Dear Parents,

It has been another busy week at Armadale Primary School with many events and results to celebrate and share with you. Our week started on Friday with our annual Book Parade and the weather was rather chilly and the wind force, almost gale like.

During Buddy time, I was invited to the 4S and 1C book launch, a collaborative effort between Mat’s and Connie’s class where the Level 4s had written and illustrated books all about their Prep buddies. The Level 4s had interviewed their buddies first so the content was quite authentic. The results of their efforts were incredibly gratifying as the Preps snuggled up to their buddies to be read to (see the photo below). The Preps were beaming and were enchanted to have been the main character in the book. It was a great example of our student connectedness and the relationships we cherish.

It was delightful to see many Princesses, Superheroes; Harry Potters and Wizards; Cats in the hat, Where’s Wally, Annies, Alices and Dorothy. Thank you to the many parents who braved the arctic chill to stay and watch the whole parade, which I might add was amicably hosted by a couple of Sumo bullies, who bounced off each other using comedic ad lib at will. The bananas were nowhere to be seen this year, maybe they had gone west! The day was then enjoyed by the students as they were treated to a musical performance (see the photo below) and then relished the opportunity in the afternoon to spend time with their buddies.

A record breaking Book Fair.
Scholastic Books were thrilled to announce that the Book Fair sold over $9000 worth of books. A huge thank you to all our Armadale families for supporting the fair so generously and for providing many hours of enjoyment and escapism for your children. This means that $2000 out of the fair can come back to the school to purchase new books for our library. I am sure the new books will keep the students entertained for hours to come. A very grateful thank you to all the parents who assisted with the fair and in particular to Malcolm Dow who set up the fair and organised its closure and to Sara Powell who put in many hours after the fair closed to process all the orders.

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Sustainable Schools Award
The senior green team were invited to a sustainable schools festival on Monday 27th August which was sponsored in a joint effort by both Bayside and Port Phillip Council. The students enjoyed all the different workshops and activities at the Port Phillip Eco Centre. The highlight of the day according to Malcolm, was when all the other schools had received a variety of sustainability awards and he thought “Oh dear, they have overlooked our school”, when it was announced that Armadale Primary School had won “GREEN SCHOOL OF THE YEAR”, obviously leaving the best award for last! On behalf of the whole school community my sincere thanks to Malcolm Dow for all the work he does with the school’s sustainability focus, the Green Team and the Gardening Club and also to Pippa Cocks, who superbly assists Malcolm with the Junior Green Team and accompanied Malcolm on Monday.
We are incredibly fortunate to have such proactive environmental stewards on our staff.

Sol, Edward, Ted and Toby reached the Grand Final for the Gladiators under 11 team on Sunday. It was an enormous achievement to have done so having moved up a division during the season, ultimately winning 12 out of 16 games. Their coach said this was testament to how much the team has improved since last year.
The boys gave it their all, giving themselves a great start finishing the first quarter 4.3.27 to 0.0.0. They weren’t able to finish the season as premiers, however they loved every minute of the experience and opportunity to represent their footy club and APS in 2012.
Congratulations boys and all the very best for the next season!

Father’s Day Stall – (ALL dads stop reading and skip to the next part)
On Friday our wonderful PFA is running the Father’s day stall, superbly lead by Kristen Steele and Susan Hucker. Thank you to all the Armadale families who have donated presents for this stall and Mum if you can please remember to pop $5 in an envelope in the school bag on Friday morning to enable the children to purchase a gift for Dad, or a special Uncle, friend, or even Graddad. The children do get quite distressed if their money has been left on the kitchen bench at home. Thank you again to all the Mum’s for helping out with the wrapping of the gifts and the whole Father's day Stall.
May I take this opportunity to wish all our Armadale dads and special grandpas a wonderful father’s day and enjoy all the spoiling you will receive.

Level 3 Camp 5th –7th September to Camp Rumbug and Staffing
The level 3s have been gearing up for their forthcoming camp and I have overheard excited conversations about cabin groups, flying foxes, canoeing and ropes course and of course the walk from Tidal River to Squeaky Beach at Wilson’s Promontory. On behalf of the entire school community I would like to acknowledge and thank Virginia Wallace as Level 3 Co-ordinator for her tireless work in getting the entire camp organised, it requires many hours of form filling out and chasing up paper work that the camp requires, as well as the whole administration side of cabins, buses, activities and dietary requirements. I would like to acknowledge and thank the following teachers for happily attending the camp as they are on call and on duty for nearly 72 hours straight: Virginia Wallace; Anita Frankel; Rosanna Caruso; Malcolm Dow; Angela Sozzi and Zaim Zeneli.
The following parents have also happily applied to go to camp:
Andrew Ajani; Janine Sheean; Robyn Fox; Jo Gatehouse; Jo D’Cruz; Cathy Milward–Bason, Peter Singer and AJ Masefau. Thank you so much to these parents who are giving up their normal working and family life to come away with 106 children for 3 days straight, and without their support our camp couldn’t run. We hope they all have a fabulous time.

Whilst Angela is on camp, Andrea Brown currently in 3D will be her replacement, and Jennifer Hemingway will be taking Zaim’s class as we will be welcoming back Robin from her long service leave on Monday . I would also like to thank Jennifer Hemingway for teaching 4N over the last 7 weeks, the whole level 4 team have continued to work extremely well and implement an engaging and challenging curriculum to our students.

AEU Stopwork on 5th September
I have asked teachers to notify me by 12.00pm on Monday 3rd September if they intend on participating in the Stopwork. I will then advise parents Monday afternoon which classes/programs will not be running on Wednesday 5th September. I would also like to commend those teachers who are going on the Level 3 camp and who have made a deliberate decision not to participate in the stopwork by putting the needs of their students first. This action speaks volumes about the level of dedication and commitment our teaching staff have to the children.

….Acting Principal’s report continued over page
Revamped Sick bay / First Aid Room

Our family handy man, Campbell Dixon has been hard at work revamping our sick bay and very shortly we will have a brand new washing machine and dryer, shelving and cupboard installed. Students who feel unwell or are injured will have a nicer environment and will automatically feel better, not that we want to see frequent sickies or injured bodies. Thank you Campbell for all your hard work, we very much appreciate it. We would love to keep refurbishing the sick bay but our funds run out quickly and I was wondering whether any families have a spare child’s bed that someone has grown out of or sitting in a holiday home not used that they wouldn’t mind donating to our sick bay. Please let the office know.

Cooking Club

Some lovely comments to share about the wonderful Cooking Club run by Jocelyn Evans and Pippa Cocks:

Hi Rochelle,

I had to write to you this evening to express just how wonderful Mrs Evans and Pippa are with the Cooking club (although I am sure you already knew that!!)

Tonight as I rushed to school from work several things were running through my mind:

Will I make it in time (I had my Mother-in-law and Daughter set to pick up Evan)
Will we make it to Taekwondo by 6pm
What am I going to cook for dinner for the three of us (Harry is away)

Nothing unusual about that - we working Mums all do it!
I made it to school and was amazed that there was my 9 year old son just finishing off a cherry tomato and rocket tartlet!!!!

Our wonderful teachers Mrs Evans and Pippa had gone to so much trouble:

Evan had already made the pasties that the other children were making so they organised a whole new recipe just for him!!!!!, found a quiche dish for Evan to borrow, so not only were they teaching the group how to make the pasties BUT they had to show Evan something else altogether!

It NEVER ceases to amaze me just how much effort Armadale Primary Teachers go to for our children.
Activities after school run by teachers are virtually unheard of amongst friends with children at primary school!
So THANK YOU very very much!!!
See you in the morning!

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Uniform policy

Just a reminder to all our students and in particular to our girls, bike shorts are permitted to be worn under your culottes or dress, and not as the only outer garment.

Have a wonderful week.

Warm regards,

Rochelle Cukier

Acting Principal

YOU CAN DO IT! AWARDS

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<td>For writing and answering a question about his favourite football player during Investigations.</td>
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<td>Josh Bufe</td>
<td>For working more responsibly and independently in class and group learning activities.</td>
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<td>Aaron O’Hara</td>
<td>For demonstrating responsible behaviour and making sensible choices throughout the day of the Book Parade. You really did it Aaron!</td>
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<td>For always being respectful of others and displaying excellent &quot;active listening&quot; skills. You are a gem Dylan!</td>
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<td>Alice Menzies-King</td>
<td>For her amazing contributions to class discussion and detailed explanations when working on her 3D shapes.</td>
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<td>3F</td>
<td>Stella Stanford Clark</td>
<td>For demonstrating persistence, and trying different strategies, when designing &quot;Ms Money&quot;. Congratulations Stella. Your design was successful.</td>
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<td>Athena Gallagher</td>
<td>For showing great confidence when completing the sequences on the mini trampoline and vaulting box in Tri Skills. A fantastic effort Athena!</td>
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<td>Joe McKenna</td>
<td>For your enthusiastic approach to researching your ancestor, John Lewin, for our Australian History Inquiry topic. Fantastic attitude Joe!</td>
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<td>Mikkel Talts</td>
<td>For the fantastic effort you put into your ICT leadership duties every day. Well done!</td>
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<td>Mia Vodicka Georgiou</td>
<td>For displaying confidence and persistence while completing difficult maths investigations tasks. Keep working hard Mia!</td>
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You have seen the live show, now watch the MOVIE!

To order your copy of the Armadale Primary School production of “Alice in Wonderland Jr”, please fill out the order form below. It is a great gift idea for Christmas!

Orders must be returned to the office by **9.00am on Monday 17th September** in order to receive the DVDs this term.

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Order cut off date: **9.00am on Monday 17th September**

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**ALICE IN WONDERLAND PROGRAMS**

There are still programs available to purchase (for a gold coin donation) from the office if you missed out on purchasing one from the National Theatre.

Don’t miss out on your memento of a wonderful evening.

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**LEVEL 3 AND 4 DISTRICTS**

On Tuesday the 28th of August some of the Level 3 and 4s travelled by bus to the lakeside athletics stadium to compete in the districts athletics. We had to compete with 13 other Primary schools.

We all participated very well in all of our events. We would like to say a huge thank you to all of the parents and teachers who helped organize us all, and well done to all of the students who competed at the districts, and well done to all of the students who earned a place in the districts.

*By Ella and Charlie*

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**LIBRARY NEWS**

**BOOK COVERING**

If any parents would like to help cover a few books, please see me in the Library or if I am not there, see Alison or Maggie in the office and we will happily give you a little bundle to take home. It’s a great chance for you to have a sneak preview of our brand new books before anyone else gets to see them!

*Donna Brammer*

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**BED WANTED**

A small single bed (with space for storage underneath) is needed for the revamped sickbay. If you can help, please call the office.
PARENTS AND FRIENDS FOR ARMADALE (PFA)

Hi everyone,

Father’s Day Stall
Don’t forget to put $5.00 in your child’s bag tomorrow so they can purchase a present for Dad at the Father’s Day Stall. There are lots of great gifts to choose from, and all beautifully wrapped in paper made by the children themselves. Huge thanks to Kristen Steele & Susan Hucker for their wonderful efforts in making all this happen. To all the Armadale Dads – enjoy your day on Sunday!

Looking ahead ...
There are some dates coming up in term 4 that you should put in your diaries now, because although they seem a way off at the moment they will be upon us before we know it!

- **Friday 19th October – Healthy Breakfast**
  We had to cancel this last year because of uncertainty over the completion of the school hall and various other factors. So, this year’s will be bigger and better than ever! It’s an absolutely wonderful morning, so put the date in your diary now and we will provide more details closer to the date.

- **Friday 26th October – Level 4 cocktail party**
  Level 4 Class Reps will be in touch with all level 4 parents regarding the details for the final cocktail party of the year.

- **Friday 23rd November – Family Night**
  This was a huge event last year, and promises to be even better in 2012. We’ve made it in late November this year, as most people’s diaries get out of control in December. So, diarise it now, and all details will be provided early in term 4.

Expressions of interest - PFA Co-Presidents
Our roles as co-Presidents come to an end this year. We are hoping to appoint two new Presidents ASAP to ensure a smooth handover. We are asking for expressions of interest so if you want to know more about this fulfilling, valued and varied role, or know someone who may be interested, please contact us. So far, we haven’t heard from a single person!! It really is an important role within the school, so please have a think about it and consider whether you would like to contribute in this fun and fulfilling way. Please don’t hesitate to come and talk to us at any time!

Have a great week everyone, and enjoy this early burst of Spring.

Abbey Nash 0410 509 161
Jill Davies 0414 335 555
anash@nashmanagement.com.au jill.davies@yahoo.com.au
PFA Co-Presidents

PREMIERS’ READING CHALLENGE
We now only have **one day** left to complete the Premiers’ Reading Challenge. If your child has read the required number of books to meet the challenge it is really important that you send a note to your child’s class teacher confirming that all books listed on the PRC website have been read by your child. This will ensure that they successfully complete the challenge and receive their name in the paper and a special certificate.

SUSTAINABLE SCHOOLS AWARDS AND FESTIVAL
On Monday the senior Green Team (Levels 3 and 4) attended the Sustainable Schools Awards and Festival at St Kilda Town Hall. The students presented a workshop to the other schools and it was very well received by the other students and teachers in attendance. We were greatly honoured to be presented with the award of Green School of the Year for 2012. We were all very proud to receive the award and I am very proud of all the Green team (Junior and Senior) who have worked hard all year to help make Armadale a very sustainable school. Please see the article on page 7 written by one of our senior Green Team students Sophie Nixon.

CONTACTING THE SCHOOL
Just a little reminder about the best ways of contacting the school. For urgent messages the phone is still the best method, and you will then know that your message has been received. The school office number is 9822 7003. Email is fine for all less urgent communication which can be directed to the office at armadale.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au or directly to individual staff members (email addresses are on the school website under the ‘Teachers’ Tab), but remember, as teachers are busy teaching throughout the day they may not have a chance to check their emails until late in the day long after the students have gone home.

1:1 NETBOOK SURVEY
Thanks to all of the Level 3 and 4 parents who completed the 1:1 Netbook Survey. The results will be analysed by the Curriculum Committee to guide them in their proposal to introduce the 1:1 Netbook program at our school next year. We will keep you informed of the results and where we are planning to head in coming weeks.

Malcolm Dow
Acting Assistant Principal
Performing Arts News

PERFORMING ARTS AWARD: 1J – For persisting to learn the song “Can you Click your Tongue” on tuned instruments. Well done 1J!

ASSEMBLY PERFORMANCES – either singing or playing an instrument
- Students are encouraged to perform at assembly and share their music with the school. Please contact me or your classroom teacher if you would like to play/sing for us.

CHOIR 2012
- SENIOR CHOIR (Level 3 & 4) – Friday 8.15am in the Performing Arts hall
- JUNIOR CHOIR (Level 2) – Friday 8.15am in the UPSTAIRS INFANT BUILDING

ALICE IN WONDERLAND DVD
This week we’ll receive the first DVD recording of our Alice in Wonderland Jr production. We are excitedly waiting to watch the performance as audience members. The company we use to capture this special event, “Stagefright Concert Productions,” produce a final product of high quality. Unfortunately this has flowed through to the cost of the DVD which will be $35. If you would like a copy of the Alice in Wonderland JR. DVD, please fill out the form on page 4 of this week’s newsletter or on the home page of the website.

Orders need to be finalized by 9.00am on Monday 17th September. DVDs will be available for collection from the school office on Wednesday 19th September.

ALICE IN WONDERLAND PHOTOS
- Photos taken by Ian Wallace can now be viewed by following this link. When ordering, please make a note of the photo number eg “photo 9 of 506” and complete the order form on page 8 of today’s newsletter.

- Prices are:
  - 4” x 6” $4.00
  - 5” x 7.5” $5.00
  - 6” x 9” $7.50
  - 8” x 12” $15.00
  - 12” x 18” $33.00

- Please return your order with cash or cheque payable to Ian Wallace.

- Photos are printed on matte Kodak Endra professional paper at a specialist digital printing works.

- The images will be improved and cropped where necessary to ensure the best results.

Amanda Wilson
Performing Arts Co-ordinator

Visual Arts Notice

Visual Artist of the Week
Chloe D'Cruz 1C
For the fabulous giraffe collage she made, she combined paper and wool to represent the main features of a giraffe. This looks fantastic!

Visual Art Class of The Week 3D
For the excellent job they did at glazing their ceramic pieces. They all did a fantastic job.

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’
There will be no Art Club next Tuesday 4 September.

Prep ‘Learning By Doing’
On Tuesday 4th September Prep classes will be attending a woodwork workshop. The sessions will run for 1hr 15min and will be held in the art room. We are expecting to see some exciting creations!

Thank you
Lucy Gorman
Visual Arts Co-ordinator
GREEN TEAM NEWS
The Harvest and Annual Sustainable School Awards Festival Green Team Excursion

This year, the level 3 & 4 Green Team were invited to the The Harvest and Annual Sustainable School Awards Festival, along with sixteen other primary and secondary schools, such as Stonnington Primary and Albert Park College. When we arrived, we were given red shirts to put on to mark us as presenters. We were to present a workshop to the other schools about sustainability, using the “Kids teaching Kids” method. Our workshop was about which bin is which. It involved a short talk about recyclable and reusable items, after which we handed out different pieces of “rubbish” and asked the students from other schools to sort them into the correct “bins”.

Some other workshops presented were about things like “recyclable fashion shows”, “newspaper pots for plants” and “the benefits of a “vertical school”.

All the schools were awarded a prize. Almost all the schools had been called out to receive theirs. “Had the presenters forgotten us?” we wondered. Well, it turned out they were simply saving the best until last. Armadale Primary had won the Main Prize! We were awarded the “Most Sustainable School of the Year”!

Afterwards, we walked to an eco center at the local botanical gardens, were we participated in activities like “scare-crow building”, “the Campfire”, “song writing”, “vegie-picking”, and “salad making”. After making the salad came the best part... eating it!

Unfortunately, not all good things can last (the day definitely fell into the category “good things”). Soon, it was time to pack up and take our sustainable form of public transport (the train) back to school. We were given our red shirts to keep, as a reminder or the day. Back at school, we had just enough time to squeeze in a meeting to recap the day before it was home-time.

We would all like to thank Mr Dow and Pippa for making the fabulous day possible for us.

Sophie Nixon 4Z
2013 PLANNING

In order to assist our planning for 2013 could parents please indicate whether their child/ren will not be returning to Armadale Primary School in 2013.

Child’s name: ________________________________
Child’s name: ________________________________
Child’s name: ________________________________

will be attending the following school:
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‘Alice in Wonderland Jr’ Photo order form

Please enclose cash or cheque (payable to Ian Wallace) in an envelope and return to the office.

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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

Munro and Densham won this week’s house. Congratulations to all the children in Munro and Densham.
Let's walk for Africa
Raising funds for the Grandmothers of Africa

Sunday 9th September 2012

Route One - 10km registration at St John’s at 9am
Route Two - 5km registration at St John’s at 10am
Route Three - 2km registration at St John’s at 11am
Route Four - Walk around the church registration at 11.30am
No booking required
Make a donation or find some sponsors

After the walk enjoy a simple meal of African soup and bread

Join us for our Social Justice Sunday Service from 12.30 to 1.30pm

For further information about the event, please call 0405 016 535
or email stjohns.elsternwick@ucappeg.net

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