throughout the day. We finished 6th overall with a number of students progressing to the next round. Thank you to Sally Watson and Matt Emmett for organising our swimmers throughout the day and to all the parents who came to cheer on Tyabb. Fantastic Job!

- **Freestyle:**
  - Hannah – 1st
  - Brodie – 2nd

- **Backstroke:**
  - Henry – 1st
  - Alice – 2nd

- **Breaststroke:**
  - Hannah – 1st

- **Butterfly:**
  - Luca – 2nd

- **Freestyle Relay:**
  - 12/13 Girls – 2nd
  - 12/13 Boys – 2nd

- **Medley Relay:**
  - 12/13 Girls – 1st
  - 12/13 Boys – 2nd

Good Luck to all these competitors.

**Grade 5/6 Summer Lightning Premiership March 23rd –**

Don’t forget that the Grade 5/6 Summer Lightning Premiership is happening next Thursday the 23rd of March. Please bring back any permission slips and money by Monday 20th March. Thank you.

**CRIB POINT QUILT & ART EXPO**

Quilt & Art Expo, Saturday 25th, Sunday 26th March, 10 am to 4 pm at Crib Point Community House, 7 Park Road, Crib Point. Melways Ref 195 B/2

Entry $5 per person, children free. Quilts, folk art & paintings by our students and local artists. Devonshire tea and sandwiches.

Craft supply stalls. For more info. Phone 5983 9888. Also Calling for entries of Quilts and Art works, you are never too old or too young to enter.
**March**

**PREP**  
Harvey  
Matilda  
Olivia  
Zarah  

**GRADE ONE**  
Grace  
Heidi  
Huon  
Alexis  
Rosie  
Nayte  
Marlee  

**GRADE TWO**  
Hudson  
Layla  
Patrick  
Claire  
Charli-Kate  

**GRADE THREE**  
Jacob  
Bailey  
Tilly  

**GRADE FOUR**  
Charlotte  
Macey  
Ashley  
Dillon  

**GRADE FIVE**  
Lydia  
Ashton  

**GRADE SIX**  
Ben  
Harriet  
Corey  
Hannah  
Jackson  
Olivia  

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**Bendigo Bank - School Banking**

A great start to the year with some consistent weekly school banking, well done!!

**Remember** school banking is on a **Tuesday** so pop your books in your bag the night before.

Piggy will be visiting in Term 2 to say hello and hand out some awards so keep saving.

Get on board with school banking and call into the Hastings Bendigo Bank to learn more.

**Jennifer Johnson | Customer Service Officer**

Hastings & District **Community Bank®** Branch of Bendigo Bank | 88 High Street | Hastings  
VIC 3915  
P: 03 5979 2075

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Any donations of Lego would be greatly appreciated for Mrs Matthews’s room.
What is PLC?

A Professional Learning Community (PLC) is based on the work of Richard and Rebecca Dufour. It is a group of teachers committed to working collaboratively to achieve better results for the students they teach. A PLC operates under the philosophy that the key to improved learning is point of need teaching based on results.

Professional Learning Teams plan learning cycles using the Victorian Curriculum and four guiding questions:

- What do we want all our students to know?
- How will we know they have learnt it?
- What will we do for those who don’t know it?
- What will we do for those who do know it?

What are PLC Maths Workshops?

Professional Learning Teams work together using the Victorian Curriculum and professional readings to decide on the Power Standards for the year - the minimum standard that every student needs to demonstrate by either showing, making or doing in Mathematics. These standards are then broken down into Essential Skills and I Can Statements that children work through to achieve success. These steps are developmentally sequenced using research and professional reading. Students then complete pre-testing based on the Essential Skills to determine their point of need for the learning cycle.

Each cycle operates for 2-3 weeks with grouping and lessons planned around the identified point of need for individual students. Cycles conclude with a post-test and reflection, which gives an excellent indication of student success, progress and where additional instruction may be needed. Students who are still experiencing difficulty with the current focus after the cycle will be worked with individually to further assist with their understanding.

Each team across the school (Prep, Gr 1 / 2, Gr 3 / 4, Gr 5 /6) are currently implementing their first PLC cycle for the year. In the table below you can see what is being covered and when:

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Writing PLC

This year we are bringing the PLC approach into Literacy – particularly writing. As previously notified in the last Curriculum Corner, we will be implementing VCOP for writing. Students will be writing a Cold Write (which is the pre-test); they will then be focussing on a range of writing techniques that are at their point of need and then they will complete a Big Write (which is the post-test). Students will be assisted individually with the aspects of writing that they need support. Staff will be meeting regularly to assess and moderate students writing using a collaborative process.

‘From little things, big things grow’
Swimming Carnival

at Crib Point Pool
Carnival commences at 10am
(pool opens at 9.30am)

Saturday
18 March
2017

Children represent schools, and receiving points for placing.
Points calculated & award given to the school with the most points.

How to enter:
Entry forms online and at Pelican Park and Crib Point Pool.
Completed entry forms can be picked up at Pelican Park.
$5 per competitor

31 Governors Rd Crib Point
5935 6872 or 1300 650 197
pelicanpark@mornpen.vic.gov.au

CRIB POINT
PELICAN PARK
NORTHPORT PENINSULA

THE BRIARS

JUNIOR RANGER PROGRAM
for 6-10 year olds

Wetland Creatures and their Features

Tuesday 4th April 9.30 – 12midday
Tuesday 4th April 1-3pm
Tuesday 11th April 1-3pm
Wednesday 12th April 9.30 – 12midday
Wednesday 12th April 1-3pm, 2017.

Meet at the Visitors Centre

Have you ever wondered what lurks beneath the surface of your local waterways? Come and observe some of our amazing aquatic macroinvertebrates who live below the water at The Briars. Get up close and personal with other wetland creatures – such as our resident turtles, eels, frogs and birds – and learn all about their clever (and sometimes very weird) features. Discover what makes the wetlands, creek and estuary such valuable habitats and special places to visit then finish off with some craft.

BYO drink and snack in a backpack (no nuts please). Dress appropriately for the weather conditions. Closed shoes, no sandals or thongs.
Booking and pre-payment is essential. $17 per child. To book please go to:

And click on the booking link

Please advise staff if your child is at risk of Anaphylaxis.

For further enquiries phone
The Briars on 5974-3686

The Briars, 450 Nepean Highway, Mt Martha 3934

THE BRIARS

RANGER-GUIDED SPOTLIGHT WALKS

Monday 3rd, Tuesday 4th, Tuesday 11th, Wednesday 12th, Thursday 13th April 2017, 7pm – 8.30pm.

Meet at the Visitors Centre.

Walks will be cancelled on days of Total Fire Ban and on days when wind strength is at and above 35kph.
These will be rescheduled or a refund provided.

Why not bring along a BBQ for dinner prior to the walk?
Free electric BBQ’s are in the picnic ground.

Sessions will proceed unless otherwise notified by Park management.
Tickets are non-refundable unless cancelled by staff.

Booking and pre-payment essential.

To book please go to:

For further information please phone the Visitor Centre on 5974 3686 or email the.briars@mornpen.vic.gov.au

Peninsula Waves VNL netballers are conducting school holiday netball clinics at DNA.

WHEN: Thursday, April 6th & 13th
TIME: 9am until 3.30pm
COST: $60 per person

- Full day clinics run by current VNL Waves players
- Tailored for age specific groups
- Prizes and giveaways
- Participant Certificate of Participation
- Have fun, learn new skills and make new friends.

For children aged 8-11 years and 12-15 years.
Places are limited for each day, so that a focused skills session can be delivered to participants.

Please book online: peninsulawaves.com.au

Peninsula Waves

The Briars, Nepean Highway, Mt Martha 3934
Melway 145 D11
Follow The Briars on Facebook