Dear Parents, Students and Friends,

CROSS COUNTRY
Unfortunately we had to postpone the cross country today, due to the weather conditions. It will now be held on Monday, March 25th starting at St Leonards Cricket Club oval. We will leave school at 11.30 am and commence with the preps.

DRUMMING PERFORMANCE
Next Tuesday 26th March our grade 3/4’s will be showcasing their drumming skills in a short performance with David Robertson during Assembly. Please come and see their wonderful performance and witness all of the hard work, practice and learning that have taken place during the term.

RIDE2SCHOOL DAY
Tomorrow, Friday, March 22nd, we hope that everyone can walk, ride, scoot or skate at least some of the way to school. If families live too far away to walk or ride all the way, perhaps children could walk the last part of the journey. There will be a yummy, healthy breakfast at school from 8.30 am. The Golden Boot Award will be awarded to the grade that has the highest percentage of active travellers.

PURPLE DAY FOR EPILEPSY
On Tuesday, March 26th, we will be joining in the international Purple Day to increase awareness of and educate people about epilepsy. Students are asked to wear something purple and to make a gold coin donation to help the Epilepsy Foundation.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN
We will be taking part in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program once again this year. You can help our school by collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Points. Just collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Points when you shop at Woolworths between Monday 8 April and Sunday 9 June 2013. We will redeem these for awesome educational resources for our school. For every $10 spent at Woolworths you will receive a Woolworths Earn & Learn Point. Pop them onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet and once it’s completed, just bring it back to school and drop it into the Collection Box. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. There are thousands of products available through the Woolworths Earn & Learn program, and we’d like to get lots of new gear! Products in the range include resources for mathematics, English, science, art & crafts, through to sports gear, library supplies and more.

The school has purchased a subscription to Mathletics so that all students can use it at home. Our students have their user name and password in their diaries. This is a great site for everyone to use to improve their maths’ skills. http://www.mathletics.com.au/

BOOKS AND MATERIALS
Please finalise payment for books and other class materials that the children have received by the end of term.
**STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**

- **Prep** – Ronald Downey
  Fantastic effort all week

- **Grade 1** – Tom Dobie
  Working well in science

- **Grade 2** – Stephanie Vella
  Excellent effort with reading

- **Grade 3** – Tamara Derooy-Taylor
  Great effort identifying equivalent fractions

- **Grade 4** – Morgan Vella
  A good week at school

- **Grade 5** – Chloe Lewis
  Working hard on multiples and factors

- **Grade 6** – Xeph Webster
  Fantastic exposition writing

**FUNDRAISING**

**EASTER RAFFLE**
Tickets for the Easter egg raffle are being sold by the Junior School Council each morning for 20 cents each. Thank you very much to Michelle McIntosh who has knitted some beautiful soft bunnies for the raffle.

**SEAFOOD VOUCHER RAFFLE**
Attached to today’s newsletter are tickets for our end of term seafood voucher. Tickets are 3 for $2.00 and will be drawn at our final assembly for the term on Thursday, March 28th at 2.15pm. Please return tickets to the office by Thursday.

**ICY POLES**
Icy poles are sold at lunch times for 40 cents each and funds raised will go towards our end of year disco.

**FRUIT**
Fruit will be sold at playtime and lunch time for 40 cents a piece. On Fridays, all children will receive a free piece of fruit at morning playtime.

**MINI LOTTO**
Next week’s jackpot is $6507. Last week’s numbers were 6, 9, 12, 13, 19. $2.00 entry, cross off 5 numbers, envelopes available from the office. Drawn at the Bowling Club each Friday at 7.30 pm

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**BELLARINE SHARKS SOCCER: COME PLAY LOCAL SOCCER**
Bellarine Sharks Soccer Club regular junior training this Friday.
Training starts at 4.45pm at Len Trewin Reserve, Cole St. St Leonards. Contact Murray on 52572106 for details.

**MUSIC LESSONS AT SCHOOL**
For students, Prep - 6, beginners to advanced.
Megan Birch Music offers tuition in the following instruments: piano, keyboard, guitar & singing.
To enrol in our 4 week trial, or to obtain an information package please contact: Meagan:mbmt@bigpond.com

**DAY CARE, BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE IN ST LEONARDS**
Accredited scheme, Government rebate available.
Full time, part time, casual & vacation care as well as before and after school care. Contact Julie 0409 876 983.

**SAINT IGNATIUS COLLEGE 2013 OPEN DAY**
Sunday March 24th 11:00am-2:00pm. Information sessions at 11:00am and 12.15pm.
Saint Ignatius College 27 Peninsula Drive, Drysdale. 3222 Phone: 5251 1136

**LIVE WELL WITH ASTHMA**
FREE one hour information session at Springdale Neighbourhood Centre, High Street, Drysdale on Monday, March 25th from 6.30 – 7.30 pm. Learn about asthma triggers and symptoms, medications and what to do in an emergency.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT – GRAND FAMILY NIGHT**
Family Night is a new program running on Wednesday nights at the Grand Hotel, Portarlington. This program allows parents to enjoy a meal whilst the kids can have fun and a free meal in the care of a trained and experienced supervisor. Ages: 3-10 Time: 5.30 - 8.30 Bookings Recommended: (03) 5259 2260

**SEAL AT BELLARINE SECONDARY COLLEGE**
Accelerate your child’s learning by applying for a place in the 2014 Select Entry and Accelerated Learning (SEAL) Program at Bellarine Secondary College.
Interested parents and students can visit the Bellarine Secondary College web site at www.bellarinesc.vic.edu.au under the Curriculum banner for further information and application forms.
Information Evening: Tuesday, 26 March at 7.00p.m. Ocean Grove Campus
Please contact Lea Purdy on 52519055 or email purdy.leanne.j@edumail.vic.gov.au for further information.