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Dear Kerryn

**Re: Barwon Heads Public Jetty and William Buckley Pedestrian Bridge**

Summer is with us bringing holidays and warmer weather, I seek your assistance in bringing an important safety message to your students and their families with regards to the dangerous practice of *jumping or diving* into the Barwon River at Barwon Heads from the Public Jetty and William Buckley Pedestrian Bridge.

We are concerned that this dangerous activity occurs as the warmer weather arrives. There is constantly changing sand level buildup of the river bed around the jetty and the bridge that can result in critically shallow water depths. It could be devastating to many if a youthful member of any family were injured through this action of theirs.

Signage is present on the jetty and bridge advising that *jumping or diving* is prohibited however your assistance in advising students and their families of the peril would be greatly appreciated.

We would welcome your schools support to carry this important safety message to your students and parents through your school newsletter. We would be prepared to supply an image or graphic to assist a newsletter article.

I extend season greetings and look forward to next year when your students may undertake activities within our coastal reserve.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Henderson".

**John Henderson**

**Acting CEO**

