**NEWSLETTER NO. 37 - 29 November 2012**

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Dear Parents,

**What is a community?**

*The word “community” is from the French words for “together” and “gift”. Community usually refers to a larger than a small village that shares common values. A community is a group or society, helping each other.*

Armadale Primary School showcases what a real community is and this was indeed highlighted on the magical evening that was Friday night. When I think about the gifts in a community, I think about the people in our community who selflessly give up their time and commitments and make APS the great school that it is today. Two such “gifts” are epitomised by Jill Davies and Abbey Nash – our wonderful PFA presidents. These two Mums have been working incredibly hard over the last few months to orchestrate all the food, activities, fun and entertainment that occurred on Friday night. When I think back over the last 2 years of their Presidency, it is clear that during the time they have achieved an enormous amount of money and good will for the school and for that alone we are incredibly grateful.

At every opportunity, Jill and Abbey made sure that whatever fundraiser we had, the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and at the heart of all that we do, it is always about the kids. Jill and Abbey, the school is indebted to you for all that you have done and I know the school community joins with me when I say a huge “Thank you”. The Family Fun Night was their final activity for this year and in order for our school to properly acknowledge Jill and Abbey, we will have a fitting farewell for them at our next school assembly. Very soon Jill and Abbey will hand over their Presidency to Mish McGrory (Madi and Mia’s mum) and Brigid Warwick (Indigo’s mum) and I would like to thank Mish and Brigid for taking on the presidency of the PFA of Armadale Primary.

Jill and Abbey have also acknowledged all the other families who made our night so fantastic so please read the PFA article thoroughly. It would be remiss of me however not to mention several other people who also made the night the success it was: Gary Rowley, Michelle Moffat, Sarah Scotti, Janine Sheean, Robbie Fox and Jeremy Fox, Suzie Stanford, Kim Hyde, Craig Laing, Kate Millard, Michelle Iezzi and Jennifer Hemingway – all shining gems in our community. Congratulations to the following children whose parents were the successful bidders for the beautiful Prep Art work. These are actually priceless pieces of original Art!

1J: Jack Handbury  
1P: Madi McGrory  
1C: Orlando Thomas

Thank you to Jo D’Cruz whose excellent camera work enabled us to capture the magic of the night in the following photos:

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*Principal’s report continued over page*
The Working Bee
Our Working Bee on Saturday was an incredible success and again I would like to extend my grateful thanks to an army of dedicated families (please see below) who gave up many hours on a hot, balmy Saturday morning. This was particularly impressive as many had worked hard the night before! There was some serious digging required to enable our new Manchurian pears to be planted around the dome, clearing of fences and the retaining wall around the sand pit, unblocking of drains, weeding, sweeping, blowing of mulch and a general tidying up. The school grounds looked immaculate and I couldn’t help wondering, how long could we keep them this way? A huge thank you also to our facilities co-ordinator, Malcolm Dow for his extraordinary dedication to our entire school environment and grounds – Malcolm is also one of the gifts in our community, how lucky are we. Thank you also to the many children who came along and helped to sweep and tidy up and who also helped me serve the hard working adults their morning tea. Could all the following please accept this as a personal thank you:
Malcolm Dow; Ben, Charlotte and Jack Gatehouse; Leanne and Lily Baxter; Kristen, Eliza and Hamish Steele; Will and John Dixon; Gary Rowley and Robbie Galvin-Rowley; Bruce and Sophie Hemingway; Jo, Ella and Chloe D’Cruz; Nicki Batagol and Maya Hurwitz; Michelle Moffat; Ben and Thea Coull; Keith Allen; Ray Skinner; Anthony, Michelle, Enzo and Luca Iezzi and Jason Vickery.

Junior House Sports day
What a fantastic day was held on Monday at Romanis Reserve and the weather was incredibly kind. Peter Cracknell our Sports Co-ordinator was outstanding as usual in his organisation and provision of a range of activities for the children. Peter also cleverly used his networking skills by acquiring the assistance of James Cracknell, a highly qualified PE Primary school teacher to assist on the day and I have no doubt that the children all enjoyed working with James as well. It was fantastic to see so many parents enjoying the day and helping out where they could. Again thank you to Georgie Handbury and Jo D’Cruz for capturing the great atmosphere in the following photos.
Principal’s report continued ...

Church service
Our school is looking forward to our end of year Christmas Church service which will be held next Wednesday 5th December at the Uniting Church, corner of Clarendon Street and Kooyong Roads. We will be leaving school at 1.30pm, after all the children have had their lunch and the service will start promptly at 2.00pm. Parents are most welcome to attend and any volunteers to assist with walking the children up to the church will be most appreciated – please speak to your children’s class teachers. Children will walk back at 3.00pm and be dismissed at the normal time. Should inclement weather prevent us from walking to the church, parents will be advised of alternative arrangements. Children who have not participated in CRE this year will be supervised at school. Should you wish to speak to me further about this please do not hesitate to do so.

End of Year Reports
Thank you very much to those parents who supported the stop work action yesterday and in line with the current union bans, several teachers have elected to support further union action by not writing comments on the end of year reports. I support my teachers’ decision in doing this as they have a personal and professional right to take this action. Reports will still be issued to every child, with their academic progression and growth points since June clearly filled out on the report. No child will be disadvantaged in any way as all our local primary schools are taking similar action and those students transitioning to secondary school have already had their places confirmed. Attached to this newsletter on page 10 is a letter from our union branch which clearly articulates their need to take action. I ask that parents respect each teacher’s professionalism and should you have any concern over this matter, that you seek to make an appointment with me. I would also like to add that my teachers do not take any of this stop work action and bans lightly and at no point are your children ill-considered in any way. It would have been terrific had the DEECD and the Union reached an agreement on the industrial dispute, but unfortunately this is not the case.

School Booklist accounts
A number of our parents have been sent overdue booklists accounts recently and we would appreciate these being settled as a matter of urgency. The school pre-purchases all the curriculum materials in bulk and is then in a position to pass the savings onto parents. Should there be any genuine financial hardship experienced, parents are welcome to speak to myself or Christine, our Business Manager.

Grade 6 Student excursion to Lygon Street
Grade 6 students, Vita, Robin and several parents enjoyed the annual Italian excursion to Lygon Street. They were immersed in Italian culture with a visit to the Italian Museum, an exploration of Italian immigration history through the shops in Lygon Street and a special lunch at the first Italian pizza restaurant in Melbourne, Totos. Thank you very much Vita for your wonderful organisation and administration, the students thoroughly enjoyed their day.

Class Placement Policy
Our teachers will soon be working on placing students into their grades for 2013. In line with our current policy, academic abilities and learning disposition and orientation will take priority over friendship groups. Our priority is to provide each child with the opportunity to be part of a class of children that allows them the best opportunity to learn and to form classes based on a balance of intellectual, social and emotional needs.

Swimming
Level 1 and 2 will be commencing swimming lessons from tomorrow for the next two weeks. This is wonderful preparation for the coming summer months and I am sure the children will benefit greatly from the lessons.

Have a wonderful week everyone.

Warm regards,

Rochelle Cukier
Principal

GRADUATION - PARENT MEETING

The next Grade 6 Graduation meeting will be held at the home of Lisa Le Deux at 74 Wattletree Road, Armadale at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 4 December.

All welcome.

WESLEY MISSION

FOOD FOR FAMILIES APPEAL

Thank you to all the families who have donated to this appeal. The last day for the collection of the goods is tomorrow i.e. Friday 30 November. We will not be collecting any donations from the classrooms after Friday. All the things that you have donated will be boxed and collected by a volunteer from the Wesley Mission early next week.

Elsa, Flossie, Isla, Sarah, Olivia M, Camilla and Olivia N 3F
YOU CAN DO IT! AWARDS

1C Jaxsen Farrah For demonstrating excellent listening skills on our excursion to the Prahran Market and for using various ingredients purchased to make a scrumptious looking roll. Well done Chef Jaxsen!

2E Sofia Pellegrini For always demonstrating positive work habits and striving to achieve her best in all that she does.

2P Jack Keating For demonstrating persistence, with a smile, while completing his maths assessments.

3F Camilla Boyle For showing enthusiasm and persistence when completing her novel project - great work, Camilla!

3W Blayke Sheean For demonstrating excellent “getting along” skills and being a cooperative and helpful member of the class. Well done Blayke.

SPORTS NEWS

JUNIOR SCHOOL HOUSE SPORTS REPORT
Congratulations to all children from Level 1 & 2 who were involved in the Junior School Sports held at Romanis Reserve on Monday. It was great to see all the children ‘being their best’ and working together as a team throughout the morning’s activities. Thank you to all the staff involved and the parents, family and friends who came along to support the children. Special thanks to the Level 1 & 2 parent class representatives and the parents who assisted throughout the morning.
Finally, thank you to the following Year 6 Leaders who assisted greatly in organising the activities and acted so competently as officials on the day. Georgia, Jovin, Charlie, Zara, Harriet, Catherine, Marianna, Lexie, Lily, Brooke, Ally, Ellison, Molly D, Sophie, Ella, Millie, Molly N & Emily.

LEVEL 1 & 2 SWIMMING LESSONS
Swimming lessons for the Level 1&2 children commence this Friday 30 November and continue on Monday 3 December, Tuesday 4 , Thursday 6, Friday 7, Monday 10, Tuesday 11, Thursday 13 and finish on Friday 14 December.
Information was distributed last week and attached to last week’s newsletter. If any parents are able to assist with walking the children to and from the pool, please see your child’s class teacher.

LEVEL 4 GALA DAY
Attached to today’s newsletter on page 9 is information regarding the final Level 4 Gala Day to be held next Friday 9th December. Parent assistance is needed. Please complete the tear off slip if you can help.

Peter Cracknell
Sports Co-ordinator
Hi everyone,

What a wonderful night we had last Friday at our Family Fun Night. The weather couldn’t have been better, and our Armadale families turned up in droves. The kids had a ball whether on the jumping castle, having their faces painted, or volunteering to be part of our circus performers’ act. They were also able to buy beautiful friendship bands, and have feathered hair pieces attached - all while parents and friends enjoyed the great food and drinks served by our fabulous team of volunteers.

As soon as school was over on Friday, the volunteers started arriving to set up shade shelters, barbeques and trestle tables, and then carting in all the supplies of food and drink. They worked in shifts throughout the evening, although many were on stalls the whole night. And then, when it was dark and most people had gone, the clean up began. Washing glasses, scraping off barbeques, wiping down trestles, packing away food, carrying rubbish down to the skip, folding up the shelters and trestles, and making sure everything was back to normal. It was 10pm before the last of the helpers left and went home for a very well-deserved rest. A magnificent effort by everyone!

The PFA team have been planning and preparing for a while, but a night like Friday cannot happen without so many willing and wonderful volunteers. To each and every one of them we say a huge THANK YOU! Your offers of assistance, willingness to arrange teams, and your hard work on the night, are greatly appreciated by everybody. We’ve listed all our wonderful helpers on the next page, and if we’ve missed your name off by mistake then we truly apologise.

Thank you also to the Armadale community who were so generous in their donations at the gate. Amazingly, an amount of around $1,500.00 was taken on the night just in entry donations, so thank you for your extraordinary generosity. We also raised around $2,000.00 for the Prep Art auction, and we must thank Jeremy Fox for battling above the noise and being our auctioneer for the night.

A special thank you must go to our wonderful Principal, Rochelle Cukier, and also to our Assistant Principal, Malcolm Dow, for their unfailing support, assistance, and encouragement, and for helping out wherever needed on the night. Thank you so much Rochelle and Malcolm!!

This was the last official PFA function for the year, and we hope that everybody enjoyed the night as much as we did. Sincere thanks to all our wonderful parents, children, and friends for turning up in such large numbers on the night and making it such a success.

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PFA Co-Presidents

Dear Parents,

WORKING BEE

Rochelle has already talked about the Working Bee in her section, and I only wanted to add my thanks to all of the hardworking parents who came and worked so hard to achieve all of our tasks, particularly when it was the morning after the Family Fun Night, another fantastic function organised by many of our hard working parents and PFA. I would especially like to thank the children who came and did a wonderful job helping us to improve the school grounds.

TREES

This week we hope to have 4 new advanced Manchurian Pears planted around our new Dome play equipment. They will soon grow large enough to provide some welcome shade to the children playing on there. Thanks to Jason Vickery for his valuable assistance in acquiring and organising the planting of these.

LIBRARY BOOKS

Just a reminder to all parents and students to start gathering all the library books to return to the school for the end of year stocktake. There will be no more borrowing from next week on as we try to bring back all the books into the library.

Malcolm Dow
Acting Assistant Principal
A million thanks to our fantastic Family Night volunteers!

Gary Rowley – our wonderful bartender – and his team
Amber Collins          Clara Officer          Rob Officer
Linda White            Kelvin McAlpine        Vicki Lloyd
Georgie Handbury       Jen Galvin-Rowley       Tracey Bufe
Rachel Power           Kate & Rob Millard       Chris Nash
and Lyndon and the team from Toorak Cellars

Sarah Scotti -sensational sausage sizzler- and her team
Lisa Walker            Jason Start            Nick Golusin
Paul Motion            Alison Lane            Justin Scotti
Monica Doelling        Andrew Peglar          Chris Nash
Jed Salmon             Rob McLellan           Ben Gatehouse
David Portnoy          Sam Hunt               Keith Gentil
Anthony Iezzi           Jane Portnoy           Tracey Bufe
Jude Hutchins          Georgia Darby         Carmel Neilson
Julia Gentil           Meagin Gidley          Bianca Surace
Andrea Gray            Penny McGann           Jo Dixon
Kristyn Gronow         Stella Durnic          Angela Hrysomallis
Jane Hayman            Katharine Wolfe        Vicki Misaijan
Elle Giles             Arabella Tremlett       Lisa McLellan

and with very special thanks and appreciation to Craig Laing (Winnie's Dad – 3F) who so very generously donated all the sausages and hamburgers for the night. Thanks a million Craig!!

Michelle Moffat and her sushi/soft drink/icy pole team
Jen Galvin-Rowley     Madeline Cullity        Mish McGory
Chris Start            Tracy Bufe              Georgie Handbury
Kate Walters           Kim Fleetwood

with a special mention to the students that helped out – Josh & Sam Start carried trestles, Josh Bufe and Tom Handbury cleaned up all the rubbish and took it to the recycle bins.

Janine Sheean, for donating all the hair clips and hair spray and working all night, along with her helpers Sabina Kulush & Sylvie Jemali

Suzie Stanford, for donating all the friendship bands and organising decorations, and working all night on the stall, along with Robbie Fox

Robbie Fox for so beautifully framing all the Prep Art, and Jeremy Fox for being our wonderful auctioneer again.

Kate Millard for organising the circus performers, the wine, and Icy poles

Baker's Delight, Hawksburn, for donating some of the bread.
Bamboo Sushi for supplying sushi and soft drinks at great prices.
PERFORMING ARTS AWARD: 3D – For their detailed reflections about the creative dance workshops and for being an attentive audience whilst watching their classmates perform. Well done 3D!

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.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

LEVEL 3 and 4 ENSEMBLE – will be on FRIDAY at 1.00pm in the Performing Arts room.

- Ensemble will be performing “The Lion Sleeps Tonight” at our next assembly (Wednesday 5th December).

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

UPCOMING EXCURSION – JAM FACTORY

Who: JUNIOR AND SENIOR CHOIR
When: Wednesday 12th December
Where: Jam Factory – Chapel Street, South Yarra
Time: 11am-12 noon performing
Transport: Bus
Lunch: Fawkner Park, South Yarra

A permission slip will go home tomorrow with choir students.

Amanda Wilson
Performing Arts Co-ordinator

Visual Artist of the Week

Nicholas Bayly 2T
For the fantastic collage Dragonfly he created. Nicholas skillfully tore small pieces of paper and combined colours very effectively. Well Done!

Visual Art Class of the Week

1C – For the gorgeous mini self portraits they created for the art auction. They all looked fantastic!!

Jennifer Hemingway
Visual Arts Co-ordinator
Our primary school kids in Prahran who wish to continue their education in State secondary schools have limited options. Students must commute to Glen Eira or Hawthorn to attend the closest State secondary schools. Several modes of public transport are required to access these schools, which I think is unacceptable.

It was with great pleasure that I was able to secure $200,000 from the 2012/13 State budget for a feasibility study into a State secondary school for Prahran. With Swinburne looking to move its Design faculty to Hawthorn, there may be opportunities to secure part of the Prahran TAFE location for a secondary school. It is still early days and I am working constructively with stakeholders to achieve a desirable outcome.

I invite you to attend a forum to provide your input into the feasibility study. Details are as follows:

**Location:** South Yarra Primary School, 601 Punt Rd, South Yarra  
**Date:** Wednesday 5th December 2012  
**Time:** 6.30pm – 8pm

The success of the feasibility study and hopefully the subsequent development of a State secondary school in Prahran is supported by the involvement of engaged members in our community.

I hope to see you there.

Clem Newton-Brown  
Member for Prahran
Dear Parents,

As part of our P.E./Sport Education program, all children from Level 4 will be participating in an exciting Ultimate Frisbee Gala Day to be held on Friday 7th December. Children will be involved in a series of round robin fun games with other schools in our district using modified rules and equipment. This is a follow up to a number of PE and sport sessions introducing this new sport.

Date: Friday 7th December

Venue: Fawkner Park Sth Yarra (Northern Pavilion area)

Departure: 9:00 am Sharp

Travel: Bus

Return: approximately 2:45 pm

Cost/Permission: Included in the term 4 excursion levy

Children require:
* School Uniform- shorts/skirt, school sport polo, runners and windcheater/jacket
  (Coat should also be brought if cold)
* School Sunhat, Sunsmart items
* Playlunch, lunch and drink/s in re-useable containers
* a plastic water bottle
* School bag or sports bag.

Parent Assistance Needed
We also need parents to assist with supervision of teams throughout the day. We need at least two parents to assist from each class. You can accompany the children on the bus or meet us at the venue.

Please return the slip below or contact your child’s class rep if you can assist.

We look forward to a fun day.

Peter Cracknell
Sports Co ordinator

PARENT ASSISTANCE AT SPORT GALA DAY – FRIDAY 7th December

Please return promptly to your child’s class teacher if available (or by Wednesday 5th December).

I would be able to assist the children on the excursion on Friday 7th December

I will be travelling on the bus/I will meet you at the venue (please circle)

CHILD’S NAME…………………………..CLASS……………..

NAME…………………………..SIGNED……………………….(Parent/Guardian)

CONTACT PHONE:…………….
November 2012

Dear Parent/guardian,

We are writing to explain to you why the report you receive for your child this semester will be less detailed than you would normally expect. AEU members of Armadale Primary School will not be writing comments on reports this semester. In a new ban, as part of our industrial action, you will only receive an assessment of your child’s achievement against the Victorian Essential Learning Standards (VELS), but no written comments.

We do not take this action lightly but we have been left no alternative. We call on parents for their support.

On behalf of teachers, principals and support staff, The Australian Education Union has been negotiating with the Baillieu Government for a new enterprise agreement for over a year.

We still have no agreement.

The following are the most concerning reasons why we continue to take industrial action:

- The Baillieu Government has cut a massive $481 million from the education budget, including decimation of the Reading Recovery program and cuts to Education Maintenance Allowance.
- The Government also seeks to sack 5% of our teachers – a move that would lead to higher class sizes and less individual attention for our students.
- The introduction of performance pay by the Baillieu Government. This has been proven not to work in other countries and to be detrimental to teamwork and collaboration which are so important in our schools.
- The large number of contract positions - just under 20% of teachers and 45% of Education Support staff are on contracts.
- Huge cuts to TAFE and VCAL. We are concerned about whether these will even be in existence by the time our students are old enough to utilise them. Both TAFE and VCAL offer extremely valuable programs that hugely benefit their students and assist them in choosing future career paths and gaining vital qualifications.
- The Premier promised to make Victorian teachers the highest paid in the nation, but now offers only 2.5%.

We ask you to please support us in our continued fight to improve public education for students, families and teachers.

We encourage members of our school community to show their support by sending their own message to Premier Baillieu and his government via our campaign website: www.keepthepromise.com.au.

Yours sincerely,

The AEU sub-branch
Armadale Primary School
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 OOSHIC takes no responsibilities for belongings that are brought on excursions.

HOURS OF OPERATION: 8am-6pm

ARRIVAL: The times printed below each day’s activities are when the activities are conducted. Please ensure that your child/ren 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 child/ren 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), TRAM OR TRAIN

By booking your child in for these excursions you authorize 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

COST: $55.00 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 535-011-001B. You will be required to pay full fee unless we have received your registration from the Family Assistance Office. Please call 13 61 50 for more information.

PAYMENT: To book into this program you must fill in a credit card authorization form for us to deduct your outstanding fees after the holidays.

If payment is not made the booking will be canceled.

CANCELLATIONS: If your child is unable to attend a day you may call and cancel. If there is someone who is on the waiting list who can take their place

REFUNDS: Refunds will only be given for children who are sick and upon presentation of a doctor’s certificate.
Monday 14th January  
**Adventure Water Park-Geelong**
River torrent, Aqua Racer, splash zone, rapid river waterslide, tunnel of terror waterslide, go karts, jumping jets, paddle boats and canoes are just a few of the rides at the largest theme park in Victoria.  
* Don’t forget bathers & towel  
9:00-4:30pm  
Transport: Bus  
Child’s Name  
Parent’s Signature

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Monday 21st January  
**Harold Holt & Fish n Chips**
Enjoy a beautiful summer day with your friends at Harold Holt pool. There will be plenty of free time for swimming, inflatables, games as well fish and chips for lunch!  
* Don’t forget bathers and a towel.  
9:00am-4:30pm  
Transport: Tram  
Child’s Name  
Parent’s Signature

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Tuesday 15th January  
**Fishing & Barefoot Lawn Bowling**
We will be traveling to Marysville to the trout & salmon farms to do some good old fashioned fishing and afterwards we will have some fun playing barefoot lawn bowling.  
9:00-5:00pm  
Transport: Bus  
Child’s Name  
Parent’s Signature

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Tuesday 22nd January  
**Strawberry Picking & Arthur’s Seat Maze**
Get back to nature with a morning of strawberry picking in the picturesque backdrop of Red Hill followed by an afternoon at Arthur’s seat maze.  
9:00am-4:30pm  
Transport: Bus  
Child’s Name  
Parent’s Signature

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Wednesday 16th January  
**Kids In Motion**
Fitness, fun, adventure and enthusiasm covering the fundamentals of movement. Kids in Motion is full of trampolines, foam pits, gymnastics rings and a rock climbing wall.  
9:00-5:00pm  
Transport: Bus  
Transport: Bus  
Child’s Name  
Parent’s Signature

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Wednesday 23rd January  
**Carnival @ Valkstone Primary School**
The perfect day to play with your friends and make some new ones at the same time. Armadale holiday program will be heading to Valkstone Primary for a very exciting day of carnival rides and games.  
9:00am-4:30pm  
Transport: Bus  
Child’s Name  
Parent’s Signature

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Thursday 17th January  
**Galactic Circus**
Bring all your energy to an exciting day of Laser Tag, Bowling and unlimited games at the ever exciting Galactic Circus!!!  
9:30am- 4:30pm  
Transport: Train  
Child’s Name  
Parent’s Signature

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Thursday 24th January  
**Swimming @ GESAC**
A beautiful summers day the newest swimming spot in Melbourne. Water slides, inflatables, games and plenty of room to swim around and make a splash.  
* Don’t forget bathers and a towel.  
9:00am- 4:30pm  
Transport: Bus  
Child’s Name  
Parent’s Signature

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Friday 18th January  
**Beach & sands sculptures**
Slip Slop Slap and Play the day away with a visit to the sand sculptures followed by endless fun at Black Rock beach.  
* Please bring bathers, towel and hat.  
9:00am- 4:30pm  
Transport: Bus  
Child’s Name  
Parent’s Signature

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Friday 25th January  
**Luna Park**
Come join us for a fun filled day of unlimited rides at Melbourne’s iconic Luna Park. Whether it’s your first time or you’re an experienced thrill seeker, at Luna Park there is something for everyone.  
9:00am-4:30pm  
Transport: Tram  
Child’s Name  
Parent’s Signature
Armadale Primary School
Out Of School Hours Program

Registration Form 2013

Child’s Name

Grade

DOB

Gender

Child’s CRN

Child resides with: □ Both Parents □ Mother □ Father □ Guardian

Are there any court orders relating to this child? □ Yes □ No

If yes, please give details:

Custody Details (If a court order exists please provide a copy to the OOSHC Director)

Days Required (Permanent Enrolments Only) Please Circle. If you wish to use the OOSHC program on a casual basis only, please do not circle any of the before/after care sessions listed below;

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Parent / Guardian Details

Mother’s Name

Tel (home)

Tel (work)

Suburb

Postcode

Tel (mobile)

Email

*DOB

Father’s Name

Tel (home)

Tel (work)

Suburb

Postcode

Tel (mobile)

Email

*DOB

*Armadale OOSHC must have your date of birth for you to continue to claim Child Care Benefit and CRN

Cultural Information

If you or your child was not born in Australia, please list the country:

If you or your child communicates in another language other than English, Please list that language:

If you require Program documentation to be provided to you in another language please let the Director know immediately.

Emergency Contacts (please ensure 2 contacts are provided. These cannot be parent contacts)

If parents cannot be contacted, which other persons would be authorised to pick up and look after you child in an emergency.

1) Name

Relationship to Child

Contact Phone number: Home Work Mobile

Address:

2) Name

Relationship to Child

Contact Phone number: Home Work Mobile

Address:

Authorisation for another person to pick up your child.

To allow another person to pick up your child you need to name them as an Authorised Nominee below.

You can change the Authorised Nominees by contacting the service in writing.

Authorised Nominee 1:

Authorised Nominee 2:

Authorised Nominee 3:

Medical Details

Child’s Doctor

Phone

Address

Medicare Number:__________________________________Ambulance Membership □ Yes □ No

Does your child have any special needs?________________________________________________________
Does your child have any dietary restrictions?  

Does your child have any allergies or sensitivity?  
If yes please provide details of any allergies and any management procedure to be followed.  

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All medicine must be placed in the care of the OOSHCo-ordinator with clear instructions for its use to be written in the OOSHCo medication book. An Administration of Medication form must also be completed before any medication can be given to your child. Under no circumstances may children have medicine in their possession whilst attending the OOSHCo Program.

Immunisation Details  
Has your child been immunised? | Yes | No |
Does the school have a copy of your child’s immunisation? | Yes | No |

Permission For Medical Treatment  
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Holiday and Festival Asthma Trigger Warning

The upcoming holiday season and festivities planned during Term 4 and throughout the summer holidays may mean that your child is exposed to new triggers for their asthma. It is important for parents and carers, and children themselves, to be aware of changes to their environment and the activities that may impact on their asthma.

Christmas trees, both real and artificial could be triggers for people with asthma. Artificial trees may be quite dusty after being stored away, while both real and artificial trees may harbour mould. It is important to ensure that artificial trees are cleaned appropriately and that care is taken to select real trees that do not produce wind-borne pollen. All tree and other decorations should be cleaned and free from dust and mould when used at home.

Scented candles, room deodorisers and air fresheners may also trigger asthma in those susceptible to perfumes, and care should be taken when purchasing these and other scented items at home.

Lastly, the added pressures of the year drawing to a close can cause stress and anxiety for many people, potentially triggering asthma attacks. It is important to consider ways that the whole family can enjoy the holidays and feel safe happy and comfortable.

Happy Holidays from The Asthma Foundation of Victoria.

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

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So I created my own range of cookies that are **gluten free and fructose friendly** with no preservatives or artificial additives.

SPECIAL OFFER

As our family is part of the Armadale Primary School community, I would like to make this special offer directly available to parents, teachers and friends of the school.

- **Choc Fudge Cookies** 6 biscuits $10.00
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Cookies will be ready for pickup on Wednesday 19th December, 2012.
Cash payment on pickup.

Providing the joy of delicious food to those who have sensitive tummies and food intolerances.
**Christmas 2012 Classes**

We'll be making lots of lovely sweet Christmas treats so why not get your kids involved in making their own delicious Christmas gifts this year! Recipes include Brownie Trees, Glass Window Tree, Trimming Biscuits, Chocolate Truffles, Reindeer Cup Cakes, Gingerbread Houses and much more!


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**January 2013 School Holiday Classes**

We offer a fun, varied program each school holiday period designed to keep children of all ages entertained and interested in food. From kinder classes to Master Chef classes, a variety of sweet and savoury dishes are included. Recipes include Sushi, Salmon Pie, Upside Down Pineapple Cake, Bread & Butter Pudding, Nutella Brownies & more...

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