Dear Parents,

It was an incredibly busy week last week with Malcolm and I attending the Inner South Principals’ Conference at Creswick. The conference was fascinating with a great deal of learning and key take away messages from international speakers.

Both key note speakers are social analysts who specialise in the intergenerational maze and the implications for educators. Mark McCrindle and Michael McQueen offered us a generational profile of Australia’s population and explained that we behave according to the world we grew up in. For example the Baby Boomers - Malcolm and I (born in the late 40’s to 1965) have a very different set of ethics, values and moral compass compared to the next generation, Gen X.

Gen X (1965-1980) are more educated than baby boomers, travel more and think Gen Y (1980–late 1990) have an incredibly easy life with a huge sense of entitlement. Gen Y are today’s new parents, have different priorities, don’t make long term plans and are incredibly civic minded and have volunteered in aid programs more than any previous generation. Gen Z (1995-2010) are the children in our primary school right now and the world that they are growing up in is very different to ours was and because of this, they learn in very different ways. The challenge for educators is to learn how Gen Z learn, because we often teach children the way we were taught. Have you ever tried to teach your child long division the way you did it? Children and teenagers even have their own text language, almost like a secret code. How many of you know what FOMO and FONK mean in a SMS / text? Email me if you do. I thought that “tweets” were a noise that birds made and when I was growing up “Google” was never a word I knew. Who was famously quoted as saying this? “The youth of today are insolent upstarts who don’t know their place and have little regard for tradition, manners or their elders”.

Believe it or not it was Socrates in 410 B.C. Many people would think he was referring to our Gen Y, but are they as bad as the media would have us believe? Is it that we just don’t understand their mindset? Thankfully we have a few more insights now from both Michael McQueen and Andrew Fuller which enable us to connect with our students and I can’t wait to share these with the staff. If any parents are interested in finding out what we learnt, please don’t hesitate to pop in for a chat.

Thank you to Connie, Peter and Christine for looking after the school in our absence and to all the staff who continued to carry out their teaching duties so well.

Harmony Day
What a wonderful sea of colour and gorgeous national costumes adorned our special Harmony Day assembly yesterday. The children enjoyed their performances and the opportunity to sing to their parents and the rest of the school. Thank you so much to Lisa for all her organisation with the performances and singing and her support of Vita. All the children thoroughly enjoyed their Bollywood incursion and the wonderful tastings of international food that families so generously supplied. Once again I would like to thank our Italian Language teacher, Vita Vampatella, for organising all aspects of our very engaging Harmony Day program. Vita did an amazing job and on behalf of the whole community, “Molto Grazie Vita!”

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Whole School Photo day Thursday March 20th

Please note that school photos have been planned for next Thursday 20th March and there is a very tight schedule to have every photo taken. If possible, we would appreciate minimal student absences and lateness to school on this day so that all grade photos are as inclusive as possible of all students.

Please ensure that photo forms are returned to school on or before the photo day on Thursday 20 March.

In addition to the traditional grade photo and individual shots, family photos are also available. Separate envelopes are available from the office for these family shots.

Family Conferences

Thank you to all our staff for facilitating the family conferences on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons and evenings. These conferences will set the learning roadmap for the children for the rest of this year and the areas identified will help to guide the children in their learning. It is critical that the school establishes this 3 way partnership with students, teachers and yourselves as we are all equally responsible for learning. There is sufficient research to suggest that the more a parent is involved in a child’s education, the more successful the student will be. If any parents were unable to make a time for a family conference, could they please arrange a mutually convenient time with the class teacher.

Year 6 Cocktail Party

The ‘APS cocktail party season’ is about to get underway with the first of our Level Cocktail parties this Friday evening at the home of Jane and Simon Hayman. Thank you to the Haymans for generously opening up their home to our Year 6 parents. This is a wonderful opportunity for parents to come together in a relaxed setting and to continue their supportive network of friends – as many of you have crossed paths regularly over the last seven years as your child has moved through our primary school. I am looking forward to catching up with many parents that evening.

Wishing everyone a wonderful week.

Rochelle Cukier
Principal

Ride2School Day Wednesday 19 March

Have you thought about how you are going to come to school on Ride2School Day?

Have you had a practice at riding to school? Remember you can also walk, skate or scoot, but there will be special rewards for those who ride their bikes, including a very special tasty treat - a Bike’n’Blend Smoothie. If any parents are able to help with this during the day please come and see Malcolm Dow.

Don’t forget if you live too far away, then ‘Part Way is OK’

We will have a special assembly with some very special guests to help us celebrate Ride2School Day.

There are also some competitions for:

- best decorated bike and
- best decorated helmet

so start getting creative now.
Ride2School Day
Only 6 more sleeps until our Ride2School Day. I have been speaking to all the classes and it seems likely that we will have a really positive response this year, which will be great as we are the special showcase school this year. I can now reveal that our special tasty treat for those who ride a bike to school on that day is a Bike’n’ Blend Smoothie, which is a special fruit smoothie made by peddling your own blender bike. A lot of fun and a great reward for those who ride on the day. We will need some parent helpers on the day to assist with the Bike’n’Blend activity. Please see me if you can help for some or all of the day. Don’t forget we will have some special prizes for best decorated bike and best decorated helmet too.

Premiers’ Reading Challenge

We are busily working to make sure all children from Grades 1-6 are registered for the Premiers’ Reading Challenge (preps are optional) during this week. Next week in ICT we will make sure all students can log in to the PRC website and record the books that they have been reading. Remember they can include any books that they have read this year, so it might be a good idea to start a list now so it is easier to add them onto the website when it is up and running.

Green Team Planning Day and Training Session
This week our senior Green Team (Grades 3-6) have been involved in a special Training Session to assist and prepare them for the Green Team Planning Day on Friday. Today we had a special facilitator from CERES come out to the school and work with them from 9.00-11.00am to give them some background and understanding and equip them with the necessary skills required for the planning day on Friday. Friday’s Planning Day will be at Malvern Town Hall and the Green Team will spend the whole day down there with a number of facilitators who once again will guide and assist them to plan the best sustainability activities for our school this year. I am looking forward to working with the students in Senior Green Team in these two sessions.

Malcolm Dow
Assistant Principal

Year 5&6 Canberra Camp

The final payment form for students attending the Canberra Camp is available from the school website. Please click here to download the form. The final payment is due by Friday 4 April.

Canberra Camp Travel Insurance
Today the Years 5 and 6 students attending the Canberra camp in May will bring home a form for travel insurance payment of $36. This has been factored into the overall camp payment (for which forms have been sent home and are also available on the school website). Please fill in your child’s details and return the forms to school as soon as possible – there is no money needed with this form, but every student who goes on camp needs to have this insurance, in case of sickness. The costs associated with this camp cannot be refunded by the school once our final numbers have been sent to camp.

Robin Nicolson, Zaim Zeneli, Gillian Brown and Anita Frankel

School Charges

Dear Parents,

Just a reminder that the school charges for 2014 are due on 22 March.

Thank you to the parents who have paid, we appreciate your promptness.

If parents are unsure if they have paid, please email Christine Leyshan on Leyshan.christine.m@edumail.vic.gov.au and a statement will be emailed back to you.

This statement will include your unique BPAY code for your convenience. If you wish to pay by instalments, the dates for payment are 22nd March, 16th May and 27th June, please advise Christine if you wish to take up this option.

Christine Leyshan
Business Manager

Don’t forget icypoles for sale tomorrow - only $1
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The club will meet every Wednesday at 12.30 in Miss Johnson’s classroom, starting next week Wednesday 19 March.

Colleen Johnson

Visual Arts News

Visual Artist of the Week: Milla Burgemeestre 6Z

For the excellent skills she displayed when making her Symmetrical Bug. She cut an effective shape into white paper and drew interesting patterns with a white posca pen.

Visual Art Class of the Week: 3/4M

For the wonderful self portraits they drew using grey lead and for the creativity they displayed when drawing a second portrait, inspired by the works of Pablo Picasso.

Art Smocks

It is really important for everyone to have their own art smocks, to protect your clothing from getting stained and dirty. Please make sure you have a smock in your classroom Smock Tub. If you do not have an Art Smock you can purchase one at the uniform shop in Kew.

Lucy Gorman
Visual Arts Co-ordinator

Sports News

Year 5&6 Cricket Gala Day
A reminder that tomorrow, Friday 14 March, the Year 5&6 students will be participating in a Cricket Gala Day. Please make sure students arrive at school by 8.55am and are sunsmart throughout the day.

Sports Tops
The sports tops for students in Years 5&6 have arrived. If you still need to order one please send $25 to the office.

Beachside Division Swimming Finals
Please see page 8 of today’s newsletter for a report from Lulu and Bella on last week’s Beachside Division Swimming Finals.

Footy Colours Day
Friday 21 March
To celebrate the start of the AFL football season, we are having a Footy Colours Day. Children are asked to wear their favourite football team colours at a special assembly and parade on Friday 21 March from 9:00am - 9:45am. We will be running some special footy activities throughout the day. Parents, family & friends are welcome at the parade.

Peter Cracknell
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Maths News

Fostering Positive Attitudes to Mathematics
To foster positive attitudes to mathematics we can demonstrate a positive attitude to Maths. We can set ourselves as a positive role model and be someone who is fascinated by maths and enjoys a challenge.
We can point out that maths is an integral part of everyday life.
We can encourage children to explain how they worked things out using the language of maths.
We can look for patterns and predict what will happen next.

201 Literacy and Maths Tips
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Anita Frankel

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Thank you.
Pauline Eldredge

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Brett Leyshan
The 5 Keys of YCDI! Education

Our core purpose is the development of young people’s social and emotional capabilities, including:

- Confidence (academic, social)
- Persistence
- Organisation
- Getting Along, and
- Resilience.

Central to the development of these 5 Key Foundations is instilling in young people 12 Habits of the Mind, including:

- Accepting Myself
- Taking Risks
- Being Independent
- I Can Do It
- Giving Effort
- Working Tough
- Setting Goals
- Planning My Time
- Being Tolerant of Others
- Thinking First
- Playing by the Rules, and
- Social Responsibility

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You Can Do It! Awards

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<td>Summer Thompson Prep C</td>
<td>For being a patient and considerate class member. Thank you for always waiting your turn Summer!</td>
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<td>Rudy Nass Prep P</td>
<td>For being so enthusiastic about writing. You write with great confidence.</td>
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<td>Harry O’Loughlin Prep S</td>
<td>For his terrific efforts in working out beginning sounds when writing new words. You are a star Harry!</td>
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<td>Flynn Goodall 1/2A</td>
<td>For confidently discussing all the exciting things you have achieved this year as well as all the things you would like to get better at.</td>
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<td>William Strangward 1/2D</td>
<td>For presenting an organised presentation to the class, and becoming more independent when finding something interesting to investigate.</td>
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<td>Seb Chamberlain 1/2E</td>
<td>For always striving to give his very best in all areas of his learning.</td>
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<td>Saskia Van Beek 1/2K</td>
<td>For being a fabulous class member, always polite and helpful.</td>
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<td>Luka Jevtic 1/2P</td>
<td>For demonstrating leadership qualities as a Team Leader at Taskworks.</td>
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<td>Sierra Golusin 3/4C</td>
<td>For representing our class so confidently as one of our SRC leaders and encouraging us to support crazy hair day! Thank you Sierra!</td>
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<td>Luca Misaipon 3/4J</td>
<td>For being a dedicated student who always shows his commitment to his learning and his school. Keep it up Luca.</td>
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<td>Jasminder Sanger 3/4M</td>
<td>For being a valuable member of 3/4M. Your smile is infectious and I am enjoying seeing you grow in confidence and share your thoughts in class discussions. Keep it up Jas!</td>
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<td>Mia Bainger 3/4S</td>
<td>For the terrific explanation you gave about your learning styles. I was extremely impressed. Well done, Mia!</td>
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<td>Polly Yeats 3/4W</td>
<td>For showing great enthusiasm towards her learning and always doing her best in all areas. Keep it up Polly!</td>
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<td>Martha Conheady 5B</td>
<td>For her energetic and vibrant Bollywood incursion demonstration. You always put 100% into everything you do.</td>
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<td>For the positive effort that she puts into tasks and working conscientiously on her learning activities</td>
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<td>For always demonstrating a positive approach to tasks and a willingness to learn new concepts and ideas</td>
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<td>Emma Singer 6N</td>
<td>For showing wonderful confidence and great skills performing a Bollywood dance during the Harmony Day incursion - well done, Emma!</td>
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<td>For showing excellent ICT leadership, initiative and organisational skills throughout the lead up to and during Harmony Day. Fantastic work Spencer!</td>
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Hi everyone,

How hard was it to find a park yesterday morning? The playground was bright with colour and lots of chatter about all things costume and then the stage became bright with smiles and song at yesterday’s Harmony Day assembly. The children loved performing and the crowd was rapt. We suspect a record attendance this year and so lovely to see many a Dad perhaps arriving late to work in order to enjoy the fun. We thank Vita, Lisa and all the helpers who made the day so special.

We have received many generous donations for the Fair but we need more. Please keep those items rolling in. After exhausting the toy box and shelves for treasures I’ve turned to the shed and have uncovered wheels, seats and bits and bobs all suitable for making a super racy Billy Cart – it’s a win win as I can even fit the bikes in now! Haven’t volunteered yet? Send your form to the office or jot down your details and send to your class rep. today.

Please note the following for your diary:

- Level 6 Icy Pole Volunteer for tomorrow at 11.00am please!
- Level 6 Cocktail Party – Tomorrow evening.
- Footy Colours Day – Friday 21 March.
- Easter Raffle – Monday 24 March donations begin for the draw at close of term.
- Prep Cocktail Party – Deferred to Term 2.
- Our 130th Birthday Fair! - Saturday March 29.

Level 6 Cocktail Party – Tomorrow evening.
Enjoy!

Footy Colours Day – Friday 21 March.
Need we elaborate!? Not so into it? Ribbons or a little face paint is all you need.

Easter Raffle – Donations begin March 24
The eggs have started to roll in already - please donate an egg (or two!) to the office so we can prepare some lovely hampers for the Raffle Draw at final assembly.

Prep Cocktail Party – Deferred to Term 2.
Details TBA.

Saturday 29 March – Our Birthday Fair!
The countdown begins! With two weeks to go there are lots of ways you can get involved. Bring in your jars for jam and chutney or make your own, donate some books, toys and treasures, bring in some jars with trinkets inside for the Lucky Jar stall, or donate some wood and wheels for the Billy Cart comp. Please see the special section on page 11 for the full update and respond to your rep email asap.

Icy Pole Friday Tomorrow – $1.00 each for a licky treat.

Exciting Things Happen At Armadale Primary

Mish McGrory and Brigid Warwick
0412554434 0412128164
Email: mish@mcgroryonline.com<brigid@warwick.com.au
PFA Co-Presidents

130th Birthday Fair Cake Stall

On Monday 24 March, the eldest child in each family will be bringing home a plate for the Cake Stall. Please start thinking about what you could make for the stall. All donations can be dropped off on the Friday 28 March in the Italian room. Details will be enclosed with the plate package. And if you are not a baker, a monetary donation is always welcome!

Michelle Moffat

Jam / Preserve Makers for the School Fair

Hello to all our clever jam / preserve makers!
Prior to making your preserves/jams can you please go to the office and pick up a copy of:
1. Food Safety Procedures
2. Ingredients labels
3. Jars - if you require/if available

When you bring your goodies into the office, please tick your name off the list and write your family number on the ingredients label.

Thank you so much.

Mel Cooper & Ellen Beischer
0437 566 556 0402 339 181

Food Safety Procedures:

- Make food preparation area pet free
- Wash hands before and during food preparation (see below)
- Ensure all work surfaces and utensils are cleaned thoroughly prior to use

Washing hands:

- Wash the backs of your hands, wrists and between the fingers and under the fingernails
- Use soap and warm water and dry with a paper towel
- Wash hands again after handling garbage, using a tissue, handling pets, smoking, touching hair or changing a nappy.
Daily Items To Bring

- Lunch & Snack
- Drink Bottle (refillable)
- Hat / Raincoat if needed

Please dress in an appropriate manner. We encourage children to wear sturdy shoes that are comfortable for walking during excursions.

NB: All personal items need to be named. Children will not need any money when enrolled at the program.

Please note: Armadale Primary School OOSH C takes no responsibilities for belongings that are brought on excursions.

HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30am-6pm

ARRIVAL: The times printed below each day’s activities are when the activities are conducted. Please ensure that your children are here at those specified times.

DEPARTURES: Children must be picked up by 6pm. A late fee of $10.00 for the first 15 minutes and then $5.00 for each 5 minutes thereafter will be charged if your children are picked up after 6pm. Children will only be allowed to leave the centre with an adult known to the staff or by previous arrangement.

ALL EXCURSIONS ARE COMPULSORY AND TRANSPORT IS EITHER BY BUS (WITH FITTED SEATBELTS), TRAIN OR TRAIN

By booking your child in for these excursions you authorise the person in charge of the Armadale Primary School Holiday Program, in the event of illness or accident when it is impractical to communicate with me, to obtain on my behalf such medical transportation and medical or surgical treatment as may be deemed necessary and I understand that I will be liable to pay the costs thus incurred.

FEES

$60 per child per day*, full days only

Parents eligible for Child Care Benefit will have their daily fee reduced accordingly.

*If you are eligible for Child Care Benefit it is imperative that you register with the Family Assistance Office. The provider number is 355-011-4918. You will be required to pay full fee unless we have received your registration from the Family Assistance Office. Please call 13 19 20 for more information.

PAYMENT: To book into this program you must fill in a credit card authorisation form for us to deduct your outstanding fees after the holidays. If payment is not made on time, you will be unable to use the program again.

CANCELLATIONS: Once you have made a booking we are unable to take cancellations. If your child is unwell and you can provide a medical certificate then we may be able to waive the cancellation fee.

Monday 7th April

Werribee Zoo
Come and see some of nature’s most beautiful animals at the Werribee Zoo. We will also get up close and personal on our very own safari tour.

My favourite is the Meerkats, what’s yours?

8:30am - 5:00pm

Transport: Bus

Children’s Name __________________________
Parents’ Signature __________________________

Tuesday 8th April

Gigantic Scavenger Hunt
For the first time ever, we’re going to run our own scavenger hunt around our local community. We will divide into teams and race against each other then first team back wins a great prize.

# BBQ lunch provided.

9:00am - 4:00pm

Transport: Train

Children’s Name __________________________
Parents’ Signature __________________________

Wednesday 9th April

Comedy Festival Shows
Laugh it out to be the best medicine, so today we will be going to see 2 kids comedy acts at The Famous Spiegeltent at Federation Square as part of the Melbourne Comedy Festival.

8:30am - 5:00pm

Transport: Train/Train

Children’s Name __________________________
Parents’ Signature __________________________

Thursday 10th April

Luna Park
Due to the terrible weather when we planned this last holidays we were unable to go. Fingers crossed today we can enjoy unlimited rides at Luna Park.

8:30am - 4:00pm

Transport: Bus

Children’s Name __________________________
Parents’ Signature __________________________

Friday 11th April

Swimming @ Watermarc
Watermarc is a fantastic pool with a kids indoor water playground and two huge waterslides. We will also have use of the inflatables.

* Please bring bathers and a towel
* Please let staff know if your child is not a confident swimmer.

8:30am - 4:30pm

Transport: Bus

Children’s Name __________________________
Parents’ Signature __________________________

Friday 14th April

Gilwell Park
Gilwell Park is an outdoor adventure camp where we will do some awesome activities like: Archery, Flying Fox, and Abseiling.

The older children will be competing in a Gauntlet Challenge.

# Please bring a change of clothes.

8:30am - 4:30pm

Transport: Bus

Children’s Name __________________________
Parents’ Signature __________________________

Tuesday 15th April

Scienworks
Come and see the new Rescue, Think Ahead and Mathamazing exhibitions at Melbourne’s Scienworks plus our old favourites exhibitions like worksports.

9:00am - 4:00pm

Transport: Train

Children’s Name __________________________
Parents’ Signature __________________________

Wednesday 16th April

Woodwork & Sports Games
Today the best in school woodwork company ‘Learning by Doing’ will be coming to run a workshop with us. Yes you can take your creations home.

Then after lunch we will have a Sports Activity/games afternoon.

9:00am - 4:00pm

Transport: N/A

Children’s Name __________________________
Parents’ Signature __________________________

Thursday 17th April

Easter Egg Hunt & BBQ
What’s the best thing about Easter? An Easter Egg hunt with all your friends at Eisternwick Park.

Lots of games and fun for the whole day. # BBQ lunch will also be provided.

9:00am - 5:00pm

Transport: Bus

Children’s Name __________________________
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Friday 18th April

No Program
On the 12th of March 2014, all Armadale students participated in a fun Harmony Day celebration. At the start of our special assembly, we had some children who talked about special cultural celebrations they have with their family. Each level sang an Italian song and the grade 6 classes, 6N and 6Z performed a song which they worked hard to perfect with Lisa, the Performing Arts teacher.

Most children dressed up in their cultural costumes or in the colours of their country’s flag. We had wonderful food-tasting in each classroom. There was also a Bollywood dancing incursion for the whole school. Everyone danced so well and professionally.

Anais & Tilly 6N

It was interesting learning about the Indian culture during the Bollywood incursion, and the greeting ‘Namaste’. I learnt that in Korea they celebrate Lunar New Year.

Lily 3/4J

The songs the year levels sang at the special assembly were really good, especially the year 5-6 song called ‘Saluti Rap’. The students that got chosen to dance with Eda the Bollywood dancer did some great moves.

Harry D 3/4J

Thank you to the students for participating with such enthusiasm in our Harmony Day celebration yesterday. It was great to see such wonderful costumes on display. Thank you also to parents for supplying food for sharing in the classroom, and to all students and teachers for helping with rehearsals and setting up.

Grazie

Vita Vampatella
Languages Co-ordinator
Beachside Division Swimming Finals

Last Friday, Henry Hayman, Spencer Stoupas, Mimi Stoupas, Jaxon Dowling, Mark Allen Lyon, Eliza Steele, Lulu McLaughlin, Bella Cullity, Max Dixon, Miki Hashimoto, Hugo Martin, Will Hucker, Rose O’Donnell, Pheobe Lovell, Flossie Corsham & Brett Boscozzi participated in the division finals at the Oakleigh Recreation Centre. Everyone did a great job representing our district, the Southport Dolphins. We also had lots of fun and tried our hardest for the team.

The 9 & 10 relay team of Bella, Lulu, Mimi and Eliza won their event and go through to the Southern Metro Regional Finals at MSAC. A fantastic effort! Thankyou Mr Cracknell for organizing all the swimming competitions and the parents for their great support.

Well done everyone.

By Lulu and Bella.
Dear Parents,

ONLY TWO AND A HALF WEEKS TO GO!

We are so excited to see everything coming together for our 130th Celebration Fair...

We still need parents to speak to their class reps to volunteer to help on your class stall... and keep the donations and lucky jars coming in!

Many thanks,

Armadale Primary School Fair Committee

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Trash and Treasure

We have received many generous donations from families to contribute to our Trash and Treasure stall...
However, we are still in desperate need of more Brick-a-brac, antiques and other interesting items...

Please have a look through your garage, cupboards or attic this weekend, and see if you have anything you’d like to donate to the Trash and Treasure team!

All items can be left in Mrs Cukiers office.

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DON’T FORGET!

**Lucky Jars**
Please put a special prize in a jar (suitable for Primary aged Children), anything from erasers, little toys and trinkets to vouchers and movie tickets.
Contact Kim Hyde for more info 0412 561 520.

**Billy Cart Competition**
Form a team and get your Billy Cart built!
There are some wonderful prizes on offer for all ages – Mums, Dad’s and kids!
For more information contact Niki Rickard 0423 945 672

**Jams and Preserves**
We would love any parents or grandparents with a wonderful jam, sauce or chutney recipe, to make a batch for our Preserves stall at the fair!

For any further enquiries please contact Ellen Beischer 0412 339 181 or Mel Cooper 0437 566 556
Food allergies and intolerances may cause:

- Challenging Behaviours
- Poor concentration / Focus
- Sleeping Issues / Tiredness
- Sore tummies
- Bed wetting
- Learning challenges
- Anxiety / Restlessness

We are a health food shop specialising in allergy free foods. Allergy testing can also be conducted in-store. Practitioners in shop.

Come in and see
Kathy Ashton – Nutritionist

Vitality HUB PANTRY

Hawthorn Village - 159 Williams Road
South Yarra 3141

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Do you have a child in year 4, 5 or 6?

Have you missed out on thousands of dollars?

In 2001 the government introduced the ‘First Child Tax Offset’ and surprisingly many Australians did not know about it and have NOT claimed any benefits.

If you have ANY child that was born between 1 July 2001 and 30 June 2004 you may be eligible to receive up to $12,500 of entitlements.

The government has a 30 June 2014 deadline on this entitlement so please email childoffset@twelve.com.au today to receive more information.

ACT NOW!
DEADLINE
JUNE 2014

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Does your child struggle with:

- Processing information
- Attention & concentration
- Expressing themselves
- Reading/writing/spelling
- Writing neatly

John Saunders
B Psych, M Sp Path, MSPAA
PAEDIATRIC SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST

Consultation services at Prahran Clinic PH 9533 2549
Private health & Medicare rebates

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DO YOU LOVE SINGING?
Did you know that Stonnington has its own choir?

THE STONNINGTON SINGERS are currently looking for new singers to boost our numbers.

We are a well-established accompanied mixed choir of 20 plus voices who regularly perform at various community venues.

We sing a variety of styles of 4-part music – Soprano, Alto, Tenor and Baritone - from contemporary to classical.

Men are especially welcome as are grandparents.

It is helpful if you can read music but not essential.

All singers are welcome. We are looking for new members, possibly grandparents from your school, especially men who enjoy singing.

We ask for regular weekly attendance. We aim to enjoy our music and strive for a high standard.

There is a small annual fee to cover costs such as conductor’s and accompanist’s fees, and hire of rehearsal space.

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