Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a very exciting Term 3 and I was delighted to see so many happy children on Monday morning and relieved that everyone had a safe holiday. Malcolm and I also welcomed back all our staff on Monday and I would like to make particular mention of three staff members, two of which are replacing staff on leave. We are delighted to have secured Kate Pilgrim for the term to maintain our PE and Sporting program and support to level 1 and 2 students whilst Peter Cracknell enjoys the Tour de France and then the Olympic games. The level 4’s were thrilled to have Jennifer Hemingway take Robin’s class whilst she enjoys a European sojourn and Kerry Troup, a former student teacher here last year who completed her Masters of Teaching at Melbourne University will take Malcolm’s class whilst he is our Assistant Principal. We are very fortunate that we are able to continue to provide such high calibre teaching and learning to all our students. This term is building up to be a very busy one and our highlight will of course be the fabulous Alice in Wonderland musical. Before that we will have Student Led Conferences which afford our children the opportunity to showcase and celebrate their growth and learning since our Family Conferences in early Term 1. The Level 3 children will be looking forward to their camp to Camp Rumbug, the Level 4’s will have a number of sporting events and Somers Camp, the Level 1 and 2 students will have some wonderful excursions and incursions to look forward to and the whole school will be enjoying Book Week with our annual Book Parade in the week of 20th to 24th August. For their inquiry unit this term the students are focussing on “Entertainment” which will be interwoven with our musical and then some levels are looking at “The Olympics” which will parallel London 2012. How do we manage to do it all?

School Council Extraordinary meeting
A School Council extraordinary meeting has been called for on Monday 23rd July at 7.00-pm. Because of this meeting and the absence of Christine, all sub-committee meetings will be postponed for next week.

Student Led Conferences
As a follow up to the midyear reports that were distributed at the end of last term, we have scheduled Student Led Conferences to be held on Monday July 30th. Please note that this is a Student Free day and students will not be required to attend school on that day except for their scheduled conference time. Please find details within this newsletter for how to book your student conference time online and all families will be given their individual passwords today so you can log into the PTO system. The conferences will commence at 12.30pm and each family may book a 15 minute timeslot. The staff will break for tea at 5.30pm; the conferences will resume at 6.00pm and conclude at 8.00pm. It would be greatly appreciated if families would adhere to the 15 minutes allocated and be mindful that many others are waiting to have their opportunity as well.

It is compulsory that all students will attend these conferences with their parent/s. Students will present their portfolios and talk about the progress they made towards their learning goals during the first semester of 2012. In some cases, we recognise that parents may wish to speak privately to teachers about any extenuating circumstances or sensitive matters. We ask that parent indicate this at the start of the student led conference, so that some time can be set aside towards the end of the fifteen minutes. In most cases, we expect that students, parents and teachers will spend the fifteen minutes together discussing each child’s 2012 learning journey to date and be able to celebrate the growth and development.

By engaging our students in this way, with their parents and teachers present, we help to create a very strong framework for each student’s learning journey. We have also observed from our trials over the last two years that our students feel more empowered in their learning when they feel that they can articulate and evaluate whether they have achieved their learning goals or whether they are still working towards them. Further to this, we have also noticed that our students are becoming increasingly reflective about how they are going and what they need to do to move to the next stage of their learning.

If you are unable to attend on Monday 30th July, please don’t hesitate to contact your child’s teacher so that alternative arrangements can be made. Thank you in anticipation of your involvement in this important process.

Why have we chosen to continue providing Student led conferences?

The educational research shows that when students are involved in the assessment process and are able to articulate what they have learned, then the achievement improves.
When students communicate their learning using a variety of work samples, they go beyond what grades and numbers can show...they are able to examine the range of their own learning.

Professor John Hattie, University Of Melbourne

….[Acting Principal’s report continued over page]
As the day for the student led conferencing draws closer you will feel the sense of excitement building in the children as they begin to prepare to showcase their portfolios to you. You may recall that part of our new school purpose statement contains the phrase that states that our school develops engaged, creative and reflective learners. What opportunities do you provide at home to encourage children to be reflective? How often have you asked, “How well do you think you made your bed today? How neatly have you packed up your toys and tidied your desk?” How many of you have asked, “What did you learn at school today?” when picking up the children at 3.30pm. As quick as a flash the answer is provided, “Nothing or not much”. Consider trying these alternatives:

1. Tell me 3 things you learnt today.
2. What was the best thing you learnt today?
3. Did anything surprise you about yourself today? What do you feel more confident about?

There may be reluctance at first to engage in conversations, but after a while it becomes almost second nature to be reflective on the day’s learning. What I love about reflection is that it inevitably leads to improvement, and that’s something we all like to keep doing.

Keeping well in Term 3
On Monday I chatted to many of our students as I normally do and inquired about their holidays. I was quite concerned to hear how many of our children were sick with colds, respiratory infections, coughs and the flu and how sick a number of our mums were too! Jennie Pearse and I both had a bout of bronchitis so there were a number of nasties going around. Many of the children were sick so I hope that you all get enough sleep.

- Early nights for everyone in the house and ensuring you all get enough sleep
- Junk food is junk food – fresh vegetables and fruits are best, small amounts of protein, dairy, carbs and fats are also good, homemade soups are unbeatable, stir fries with noodles are great, easy to eat pastas with a bolognase sauce can disguise many vegetables
- Keep the children home when sick – they don’t get better at school and unfortunately may only just spread their germs around, rest at home with a parent or grandparent is best
- Using tissues when sneezing / blowing noses, covering up mouths when coughing and then washing hands frequently or using aquim gel should be practised at home and school
- Steam is your friend with chesty coughs, use a vapouriser in the children’s bedrooms to keep the air warm and moist. Increase the intake of Vitamin C – either naturally or through supplements appropriate for children

Our Sincere Condolences to Mr Dow
On behalf of our school community I would like to express my sincere condolences to Malcolm Dow (Assistant Principal) whose father sadly passed away during the holidays. Malcolm has been on leave for some of this week and our thoughts are with Malcolm at this very sad time. We look forward to seeing him back at APS next week.

Wishing Mrs Leyshan a speedy recovery
Our wonderful Business Manager, Christine Leyshan, who virtually runs the school with our amazing office ladies, Maggie and Alison, has been on leave after some minor surgery on her hand. We wish Christine all the very best for a speedy recovery and can’t wait to have her back on Tuesday July 31st.

My sincere thanks to Maggie who has come in extra days this week to support us all and keep the school running smoothly.

Purchasing tickets to Alice in Wonderland.
Don’t forget to purchase your tickets to see our wonderful musical Alice in Wonderland, they are selling like hotcakes and we would hate any families to be disappointed if they couldn’t attend. Remember all the children will be on stage singing and dancing, not just the main characters. Make sure you have yours so you can share in the excitement with your children. Instructions on how to purchase the tickets are found further on the newsletter.

Level 3 and 4 House Athletics
All students in levels 3 and 4 are looking forward to participating in the forthcoming House athletics carnival this Friday at Duncan Mackinnon Reserve, corner North and Murrumbeena Roads, Murrumbeena. It should be a fabulous day with the emphasis being on student participation and sportsmanship. All parents are welcome to attend and support the students and teachers. Just a reminder to parents that all signed and completed permission forms must be returned before Friday morning to enable children to attend and any student without a permission form will be reallocated to a junior classroom at school.

Fun Run Money needs to be returned by the end of this week
Thank you very much to all the boys and girls and families who have already brought back their very generous sponsorship money from the fun run and apologies for all those extra laps that the students did. It must have been all the early morning practices! We need you to bring back your money by the end of this week in order to be in the draw for all those amazing raffle prizes and the 2 bikes. These prizes will be drawn at next week’s assembly – maybe get here earlier as it should be standing room only!

Have a wonderful week everyone, stay warm and well!

Rochelle Cukier
Acting Principal
YOU CAN DO IT! AWARDS

1C  William Strangward   For always trying to his best at everything he does. Well done William!
1J  Priscilla Moffat     For not being afraid to have a go and take risks.
1P  Zeke Abbott          For making a confident start to his new school.
2E  Jamie Shaw           For continuing to work hard in all areas of his learning and actively contributing to our class discussions.
2J  Luca Nielsen         For always demonstrating confidence when tackling new things such as his Entertainment mind map. Great work!
2P  Ineke Pain           For showing persistence in trying to complete her journal work using her right hand. A fantastic effort as she is left handed and Ineke has a broken wrist. What an effort!
2S  Riley Thompson      For completing Literacy tasks to the best of his ability. Well done on a fantastic effort Riley!
2T  Nicholas Bayly       For confidently telling 2T all about his exciting holiday and for sharing information about the mines at Broken Hill.
3C  Finn Abbott          For being an enthusiastic learner and completing set tasks independently. An excellent effort Finn!
3D  Connor Addis         For making such a fantastic musical instrument at home and demonstrating it so well to the class.
3F  Flossie Corsham      For always demonstrating positive work habits and group working skills and interacting positively with her peers.
3W  Allegra Tremlett     For demonstrating persistence and showing great confidence in all areas of her learning and making an excellent start to the new term. Keep up the great work!
4N  Charlie Hanrahan     For his consistent and positive efforts to complete work well and for showing really good improvement in his attitude and work habits - keep it up this semester, Charlie!
4S  James Gray           For showing initiative by researching more about our Maths investigation topic.
4Z  Sol Hashimoto        For demonstrating a positive attitude towards his learning making a fantastic start to term 3. Keep it up Sol!

SPORTS NEWS
LEVEL 3 & 4 HOUSE ATHLETICS
FRIDAY 20TH JULY

Tomorrow all Level 3 & 4 students will be taking part in the Armadale PS House Athletics Carnival at Duncan McKinnon Athletics Track. Children are to wear some items in their house colours and suitable footwear. Events to start at approximately 9:30am.

Date:     Friday 20th July
Venue:    Duncan McKinnon Reserve, North Rd, Murrumbeena. (Melways 69 A9).
Departure: 8:55am sharp
Travel:   Bus
Return:  approximately 3:15pm
Cost:      included in term 3 excursion levy -

Please note that children will not be able to attend without returning the signed permission form.

EXCURSION LEVY TERM 3

All coloured excursion forms were handed out to children during the last week of term. If your child did not receive one, please check with their teacher.

Please note the office will no longer be printing extra copies as they are available to download from the website under the Parents tab.

MONDAY & TUESDAY MILKBAR LUNCH

Lunch orders may now be ordered on both a Monday & Tuesday supplied by the local milkbar.

Please bring the order to school in a brown paper bag or reusable lunch bag with the correct money enclosed. The Lunch Order list is under the Parents tab of the website.
Hi everyone,

Welcome to Term 3. We hope you have all had a much-needed rest over the term holidays and have managed to avoid the many winter bugs that are around at the moment!

**APS Fun Run**
A reminder that all sponsorship forms and money need to be handed in to the office by this Friday at the latest (yes, that’s tomorrow!!) At next week’s assembly we will be drawing all the prizes, including the 2 mountain bikes; 10 x $25 vouchers from the Pancake Parlour; Brooks drink bottles; a Brooks shoe voucher; soccer balls; footballs; basketballs, and other sporting equipment. It will be a very exciting assembly, so don’t forget to get all the forms and money in!!

Don’t forget that **Monday 30th July** is a student-free day.

The next PFA meeting is scheduled for 9am on **Friday 17th August**.

**Alice in Wonderland**
As mentioned at yesterday’s assembly, tickets for the whole school performance of *Alice in Wonderland* at the National Theatre on the 9th & 10th August are on sale through the National Theatre website. Make sure you’ve got your tickets!!

Have a great week everyone.

Abbey Nash  0410 509 161
Jill Davies  0414 335 555

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**FAMILY CONFERENCES**
These will be held on Monday 30th July from 12:30pm – 8:00pm. Each family from Level 1-4 will be allocated 15 minutes for their conference. All conference booking times will be managed online at [PTO online](www.parentteacheronline.com.au) with a link on our website.

Bookings will open at 9.00am on Friday 20th July and close at 9.00pm on Friday 27th July. Login slips are being sent home with your eldest child today.

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**STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS**
A BIG thank you to everyone who donated clothing and blankets for the Prahran Mission last term. And a special thank you to Michelle Moffat who kindly took all the donated items to the Prahran Mission.

*Sophie Hemingway and Oscar Lund*

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**Visual Arts Notice**

*Visual Artist of the Week*  Noah Lambert 3C
For the outstanding skills he displayed when drawing his running shoe. Noah observed the lines and patterns very well and drew his shoe and name as a mirror image so it can be sketched on foam and used as a print.

*Visual Art Class of The Week*  1P
For the excellent skills they displayed when creating their 'Figures in Action'. They arranged paddle pop sticks, matches and mosaics carefully and used PVA glue to stick down each piece.

*Art Smocks*
Some students still need to bring their Art smocks back to school. Smocks should be labelled clearly with your name. Smocks are stored in classroom tubs/baskets and brought to each art lesson. New smocks can be purchased from the uniform shop in Kew.

**Year 6 Art Club ‘Acrylic Painting on Canvas’**
Congratulations to all the year 6s involved in Semester 1 Art Club. You should be proud of your finished pieces, they are amazing!

Term 3 Art Club will be offered to year 6s that did not get a chance to participate in Semester 1. We will be painting canvases again and the topic will be discussed when the group has been selected. Art club will be held on **Tuesday Lunchtimes from 12:45 -1:30**.

Forms will be distributed to classroom teachers. Please return forms signed and with payment to the office ASAP. First in best dressed!

*Lucy Gorman  Visual Arts Co-ordinator*
Performing Arts News

MUSICAL FOR 2012: Disney’s ‘Alice in Wonderland’
TICKETS ON SALE NOW

WHERE: THE NATIONAL THEATRE BOX OFFICE

Tickets for Armadale Primary School’s production of Alice in Wonderland can be purchased on line at: http://www.nationaltheatre.org.au/

HOW MANY TICKETS CAN I PURCHASE: To ensure that all families have fair access to a reasonable number of tickets, we seek your support by asking you to limit your initial purchase of tickets to FOUR. We will run with this request for 4 weeks (29th June – 27th July). If you are interested in purchasing additional tickets, we seek your further support by asking you to hold off purchasing until Monday 30th July. The additional tickets will stay on sale until Friday 3rd August. TICKETS ARE NOT REQUIRED FOR APS STUDENTS

PRICE: $25 Adult $20 Child < 15 years, Concession, FT student

PARENT HELPERS WORKING BEE: Friday 20th July
@ 9.00am - 12.00 noon in The Performing Arts room

Items to be made / finished:
- Dodo Bird boat
- White Rabbits House
- Mad Hatter’s tea party items/labelling
- Finishing off Level costumes/head pieces
- Painting red buckets
- Rose bushes

LEVEL COSTUMES
Thank you to all the parents for finding their child/children an appropriate t-shirt and sending it to school, named and in a bag. It is greatly appreciated.

Level 1- SMALL CARDSMEN
- Black bottoms: jeans, leggings or tracksuit pants
- PLAIN WHITE T-SHIRT that can have a material shape glued to it (heart, spade, club or diamond)

Level 2 – INSECTS
- All students to have black bottoms i.e. jeans, leggings or tracksuit pants
- 2P – lady bugs: PLAIN RED T-SHIRT – large black material circles will be glued to the t-shirt
- 2T – grasshoppers: PLAIN GREEN T-SHIRT – green material will be attached to the t-shirt for legs!
- 2S- dragonflies: PLAIN WHITE LONG SLEEVED T-SHIRT – glittery material will be attached to the sleeve and arms
- 2E – Bees: PLAIN YELLOW T-SHIRT – thick yellow lines will be glued to the t-shirt
- 2J – Christmas Beetles: PLAIN BLACK T-SHIRT – metallic material will be glued to the side of the t-shirt

Level 3- CLOCKS
- All students to be dressed in black; black bottoms (jeans, tracksuit pants, leggings) and a plain black t-shirt. Students will be making clocks in ART to be attached to the t-shirts.

SHOES: students will need to wear black shoes and socks for the performance i.e. jiffies, school shoes or sneakers.

PERFORMING ARTS AWARDS: Will continue again after the Alice in Wonderland performances.

SENIOR CHOIR & JUNIOR CHOIR: Will commence again after Alice in Wonderland - Week 5.

Amanda Wilson
Performing Arts Co-ordinator
**OOSHC NEWS**

**Holiday Program**
Thank you to all the children and staff for a great Holiday Program we were very busy.

**Tennis Lessons**
Tennis lessons will continue this term on Tuesday and Thursdays. Please note that the cost of tennis lessons will increase this term to $9, this is the first price rise from the company in over 5 years. There are a few places available on Thursday if you are interested in your child learning tennis with Total Tennis company then please see Katie asap.

**This Term’s OOSHC Clubs Timetable**

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**OOSHC Clubs**

**SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS**

Vouchers are available in all Coles stores from **13 June to 14 August** and we ask that you get involved to help collect vouchers for our school.

A collection box is outside the office so please feel free to drop the vouchers in the box or give them to your children to hand into your child’s class teacher.

**LEVEL 1 BULLETIN**

This week’s Level 1 bulletin is on the website for the Prep parents under Level & Specialist Bulletins in the Parents tab or follow this [link](#).

**EARN & LEARN**

Don’t forget to keep collected the stickers in the Woolworths’ Earn & Learn promotion which has now been extended until **Monday 12 August**. The collection box is outside the office. Thank you to the families who have already returned completed sticker cards. Well done!
Spacer Use in Schools/Preschools: Advice for Parents & Carers

As of the 1st July 2012, schools and preschools in Victoria will be implementing a new policy in regards to single person spacer use. This means that schools and preschools will no longer be able to wash, sterilise and re-use spacers and face masks from their asthma emergency kits when assisting students and children with asthma symptoms.

Spacers should always be used when administering reliever ‘puffer’ medication because:

- Using a spacer with a ‘puffer’ ensures that more medication reaches the airways
- Spacers are much easier for children to use than a ‘puffer’ alone, and allows school and preschool staff to help students/children during an asthma attack, often in an emergency situation
- Spacers are an essential part of the Asthma First Aid procedure that Victorian schools/preschools are instructed to follow

Asthma first aid kits should only ever be used as a back-up for when a child with asthma does not have their own spacer available, or if it is a first asthma attack or the cause of breathing difficulty is unknown. Your child’s school/preschool may implement a policy where parents/carers are responsible for the cost of the spacer if one must be used from the asthma emergency kit.

Even if your child has mild asthma, it is essential that their medication and spacer (and a compatible face mask if under 5 years old) is always available to school/preschool staff. To ensure that a spacer is not left at home, we would recommend that parents/carers purchase a second spacer for their child to have with them at school/preschool at all times if possible.

For further information, please contact the Asthma Foundation of Victoria on 1800 645 130 or email schools@asthma.org.au

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Does your child suffer from asthma?

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PH: (03) 9576 2559

SCHOOL MUSIC PROGRAM

Learn keyboard, guitar, flute, clarinet, violin, drums, here at
Armadale Primary School

Come and join in the fun of learning to play keyboard, guitar, flute, clarinet, violin, drums, here at the school. Creative Music for Schools conducts a School Music Program of small group classes here at school each week. We aim to give children an excellent grounding in music. Children will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument. Tuition costs from $14.00 per lesson and enrolments are now being accepted for limited places in term 3. Interested parents should call Sharon during office hours on 9818 2333 for more information or access our web page at www.creativemusic.com.au

For Term 3 Only
New Store Hours

Trading Hours
Commanding July 1st
Monday: CLOSED
Tuesday: 8:30am - 5:00pm
Wednesday: 8:30am - 5:00pm
Thursday: 8:30am - 5:00pm
Friday: 8:30am - 5:00pm
Saturday: 9:00am - 1:00pm

The key changes for you to be aware of are that we are now closed Mondays and close at 1:00pm on Saturday.

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For further information, please contact the Asthma Foundation of Victoria on 1800 645 130 or email schools@asthma.org.au

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Chess Coaching

Have fun learning Chess!!

Where:  Hall – upstairs room.
When:  Wednesday lunchtimes
25th July to 12th September 2012
Cost:  12% discount for Cash Payments - $75 Cash or $85 Cheque - per child.
Benefits: Strategic thinking, improved self esteem, attention span in class, lateral thinking, team work, analytical skills.

We cater for all skill levels!

Each week different lessons are taught & games are played. A trophy is awarded to the “Best & Fairest” player, and badges to 2nd and 3rd place at the end of term. To enrol your child please make payment (per child) of $75 cash or $85 cheque by Tuesday 24th July. Cheques made payable to “Hooton Consulting Pty Ltd”

For more info contact Phil on 0421 901 530

Forward this section with your payment to your school office.

Child’s Full Name: ____________________________
Grade: ______
School: __________________________
Email ___________________________
Payment Due: Tuesday 24th July.
$75 cash: ☐ or $85 cheque: ☐

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Friday, Saturday, Sunday 10.00-6.00
Jackets, bags and accessories.
591 Chapel Street, South Yarra
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HOCKEY

To celebrate the 2012 London Olympics, in conjunction with Hockey Australia the Toorak East Malvern Hockey Club is inviting primary school aged children to a special Olympics Hook Into Hockey Program.

The six week program is not to be missed – a unique opportunity for youngsters keen to give hockey a try with some very experienced coaches. Come and see what its about.

Venue:  Hawthorn Malvern Hockey Club,
482 Auburn Road, Hawthorn (just off Toorak Road near the entrance to the freeway)
Dates:  Thursday 26 July – Thursday 30 August, 5-6pm

Every participant receives an Australian training top, a hockey DVD and a medallion. The cost is only $15. All other equipment is provided.

Go to www.hockey.org.au/hookin2hockey and search for the Toorak East Malvern Hin2H Centre. Registering from there is simple.

Any questions? Call Pip Dudley on 0414264138 or email adudley@bigpond.net.au

Attachments:  PTO Parent Login slip
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