Welcome back everyone to a full on term. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Toni Scott for filling in for me last term. I am very grateful to her for the work that she did in my absence.

Extra-Curricular Activities
Active After School Program commences next Monday with Lincoln Beckworth and Cameron Goward. This term we are doing basketball and netball skills. Enrolment forms are available at the office.

Geelong Cup
Geelong Cup 19th October is a public holiday. Children will not be required at school on that day.

School Council
Please note the change of date to Wed 26th October due to the Geelong Cup Holiday.

Enrolments & Prep Orientation
Currently we have 25 enrolments in Preps for next year. Confirmation and Orientation information have been sent to families. The dates for Orientation are:

- Thursday 3rd Nov 2.30—3.30 pm
- Thursday 10th Nov 9.30—11.00 am
- Thursday 17th Nov 12.30—3.00 pm

If anyone is aware of other families that intend to enrol I would appreciate if you could let us know so we can plan for 2017. Also if any families are moving for next year can you please also let me know as soon as possible.

Strawberry Fair
The next meeting of the Strawberry Fair will be on Thursday 27th October in the staffroom at 7:00pm. We need to continue with the organisation of our 33rd Fair.

Code Red Days
It is timely to remind everyone about code red days. Wallington Primary School is identified as being at high fire risk and on the Department’s Bushfire At-Risk Register and will close on days determined Code Red by the Emergency Management Commissioner.

Where possible, four to seven days’ notice of a planned closure will be provided; parents and carers should, however, expect that in some instances fewer than 4 days’ notice may be provided.

Once a Code Red day has been determined by the Emergency Management Commissioner this decision will not change – regardless of any changes in the weather forecast. This will help limit confusion and help your family plan for how your children will be cared for when their school, kindergarten or child care centre is closed. When a school or children’s service is closed due to a Code Red day determination, no staff will remain on site and all out-of-school care programs (including vacation, before and after school programs) will not operate.

Sun Smart
A reminder that all students are required to wear a wide brimmed hat when outdoors during school hours for the remainder of the school year. Students who do not have their hat are required to stay in the shade area outside the staff room during breaks, and will also need to sit in the shade during sporting sessions. We currently have Wallington hats for sale through the office at a cost of $10.00.

Artist in Residence: ‘Connection to Country’
This term we have the greatest pleasure of enjoying our Artist in Residence Program. ‘Western Creation’, an indigenous touring group, will be at school from 31st October - 4th November. They perform across Australia and overseas to bring Indigenous culture to audiences and make connections through music, song, dance, art and story-telling. With their guidance, all students will help to create artworks for the school environment, such as bollards and murals. The program will conclude with a special ‘Celebration and Ceremony’ presentation. More information will be given soon.

Bollard and Mural Preparation
Parents: please come to the Art room and help paint undercoat on the pine poles and boards. Also drilling holes and tying string on small boards. This will be done each Thursday Afternoon at 2.30 pm starting 13th Oct. Many thanks.

Judie MacMillan
School Council President: James Watson

Leigh McLaren
Principal
**SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Parent Payments 2016**
Thank you to the families who have already made payments for School Requisites 2016.
If you have yet to make payment for this, please do so as soon as possible. Outstanding statements will be sent home by next week.
Payments can be made at the office via cash, cheque, EFT or QKR app. BPay option is also available online using your parent statement.
If you have any queries regarding your family account please contact Cho Lay Thomas at the office.

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**Mangos**

P&F are providing an opportunity to purchase Fresh Queensland Mangos for anyone interested for themselves or friends and family.
Cost is $25 and will get you a 7kg tray (between 12 – 23 mangos). Order forms will go home today and must be returned to the drawer opposite the office by **Thursday 27th October**. Delivery will be early December.

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**Footy Colors Day**

$307 profit was made from the Footy Colors lunch day last term. This money has been donated to the “Fight Cancer Foundation”.

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**Next Meeting**

The next Parents and Friends meeting is on **Thursday 20th October, 5.15pm in the hall**.
We have special guest Janet Croft – Tai Chi, followed by our meeting and a shared dinner.
Please bring a dish to share. All welcome.

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**SUSHI**

SUSHI ORDERS will commence next week (Thursday 13th Oct), YAY! Please have your orders in by Wednesday morning for Thursday delivery.

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**Encompass Community Services**

would like to celebrate another year of achievement with you

**FRI 14 OCT 2016**

6.30pm for a 7pm start. 11pm finish
Buckleys Entertainment Centre
54 Fellimongers Rd, Breakwater

$29.50 per ticket
Ticket includes finger food. Drinks at bar prices. Entertainment provided. Smart Card available. If you are unable to join us, please consider purchasing a ticket which can be used by someone who cannot afford to buy one. Proceeds of the evening will go towards the purchase of a coffee van.

This event will not have staff support. If support is needed, please contact Options & Connections.

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**Join the Geelong Toilet Paper Buying Group**

Orders now closing for the next co-op bulk order: Toilet paper ‘slab’ (100% recycled, embossed, soft, 3ply, 360 sheets per roll): 40 rolls = $33
Hand towel ‘slab’ (2ply): 20 rolls = $35.
Or trial them: Toilet paper: 4 rolls = $4
Hand towel: 2 rolls = $3.50
All made in Laverton plus $2 from every slab goes directly to Spare Meals Geelong. Help support our local community and never have to worry adding toilet paper to the shopping list again!!

Enquiries and orders welcome via Jodi McGillivray (m 0402909492)
or geelongtoiletpaperbuyinggroup@gmail.com

Be quick; next order will be February next year.