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Advice From the Principal Medical Advisor

Early Childhood and School Education Group

Potential health hazards from mosquitoes

Recent heavy rainfall across the state has led to ideal breeding conditions for mosquitoes. Current and predicted weather conditions, particularly in the northern part of the state, suggest that high numbers of mosquitoes will continue well into the summer months. Early childhood education and care services are advised of important protection measures to prevent spread of diseases.

While the overall risk is considered low, some mosquitoes carry viruses, so an increase in mosquitos may increase the risk of mosquito-borne diseases.

Most mosquitoes found in Victoria do not carry diseases, but are more of a nuisance.

Murray Valley encephalitis virus (MVE) is a brain infection that in rare cases, can cause the brain to swell, leading to brain damage or death. The last known case in humans was reported in Victoria in 1974.

There are simple steps students can do to help protect from mosquito-borne diseases.

- Wear loose-fitting clothing when outdoors. Cover up as much as possible.
- Use mosquito repellent that contains picaridin or DEET.

Additional Information
If anyone has any health concerns, please:
- See your doctor
- Phone NURSE-ON-CALL on 1300 606 024
- Contact your local council

For more information on protecting against mosquito bites, see: Better Health Victoria

Copies of the Beat the Bite posters and brochures can be ordered online, see: Health Victoria Resources

Dr Jenny Proimos
Principal Medical Advisor
Early Childhood and School Education Group

Bellarine Cuisine Cookbooks
The last copies of the Bellarine Cuisine Cookbooks are now on sale for $16.00 ea or 2 for $30. Get one now for Christmas!

Lost property
The lost property is full with unclaimed uniforms and other items. Please check these for any lost items. Any unclaimed property will be donated to charity or thrown out at the end of term.
**PARENTS & FRIENDS**

**Christmas Special Lunch**
With the newsletter today is the form for the students’ special Christmas lunch on **8th December**.

Forms and payment due back by **Friday 25th November** to the drawer opposite the office.

Payment can also been made via QKR but you must still return your order form.

**Final Meeting 2016**
Our final meeting for 2016 is on **Thursday 15th December 12pm at KYO kyosk in Ocean Grove**. Come along for a social lunch to finish off the year. Please bring along a wrapped $5 novelty item for a Christmas Lucky Dip between attendees.

For table booking please rsvp to breechammer@bigpond.com

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**JOIN IN THE FUN! GIRLS CRICKET COMPETITION**

**COMPETITIONS:** Barwon All Girls Cricket

**LOCATION:** Simonds Stadium, Geelong

**TIME:** Sunday 13th Nov - 10am - 12midday

**COST:** FREE

**COME & TRY SESSIONS:** Girls of all ages and all levels of ability

**CONTACT:** Julie Allan – julia@cricketvictoria.com.au 0400 018 096

**OTHER INFO:** Renegades Bowling Tunnel, meet Karen Rolton, Renegades Assistant Coach

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