Dear Parents and Caregivers,

What beautiful weather we have had to start the term with. While it is rather cold in the mornings, it is still important to get out of bed and make your way to school. We miss you when you are not here!

EXCITING AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES
This term we have some very exciting after school activities on offer. Each activity runs from 2:45-3:45. Parents need to pick students up on time after the programs.

• Mondays – Good Start program. Permission forms must be completed to attend this activity. These can be collected from the school office.

• Tuesdays – Auskick starts up next week. This program costs and there are a limited number of spaces available. Information about this was sent home today.

• Wednesdays – Hoops for Schools. This program starts next week. The program goes for 8 weeks and starts on the 28th July. The cost is $80. The school is able to subsidise the cost of the program this term and students will therefore only have to pay $20. This is non-refundable. There are only 30 places available so you will have to get in quick. Forms went out today.

• Thursdays – Ms Genevieve is continuing with her afternoon dance program. This is free to all students and is a fun way to get fit and learn how to dance.

Please be on time to collect your child after activities as no supervision is available.

FAREWELL
It is with sadness that we farewell Marlene. Marlene has been a keen teacher aide at this school for the past 9 years. She has worked with many students, in many classrooms, and with many varied activities. We wish you all the best Marlene for your new and exciting job. Thanks again for all your work at Balaclava State School. You will be missed.

With as much sadness we also say farewell to our lovely Jo from the front office. Jo has transferred to a school closer to her home. We will miss her so much in the office. Thank you Jo for all of the work you have done for us, your kind caring nature and your flexibility. All the best in your new role. You will also be missed.

Ms Jane Termaat
Principal

DEPUTY’S DESK
During week 7 this term the years 5 & 6 students will be attending camp at Mungalli Creek Falls. The 3 day camp is being organised around activities that inspire fun, leadership, and team building. The camp will also provide the opportunity for students to apply learning in a real world setting. For our year 5/6’s, camp is one of the highlights of the school year. This is a great experience for all of the students where they will participate in activities such as: Land Sliding, Obstacle Course, Wildlife spotting, Bushwalking, and Swimming.
I strongly encourage all students to attend the camp and is truly a once in a lifetime experience.

Ms Michael Patane
Deputy Principal
PREP ENROLEMENTS FOR 2016
Do you have a younger sibling due to enrol into Prep for 2016? Children born between 1st July 2010 and 30th June 2011 are eligible to enrol now for Prep here at Balaclava State School. Birth certificates and immunisation records must be produced.

IT’S BACK! WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN
It’s back! Woolworths Earn & Learn starts on Wednesday 15th July. Balaclava State School has benefited enormously from this fundraiser in the past and it’s simple to participate. Anyone from our school community who shops at Woolworths can collect stickers to place on sticker sheets. They’ll get one sticker for every $10 they spend. Once they complete their sticker sheets collect them up and bring them to class for collection by our student council members. Sticker sheets are available from your child’s classroom or you can print them off the website at woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.

ATTENDANCE
Attendance is still a big issue for our school. If your child is sick, it is important to contact the school by note or phone call to notify of illness. There are various bugs going around, but unless you contact the school, we are unaware if students are sick or playing! We require official notification as part of our “unexplained” account. If students are not sick, then they need to be at school. Students who miss too many days from school lose the continuity of their educational program. Then they don’t want to come to school because the work is too hard. It is important to come every day. Thank you to the parents to send their children to school every day. You are making a big difference to their lives and their future.

SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT
This year we are looking forward to continuing our journey with School Wide Positive Behaviour Support (SWPBS).
This fortnight our FOCUS SKILL is:
I know all about the 3R’s:
✔ RESPECT is looking after our school and each other.
✔ RESPONSIBILITY is acting safely and choosing to learn.
✔ RELATIONSHIPS is being kind when we work and play together.

LIKE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE
You could win a $50 Coles/Myer voucher!!
For your chance to win, simply search Balaclava State School on facebook, like our page and you will automatically go into the draw to win a Coles/Myer voucher to the value of $50*.
*To be eligible, you must like our facebook page before 31st July 2015 and must be the parent/guardian of a current student at Balaclava State School. No negotiations will be entered into.

SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY
Thank you to all the parents/caregivers, students and school staff who completed this year’s School Opinion Survey so far. We look forward to reviewing our survey results when we receive our school report later this year.

There is still time! The survey will remain open until this Friday 8th August.

BIG BREAKFAST
Thank you to everyone who came to our Big Breakfast. It is always a wonderful way to bring everyone back together for the term.
## SPORTS DAY

Sports day is **THIS Friday 24th July 2015!!**

Below is a program for the day’s events.

### Student Awards

Congratulations to the following students for your outstanding performance this week! Keep up the great effort!!

### High School Transition

**Enrolment Hot Spots!**

Come and see us at any of the centres and we can help you:
- Complete your child’s enrolment form
- Assist you apply for your child’s birth certificate
- Advise you of all study entitlements

**Wednesday 22nd July 2015**

Manoora Community Centre
2.30pm – 4.30pm

**Wednesday 12th August 2015**

Mooroobool Community Centre
2.30pm – 4.30pm

**Wednesday 2nd September 2015**

118 Murray St, Manoora
2.30pm – 4.30pm

### Tuckshop Notice

Please do not ask for credit as refusal often offends.

*See new menu attached with this newsletter*

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### Athletics Carnival – Friday 24th July

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| 8.45-9.15 | Meet in the Basketball Court  
March Pass                                      |
| 9.15 –9.45 | **Upper School Program**  
**Lower School Program** (All lower school classes + handful of students born in 2007 from 3/4A & 3/4B) |
| 9.45 –11.45 | **Sprint Heats - Students compete in the house teams**  
Kindy Run  60m  
2006 Boys & Girls 80 m  
2005 Boys & Girls 100m  
2004 Boys & Girls 100m  
2003 + 2002 Boys & Girls 100m  
**Field Events + Ball Games & Doctor-Doctor**  
**Do this as fast as possible then rotate**  
2006 Boys & Girls Long Jump  
2005 Boys & Girls High Jump  
2004 Boys & Girls Shot Put  
2003 + 2002 Boys & Girls Ball Games (mixed gender teams for ball games)  
**SENIOR OVAL - 10 minutes each activity then rotate**  
PrepA, PrepB  Long Jump  
Prep1, 1A, 1/2A  High Jump  
**Target Throw**  
**SENIOR OVAL 9.45 – 10.15**  
Prep, Prep/1,1A, 1/2A  60m Sprints 2A, 2/3A & 2007 kids  80m Sprints  
**JUNIOR LUNCH BREAK**  
10:15 – 11:00  
**JUNIOR OVAL 11.00 – 12.00**  
15 minutes each activity then rotate  
Prep A & B  Jnr Playground Equip  
Prep/1, 1A, 1/2A  3 Goal Soccer – House  
2A & 2/3A  Mixed Gender Ball Games |
| 11.45-12.00 | **200m Finals**  
2005 Boys & Girls 200m  
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Lunch (Students sit in house areas on the senior oval) |
| 12.00-12.15 | Lunch (Students sit in house areas on the senior oval)  
80 & 100m Finals  
**Lower school program wraps up after lunch. Lower school to return for presentations at 2pm.** |
| 12.15 –1.00 | Relays  
1.00 –1.45 | **Teacher/Student Race**  
1.45 –2.00 | **CLEAN UP & PRESENTATIONS** |

Parents are reminded that students are required to stay in their house area so they don’t miss any events. Students should wear: Shoes, Hat, Sunscreen, and Sports Uniform or sports colours.

Students are expected to be at school all day. If parents choose to take students home early then the child/ren must be signed out at the office. This will help us to ensure that all students are safe and accounted for. Thank you for supporting us in this matter.

I am really looking forward to seeing all of our students trying their best, displaying great sportsmanship and having a wonderful day.
Date Claimers

July
21st  P&C Meeting – POSTPONED UNTIL 28TH JULY!
21st  Surfing Scientist Visit Yr 5&6
24th  Sports Day
31st  Facebook competition closes

August
7th   District Sports
18th  P&C Meeting
28th  Premier’s Reading Challenge concludes

September
2nd  Year 5/6 Camp
3rd  Year 5/6 Camp
4th  Year 5/6 Camp
15th P&C Meeting
18th Last day of term 3