Dear Parents,

Another exciting week has passed at Armadale Primary School and what particularly resonates with me in this week is the growth of our children that we witness when we give them opportunities.

I was delighted to receive two very touching emails at the start of the week from parents who have children with special needs who attended the Level 6 camp at Phillip Island. At previous camps we have always invited parents of these children to attend, to offer additional support to ensure that these children are able to enjoy camp to the fullest. This year we deliberately discouraged parent attendance, yes we took a risk but we had support plans in place should the need arise to contact parents. By the end of the week, no parents had been contacted, except by email from me as a way of an update on how the children were going – which was to say that they were having a ball. The emails at the start of the week highlighted the gratitude that these parents felt, as in their own words, they had sent to camp fairly dependent children who came back from camp more grown up and demonstrating greater responsibility and independence!

I have no doubt that the students excitedly shared with you their experiences of the flying fox, giant swing, canoeing and getting wet in the lake, Churchill Island, Amaze n Things; Koala Conservation Sanctuary, Smiths Beach, the great food at camp; the camp fire; which were just some of their activities; friends in their cabin and making new friends. It was definitely the best campsite that I have been to with APS.

Thank you to these students for helping our school

How fortunate are we that the kindness of our own students has wonderful benefits for our school. Last weekend, Maya, Lucia, Matilda, Flossie and Sierra, decided that they wanted to hold a cake stall together to raise funds for APS.

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The gorgeous sunshine was out on Sunday as the girls sold their wares to a very busy street of supporters out the front of one of their homes. They had homemade cupcakes, choc chip biscuits, brownies, honey joys and even lemons for sale. Not only did the girls have a lovely time, but they are thrilled that they raised over $100 for the school!! Thank you so much girls, your generosity is fantastic and Christine Leyshan, our business manager has set the girls a challenge to decide how they want to spend the money. Please let me know girls, the next time you are holding a stall and I can come and visit you and buy some yummy treats!!

Farewell Connor and Catalina Addis!
Connor and Catalina are leaving our school to set out on an exciting adventure with their family exploring different environments, snow to sun to New Zealand and it was a sad farewell at our assembly on Wednesday. Christina (Connor and Catalina’s mum) was too emotional to speak at assembly, but she very generously had the children present the school with a beautiful book which we will keep in our library to mark the children’s attendance at our school. What a beautiful gesture.

Christina has always been a very supportive parent of all our fundraisers, generously donating luggage labels and bag ties. We wish the entire Addis family well and hope that Connor and Christina will enjoy all their new adventures and schooling and will keep in touch with us all at APS.

Kindness in the playgrounds
Just a reminder to all our students to continue to demonstrate kindness towards each other when playing outside, learn to take turns and look after each other. I’m sure the world will be a much nicer place if we all practised more kindness.

Stranger Danger
Parents please ensure that your children all fully understand that they are not to wait outside our fence for you in the afternoon and should you be running late to pick up the children, please let the office know or advise the office to send the children to Afters. Alternatively, I am more than happy to have the children wait with me for you inside my office, rather than have them outside on their own. With children who are allowed to walk home or catch public transport by themselves, please emphasise that they are never to go into a car belonging to a stranger, no matter if they offer the children a lift home, or tempt them with lollies. There have been some recent sightings of white vans parked close to independent schools and this is one area where we can never be vigilant enough.

One of our students was approached in Armadale by a young man while walking home from school on Wednesday night, so it is timely for all parents and children to remain vigilant. Fortunately, our student is safe and knew how to deal with the situation.

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. Please come to the office and collect an enrolment form.

Wishing you all a wonderful July break
As I have mentioned before I am taking some long service leave with my husband travelling to Israel; Greece; Greek islands and Turkey leaving next week and returning just before we go back to school. Malcolm Dow will be Acting Principal during my leave and I look forward to seeing all the children for the start of Term 3 on July 15th. For those families also travelling, I wish you well and safe travels.

Kind regards

Rochelle Cukier
Principal
**Assistant Principal**

**Level 6 Camp**

What a pleasure it was to spend the second half of the week at the Phillip Island Adventure Resort with the Level 6 students and teachers. The range of activities was fantastic and one of the highlights for me was going to the Koala Conservation Centre and seeing the great work that is being done to preserve the habitat for the koala. Thanks to all the teachers who were involved in planning and running such a wonderful camp, and to our parent helper, Andrew Bounos, and student teachers Ben and Nick for their valuable assistance during camp.

**Caring people at Armadale**

At Armadale we pride ourselves on being a school that fosters kindness, consideration and caring among all of our students. In the past week I have been particularly impressed with two of our students, Stephanie Murphy and Sarah Zagame, who have gone out of their way to support and care for other students who they can see need such attention. It is wonderful to see these qualities coming out quite naturally in our students.

**Rochelle on Long Service Leave**

Rochelle will be taking a short, but well-earned break over the next three weeks to travel overseas with her husband. I, along with all of the staff, wish her the very best for her trip. When I see all of those late nights and very early mornings that Rochelle is here working to make sure that the school is operating smoothly, I realise that she will very much appreciate a small break and with some great travelling adventures and an opportunity to reacquaint herself with her family.

**Malcolm Dow**

**Assistant Principal**

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**Attention Level 2 Students!**

A knitting / sewing group will be meeting once a week. Interested students should speak to Mrs Pearse. About 10-12 students would be ideal.

- **Venue:** 2P’s classroom
- **Time:** Wednesday 1.30pm
- **Commencing Wednesday 18 June.**

Jennifer Pearse

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**Science Expo!**

On Monday 17 June, all level 6 students will be presenting their term’s work on Natural Disasters at a Science Expo, to be held in the Multi-Purpose Centre between 1.45pm and 3.00pm.

Parents and other classes are invited to attend, so level 6 students can showcase their findings about the causes, history and impacts that the various natural disasters have had on people, communities and the land.

Robin Nicolson, Amanda Wilson and Zaim Zeneli

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**This Week’s Awards**

**House Points**

Northcote won this week’s house points. Congratulations to all the children in Northcote who had a crazy hat day today.

**Performing Arts Class 2A**

- **Visual Artist** Calista Yap

**Visual Art Class 4S**

**You Can Do It! Awards:**

- Isabelle Monahan 0C
- Lachie Beischer 0J
- James Simon 0P
- Bella Simons 2A
- Maisie Henshaw 2A
- Ella D'Cruz 2A
- Jack Keating 2S
- Stella Spears 2E
- Grace O'Loughlin 2J
- Yasmin Martin 2P
- Ineke Pain 4B
- Luca Misaipon 4F
- Lily Ritson Morrison 4F
- Connor Spears 4S
- Alessandro Maciel Pizzorno Bazzo 4W
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Performing Arts News

Performing Arts Award: 2A - for their excellent reflection writing on their experiences in Performing Arts.

Choir 2013

Choir is on this Friday 8:15am
Senior Choir is in the Performing Arts room.
Junior Choir is in the Science Room.

New Members are always welcomed. Please come and see me if you have any questions about either Junior or Senior choir and would like to join.

Do you play an instrument and would like to perform next Wednesday in Assembly? Please see me A.S.A.P!

After School Music Tuition – Information provided at the office.
Till next week.

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

Canvas Painting Workshop
All students from Foundation up to Level 6 will begin painting a canvas in the next few weeks. Students have started thinking about what they will be painting on their canvas and have done some sketches of their ideas. All students will be painting a portrait of a figure they are interested in. This could be a friend, a sister, a self-portrait, someone famous, a cartoon character or even a mythical creature! The ideas the students have come up with so far are fantastic!

Art Smocks
We are doing Printing and Painting all this term so it is really important for everyone to have their own art smocks. 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.

Visual Art Class of the Week 4S
For the sensational sketches they did of different figures, in preparation for their canvas painting workshop. These will look amazing on canvas 4S!

Lucy Gorman
Visual Arts Co-ordinator

Visual Arts News

Final T-Shirt Designs will be finished in Visual Art Classes this week
All students are participating in the ‘Rightside T-Shirt Design Contest’ as part as this term’s Visual Art program. The students finished wonderful designs that communicate caring for the environment. Designs will be sent off in the following week and the winner will be chosen by the people at Rightside! Good luck everyone!

For the fantastic design she drew to encourage people to think about, and care for the environment.

Visual Artist of the Week  Calista Yap 0P
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Sports Trials

Earlier in the term a number of children represented our school at District, Division & Regional Sports Trials. Congratulations to the following children on their great efforts at the trials.

3SA District Trials
Georgia Wolfe, Jemima Officer, Millie Bennetts (Netball)
Henry Hayman, Toby Yeats, Sol Hashimoto, Eddie Brown (AFL)
Sol Hashimoto, Toby Yeats, George Giannakarios (Boys Soccer)
Darcy Mellor, Amber Wright, Carla Gee (Girls Soccer)
Lewis O’Donnell (Boys Basketball)

Division Trials
Georgia & Millie (Netball) Sol (AFL & Boys Soccer) Darcy (Girls Soccer)

Regional Trials
Darcy (Soccer)

Peter Cracknell
Sports Co-ordinator

Free to a good home
Two cat scratching stands. Please collect them from the corridor outside the science room, near the Italian room.
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<td>For her effort in getting along with her classmates and being prepared to work cooperatively in any session.</td>
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<td>Lachie Beischer 0J</td>
<td>For presenting great information on bees and showing us some amazing photos of a beehive he and his family found.</td>
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<td>James Simon 0P</td>
<td>For working hard when writing his letter to a friend. Well done James!</td>
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<td>Bella Simmons 2A</td>
<td>For being a superstar at triskills and giving everything a go with a HUGE smile on her face even when she is unsure.</td>
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<td>Maisie Henshaw 2A</td>
<td>For being an organised and responsible student who follows instructions and is becoming an independent learner.</td>
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<td>Ella D’Cruz 2A</td>
<td>For being a caring and thoughtful student who comforts others and offers them help when they are upset.</td>
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<td>For producing a terrific PowerPoint on the Geelong Cats. Keep up with your wonderful efforts Jack!</td>
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<td>For her enthusiastic attitude to her learning and for the great effort she puts into her writing.</td>
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<td>Grace O'Loughlin 2J</td>
<td>For demonstrating resilience during a classroom activity and not getting upset at the other person. Good girl Grace.</td>
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<td>Yasmin Martin 2P</td>
<td>For presenting her investigation of endangered creatures which are found in a rainforest. It was so realistic!</td>
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<td>For improving her listening skills and participating actively in class discussions. Great effort, Ineke!</td>
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<td>For the positive effort that he puts into tasks and working conscientiously on his learning activities.</td>
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<td>Lily Ritson Morrison 4F</td>
<td>For her positive contributions to, and involvement in, our discussion about our novel “Toad Rage”</td>
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<td>Connor Spears 4S</td>
<td>For the terrific effort and enthusiasm you put into Footsteps each week. You have shown great focus and determination. Well Done!</td>
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<td>Alessandro Maciel Pizzorno Bazzo 4W</td>
<td>For writing an interesting and well planned letter of thanks after our Glen Iris Wetlands Excursion! Great effort Alessandro!</td>
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<td>For demonstrating positive learning skills and managing his time well during Maths Investigations.</td>
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<td>For demonstrating excellent &quot;Getting Along&quot; skills during our Level 6 camp and for expressing her camp experience in a creative and engaging way. Well done!</td>
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<td>William Purdie 6W</td>
<td>For working co-operatively on his &quot;Natural Disasters&quot; project with George and John and for demonstrating excellent organisation skills. Great work William!</td>
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<td>Darcy Mellor 6Z</td>
<td>For displaying fantastic organisation, confidence and getting along skills throughout the Level 6 Camp. Great to see the encouragement and support you gave other students in all activities.</td>
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Help support our school!

Remember to keep collecting Earn & Learn Points stickers when you shop at Woolies.
The more we collect, the more our school will benefit with new resources.
The Woolworths Earn & Learn program ends on Sunday 9th June.
Bring your stickers to the school office and put them in the box in the foyer.
Thank you for your support.

Mt Buller - 4 Bedroom ABOM Apartment available to rent in July while owner overseas (sleeps 10)

Perfectly located on Bourke Street Ski run opposite the Ski School, it offers ski-in ski-out accommodation.
The modern apartment includes open plan living/dining with flat screen T.Vs & Austar, panoramic northern mountain views with glorious sunlight, floor to ceiling windows. The prestige building is on Summit Rd and taxi stops right outside the door.
All linen & towels are provided. Sleeps 10.

Features include:
- Bedroom 1 with Q/S Bed & ensuite
- Bedroom 2, 1 set of Bunks & single bed
- Bedroom 3 with 2 Single beds
- Bedroom 4 with 2 single beds that come together to make a KS and a fold out sofa
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- Great kitchen with European appliances
- Laundry (washer and dryer)
- Drying & ski storage area

Being offered to APS Parents at discount to usual peak rates. Contact Dunia Wright 0437686750 or duniawright@gmail.com

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Can you help?

Our staff in OOSHC are collecting towels and linen for the charity in the Philippines called ‘Seconds to Give’.

A shipment is being organised for this weekend, so if any donations could be left at OOSHC today and tomorrow that would be wonderful.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.
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School Banking Term Two Competition -

THERE’S STILL TIME FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN a $5,000 FAMILY ADVENTURE HOLIDAY!

There are still three weeks left for you to be part of this fun competition. All you need to do is bank at least 3 times during Term 2 here at school and you will automatically be entered into the draw. Only 3 or more deposits in this school term and you will be eligible!

First prize: $5,000 family holiday to anywhere in Australia with $500 spending money and $5,000 cash for your school.

25 Runner Up prizes are also up for grabs. These kid’s adventure packs valued at over $700 include a Wii U, Razor eSpark electric scooter, walkie talkies, night vision goggles and an underwater digital camera.
More details are available at www.commbank.com.au/adventureisland

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