Dear Armadale Community,

Thank goodness for some sunny warm weather finally appearing and I hope families are taking advantage of this and taking the children down to the park after school or making an easy picnic dinner and letting the children run round and climb trees! There is constant evidence in the media advising us of the benefits of active healthy bodies and the impact on our brains.

Congratulations to Leo Carbone and Max Stewart! Both boys came into my office to tell me about their recent selection in the Tae Kwon Do team to compete in Tasmania this weekend. We wish the boys all the best and can't wait to hear how they went this weekend.

Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) and Performance Development Plan

The leadership team: Malcolm, Connie, Peter, Christine and I recently met with my SEIL (Senior Education Improvement Leader) Stuart Andrews as we evaluated our current AIP. Stuart wanted to know if we have met our goals and what would be our work in improving student outcomes for 2017. The majority of our work is still ongoing and even though we have made small gains across the school, deep cultural shift does take a few years. So what are we trying to shift?

1. Developing the capacity of my teachers as lead learners.
2. Co–designing the curriculum with the students and not just to the students.
3. Enacting the curriculum not just implementing it.
4. Continuing the research into our context, understanding our learners more deeply and empowering them to have more voice and agency.
5. Continuing to capture the evidence of student learning in a variety of ways and not just through testing at the end of a unit.

Why are we doing it this way? Because we know that the biggest impact on student learning is the teacher and leading teacher learning and development has a big effect on student outcomes.

“... It is clear that the current paradigm shift in teacher professional learning is no longer that of the acquisition of knowledge and skills but instead focuses upon teachers playing an active role in the construction and co-construction of professional knowledge.” Harris and Jones 2014.”

The AIP derives directly from our Strategic Plan and I have made that more visible in the corridor just outside my office. Please pop in when you have some spare time and have a read through our vision statement, our goals, our intent and what we value.

Additionally, I value your insights and feedback on your thoughts and what you are noticing.

I also undertook my own Performance and Development Review with Stuart and I am pleased to share with you that my goals and targets were met for 2016. I am already thinking about what the next steps are for 2017 as there is always so much to do, but as the wise Larissa says, we need to slow down, to go deeper! Once again please accept an open invitation if you would like to look at my PDP, just pop into my office.

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Prep Transition 2017
Our first session was highly successful and our second session this morning was equally successful and informative. We heard from David Portnoy, our School Council President. Sarah Barlow, our PFA Co-coordinator who spoke to our new parents about the various ways they can be involved with the school, Ben from OOSH about his fabulous program and Vivienne Seidner our school Psychologist presented on School readiness. I am looking forward to seeing our new preps and their parents again at our final session next week.

Family Fun Night Friday 25th November
Make sure you have this night pencilled in on the calendar! The PFA have organised a wonderful evening of fun for the whole family so make sure you are all prepared. See more details in the PFA section below.

Have a wonderful week everyone.

Rochelle Cukier
Principal

Parents & Friends for Armadale (PFA)

Fun Run
Due to PFA sickness, the Fun Run Raffle was not drawn this week. The raffle will be during next week’s assembly and we hope to have the final amount of money raised for you then. Please return any remaining forms and money as soon as possible.

Family Fun Night

Friday 25th November 5.00-8.00pm
Entertainment - bouncy castles, games, face painting, photo booth, sausage sizzle, popcorn, icy poles, lolly stall.

Come and celebrate the end of the year.

Family Life Information Night
Thank you to the large number of 5/6 parents who attended last night’s information session with Glenys Borland from Family Life Victoria. The input from the parents was very valuable. Special thanks to Gillian Brown who also kindly attended the evening.

Just to let all 5/6 parents know that the final student session planned for Tuesday 6 December will be rescheduled. Parents will be advised of the new date shortly.

Peter Cracknell, Gillian Brown, Lucy Gorman, Kate Pilgrim and Zaim Zeneli

Scholastic Book Club

Scholastic Book Club brochures for Issue 8 have been distributed this week.

Orders should be placed by Friday 25 November. The easiest way to order is by LOOP – check the details on the back page of the brochure.

This will be the final Book Club order for 2016.

Alison Crone
Scholastic Book Club Co-ordinator
Assistant Principal

eSmart Schools - 10 Cybersafety Tips for Parents

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The online world is changing so rapidly it is hard to keep up with everything and there is a fear from parents that they will be unaware of some new threat to their child’s safety. This information below is supplied by eSmart, a national body dedicated to keeping children safe when online. Click here for the link to the website.

1. **Care about the Share**
   Social media wants you to share as much as you can bear! But the share should be rare. NEVER share: passwords, private/personal information, your location.

2. **Privacy Matters**
   If you care about the share, you’ll protect your privacy, no matter what. Regularly check your privacy settings on social media, and always think before you post. It’s amazing where data ends up – usually all over the internet.

3. **Respect the Privacy of Others**
   Treat others’ privacy as you would your own. Ask for your friends’ permission before uploading photos and videos of them. It’s not all about you, am I right?

4. **Keep Everything Updated**
   Any idea what causes the most security breaches on the internet? Software that isn’t up-to-date. Seems crazy simple, but it’s true! Be vigilant about updating software, including apps, anti-virus and even the humble browser.

5. **Spam, Spam, Spam, Spammidy-spam**
   Even with the best anti-spam and malware software – that’s up-to-date – spam is the modern version of junk mail. It’s everywhere! Learn how to tell the difference between real emails and messages, and dodgy things with dodgy links. Sometimes they don’t look so dodgy...always be suspicious of hyperlinks in emails.

6. **Control the Troll Within**
   There be trolls out there – beware! Don’t feed them, don’t give them what they want: an angry response. Block/Report the trolls. But also: resist the inner troll. If you’re not adding something to the debate online, don’t bother. Don’t be part of the problem.

7. **Cyberbullying and Harassment**
   If you’re being targeted by this kind of behaviour, know what you can do, and where you can get help. Visit the National Centre Against Bullying website and the Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner website.

8. **Keep Your Friends Close and Strangers at Arm’s Length**
   Do you know how many true friends most people have? Three. Yup, those four thousand and fifty-two Facebook ‘friends’ are a combination of acquaintances, people-you-met-once, people-you-can’t-remember-meeting-once, and probably, some ‘randoms’. They don’t need to know what you had for breakfast, or what concert you went to last night, do they?

9. **Feel the Flow – Keep Your Life in Balance**
   Technology is incredible. Gaming, networking, apps...online shopping! But make sure you take time out and find the right balance for you. Too long on tech can put the world out of whack.

10. **Have Fun, Friend**
    Always remember to chill out and keep things in perspective. There’s too much information online to take it all in! Focus on each moment, and enjoy.

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Malcolm Dow
Assistant Principal

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Junior Choir news

Junior Choir will be commencing at 8.00am sharp.

We are rehearsing for our excursion to the aged care facility on Monday 12 December. Details to follow.

Student Banking

This week a Bronze Dollarmites Certificate is awarded to Sophie Kruk for making 10 deposits this year.

Silver Dollarmites Certificates are awarded to the following students for making 20 deposits this year:
- Cas Puccinelli
- Lachie Beischer
- Isabel Larner
- Poppy Parker
- Thomas Haydon
- Marcus Lukatsky
- Luke Watkin
- Ayaan Sharma
- Oscar Gold

A Gold Dollarmites Certificate is awarded to the following students for making 30 deposits this year:
- Abigail Gowland
- Raphael Haddad

Well done everyone!

Alison Crone
Student Banking Co-ordinator

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Student Banking Co-ordinator
Sports News

Junior School Sports Prep-Year 2
Wednesday 23 November
All children from Prep and Year 1 & 2 will be involved in the Junior School House Sports to be held at Orrong Romanis Reserve (Melways ref 58 J6) next Wednesday 23 November.

The sports will be commence at approximately 9.45am and finish at 11.45am. Children will rotate through a number of different fun sport activities with the emphasis on participation, fun and working together as a team.

All children will need:
- play lunch in separate named bag/container
- a plastic named water bottle
- lunch will be eaten back at school
- children are asked to wear at least one article of clothing in their house colour eg t-shirt, ribbon, socks, shorts
  - Densham - blue
  - Munro - green
  - Rose - red
  - Northcote - yellow
- it is most important that all children wear their school sunhat, be sunsmart (with a hat and sunscreen) and
- wear suitable footwear.

Parents, family and friends are welcome to come along, and join in the fun.

We also require parents to walk with children to the park. If you can assist please speak with your class teacher.

We look forward to a fun day.

Peter Cracknell & House Captains

Bike Education Introductory Program for Year 4 students
Information was distributed to Year 4s last week. Please make sure you return the form as places are filling quickly.

Peter Cracknell and Malcolm Dow

Swimming Prep, Year 1 & Year 2 students

Swimming lessons for Term 4 will commence next Friday 25th November. They will be held at the Lauriston Girls’ School Swim Centre Huntingtower Road, Armadale on:
- Friday 25th November
- Monday 28th November
- Tuesday 29th November
- Thursday 1st December
- Friday 2nd December
- Monday 5th December
- Tuesday 6th December
- Thursday 8th December
- Friday 9th December (9 lessons in total).

Each lesson will be approximately 40 minutes with trained swimming instructors provided at the following times:
- 2S & 2J -(9:30-10:10am)
- Prep C & Prep E (10:10-10:50am)
- Prep S & Prep N (10:50-11:30am)
- 1E & 1K (11:30am-12:10pm)
- 1P (12:10pm-12.50pm)

Parent assistance is required walking to and from the pool, leaving school half an hour before the start of each lesson. If you are able to help please see your child’s class teacher. Click here for full details.

Tommy Lahiff Cup - rescheduled
Thursday 1 December

Selected children in Year 6 will be taking part in this year’s rescheduled Tommy Lahiff Cup. More details to follow.

Year 5&6 Ultimate Frisbee Gala day
Friday 2 December

The Year 5&6 students will be taking part in an Ultimate Frisbee Gala day on Friday 2 December. More details to follow.

Peter Cracknell
Sports Co-ordinator

Remembrance Day

The Grade 3’s and 4’s were very proactive this year for Remembrance Day - see attached photo of the poems. The school raised $191.20 for the RSL.

House Cup & Perpetual Award

House captains Bronte, Mimi, Connor and Henry display our new House Awards.
2016 Arts Showcase: Armadale’s Got Talent

Preps to Grade 2
Tuesday November 22nd, 2016,
11.30am to 1.30 pm

Each year level will perform a song they have been learning in the Arts.

This will be followed by Armadale’s Got Talent!

Each student will have on display their favourite visual art work from the year from Tuesday 22nd to Friday 25th Nov.

Grades 3 to 6
Monday November 21st, 2016,
1.30pm to 3.30pm

Groups of students will present their term 4 arts inquiry—from masks to hip hop dances, skits about Justin Bieber, animations, music videos and more!

This will be followed by Armadale’s Got Talent!

Each student will have on display their favourite visual art work from the year from Tuesday 15th to Monday 21st Nov.

Please join us for this wonderful celebration of The Arts! All Family and Friends welcome!
FAMILY FUN NIGHT

*FREE ENTERTAINMENT
BOUNCY CASTLES
& GAMES

*LOLLIE & CRAFT STALL

*PHOTO BOOTH
& FACE PAINTING

*SAUSAGE SIZZLE

*POPCORN

*BAR & DRINKS

NOVEMBER 25TH
5-8PM
AT
ARMADALE PRIMARY

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When
December 2016: 6th - 9th, 12th - 16th, 19th - 23rd
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Holiday Soccer Clinic

Our camps provides the chance to make friends while having fun playing Soccer. An innovative program covers all facets of soccer, and is designed to improve your skills and maximise enjoyment. Specialist sessions in all the skills of field soccer, as well as devoted sessions for goalies. Structured and enjoyable program for each age level. 5-16 years. Join an experienced coaching panel from France, Romania, Canada, England and Australia.

Dates: Clinic 1 Mon 5th - Thurs 8th Dec 2016
Clinic 2 Mon 12th - Thurs 15th Dec 2016
Clinic 3 Mon 19th - Thurs 22nd Dec 2016

Times: Half day morning 9.00am – 12.00pm
Full day 9.00am – 3.00pm

Prices: Half Day $59  Full Day $99

Half four days $250  Full four days $350 Thurs finish 1pm

Location: Corner Williams and Alexandra Avenue, South Yarra

Varied games & activities
A clinic soccer championship will be held on the last day with a trophy presentation to follow, with a raffle and other prizes awarded.

Tactical and technical improvement sessions.

Variety of soccer events: prizes inc. Soccer balls and soccer equipment.

Morning Tea provided each day (Full Day participants to bring packed lunch each day, except Thursday when lunch will be provided).

For Bookings: www.allstarsocceracademy.com.au

Please call Deb 0433820088 or email allstarsocceracademy@hotmail.com for more information.

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Paying by direct deposit Please contact Deb for details and booking confirmation.