Dear Parents,

Welcome to Week Two and what a fantastic week we all have had so far. In fact it all started last week when on Thursday I had a visit from the new Regional Network leader, now known as Senior Field Office, Dennis Pratt, who came to congratulate me on being appointed as your Acting Principal for the remainder of Term 3. This means that Malcolm Dow will be the Acting Assistant Principal for Term 3 and whilst the students in 3D are disappointed, the whole school is thrilled that Malcolm and I can lead the school together for Term 3. In fact the staff were so happy that they hosted a wonderful morning tea for Malcolm and I on Monday morning.

Whilst I am delighted and honoured to lead the school, I didn’t want it to mean that I lost contact with the children on a daily basis. Many Principals get caught up with the management and administration and less on Educational Leadership, but I firmly cherish the opportunities to work with the children and staff and to be able to engage with them in a variety of ways. Therefore Malcolm and I have decided that our roles will be implemented in the following ways and you will see that these are very much based on our strengths and what we offer both staff and students.

I will still be responsible for student wellbeing, provision of enrichment programs and working with our school leaders and Grade 6 students as they have lunch with the Principal on a weekly basis. Additionally I will also be taking care of all the financial, technical and cultural aspects of the school, School Council and sub-committees; working with our PFA and other parent groups; staffing, administration; liaising with the region and everything else a Principal normally does.

Malcolm will be responsible for the daily organisation of the school: timetables; yard duty; meeting schedules; Casual Relief Teachers; placement of student teachers; RE and will also offer an enrichment class in ICT to every class in the school this term. Malcolm as you know has been an ICT specialist for many years and continues to be a leading teacher in this area. Whilst he was a classroom teacher, he couldn’t continue to provide the ICT provision and this was part of the classroom teacher’s teaching duties. However we are very excited that he can once again offer excellence in this area to all of our students. Malcolm will also be increasing his involvement in our school’s sustainability practices and it is so important for our environment that we maintain the school’s level of commitment.

Should you have any concerns or queries about our roles please don’t hesitate to speak to me at the school, or simply drop me an email.

Our fabulous week continued on the Friday with our house athletic sports at Duncan Mackinnon reserve in Murrumbeena. A huge thanks goes to Kate Pilgrim who organised an excellent day, right down to the weather, which was an enormous task given her very recent return to full time teaching at our school. I would also like to extend my thanks and appreciation to all the staff who assisted and to the parents who accompanied the classes on the buses and stayed all day, marshalling, judging and organising students and to the parents who gave up their day and met us down there and also assisted in any way they could. Congratulations goes to all the house leaders for the work they put into the day, the posters made and the encouragement given to all the participants and overall to all our students who participated in all the events and demonstrated genuine sportsmanship to one another. Congratulations to Munro House for doing exceptionally well on the day.

**STUDENT LED CONFERENCES: STUDENT FREE DAY**

Just a reminder that these are taking place on Monday July 30th and are starting at 12.30pm. The students are very excited and can’t wait to share their learning with you through their portfolios. Should it be difficult for you to make it school on this day, then please talk to your child’s class teacher to arrange an alternative time. Also I will be available at any time during that day should you wish to talk about your child’s learning journey. Please remember to go online to book your conference time.

…Acting Principal’s report continued over page
OOSHC will not be running a curriculum day program on Monday, so please make sure you have made your own arrangements for child minding if you are working on Monday.

**FUN RUN**

Thank you so much to Jill and Abbey for all the work they have undertaken and their ongoing commitment to our school ensuring that the fun-run was an amazing success. To date, the fun run has raised for the school in excess of $17,000 which is an extraordinary effort. I would like to personally thank all of our families for their generous donations and sponsorship of the students and we are hoping that the money raised will enable us to purchase and install new shade sails over the play equipment. We had a very exciting assembly yesterday where all the children who returned their sponsorship forms and money collected were given a raffle ticket to go into the draw for prizes. Jill and Abbey will have a more detailed account of who won what, but I must offer congratulations to 2 students: **Mateo Soubielle in 1C and Jack Davies in 3C** who both won the 2 mountain bikes, which were our major prizes. Congratulations boys and I wish you many years of happy riding. A huge thank you to all the sponsors and the companies which made very generous donations to our school.

**ALICE IN WONDERLAND**

At the moment of compiling this newsletter I am looking out of my office window at the full school rehearsal of AIW and it just looks magical. I can hear beautiful singing and watching creative choreographed dancing of all the children. Yesterday morning I took a tour group through the school and they were lucky to witness the Level 3’s in action in the MPC, the parents all commented how wonderful it looked and that was just after a 3 minute snapshot. Don’t forget to go onto the National Theatre website and book your tickets, everyone just has until Monday the 30th to buy up to 4 tickets. I am sure you don’t want to disappoint your children by not being able to see them on stage.

Wishing you all a great week and looking forward to seeing you at some stage on Monday.

Warm regards,

Rochelle Cukier

**Acting Principal**

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**YOU CAN DO IT! AWARDS**

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<td>Jaxsen Farah</td>
<td>For his enthusiastic participation during Footsteps sessions.</td>
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<td>Gus Alekna</td>
<td>For his positive, ‘can do’ attitude towards the Footsteps dance program.</td>
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<td>Robert Strangward</td>
<td>For speaking to an audience with greater confidence and for working hard to complete all his work efficiently.</td>
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<td>2E</td>
<td>Thomas Walls</td>
<td>For the great confidence he displays when explaining his scientific experiments to the class.</td>
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<td>2J</td>
<td>Miki Hashimoto</td>
<td>For displaying incredible confidence whilst performing the play ‘Giddy Up’. Great work!</td>
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<td>2P</td>
<td>Marcus Allen</td>
<td>For his contribution to his class in using 'good common sense'. It is very much appreciated by his teacher and his classmates.</td>
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<td>2S</td>
<td>Finn-Horton Stephens</td>
<td>For displaying enthusiasm and creativity when producing his Winter Window. A fabulous effort Finn!</td>
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<td>2T</td>
<td>Henry Stringer</td>
<td>For enthusiastically explaining to the class how he broke his arm, all about his surgery, and stay in hospital, and for being resilient and not letting his broken arm get in the way of his learning.</td>
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<td>2T</td>
<td>Lucia Tabbagh</td>
<td>For being confident at Footsteps and showing us all how a chicken moves its head.</td>
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<td>3C</td>
<td>Bridget Montague</td>
<td>For demonstrating excellent work habits and a positive attitude to all her learning. Keep it up Bridget!</td>
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<td>3C</td>
<td>Katija Sucic</td>
<td>For using great strategies to write tricky words such as knead, dough and knack. Super effort Katija!</td>
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<td>Jett Kelly</td>
<td>For demonstrating persistence during Maths Activities, trying really hard on a new skill! Great Work Jett!</td>
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<td>Yasmin Feile</td>
<td>For demonstrating great sequencing and balance skills in Tri Skills.</td>
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<td>3W</td>
<td>Sam Start</td>
<td>For demonstrating persistence and showing great confidence when approaching more difficult mathematical concepts. A great effort Sam!</td>
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PARENTS AND FRIENDS FOR ARMADALE
(PFA)
Hi everyone,

APS Fun Run – Prizewinners!
At yesterday’s assembly, we announced that APS students had raised an amazing amount of $17,000.00 from the Fun Run held last term!!! Thank you to everyone for your incredible efforts. We are very happy to say that we will be able to now purchase shade sails for the play equipment area. Well done to everyone who participated!

Also at the assembly, we drew the winners of all our wonderful prizes – there were 45 items in total! For every $20 raised, students received one raffle ticket for the draw, so the more money raised, the more raffle tickets in the draw. Congratulations to all of the following students who won prizes:

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<td>Mateo Soubielle (1C) and Jack Davies (3C)</td>
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<td>$120 shoe voucher from Brooks</td>
<td>Mia Vodicka Georgiou (4Z)</td>
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<td>2 x $50 vouchers from New Balance</td>
<td>Nicholas Nash (1P) and Eliza Steele (2J)</td>
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<td>Kid’s hamper from Thomas Dux</td>
<td>Sami Skinner (3F)</td>
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<td>Sporting equipment – footballs, soccer balls, netballs, shin guards</td>
<td>Robbie Galvin-Rowley (3C); Tom Coath (2S); Olivia Martin (3F); Martha Conheady (3D); Oliver Edmonds (2P); Violet Johnston (1P); Amelia Darby (4Z); Lucia Tabbagh (2T); Jett Kelly (3D); Blayke Sheehan (3W); Jack Williams (2J); Noah Holuigue (2P); Imogen Bickford (2T); Olivia Gladwell-Bolte (3D); Claire Gray (3W); Patel Vaishvi (3C); Ned Dixon (3C); Josh Bufe (2E).</td>
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<td>10 x $25 Pancake Parlour vouchers</td>
<td>Jack Cooper (2J); Charlie Sorrell (2J); Jack Williams (2J); Aiden D’Cruz (3F); Samuel Harris (2S); James Gray (4N); Imogen Bickford (2T); Ben Lloyd (4Z); Olivia Gladwell-Bolte (3D); Jaxsen Farah (1C)</td>
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<td>13 x Brooks drink bottles</td>
<td>Luke Harrington (3C); Jas Wheatley (3D); Noah Holuigue (2P); Jack Cooper (2J); Max Hanrahan (4Z); Harry Dixon (2P); Tom Hucker (1C); James Bessell (2S); Claudia Hayman (2T); Olivia Nash (3F); Charlie Sorrell (2J); Tom Upton (3W).</td>
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What an amazing effort!!!

Finally, a big thank you to Peter Cracknell for all his help with organising the Fun Run, and for providing the wonderful sports prizes. And a big thank you also to the House Captains who spent their mornings leading up to the Fun Run organising some training sessions for the students. It obviously paid off!!

Thank you again boys & girls for being such wonderful participants in the Armadale Fun Run. You should all be very, very proud of your fantastic efforts.

Alice in Wonderland
Don’t forget that 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 for what promises to be an amazing couple of nights!!

Have a great week everyone.

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PFA Co-Presidents

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.

HOUSE POINTS
Densham won this week’s house points. Congratulations to all the children in Densham.
SPORTS NEWS

LEVEL 3 AND 4 HOUSE ATHLETICS
A BIG thank you to all the Level 3 and 4 students and teachers who participated and officiated during the House Aths held last Friday at Duncan McKinnon Athletics Track. And an even BIGGER thank you to all the parents who helped out measuring, raking, timing, starting races and supporting children during the House Aths. We couldn’t do it without you. Thank you!

It was great to see everyone ‘trying their best’ throughout the various events including: long jump, triple jump, hurdles, 100 metre sprint, 200 metre sprint, shot put, discus and high jump.

Well done to the House Leaders. And congratulations to this year’s winning house MUNRO. A fantastic effort also by Densham, Rose, and Northcote. Read the full report on page 8.

Kate Pilgrim

GREEN TEAM PLANTING DAY
Tomorrow the children in levels 2-4 Green Team will be attending the Stonnington Council’s special Planting Day at the Malvern Urban Forest, in Bruce St Malvern East. Stonnington Parks Staff will be assisting the students in the planting a range of indigenous trees and shrubs to enhance the local environment.

SCHOOL GARDENS
In a similar vein the Level 3 Gardening group have been very busy planting native shrubs and trees in two areas of the school: the former Rain garden site, which was lost when the new double storey portable came in, and in the habitat garden at the front of the school, where we have been adding to, and replacing some of the existing plantings that were done three years ago. The children were very excited to see a number of rainbow lorikeets in the trees that we had planted, a real sign that our plantings have already started to attract native birds to our school ground.

STAYING SAFE ONLINE
It’s great to see so many of our students using SuperClubsPlus at home. It is a great learning tool to help students understand the importance of being safe online and learning the correct etiquette when dealing with others online. As part of my new role as Acting Assistant Principal I will be taking dedicated ICT sessions for each class and in those sessions we will focus on correct online behaviour. If any children have lost or forgotten any of their online usernames or passwords I can assist them in this regard.

PREMIERS’ READING CHALLENGE
We are now drawing nearer to the end of the Premiers’ Reading Challenge for 2012 which will be at the end of August. Although many children have been reading their books, quite a few have not been adding the titles to the website. This needs to be done over the next month in order to make sure that they meet the challenge. I can assist them with this in the next few ICT sessions too.

NEWSLETTER ONLINE
In line with so many other things that happen at school and in the broader community, we are moving to making our newsletter online only. We have had a very strong uptake of families who are accessing the school newsletter via our website and now need to move the last few families who are still receiving paper versions across to the online ones. The advantages are that you get immediate access to the newsletter, it cannot get lost between home and school, you still read a copy when your child is away, you have access to all the archived copies, it saves valuable office time printing and collating the paper copies and it substantially reduces our usage of paper, which is an important part of our school’s Sustainability Policy. Over the next few weeks we will be phasing out the printed version of the newsletter, so please make sure that the office has your correct email address. You will receive an email from the school inviting you to access the private section of the newsletter and you will generate your own password to be able to read the newsletter each week.

Malcolm Dow
Acting Assistant Principal

FAMILY CONFERENCES
These will be held next Monday 30th July from 12:30pm – 8:00pm. Follow the PTO online www.parentteacheronline.com.au on our website to make a booking. Bookings are now open and close at 9.00pm on Friday 27th July. Login slips were sent home with your eldest child last week.

Notizie d’italiano

Congratulazione to 3W!
3W have won the premio (prize) for Term 2. They won the most punti during Italian lessons in term 2 by being respectful learners. 3W’s prize is cooking and eating la pizza which they did during their Italian lesson yesterday. Bravissimi 3W!

Vita Vampatella
Language Co-ordinator
MAKE-UP & HAIR FOR ALICE IN WONDERLAND

Level 1 – Cardsmen
BOYS: rouge (cheeks), lips (gloss); HAIR - slicked back with product (away from face)  
GIRLS: rouge (cheeks), clear gloss (lips), mascara and eyeliner (optional); HAIR – pulled back into a ponytail/bun/plait

- The level 1 students will be wearing a crown of their card suit (diamond, heart, club or spade) around their head.

Level 2 – Insects
BOYS: rouge (cheeks), lips (gloss); HAIR – slicked back with product (away from face)  
GIRLS: rouge (cheeks), lips (glitter gloss), glitter eye-shadow (preferably a color that matches their insect colors), mascara and eyeliner (optional); HAIR – pulled back into a bun or neat ponytail.

- Silver glitter hairspray (optional)

Level 3 - Clocks
BOYS: rouge (cheeks), lips (gloss); HAIR – slicked back with product (away from face)  
GIRLS: rouge (cheeks), lips (gloss), metallic eye-shadow (preferably a color that matches their clock color), mascara and eyeliner (optional); HAIR – pulled back into a bun or neat ponytail.

- Glitter hairspray optional (red-3C, green-3D, purple-3W and gold-3F)

Level 4
the main characters will have make-up applied on the night. However, Alices, Mathilda and main flowers will need to bring their own foundation (to match skin tone) and mascara.

Imitation Wonderland Characters
Rouge (cheeks), lips (clear gloss); HAIR – slicked back with product (away from the face)

Additional Flowers
MAKE-UP: Light base (foundation), rouge (cheeks), lips (gloss-orange tone), orange eye-shadow, mascara and eyeliner (optional). 
HAIR: curled if possible – to be worn with a head scarf in the Prologue and with a flower headband in Wonderland!

Sea Creatures
BOYS: rouge (cheeks), lips (clear gloss); HAIR – slicked back with product (away from the face)  
GIRLS: Light base (foundation), rouge (cheeks), lips (gloss), eye-shadow that reflects the colour of their costume, mascara and eye-liner optional; HAIR – pulled back into a high ponytail or bun.

- Sea Creatures will have glitter applied to their face at the theatre.

Cardsmen
BOYS: rouge (cheeks), lips (gloss); HAIR – to be covered with a white hood (no product)  
GIRLS: Light base (foundation), rouge (cheeks), lips (gloss), natural eye-shadow, mascara and eye-liner (optional); HAIR – pulled back into a high ponytail and then covered with a white hood.

Dancers and Gymnasts
MAKE-UP: light base (foundation), rouge (cheeks), lips (gloss), natural eye-shadow, mascara and eye-liner optional.  
HAIR: Pulled back into a high ponytail or bun.

more Alice in Wonderland details over the page...
Visual Artist of the Week  Jamieson Kennedy
3C

For her excellent foam print of a Horse Riding shoe. Jamieson’s design showed a high degree of skill and creativity. Keep it up Jamieson!

Visual Art Class of The Week  3W

For the excellent behaviour they displayed during their visual art lesson.

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’
Forms will be distributed to classroom teachers with this week’s newsletter. Please return forms signed and with payment to the office ASAP if you are interested in Art Club this Semester. First in best dressed! Art club will be held on Tuesday Lunchtimes from 12:45 -1:30.

Lucy Gorman
Visual Arts Co-ordinator

LEVEL 2 GARDENING CLUB

We will not be doing gardening club for the next few weeks, until week 5 on 13 August, because in winter plants grow slowly and there isn’t too much planting to be done. During spring we will start again as the plants grow faster and they will be ripe and we can pick them. We might also get to cook and eat them!

Chloe and Mimi, 2E

Level 2 Gardening Club’s ‘winter recess’ will also accommodate the whole school rehearsals for Alice in Wonderland.

Our gardeners are very happy with the progress of the broad beans, broccoli, lettuce, silverbeet and beetroot that they have planted. Come spring we will be able to harvest our yummy vegetables. Well done gardeners for all the hard work you have put in so far.

Happy gardening!

Vita and Pippa
Welcome to Armadale

Jim’s Cleaning

Armadale has recently been established and its business partners would like to offer the Parents of Students at Armadale Primary School an introductory offer for the duration of Winter 2012. The specific treatments are for Bathrooms, Kitchens, Ovens and Windows.

Living locally enables us to support families and small business owners in the community and it will also enable us to provide our clients with a cost effective cleaning solution; quickly, reliably and efficiently.

Call Mark and Ali on 0439 634 384 for further information regarding our services or simply email us at ali.mark@jimsclleaning.net.au and we will contact you directly. We value your local support and look forward to meeting with you shortly;

Kind regards,
Mark and Ali

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!

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

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.

Attachments: L3&4 House Athletics report

(Advertised material is distributed with this newsletter. Whilst all care is taken to ensure validity we take no responsibility and imply no endorsement)
On Friday the 20th July, all the Level Threes and Fours went to Duncan McKinnon Reserve for the annual House Athletics carnival. We were all really excited as we started our first events. We had already been divided into age groups, so were all ready to go as soon as we arrived.

The events we participated in were: 100 metre sprint, 200 metre sprint, high jump, triple jump, discus, shot put, 80 metre hurdles and long jump. At the end of the day, all the houses, Munro, Northcote, Rose and Densham did a wonderful closing performance. Throughout the day, people who won in events were given bonus house points, as well as the points that the whole group received at the end of the day for their performances.

The next day, the winners would be announced. The suspense was agonizing. Who would win the house sports day? Personally, we think they all should have won. But at the end of the day, the winners were...

**MUNRO!**

Everyone from Munro was ecstatic, and they were awarded with green ribbons that read: WELL DONE. But it wasn’t just Munro that had done well. In second place was Northcote, then third was Rose and in fourth place was Densham!

But though not every House won, it cannot be denied that EVERYONE had a FANTASTIC day. Even though everyone was thoroughly exhausted, we all gave every event our best shot and everyone was AMAZING!

Keep up the good work and we’re sure you all can’t wait for the next one!