Lost Property
Lost Property is located outside the Sick Bay. We receive a large number of items to lost property, which have been left in the pas sageway or playground. Those items with names on them are able to be returned to their owners, however the majority of clothing is not labeled. To assist with identifying property, could we please ask that all items of clothing are labeled? If items are purchased from the second hand uniform collection, could all old labels please be removed?

Parent Opinion Survey
We are still waiting for the return of a handful of parent opinion surveys. If you received one of these surveys, could you please complete this and return it to the office by this Friday. This feedback is extremely valuable to us.

Curriculum Day
This term’s Pupil Free Day will be on Monday August 22. On this day our staff have a full day agenda, and will be working on a framework to align the classroom Resilience Program with break time activity, and also analysing current student data sets. Student will not be required at school on that day.

Maldon Bike Camp
Having participated in an intensive Bike Education program over the last two weeks, our Year 5 and 6 students will be heading off to Maldon Bike Camp next Wednesday. Thank you to Mrs. King and Mrs. Lennon, who have been very busy this last fortnight with organisation around both the Bike Ed program, and also camp preparation. Mr. Stevens, Mrs. Peters & Mr Max Rodriguez (overseas student teacher) will also be attending camp as staff supervisors/helper.

Safe Arrival
Congratulations to Mrs. Emily Farley and her husband Simon on the safe arrival of their new baby boy, Billy Frank. Billy weighed in at 6lbs 2oz. We wish them all the best as they embark on the exciting adventure of parenthood.

HELPING YOUR CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT IN READING, WRITING, SPEAKING & LISTENING
In the early years of primary school, students learn to read through rhymes, story telling and by following along with their favourite book. Learning to write begins with scribble and drawings. The activities listed below not only reinforce positive learning interactions between family members, but also help your child to develop strong foundations in promoting literacy skills.

- Share rhymes and songs and encourage your child to join in
- Save cardboard boxes and household items for your child to build with. Encourage your child to talk about what they are building
- Have a dress-up box for your child to use for imaginative play
- Listen to your child and respond to their ideas with questions and ask for more information
- Write down your child’s stories as they tell them to you and encourage him or her to read it back to you
- Point out and talk about letters and words all around you. For example, on cereal boxes, in the supermarket, on signs
- Cook simple things together. Read out the recipe, measure the ingredients and talk through what you are doing
- Join a toy library and choose toys together
- Look at junk mail and talk about the things for sale
- Provide materials and create a writing/drawing table or area. Talk about family photos and histories

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PARENTS & FRIENDS

Thank you
Many thanks for the team of parent helpers for making the pyjama day frog in the ponds. A special thanks to Bells House Lolly Shop in Ocean Grove for their generous discount on the yummy frogs!

Student Disco
Forms are going home today for the school disco on Friday 26th August. Forms and payment are due back to school by Friday 19th August to the drawer opposite the office marked “school disco”

There is a request for parent helpers for this event. Please see the form for more details.

Parents Social Horse Riding Group
Next ride is Friday 26th August 11am at Wallington Park. See flyer on school noticeboard for ride dates later in the year.

Cost $40 includes 1hr ride and light lunch

Contact Bree – breeschammer@bigpond.com to book.

All riding levels welcome,

BOOK BUDDIES CAMBODIA

I have recently returned from Cambodia and was able to deliver 27 kg of books to Socheat. The teachers in the rural areas have expressed a need for basic alphabet /sound books. If you have access to these or any unwanted picture and story books, please bring them to the Art Room and I will send them over to Cambodia.

Many thanks,
Judie Macmillan

Entertainment Book Fundraiser

For only $60, the NEW 2016 | 2017 Entertainment™ Membership has hundreds of valuable up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers for the best local restaurants, cafés, attractions, travel, and much more. Every book sold earns the school $12.

To order, go to: www.entbook.com.au/1131b68
or get a hardcopy from the office.

GEELONG FOOD RELIEF 2016

Our Toucan Appeal box is looking pretty empty. All donations go to families in need. If you are able to donate at least one item, this will be greatly appreciated.

THE DONATION BOX IS LOCATED OUTSIDE THE OFFICE.
LOOK FOR THE TOUCAN SIGN!