Dear Parents,

Another busy week looms for our children as they have been immersed in incursions and excursions, special events as well as all the wonderful learning and excitement that is part and parcel of our Armadale classrooms. Please continue to ask the children about their day at school and encourage them to talk to you about what they are learning. Parents have mentioned the heightened level of questioning that students are asking which is all part of our shift towards an investigative methodology. This is where the children from Foundation upwards, are given the opportunity to explore and create their own learning and experience authentic learning on a daily basis. Equally important is to provide the opportunity for students for reflect on their learning, to self-assess and evaluate, and to think about themselves as learners.

The students are working on this currently in the lead up to the Student Led Conferences on Monday. I know the children are very excited about this day and it is incredibly important to them that all parents attend and participate in the conference. If for some reason you can’t attend on Monday please arrange another time that is mutually convenient for yourself and the classroom teacher. Please also pop in and see me on Monday if you have the time and let me know what you experienced in the Conference.

A final reminder that should you wish to speak to the teacher in private regarding your child’s learning, please indicate that at the start of the conference. Looking forward to seeing you at some stage during Monday. Thank you to all our teachers who are working incredibly hard with our students to get the student portfolios, either in hard copy or digital formats ready for showcasing on Monday. Please remember that all children develop at different rates and stages and whilst not all children will have achieved their learning goals yet, all are working towards them. As Parents, despite having the best of intentions, we sometimes place unnecessary pressure on our children to have mastered everything whilst they are still quite young. Please celebrate your children’s educational journey with them and don’t be focussed on the destination. It is far more important for children to be well adjusted socially and emotionally; kind, empathetic and good communicators, then to be rocket scientists!

Look out AFL talent scouts!!
A number of our students play for the Prahran Football Club and it was with great excitement that I received a few emails on Monday which communicated the victories the boys had achieved. Both teams, the Under 9 Blacks and the Under 9 Reds won the Premiership of the lighting Carnivals last Sunday. Cam Dixon, father of Ned and Harry also happens to be the Coach of the U9 Red Team was thrilled as the boys had won the Premiership last Sunday. It was really a great achievement by all the boys and I thought I would share Cam’s summary of the 2013 season.

“Prahran Football Club U 9 Red team, going into the finals had won 11 out of 12 games throughout the season. The team played against 3 other top teams in the Finals competition. The first game in the Finals was against East Malvern who had not lost a game during the season and U9 Red’s beat them. The second game in the Finals was against Brighton Beach, who U9 Red’s beat during the year but they won on Sunday in the Finals.

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The third and last game was against South Melbourne. They had beaten the U9 Red’s during the year but the U9 Reds had beaten them in the finals. Thanks to Harry Dixon running the ball off the wing and passing the ball into the safe hands of Tommy Handbury who under a lot of pressure with a minute to go booted a goal to win the match and take the Premiership Flag. Huge congratulations to the APS boys who played a brilliant season for the Prahran Football Club Under 9 Red’s. On behalf of APS, a huge thank you to Cam Dixon who obviously is a very competent coach, maybe I should mention his name to the St. Kilda FC. Please look at the photo below to see all the boys and another very proud Dad you can see in the photo is Greg Power. Well done to all the boys!

The other Prahran team who also won their won their Lightning Carnival flag is the Under 9 Blacks, superbly managed by Andrea Gray (Henry 2S) . Congratulations to those boys as well and please see their photo on the previous page, showing Max D, Charlie S, Max O and Henry G basking in the sunshine of their win. No doubt these boys are already thinking about the 2014 season!

Another football celebrity in our midst is Harri Sanger in 2 J. Colleen Johnson let everyone know that Harri was chosen to run out with the Fremantle Dockers last Sunday on the MCG when they played against the Richmond Tigers. How exciting for Harri and I am sure it is a moment that he and his family will never forget!

Farewell to Magnus Brenchley!
We farewelled Magnus in Assembly yesterday and wished him and his Mum, Petra and baby sister a wonderful time whilst in Finland. We look forward to hearing all about Magnus’ adventures upon his return in 2014.

Parent Opinion Survey
From Monday, we will be distributing 54 surveys to randomly selected families as part of the 2013 Parent Opinion Survey. The survey will take parents about 15 – 20 minutes to complete and the feedback and opinions provided through this survey play an important role in further informing our decision making processes and helping to make our school the best it can possibly be. The survey is completely confidential and all completed surveys are returned to the Department of Education for collation and analysis.

If your family receives one of these surveys, we ask that you complete it during next week and then return the completed survey in the sealed envelope provided, back to the office by Friday 2nd August. It would be great if we could get a 100% return to ensure the feedback we receive is truly reflective of our community.

2014 Foundation Intake
We are very keen to start our workforce planning for 2014 and this is dependent upon our numbers of Students entering Foundation (prep) for 2014. If you have children who will be ready for school next year please ensure that you complete an enrolment form with the required details and leave it at the office. If there are other parents that you know of who want to send their children to APS, please encourage them to complete an enrolment form.

Have a wonderful week everyone
Warm regards

Rochelle Cukier
Principal
OOSHC News
Curriculum Day Monday 29 July
For this day we will be doing an all sportz session at Orrong Romanis between 10:00 and 12:00. We will be playing basketball, soccer, hockey, tennis. Free time on the bikes, scooters and jumping castle.

We will be doing art & craft, cooking, sport, movies and lots of games at school afterwards.

Children need to be here by 9:30am.
Opening times: 8:00am - 6:00pm
Transport: Walking
Cost: $55 per child (CCB reduction may apply)

Please complete the form to the left and return to OOSHC.

Green Team Excursion
I am looking forward to taking several members of the Green Team to the Glen Iris Wetlands to do a special tree planting activity with Stonnington Council on Friday. It will be a great experience for the children and they will get to see the areas where previous Green Teams have planted trees and shrubs over the past several years.

Plastic Free July
As you all know our school prides itself on being a Nude Food school, where we encourage all students to bring their food in reusable, rubbish free containers. Many students do this very well, but there are still quite a few students bringing their food in disposable packaging which adds to our waste and litter problems. Please try to ensure that all the food your child brings to school is in a reusable container, so that we can greatly reduce the amount of waste that is produced at school. I read an interesting article yesterday in the CERES\_ Sustainable Newsletter about trying to reduce the amount of plastic that is purchased when shopping – it is well worth a look. This was in response to the declared Plastic Free July where families are encouraged to eliminate or at least reduce the amount of plastic that comes into their home through the month of July. Unfortunately the timing of the holidays makes it hard for us to do this as a school, but it may be a good opportunity to try it as a family.

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New Garden
The senior garden group has been working busily to create a new garden on the east side of the 2E classroom, next to the junior bike racks. We hope to be planting the garden with some bird attracting native shrubs in the next few weeks. The students were excited to see a pair of Rainbow Lorikeets feeding in the Eucalypts near us whilst we were working, so we are confident that with this extra garden bed, we will be attracting even more birdlife to the school grounds soon.

Malcolm Dow
Assistant Principal

OOSHC News
2014 Enrolments
A reminder to all parents with a child due to start school next year that all sibling enrolments should be in by the end of Term 2 - next Friday 28 June.

Please come to the office and collect an enrolment form.

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Malcolm Dow
Assistant Principal

OOSHC Curriculum Day Monday 29 July 8.00am to 6.00pm
Child’s Name: __________________________________________
I consent to my child taking part in this excursion and where the leader in charge of the excursion is unable to contact me, or it is otherwise impractical to contact me, I authorize the leader in charge to:
• Organize medical transportation for my child
• Consent to my child receiving such medical or surgical attention as may be deemed necessary by a medical practitioner
• Administer such first aid as the leader in charge may judge to be reasonably necessary.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: __________________________ Date: __________________________
OOSHC NEWS

Term 3
Next term ooshc will be offering drumming lessons with a teacher from creative music. The lessons will be free but you need to commit for the whole term. Limited places available.

Holiday Program
Thanks to all the kids that came to Holiday program, we had the largest attendances we have ever seen. If you missed out this time round please make sure you get in quickly next time. Payments will be taken on the 7th August.

Cook
Please welcome Sharon back as she will work part time along with Georgia to prepare our delicious afternoon tea.

This Term’s OOSHC Clubs Timetable

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* Please note these clubs are all free except for tennis lessons which is $9, but when attending OOSHC clubs a fee will be charged for After School Care. All invoices are itemised and distributed at the end of the month. *
Level 4 Camp

A reminder to all Level 4 parents that the balance of $230.00 for the children attending camp is due back at school by Friday 23 August.

Virginia Wallace
Level 4 Camp Co-ordinator

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Italian room

Congratulazioni 2P! Che buona la pizza!

2P won the Italian premio (prize) for Term 1. They won the most punti during Italian lessons in Term 2 by being respectful learners and excellent listeners. 2P’s prize was cooking and eating la pizza during their Italian lesson on Wednesday 24 July. Complimenti 2P!

Vita prepared the sauce and the dough and brought mozzarella and the other 100% Italian ingredients. We had our cooking lesson in the staff room and students made the pizze by firstly pressing out the dough onto the pizza trays then adding the different toppings to our pizze.

We cooked our pizze in the oven and finally ate them! They were delicious and there were some fabulous smells wafting around our school! J

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Performing Arts News

Performing Arts Class of the Week - 4W
for their excellent start to a term and for their hard work at making the most of their time and for working together to create a hilarious story.

Choir
Choir begins this Friday the 26th of July at 8:15am

Senior Choir will be in the Performing Arts room

Junior Choir will be in the Science Room.

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday and had a chance to practise your songs as we will be preparing for Italian Day in a few weeks.

Assembly Performances
If you would like to perform in Assembly this term please see me at recess on WEDNESDAYS to arrange a performance.

After School Music Tuition – Information provided at the office.

Until next week.

Lauren Rich
Performing Arts Co-ordinator
Rich.lauren.l@edumail.vic.gov.au

Visual Arts News

Rightside T-Shirt Design Competition
Camilla from Rightside is going through all your wonderful T-Shirt designs and will contact us as soon to tell us who won the competition. Stay tuned...

Art Smocks
It is really important for everyone to have their own art smocks, to protect your clothing from getting stained and dirty. Please ensure smocks are thick enough to prevent paint from coming through onto clothing, cotton smocks are not the best when working with wet media. If you do not have an Art Smock you can purchase one at the uniform shop in Kew.

No Need for Newspapers this Term
Thank you so very much for bringing in Newspapers throughout Term 1 and 2. We have a huge supply at the moment, so at this stage (most likely the whole of Term 3) we won’t be needing any old newspapers from home. Thanks again!

Visual Artist of the Week - Kaya Cho 4B
For the skill and creativity she displayed when constructing a design from wire. Excellent work!

Visual Art Class of the Week - 6W
For the wonderful sculptures they designed and made during the Clay for Kids Workshop. Keep it up 6W!

Lucy Gorman
Visual Arts Co-ordinator

Foundation Bulletin

This week’s Level 1 bulletin for Foundation parents is on the website under your child’s class in the Students tab or click here.
You Can Do It! Awards

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<td>Oliver Silk 0C</td>
<td>For being a great listener and always offering ideas and opinions to our class discussions.</td>
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<td>For being a great host to our guests during our animal expo, showing enthusiasm and cooperation. Well done!</td>
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<td>For the tremendous improvement in his writing and his insightful observations during class discussions.</td>
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<td>For completing work quickly and quietly even when the work may be difficult. Keep it up Robert.</td>
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<td>For being completely focused during our introductory 'Foot Steps' class. Tom you have a great sense of rhythm!</td>
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<td>For settling into the 4B classroom quickly and demonstrating persistence when faced with meeting new expectations. You can do it, Lachie!</td>
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<td>For trying so hard to finish all his work to a great standard.</td>
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<td>Tom Whiteman 4C</td>
<td>For showing great persistence with his listening and putting great effort into his work.</td>
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<td>For her positive contribution to her team at the House Athletics and demonstrating persistence and effort in each activity.</td>
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<td>Finn Abbott 4S</td>
<td>For the terrific organisation you showed when preparing your student portfolio. You always manage your time so well. Great job!</td>
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<td>For demonstrating a positive attitude in all areas of his learning and making a confident start to the new term. Keep it up Alexander!</td>
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<td>For showing great confidence when completing his ‘Motor Bike’ landings in all activities in Tri Skills. A fantastic effort Luca!</td>
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<td>For showing a positive attitude towards all activities, for active and respectful listening and a great start to term 3 - keep it up Mark!</td>
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